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DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the proxy statement with respect to the IDEX Corporation 2018 annual meeting of stockholders (the "2018 Proxy Statement") are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Form 10-K.

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This report contains "forward-looking" statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended. These statements may relate to, among other things, capital expenditures, acquisitions, cost reductions, cash flow, revenues, earnings, market conditions, global economies and operating improvements, and are indicated by words or phrases such as "anticipates," "estimates," "plans," "expects," "forecasts," "should," "could," "will," "management believes," "the company believes," "the company intends," and similar words or phrases. These statements are subject to inherent uncertainties and risks that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated at the date of this report. The risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the following: economic and political consequences resulting from terrorist attacks and wars; levels of industrial activity and economic conditions in the U.S. and other countries around the world; pricing pressures, other competitive factors and levels of capital spending in certain industries, all of which could have a material impact on order rates and IDEX Corporation's results, particularly in light of the low levels of order backlogs it typically maintains; its ability to make acquisitions and to integrate and operate acquired businesses on a profitable basis; the relationship of the U.S. dollar to other currencies and its impact on pricing and cost competitiveness; political and economic conditions in foreign countries in which the company operates; interest rates; capacity utilization and the effect this has on costs; labor markets; market conditions and material costs; and developments with respect to contingencies, such as litigation and environmental matters. The forward-looking statements included here are only made as of the date of this report, and management undertakes no obligation to publicly update them to reflect subsequent events or circumstances, except as may be required by law. Investors are cautioned not to rely unduly on forwardlooking statements when evaluating the information presented here.

Item 1. Business.

IDEX Corporation ("IDEX," the "Company," "us," "our," or "we") is a Delaware corporation incorporated on September 24, 1987. The Company is an applied solutions business that sells an extensive array of pumps, valves, flow meters and other fluidics systems and components and engineered products to customers in a variety of markets around the world. All of the Company's business activities are carried out through wholly-owned subsidiaries.

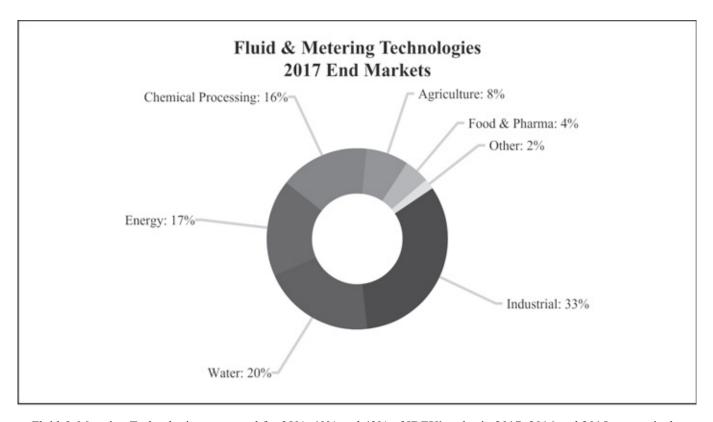
The Company has three reportable business segments: Fluid & Metering Technologies ("FMT"), Health & Science Technologies ("HST") and Fire & Safety/Diversified Products ("FSDP"). Within our three reportable segments, the Company maintains thirteen platforms, where we focus on organic growth and strategic acquisitions. Each of our thirteen platforms is also a reporting unit, where we annually test for goodwill impairment.

The Fluid & Metering Technologies segment contains the Energy platform (comprised of Corken, Liquid Controls, SAMPI, and Toptech), the Valves platform (comprised of Alfa Valvole, Richter, and Aegis), the Water platform (comprised of Pulsafeeder, OBL, Knight, ADS, Trebor, and iPEK), the Pumps platform (comprised of Viking and Warren Rupp), and the Agriculture platform (comprised of Banjo). The Health & Science Technologies segment contains the Scientific Fluidies & Optics platform (comprised of Eastern Plastics, Rheodyne, Sapphire Engineering, Upchurch Scientific, ERC, CiDRA Precision Services, thinXXS Microtechnology, CVI Melles Griot, Semrock, and AT Films), the Sealing Solutions platform (comprised of Precision Polymer Engineering, FTL Seals Technology, Novotema, and SFC Koenig), the Gast platform, the Micropump platform, and the Material Processing Technologies platform (comprised of Quadro, Fitzpatrick, Microfluidics, and Matcon). The Fire & Safety/Diversified Products segment is comprised of the Fire & Safety platform (comprised of Class 1, Hale, Godiva, Akron Brass, AWG Fittings, Dinglee, Hurst Jaws of Life, Lukas, and Vetter), the Band-It platform, and the Dispensing platform.

IDEX believes that each of its reporting units is a leader in its product and service areas. The Company also believes that its strong financial performance has been attributable to its ability to design and engineer specialized quality products, coupled with its ability to identify and successfully consummate and integrate strategic acquisitions.

FLUID & METERING TECHNOLOGIES SEGMENT

The Fluid & Metering Technologies segment designs, produces and distributes positive displacement pumps, valves, flow meters, injectors, and other fluid-handling pump modules and systems and provides flow monitoring and other services for the food, chemical, general industrial, water & wastewater, agriculture, and energy industries. Fluid & Metering Technologies application-specific pump and metering solutions serve a diverse range of end markets, including industrial infrastructure (fossil fuels, refined & alternative fuels, and water & wastewater), chemical processing, agriculture, food & beverage, pulp and paper, transportation, plastics and resins, electronics and electrical, construction & mining, pharmaceutical and bio-pharmaceutical, machinery, and numerous other specialty niche markets.



Fluid & Metering Technologies accounted for 38%, 40% and 43% of IDEX's sales in 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively, with approximately 42% of its 2017 sales to customers outside the U.S. The segment accounted for 42%, 44% and 43% of IDEX's operating income in 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Energy. Energy consists of the Company's Corken, Liquid Controls, SAMPI, and Toptech businesses. Energy is a leading supplier of flow meters, electronic registration and control products, rotary vane and turbine pumps, reciprocating piston compressors, and terminal automation control systems. Applications for Liquid Controls and SAMPI consist of positive displacement flow meters and electronic registration and control products, including mobile and stationary metering installations for wholesale and retail distribution of petroleum and liquefied petroleum gas, aviation refueling, and industrial metering and dispensing of liquids and gases. Corken products consist of positive-displacement rotary vane pumps, single and multistage regenerative turbine pumps, and small horsepower reciprocating piston compressors. Toptech supplies terminal automation hardware and software to control and manage inventories as well as transactional data and invoicing to customers in the oil, gas, and refined-fuels markets. Energy maintains facilities in Lake Bluff, Illinois (Liquid Controls products); Longwood, Florida and Zwijndrecht, Belgium (Toptech products); Oklahoma City, Oklahoma (Corken products); and Altopascio, Italy (SAMPI products). Approximately 45% of Energy's 2017 sales were to customers outside the U.S.

Valves. Valves consists of the Company's Alfa Valvole, Richter, and Aegis businesses. Valves is a leader in the design, manufacture and sale of specialty valve products for use in the chemical, petro-chemical, energy, and sanitary markets as well as a leading producer of fluoroplastic lined corrosion-resistant magnetic drive and mechanical seal pumps, shut-off, control and safety valves for corrosive, hazardous, contaminated, pure and high-purity fluids. Alfa Valvole's products are used in various industrial fields for fluid control, in both gas and liquid form, in all sectors of plant engineering, cosmetics, detergents, food industry, electric energy, pharmaceutical, chemical plants, petrochemical plants, oil, heating/air conditioning, and also on ships, ferries and marine oil platforms. Richter's products offer superior solutions for demanding and complex pump applications in the process industry. Aegis produces specialty chemical processing valves for use in the chemical, petro-chemical, chlor-alkali, and pulp & paper industries. Valves maintains operations in Casorezzo, Italy (Alfa Valvole products); Cedar Falls, Iowa, Kempen, Germany, and Suzhou, China (Richter products); and Geismar, Louisiana (Aegis products). Approximately 82% of Valves' 2017 sales were to customers outside the U.S.

Water. Water consists of the Company's ADS, iPEK, Knight, Trebor, Pulsafeeder, and OBL businesses. Water is a leading provider of metering technology, flow monitoring products and underground surveillance services for wastewater markets, alloy and non-metallic gear pumps, peristaltic pumps, transfer pumps as well as dispensing equipment for industrial laundries, commercial dishwashing, and chemical metering. ADS' products and services provide comprehensive integrated solutions that enable industry, municipalities, and government agencies to analyze and measure the capacity, quality, and integrity of wastewater collection systems, including the maintenance and construction of such systems. iPEK supplies remote controlled systems used for

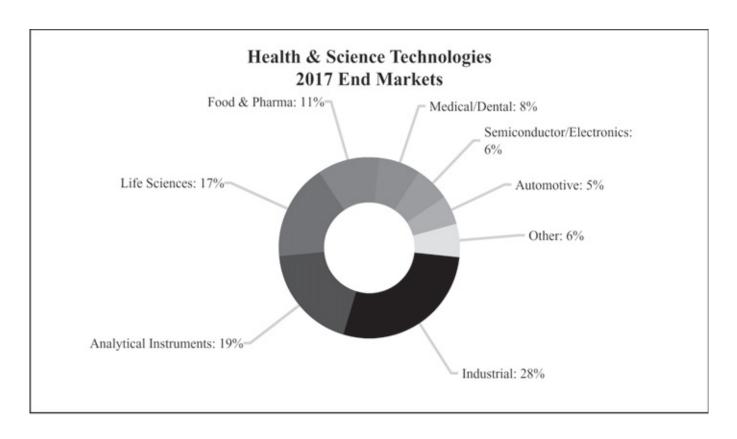
infrastructure inspection. Knight is a leading manufacturer of pumps and dispensing equipment for industrial laundries, commercial dishwashing, and chemical metering. Trebor is a leader in high-purity fluid handling products, including air-operated diaphragm pumps and deionized water-heating systems. Trebor products are used in the manufacturing of semiconductors, disk drives, and flat panel displays. Pulsafeeder products (which also include OBL products) are used to introduce precise amounts of fluids into processes to manage water quality and chemical composition as well as peristaltic pumps. Its markets include water & wastewater treatment, oil & gas, power generation, pulp & paper, chemical and hydrocarbon processing, and swimming pools. Water maintains operations in Huntsville, Alabama and various other locations in the United States and Australia (ADS products and services); Hirschegg, Austria and Sulzberg, Germany (iPEK products); Rochester, New York, Punta Gorda, Florida, and Milan, Italy (Pulsafeeder products); West Jordan, Utah (Trebor products); Irvine, California, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada, and Lewes, England (Knight products); and a maquiladora in Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico (Knight products). Approximately 37% of Water's 2017 sales were to customers outside the U.S.

Pumps. Pumps consists of the Company's Viking and Warren Rupp businesses. Pumps is a leading manufacturer of rotary internal gear, external gear, vane and rotary lobe pumps, custom-engineered OEM pumps, strainers, gear reducers, and engineered pump systems. Viking's products consist of external gear pumps, strainers and reducers, and related controls used for transferring and metering thin and viscous liquids sold under the Viking and Wright Flow brands. Viking products primarily serve the chemical, petroleum, pulp & paper, plastics, paints, inks, tanker trucks, compressor, construction, food & beverage, personal care, pharmaceutical, and biotech markets. Warren Rupp products (which include Versa-Matic products) are used for abrasive and semisolid materials as well as for applications where product degradation is a concern or where electricity is not available or should not be used. Warren Rupp products, which include air-operated double diaphragm pumps, primarily serve the chemical, paint, food processing, electronics, construction, utilities, oil & gas, mining, and industrial maintenance markets. Pumps maintains operations in Cedar Falls, Iowa (Viking and Wright Flow products); Eastbourne, England (Wright Flow products); Shannon, Ireland (Viking and Blagdon products); and Mansfield, Ohio (Warren Rupp products). Pumps primarily uses independent distributors to market and sell its products. Approximately 38% of Pumps' 2017 sales were to customers outside the U.S.

Agriculture. Agriculture consists of the Company's Banjo business. Banjo is a provider of special purpose, severe-duty pumps, valves, fittings, and systems used in liquid handling. Banjo is based in Crawfordsville, Indiana with distribution facilities in Didam, The Netherlands and Valinhos, Brazil. Its products are used in agriculture (approximately 70% of revenue) and industrial (approximately 30% of revenue) applications. Approximately 17% of Banjo's 2017 sales were to customers outside the U.S.

HEALTH & SCIENCE TECHNOLOGIES SEGMENT

The Health & Science Technologies segment designs, produces and distributes a wide range of precision fluidics, rotary lobe pumps, centrifugal and positive displacement pumps, roll compaction and drying systems used in beverage, food processing, pharmaceutical, and cosmetics, pneumatic components and sealing solutions, including very high precision, low-flow rate pumping solutions required in analytical instrumentation, clinical diagnostics, and drug discovery, high performance molded and extruded sealing components, biocompatible medical devices and implantables, air compressors used in medical, dental, and industrial applications, optical components and coatings for applications in the fields of scientific research, defense, biotechnology, aerospace, telecommunications, and electronics manufacturing, laboratory and commercial equipment used in the production of micro and nano scale materials, precision photonic solutions used in life sciences, research, and defense markets, and precision gear and peristaltic pump technologies that meet exacting original equipment manufacturer specifications.



Health & Science Technologies accounted for 36%, 35% and 36% of IDEX's sales in 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively, with approximately 55% of its 2017 sales to customers outside the U.S. The segment accounted for 32%, 31% and 33% of IDEX's operating income in 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Scientific Fluidics & Optics. Scientific Fluidics & Optics consists of the Company's Eastern Plastics, Rheodyne, Sapphire Engineering, Upchurch Scientific, ERC, CiDRA Precision Services, thinXXS Microtechnology ("thinXXS"), CVI Melles Griot, Semrock, and AT Films (including Precision Photonics products) businesses. Eastern Plastics products, which consist of highprecision integrated fluidics and associated engineered manifolds, are used in a broad set of end markets including medical diagnostics, analytical instrumentation, and laboratory automation. Rheodyne products consist of injectors, valves, fittings, and accessories for the analytical instrumentation market. These products are used by manufacturers of high pressure liquid chromatography ("HPLC") equipment servicing the pharmaceutical, biotech, life science, food & beverage, and chemical markets. Sapphire Engineering and Upchurch Scientific products consist of fluidic components and systems for the analytical, biotech, and diagnostic instrumentation markets, such as fittings, precision-dispensing pumps and valves, tubing and integrated tubing assemblies, filter sensors, and other micro-fluidic and nano-fluidic components as well as advanced column hardware and accessories for the high performance liquid chromatography market. The products produced by Sapphire Engineering and Upchurch Scientific primarily serve the pharmaceutical, drug discovery, chemical, biochemical processing, genomics/proteomics research, environmental labs, food/agriculture, medical lab, personal care, and plastics/polymer/rubber production markets. ERC manufactures gas liquid separations and detection solutions for the life science, analytical instrumentation, and clinical chemistry markets. ERC's products consist of in-line membrane vacuum degassing solutions, refractive index detectors, and ozone generation systems. CiDRA Precision Services' products consist of microfluidic components serving the life science, health, and industrial markets and thinXXS is a leader in the design, manufacture, and sale of microfluidic components serving the point of care, veterinary, and life science markets. CVI Melles Griot is a global leader in the design and manufacture of precision photonic solutions used in the life science, research, semiconductor, security, and defense markets. CVI Melles Griot's innovative products are focused on the generation, control, and productive use of light for a variety of key science and industrial applications. Products consist of specialty lasers and light sources, electro-optical components, specialty shutters, opto-mechanical assemblies, and components. In addition, CVI Melles Griot produces critical components for life science research, electronics manufacturing, military, and other industrial applications including lenses, mirrors, filters, and polarizers. These components are utilized in a number of important applications such as spectroscopy, cytometry (cell counting), guidance systems for target designation, remote sensing, menology, and optical lithography. Semrock is a provider of optical filters for biotech and analytical instrumentation in the life science market. Semrock's optical filters are produced using state-of-the-art manufacturing processes which enable it to offer its customers significant improvements in instrument performance and reliability. AT Films specializes in optical components and coatings for applications in the fields of scientific research, defense, aerospace, telecommunications, and electronics manufacturing. AT Films' core competence is the design and manufacture of filters, splitters, reflectors, and mirrors with the precise physical properties required to support their customers' most challenging and cutting-edge optical applications. The Precision Photonics portion of its business specializes in optical components and coatings for applications in the fields of scientific research, aerospace, telecommunications, and electronics manufacturing. Scientific Fluidics & Optics has facilities in Bristol, Connecticut (Eastern Plastics products); Rohnert Park, California (Rheodyne products); Middleboro, Massachusetts (Sapphire Engineering products); Oak Harbor, Washington (Upchurch Scientific products); Kawaguchi, Japan (ERC products); Wallingford, Connecticut (CiDRA Precision Services products); Zweibrücken, Germany (thinXXS products); Albuquerque, New Mexico, Carlsbad, California, Rochester, New York, Leicester, England, and Didam, The Netherlands (CVI Melles Griot products); Rochester, New York (Semrock products); and Boulder, Colorado (AT Films products). Approximately 50% of Scientific Fluidics & Optics' 2017 sales were to customers outside the U.S.

Sealing Solutions. Sealing Solutions consists of the Company's Precision Polymer Engineering, FTL Seals Technology, Novotema, and SFC Koenig businesses. Precision Polymer Engineering is a provider of proprietary high performance seals and advanced sealing solutions for a diverse range of global industries and applications, including hazardous duty, analytical instrumentation, semiconductor, process technologies, oil & gas, pharmaceutical, electronics, and food applications. Precision Polymer Engineering is headquartered in Blackburn, England with an additional manufacturing facility in Brenham, Texas. FTL Seals Technology, located in Leeds, England, specializes in the design and application of high integrity rotary seals, specialty bearings, and other custom products for the mining, power generation, and marine markets. Novotema, located in Villongo, Italy, is a leader in the design, manufacture, and sale of specialty sealing solutions for use in the building products, gas control, transportation, industrial, and water markets. SFC Koenig is a producer of highly engineered expanders and check valves for critical applications across the transportation, hydraulic, aviation, and medical markets. SFC Koenig is based in Dietikon, Switzerland, with additional facilities in North Haven, Connecticut, Illerrieden, Germany, and Suzhou, China. Approximately 75% of Sealing Solutions' 2017 sales were to customers outside the U.S.

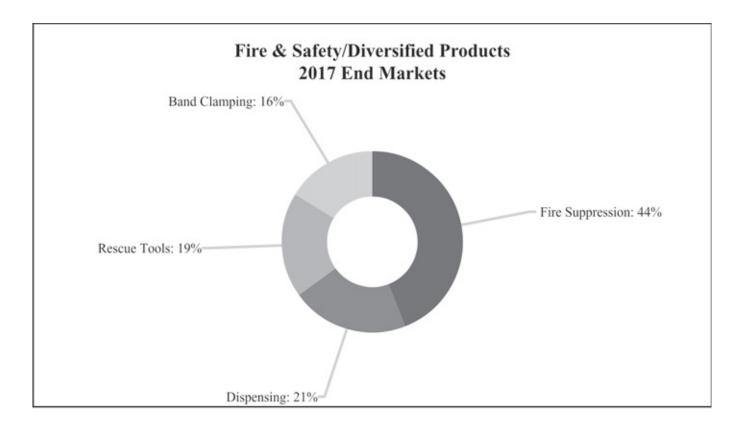
Gast. The Gast business is a leading manufacturer of air-moving products, including air motors, low-range and medium-range vacuum pumps, vacuum generators, regenerative blowers and fractional horsepower compressors. Gast products are used in a variety of long-life applications requiring a quiet, clean source of moderate vacuum or pressure. Gast products primarily serve the medical equipment, environmental equipment, computers and electronics, printing machinery, paint mixing machinery, packaging machinery, graphic arts, and industrial manufacturing markets. Based in Benton Harbor, Michigan, Gast also has a logistics and commercial center in Redditch, England. Approximately 27% of Gast's 2017 sales were to customers outside the U.S.

Micropump. Micropump, headquartered in Vancouver, Washington, is a leader in small, precision-engineered, magnetically and electromagnetically driven rotary gear, piston and centrifugal pumps. Micropump products are used in low-flow abrasive and corrosive applications. Micropump products primarily serve the continuous ink-jet printing, medical equipment, chemical processing, pharmaceutical, refining, laboratory, electronics, textiles, peristaltic metering pumps, analytical process controllers, and sample preparation systems markets. Approximately 74% of Micropump's 2017 sales were to customers outside the U.S.

Material Processing Technologies. Material Processing Technologies consists of the Company's Quadro, Fitzpatrick, Microfluidics, and Matcon businesses. Quadro is a leading provider of particle control solutions for the pharmaceutical and biopharmaceutical markets. Based in Waterloo, Canada, Quadro's core capabilities include fine milling, emulsification, and special handling of liquid and solid particulates for laboratory, pilot phase, and production scale processing. Fitzpatrick is a global leader in the design and manufacture of process technologies for the pharmaceutical, food, and personal care markets. Fitzpatrick designs and manufactures customized size reduction, roll compaction and drying systems to support their customers' product development and manufacturing processes. Fitzpatrick is headquartered in Waterloo, Canada. Microfluidics is a global leader in the design and manufacture of laboratory and commercial equipment used in the production of micro and nano scale materials for the pharmaceutical and chemical markets. Microfluidics is the exclusive producer of the Microfluidizer family of high shear fluid processors for uniform particle size reduction, robust cell disruption and nanoparticle creation. Microfluidics is also based in Waterloo, Canada and has offices in Newton, Massachusetts. Matcon is a global leader in material processing solutions for high value powders used in the manufacture of pharmaceuticals, food, plastics, and fine chemicals. Matcon's innovative products consist of the original cone valve powder discharge system and filling, mixing, and packaging systems, all of which support its customers' automation and process requirements. These products are critical to its customers' need to maintain clean, reliable, and repeatable formulations of prepackaged foods and pharmaceuticals while helping them achieve lean and agile manufacturing. Matcon is located in Evesham, England. Approximately 65% of Material Processing Technologies' 2017 sales were to customers outside the U.S.

FIRE & SAFETY/DIVERSIFIED PRODUCTS SEGMENT

The Fire & Safety/Diversified Products segment produces firefighting pumps and controls, apparatus valves, monitors, nozzles, rescue tools, lifting bags, and other components and systems for the fire and rescue industry, engineered stainless steel banding and clamping devices used in a variety of industrial and commercial applications, and precision equipment for dispensing, metering, and mixing colorants and paints used in a variety of retail and commercial businesses around the world.



The Fire & Safety/Diversified Products segment accounted for 26%, 25% and 21% of IDEX's sales in 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively, with approximately 52% of its 2017 sales to customers outside the U.S. The segment accounted for 26%, 25% and 24% of IDEX's operating income in 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Fire & Safety. Fire & Safety consists of the Company's Class 1, Hale, Godiva, Akron Brass, AWG Fittings, Dinglee, Hurst Jaws of Life, Lukas, and Vetter businesses, which produce truck-mounted and portable fire pumps, stainless steel valves, monitors, apparatus valves, nozzles, foam and compressed air foam systems, pump modules and pump kits, electronic controls and information systems, conventional and networked electrical systems, mechanical components for the fire, rescue and specialty vehicle markets, hydraulic, battery, gas and electric-operated rescue equipment, hydraulic re-railing equipment, hydraulic tools for industrial applications, recycling cutters, pneumatic lifting and sealing bags for vehicle and aircraft rescue, environmental protection and disaster control, and shoring equipment for vehicular or structural collapse. Fire & Safety's customers are OEMs as well as public and private fire and rescue organizations. Fire & Safety maintains facilities in Ocala, Florida (Class 1 and Hale products); Warwick, England (Godiva products); Wooster and Columbus, Ohio (Akron Brass and Weldon products); Ballendorf, Germany (AWG Fittings products); Shelby, North Carolina (Hurst Jaws of Life products); Tianjin, China (Dinglee products); Erlangen, Germany (Lukas products); and Zulpich, Germany (Vetter products). Approximately 50% of Fire & Safety's 2017 sales were to customers outside the U.S.

Band-It. Band-It is a leading producer of high-quality stainless steel banding, buckles, and clamping systems. The BAND-IT brand is highly recognized worldwide. Band-It products are used for securing exhaust system heat and sound shields, industrial hose fittings, traffic signs and signals, electrical cable shielding, identification and bundling, and in numerous other industrial and commercial applications. Band-It products primarily serve the automotive, transportation equipment, oil & gas, general industrial maintenance, electronics, electrical, communications, aerospace, utility, municipal, and subsea marine markets. Band-It is based in Denver, Colorado, with additional operations in Staveley, England. Approximately 43% of Band-It's 2017 sales were to customers outside the U.S.

Dispensing. Dispensing produces precision equipment for dispensing, metering, and mixing colorants and paints used in a variety of retail and commercial businesses around the world. Dispensing is a global supplier of precision-designed tinting, mixing, dispensing, and measuring equipment for auto refinishing and architectural paints. Dispensing products are used in retail and commercial stores, hardware stores, home centers, department stores, automotive body shops as well as point-of-purchase dispensers. Dispensing maintains facilities in Sassenheim, The Netherlands, Wheeling, Illinois, Unanderra, Australia, and Milan, Italy, as well as IDEX shared manufacturing facilities in India and China. Approximately 67% of Dispensing's 2017 sales were to customers outside the U.S.

INFORMATION APPLICABLE TO THE COMPANY'S BUSINESS IN GENERAL AND ITS SEGMENTS

Competitors

The Company's businesses participate in highly competitive markets. IDEX believes that the principal points of competition are product quality, price, design and engineering capabilities, product development, conformity to customer specifications, quality of post-sale support, timeliness of delivery, and effectiveness of our distribution channels.

Principal competitors of the Fluid & Metering Technologies segment are the Pumps Group (Maag, Blackmer and Wilden products) of Dover Corporation (with respect to pumps and small horsepower compressors used in liquified petroleum gas distribution facilities, rotary gear pumps, and air-operated double-diaphragm pumps); Milton Roy LLC (with respect to metering pumps and controls); and Tuthill Corporation (with respect to rotary gear pumps).

Principal competitors of the Health & Science Technologies segment are the Thomas division of Gardner Denver, Inc. (with respect to vacuum pumps and compressors); Thermo Scientific Dionex products (with respect to analytical instrumentation); Parker Hannifin (with respect to sealing devices); Valco Instruments Co., Inc. (with respect to fluid injectors and valves); and Gooch & Housego PLC (with respect to electro-optic and precision photonics solutions used in the life sciences market).

The principal competitors of the Fire & Safety/Diversified Products segment are Waterous Company, a unit of American Cast Iron Pipe Company (with respect to truck-mounted firefighting pumps); Holmatro, Inc. (with respect to rescue tools); Corob S.p.A. (with respect to dispensing and mixing equipment for the paint industry); and Panduit Corporation (with respect to stainless steel bands, buckles and clamping systems).

Customers

The principal customers for our products are discussed immediately above by product category in each segment. None of our customers in 2017 accounted for more than two percent of net sales.

Employees

At December 31, 2017, the Company had 7,167 employees. Approximately 8% of employees were represented by labor unions, with various contracts expiring through November 2020. Management believes that the Company has a positive relationship with its employees. The Company historically has been able to renegotiate its collective bargaining agreements satisfactorily, with its last work stoppage occurring in March 1993.

Suppliers

The Company manufactures many of the parts and components used in its products. Substantially all materials, parts and components purchased by the Company are available from multiple sources.

Inventory and Backlog

The Company regularly and systematically adjusts production schedules and quantities based on the flow of incoming orders. Backlogs typically are limited to one to one and a half months of production. While total inventory levels also may be affected by changes in orders, the Company generally tries to maintain relatively stable inventory levels based on its assessment of the requirements of the various industries served.

Raw Materials

The Company uses a wide variety of raw materials which are generally available from a number of sources. As a result, shortages from any single supplier have not had, and are not likely to have a material impact on operations.

Shared Services

The Company has production facilities in Suzhou, China and Vadodara, India that support multiple business units. IDEX also has personnel in China, India, Dubai, Mexico, Latin America and Singapore that provide sales and marketing, product design and engineering, and sourcing support to its business units, as well as personnel in various locations in South America, the Middle East, Korea and Japan to support sales and marketing efforts of IDEX businesses in those regions.

Segment Information

For segment financial information for the years 2017, 2016 and 2015, including financial information about foreign and domestic sales and operations, see "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and Note 11 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data."

Executive Officers of the Registrant

Set forth below are the names of the executive officers of the Company, their ages, years of service, the positions held by them, and their business experience during the past five years.

Name	Age	Years of Service	Position
Andrew K. Silvernail	47	9	Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer
William K. Grogan	39	6	Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Eric D. Ashleman	50	9	Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer
Denise R. Cade	55	2	Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary
Daniel J. Salliotte	51	13	Senior Vice President-Corporate Strategy, Mergers & Acquisitions and Treasury
Michael J. Yates	52	12	Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer
Jeffrey D. Bucklew	47	6	Senior Vice President-Chief Human Resources Officer
James MacLennan	54	6	Senior Vice President-Chief Information Officer

Mr. Silvernail has served as Chief Executive Officer since August 2011 and as Chairman of the Board since January 2012. Prior to that, Mr. Silvernail was Vice President-Group Executive Health & Science Technologies, Global Dispensing and Fire & Safety/Diversified Products from January 2011 to August 2011. From February 2010 to December 2010, Mr. Silvernail was Vice President-Group Executive Health & Sciences Technologies and Global Dispensing. Mr. Silvernail joined IDEX in January 2009 as Vice President-Group Executive Health & Science Technologies.

Mr. Grogan has served as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer since January 2017. Prior to that, Mr. Grogan served as Vice President of Finance, Operations from July 2015 through January 2017. From January 2012 through July 2015, Mr. Grogan was Vice President-Finance for the Company's Health & Science Technologies and Fire & Safety/Diversified Products segments.

Mr. Ashleman has served as Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer since July 2015. Prior to that, Mr. Ashleman served as the Vice President-Group Executive of the Company's Health & Science Technologies and Fire & Safety/Diversified Products segments from January 2014 through July 2015 and President-Group Executive of the Company's Fire & Safety/Diversified Products segment from 2011 through January 2014. Mr. Ashleman joined IDEX in 2008 as the President of Gast Manufacturing.

Ms. Cade has served as Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary since joining IDEX in October 2015. Prior to joining IDEX, Ms. Cade was Senior Vice President, General Counsel, Corporate Secretary and Chief Compliance Officer for SunCoke Energy, Inc. from March 2011 to October 2015 and held various roles at PPG Industries before joining SunCoke.

Mr. Salliotte has served as Senior Vice President-Corporate Strategy, Mergers & Acquisitions and Treasury since February 2011. Mr. Salliotte joined IDEX in October 2004 as Vice President-Strategy and Business Development.

Mr. Yates has served as Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer since February 2010, and served as interim Chief Financial Officer from September 2016 to December 2016. Mr. Yates joined IDEX as Vice President-Controller in October 2005.

Mr. Bucklew has served as the Senior Vice President-Chief Human Resources Officer since joining IDEX in March 2012. Prior to joining IDEX, Mr. Bucklew served as the Vice President of Human Resources for Accretive Health from March 2009 to March 2012.

Mr. MacLennan has served as the Senior Vice President-Chief Information Officer since joining IDEX in March 2012. Prior to joining IDEX, Mr. MacLennan had a dual role as CIO for Pactiv LLC and Vice President of IT for Reynolds Services Inc.

The Company's executive officers are elected at a meeting of the Board of Directors immediately following the annual meeting of stockholders, and they serve until the meeting of the Board immediately following the next annual meeting of stockholders, or until their successors are duly elected and qualified or until their death, resignation or removal.

Public Filings

Copies of the Company's annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and amendments to those reports are made available free of charge at www.idexcorp.com as soon as reasonably practicable after being filed electronically with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). Our reports are also available free of charge on the SEC's website, www.sec.gov. Information on the Company's website is not incorporated into this Form 10-K.

Item 1A. Risk Factors.

For an enterprise as diverse and complex as the Company, a wide range of factors present risks to the Company and could materially affect future developments and performance. In addition to the factors affecting specific business operations identified in connection with the description of our operations and the financial results of our operations elsewhere in this report, the most significant of these factors are as follows:

Changes in U.S. or International Economic Conditions Could Adversely Affect the Sales and Profitability of Our Businesses.

In 2017, 51% of the Company's sales were derived from domestic operations while 49% were derived from international operations. The Company's largest end markets include life sciences and medical technologies, fire and rescue, oil & gas, paint and coatings, chemical processing, agriculture, water & wastewater treatment and optical filters and components. A slowdown in the U.S. or global economy and, in particular, any of these specific end markets could reduce the Company's sales and profitability.

Change to Political and Economic Conditions in the U.S. and Foreign Countries in Which We Operate Could Adversely Affect Our Business.

In 2017, approximately 49% of our total sales were to customers outside the U.S. We expect our international operations and export sales to continue to be significant for the foreseeable future. Our sales from international operations and our sales from export are both subject in varying degrees to risks inherent in doing business outside the U.S. These risks include the following:

- possibility of unfavorable circumstances arising from host country laws or regulations;
- risks of economic instability;
- currency exchange rate fluctuations and restrictions on currency repatriation;
- potential negative consequences from changes to taxation policies;
- disruption of operations from labor and political disturbances;
- withdrawal from or renegotiation of international trade agreements and other restrictions on the trade between the United States and other countries;
- changes in tariff and trade barriers and import or export licensing requirements; and
- political instability, terrorism, insurrection or war.

Any of these events could have an adverse impact on our business and operations.

Our Inability to Continue to Develop New Products Could Limit Our Sales Growth.

Our ability to continue to grow organically is tied in large part to our ability to continue to develop new products.

Our Growth Strategy Includes Acquisitions and We May Not be Able to Make Acquisitions of Suitable Candidates or Integrate Acquisitions Successfully.

Our historical growth has included, and our future growth is likely to continue to include, acquisitions. We intend to continue to seek acquisition opportunities both to expand into new markets and to enhance our position in existing markets throughout the world. We may not be able to successfully identify suitable candidates, negotiate appropriate acquisition terms, obtain financing needed to consummate those acquisitions, complete proposed acquisitions or successfully integrate acquired businesses into our existing operations. In addition, any acquisition, once successfully integrated, may not perform as planned, be accretive to earnings, or otherwise prove beneficial to us.

Acquisitions involve numerous risks, including the assumption of undisclosed or unindemnified liabilities, difficulties in the assimilation of the operations, technologies, services and products of the acquired companies and the diversion of management's attention from other business concerns. In addition, prior acquisitions have resulted in, and future acquisitions could result in, the incurrence of substantial additional indebtedness and other expenses.

The Markets We Serve are Highly Competitive and this Competition Could Reduce our Sales and Operating Margins.

Most of our products are sold in competitive markets. Maintaining and improving our competitive position will require continued investment by us in manufacturing, engineering, quality standards, marketing, customer service and support, and our distribution networks. We may not be successful in maintaining our competitive position. Our competitors may develop products that are superior to our products, or may develop methods of more efficiently and effectively providing products and services or may adapt more quickly than us to new technologies or evolving customer requirements. Pricing pressures may require us to adjust the prices of our products to stay competitive. We may not be able to compete successfully with our existing competitors or with

new competitors. Failure to continue competing successfully could reduce our sales, operating margins and overall financial performance.

We are Dependent on the Availability of Raw Materials, Parts and Components Used in Our Products.

While we manufacture certain parts and components used in our products, we require substantial amounts of raw materials and purchase some parts and components from suppliers. The availability and prices for raw materials, parts and components may be subject to curtailment or change due to, among other things, suppliers' allocations to other purchasers, interruptions in production by suppliers, changes in exchange rates and prevailing price levels. Any change in the supply of, or price for, these raw materials or parts and components could materially affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flow.

Significant Movements in Foreign Currency Exchange Rates May Harm Our Financial Results.

We are exposed to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates, particularly with respect to the Euro, Swiss Franc, Canadian Dollar, British Pound, Indian Rupee and Chinese Renminbi. Any significant change in the value of the currencies of the countries in which we do business against the U.S. Dollar could affect our ability to sell products competitively and control our cost structure, which could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations. For additional detail related to this risk, see Part II, Item 7A, "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure About Market Risk."

Fluctuations in Interest Rates Could Adversely Affect Our Results of Operations and Financial Position.

Our profitability may be adversely affected during any periods of unexpected or rapid increases in interest rates. We maintain a revolving credit facility, which bears interest at either an alternate base rate or an adjusted LIBOR rate plus, in each case, an applicable margin based on the Company's senior, unsecured, long-term debt rating. A significant increase in LIBOR would significantly increase our cost of borrowings. For additional detail related to this risk, see Part II, Item 7A, "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure About Market Risk."

An Unfavorable Outcome of Any of Our Pending Contingencies or Litigation Could Adversely Affect Us.

We are currently involved in pending and threatened legal and regulatory proceedings, including asbestos-related litigation and various legal, regulatory and other proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business. These proceedings may pertain to matters such as product liability or contract disputes, and may also involve governmental inquiries, inspections, audits or investigations relating to issues such as tax matters, intellectual property, environmental, health and safety issues, governmental regulations, employment and other matters. Where it is reasonably possible to do so, we accrue estimates of the probable costs for the resolution of these matters. These estimates are developed in consultation with outside counsel and are based upon an analysis of potential results and the availability of insurance coverage, assuming a combination of litigation and settlement strategies. It is possible, however, that future operating results for any particular quarter or annual period could be materially affected by changes in our assumptions, the continued availability of insurance coverage or the effectiveness of our strategies related to these proceedings. For additional detail related to this risk, see Item 3, "Legal Proceedings."

Our Intangible Assets, Including Goodwill, are a Significant Portion of Our Total Assets and a Write-off of Our Intangible Assets or Goodwill Would Adversely Impact Our Operating Results and Significantly Reduce Our Net Worth.

Our total assets reflect substantial intangible assets, primarily goodwill and identifiable intangible assets. At December 31, 2017, goodwill and intangible assets totaled \$1,704.2 million and \$414.7 million, respectively. These assets result from our acquisitions, representing the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of the tangible net assets we have acquired. Annually, or when certain events occur that require a more current valuation, we assess whether there has been an impairment in the value of our goodwill and identifiable intangible assets. If future operating performance at one or more of our reporting units were to fall significantly below forecasted levels, we could be required to reflect, under current applicable accounting rules, a non-cash charge to operating income for an impairment. Any determination requiring the write-off of a significant portion of our goodwill or identifiable intangible assets would adversely impact our results of operations and net worth. See Note 4 in Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" for further discussion on goodwill and intangible assets.

A Significant or Sustained Decline in Commodity Prices, Including Oil, Could Negatively Impact the Levels of Expenditures by Certain of Our Customers.

Demand for our products depends, in part, on the level of new and planned expenditures by certain of our customers. The level of expenditures by our customers is dependent on, among other factors, general economic conditions, availability of credit, economic conditions within their respective industries and expectations of future market behavior. Volatility in commodity prices, including oil, can negatively affect the level of these activities and can result in postponement of capital spending decisions or the delay or cancellation of existing orders. The ability of our customers to finance capital investment and maintenance may also be

affected by the conditions in their industries. Reduced demand for our products could result in the delay or cancellation of existing orders or lead to excess manufacturing capacity, which unfavorably impacts our absorption of fixed manufacturing costs. This reduced demand could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our Success Depends on Our Executive Management and Other Key Personnel.

Our future success depends to a significant degree on the skills, experience and efforts of our executive management and other key personnel and their ability to provide the Company with uninterrupted leadership and direction. The loss of the services of any of our executive officers or a failure to provide adequate succession plans for key personnel could have an adverse impact. The availability of highly qualified talent is limited, and the competition for talent is robust. However, we provide long-term equity incentives and certain other benefits for our executive officers which provide incentives for them to make a long-term commitment to our Company. Our future success will also depend on our ability to have adequate succession plans in place and to attract, retain and develop qualified personnel. A failure to efficiently replace executive management members and other key personnel and to attract, retain and develop new qualified personnel could have an adverse effect on our operations and implementation of our strategic plan.

Our Business Operations May Be Adversely Affected by Information Systems Interruptions or Intrusion.

We depend on various information technologies throughout our Company to administer, store and support multiple business activities. If these systems are damaged, cease to function properly, or are subject to cyber-security attacks, such as those involving unauthorized access, malicious software and/or other intrusions, we could experience production downtimes, operational delays, other detrimental impacts on our operations or ability to provide products and services to our customers, the compromising of confidential or otherwise protected information, destruction or corruption of data, security breaches, other manipulation or improper use of our systems or networks, financial losses from remedial actions, loss of business or potential liability, and/or damage to our reputation. While we attempt to mitigate these risks by employing a number of measures, including employee training, technical security controls, and maintenance of backup and protective systems, our systems, networks, products and services remain potentially vulnerable to known or unknown threats, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

Failure To Comply with the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, the U.K. Bribery Act or Other Applicable Anti-bribery Laws Could Have an Adverse Effect on Our Business.

The U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, the U.K. Bribery Act and similar anti-bribery laws in other jurisdictions generally prohibit companies and their intermediaries from making improper payments for the purpose of obtaining or retaining business. Recent years have seen a substantial increase in anti-bribery law enforcement activity with more frequent and aggressive investigations and enforcement proceedings by both the Department of Justice and the SEC, increased enforcement activity by non-U.S. regulators and increases in criminal and civil proceedings brought against companies and individuals. Our policies mandate compliance with all anti-bribery laws. However, we operate in certain countries that are recognized as having governmental and commercial corruption. Our internal control policies and procedures may not always protect us from reckless or criminal acts committed by our employees or third-party intermediaries. Violations of these anti-bribery laws may result in criminal or civil sanctions, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Changes in Applicable Tax Regulations and Resolutions of Tax Disputes Could Negatively Affect Our Financial Results.

The Company is subject to taxation in the U.S. and numerous foreign jurisdictions. On December 22, 2017, the U.S. government enacted comprehensive tax legislation commonly referred to as the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Tax Act"). The changes included in the Tax Act are broad and complex. While the Company is able to make reasonable estimates of the impact of the reduction in the corporate rate and the deemed repatriation transition tax, the final impact of the Tax Act may differ from these estimates, due to, among other things, changes in the Company's interpretations and assumptions, additional guidance that may be issued by either the Internal Revenue Service or the U.S. Department of Treasury, and actions the Company may take.

Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments.

None.

Item 2. *Properties*.

The Company's principal plants and offices have an aggregate floor space area of approximately 4.4 million square feet, of which 2.8 million square feet (63%) is located in the U.S. and approximately 1.6 million square feet (37%) is located outside the U.S., primarily in Germany (9%), U.K. (7%), Italy (7%), India (3%), China (2%), Canada (2%), Switzerland (2%) and The

Netherlands (2%). Management considers these facilities suitable and adequate for the Company's operations. Management believes the Company can meet demand increases over the near term with its existing facilities, especially given its operational improvement initiatives that usually increase capacity. The Company's executive office occupies 36,588 square feet of leased space in Lake Forest, Illinois and 16,268 square feet of leased space in Chicago, Illinois.

Approximately 3.0 million square feet (68%) of the principal plant and office floor area is owned by the Company and the balance is held under lease. Approximately 1.7 million square feet (39%) of the principal plant and office floor area is held by business units in the Fluid & Metering Technologies segment; 1.3 million square feet (30%) is held by business units in the Health & Science Technologies segment; and 1.2 million square feet (26%) is held by business units in the Fire & Safety/Diversified Products segment. The remaining 0.2 million square feet (5%) include the executive office as well as shared services locations.

Item 3. Legal Proceedings.

The Company and its subsidiaries are party to legal proceedings as described in Note 8 in Part II, Item 8, "Commitments and Contingencies," and such disclosure is incorporated by reference into this Item 3, "Legal Proceedings." In addition, the Company and six of its subsidiaries are presently named as defendants in a number of lawsuits claiming various asbestos-related personal injuries, allegedly as a result of exposure to products manufactured with components that contained asbestos. These components were acquired from third party suppliers, and were not manufactured by the Company or any of the defendant subsidiaries. To date, the majority of the Company's settlements and legal costs, except for costs of coordination, administration, insurance investigation and a portion of defense costs, have been covered in full by insurance, subject to applicable deductibles. However, the Company cannot predict whether and to what extent insurance will be available to continue to cover these settlements and legal costs, or how insurers may respond to claims that are tendered to them. Claims have been filed in jurisdictions throughout the United States and the United Kingdom. Most of the claims resolved to date have been dismissed without payment. The balance of the claims have been settled for various insignificant amounts. Only one case has been tried, resulting in a verdict for the Company's business unit. No provision has been made in the financial statements of the Company, other than for insurance deductibles in the ordinary course, and the Company does not currently believe the asbestos-related claims will have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Item 4. *Mine Safety Disclosures.*

Not applicable.

Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities.

The Company's common stock trades on the New York Stock Exchange. As of February 14, 2018, there were approximately 4,715 stockholders of record of our common stock and there were 76,535,263 shares outstanding.

The high and low sales prices of the common stock per share and the dividends paid per share during the last two years are as follows:

		2017				2016		
	High	Low	I	Dividends	High	Low	D	ividends
First Quarter	\$ 96.24	\$ 88.29	\$	0.34	\$ 84.05	\$ 67.20	\$	0.32
Second Quarter	114.94	91.60		0.37	87.18	77.93		0.34
Third Quarter	124.54	110.25		0.37	95.33	79.91		0.34
Fourth Quarter	135.70	120.93		0.37	95.76	82.05		0.34

Our payment of dividends in the future will be determined by our Board of Directors and will depend on business conditions, our earnings and other factors.

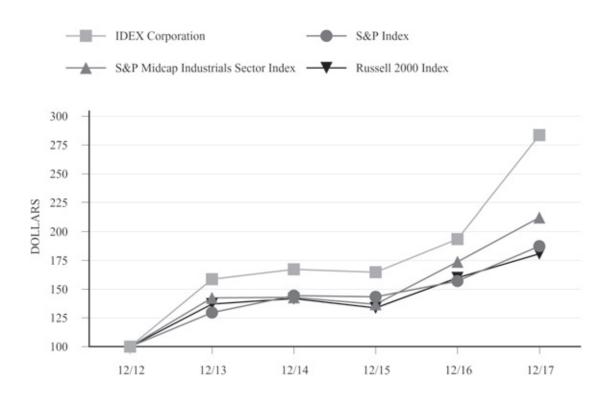
For information pertaining to securities authorized for issuance under equity compensation plans and the related weighted average exercise price, see Part III, Item 12, "Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters."

The Company's purchases of common stock during the quarter ended December 31, 2017 are as follows:

Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	be l	lue that May Yet Purchased Under the Plans or Programs (1)
44,000	\$	550,936,062
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_		550,936,062
44,000	\$	550,936,062
F	Part of Publicly nnounced Plans or Programs 44,000	Part of Publicly nnounced Plans or Programs 44,000 \$

(1) On December 1, 2015, the Company's Board of Directors approved an increase of \$300.0 million in the authorized level of repurchases of common stock. This followed the prior Board of Directors approved repurchase authorization of \$400.0 million that was announced by the Company on November 6, 2014. These authorizations have no expiration date.

Performance Graph. The following table compares total stockholder returns over the last five years to the Standard & Poor's (the "S&P") 500 Index, the S&P Midcap Industrials Sector Index and the Russell 2000 Index assuming the value of the investment in our common stock and each index was \$100 on December 31, 2012. Total return values for our common stock, the S&P 500 Index, S&P Midcap Industrials Sector Index and the Russell 2000 Index were calculated on cumulative total return values assuming reinvestment of dividends. The stockholder return shown on the graph below is not necessarily indicative of future performance.



	12/12	12/13	12/14	12/15	12/16	12/17
IDEX Corporation	\$ 100.00	\$ 158.71	\$ 167.29	\$ 164.65	\$ 193.55	\$ 283.62
S&P 500 Index	\$ 100.00	\$ 129.60	\$ 144.36	\$ 143.31	\$ 156.98	\$ 187.47
S&P Midcap 400 Industrials Sector Index	\$ 100.00	\$ 142.45	\$ 142.88	\$ 136.77	\$ 173.79	\$ 212.37
Russell 2000 Index	\$ 100.00	\$ 137.00	\$ 141.84	\$ 133.74	\$ 159.78	\$ 180.79

Item 6. Selected Financial Data. (1)

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)		2017		2016		2015		2014		2013
RESULTS OF OPERATIONS										
Net sales	\$	2,287,312	\$	2,113,043	\$	2,020,668	\$	2,147,767	\$	2,024,130
Gross profit		1,026,678		930,767		904,315		949,315		873,364
Selling, general and administrative expenses		524,940		492,398		474,156		500,719		468,806
Loss (gain) on sale of businesses - net		(9,273)		22,298		(18,070)		_		_
Restructuring expenses		8,455		3,674		11,239		13,672		_
Operating income		502,556		412,397		436,990		434,924		404,558
Other (income) expense - net		2,394		(1,731)		3,009		589		9,223
Interest expense		44,889		45,616		41,636		41,895		42,206
Provision for income taxes		118,016		97,403		109,538		113,054		97,914
Net income		337,257		271,109		282,807		279,386		255,215
Earnings per share: (2)										
— basic	\$	4.41	\$	3.57	\$	3.65	\$	3.48	\$	3.11
— diluted	\$	4.36	\$	3.53	\$	3.62	\$	3.45	\$	3.09
Weighted average shares outstanding:										
— basic		76,232		75,803		77,126		79,715		81,517
— diluted		77,333		76,758		77,972		80,728		82,489
Year-end shares outstanding		76,694		76,441		76,535		78,766		81,196
Cash dividends per share	\$	1.48	\$	1.36	\$	1.28	\$	1.12	\$	0.89
FINANCIAL POSITION	Ψ	1.10	Ψ	1.50	Ψ	1.20	Ψ	1.12	Ψ	0.07
Current assets	\$	1,004,043	\$	822,721	\$	862,684	\$	1,075,791	\$	990,953
Current liabilities	Ψ	360,975	Ψ	309,158	Ψ	309,597	Ψ	411,968	Ψ	304,609
Current ratio		2.8		2.7		2.8		2.6		3.3
Operating working capital (3)		406,823		396,739		370,213		366,209		350,881
Total assets ⁽⁴⁾	\$	3,399,628	\$	3,154,944	\$	2,805,443	\$	2,903,463	\$	2,881,118
Total borrowings (4)	Ψ	859,046	Ψ	1,015,281	Ψ	840,794	Ψ	859,345	Ψ	767,417
Shareholders' equity		1,886,542		1,543,894		1,443,291		1,486,451		1,572,989
PERFORMANCE MEASURES AND OTHER DATA		1,000,542		1,545,694		1,445,291		1,400,431		1,372,969
Percent of net sales:										
		44.9%		44.0%		44.8%		44.2%		43.1%
Gross profit Selling, general and administrative expenses		23.0%		23.3%		23.5%		23.3%		23.2%
2,2		23.0%		19.5%		23.5%		20.3%		20.0%
Operating income								18.3%		
Income before income taxes		19.9%		17.4%		19.4%				17.4%
Net income	•	14.7%	¢.	12.8%	Φ.	14.0%	e	13.0%	0	12.6%
Capital expenditures	\$	43,858	\$	38,242	\$	43,776	\$	47,997	\$	31,536
Depreciation and amortization		84,216		86,892		78,120		76,907		79,334
Return on average assets (5)		10.3%		9.1%		9.9%		9.7%		9.0%
Borrowings as a percent of capitalization (5)		31.3%		39.7%		36.8%		36.6%		32.8%
Return on average shareholders' equity (5)		19.7%		18.2%		19.3%		18.3%		16.8%
Employees at year end		7,167		7,158		6,801		6,712		6,787
NON-GAAP MEASURES (6)										
EBITDA	\$	584,378	\$	501,020	\$	512,101	\$	511,242	\$	474,669
EBITDA margin		25.5%		23.7%		25.3%		23.8%		23.5%
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	583,560	\$	530,546	\$	505,270	\$	524,914	\$	474,669
Adjusted EBITDA margin		25.5%		25.1%		25.0%		24.4%		23.5%
Adjusted operating income	\$	501,738	\$	438,369	\$	430,159	\$	448,596	\$	404,558
Adjusted operating margin		21.9%		20.7%		21.3%		20.9%		20.0%
Adjusted net income	\$	333,667	\$	288,373	\$	277,229	\$	288,823	\$	255,215
Adjusted earnings per share	\$	4.31	\$	3.75	\$	3.55	\$	3.57	\$	3.09

- (1) For additional detail, see Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data."
- (2) Calculated by applying the two-class method of allocating earnings to common stock and participating securities as required by Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 260, *Earnings Per Share*.
- (3) Operating working capital is defined as inventory plus accounts receivable minus accounts payable.
- (4) In the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2015, the Company adopted Accounting Standards Update 2015-03 regarding simplifying the presentation of debt issuance costs. The update was applied retrospectively to all periods presented in accordance with the provisions of the update. Refer to Note 1 for additional information related to ASU 2015-03 in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data."
- (5) Return on average assets is calculated as: Net income / (Current year Total assets + Prior year Total assets) / 2; Borrowings as a percent of capitalization is calculated as: (Long-term borrowings + Short-term borrowings) / (Long-term borrowings + Short-term borrowings + Total shareholders' equity); Return on average shareholders' equity is calculated as Net Income / (Current year Total shareholders' equity + Prior year Total shareholders' equity) / 2
- (6) Set forth below are reconciliations of Adjusted operating income, Adjusted net income, Adjusted EPS, EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA to the comparable measures of net income and operating income, as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the U.S. ("U.S. GAAP"). We have reconciled Adjusted operating income to Operating income; Adjusted net income to Net income; Adjusted EPS to EPS; consolidated EBITDA, segment EBITDA, adjusted EBITDA, and adjusted segment EBITDA to net income. The reconciliation of segment EBITDA to net income was performed on a consolidated basis due to the fact that we do not allocate consolidated interest expense or the consolidated provision for income taxes to our segments.

Management uses Adjusted operating income, Adjusted net income, and Adjusted EPS as metrics by which to measure performance of the Company since they exclude items that are not reflective of ongoing operations, such as gains/losses on the sale of businesses, restructuring expenses, and pension settlements. Management also supplements its U.S. GAAP financial statements with adjusted information to provide investors with greater insight, transparency, and a more comprehensive understanding of the information used by management in its financial and operational decision making.

EBITDA means earnings before interest, income taxes, depreciation and amortization. Given the acquisitive nature of the Company which results in a higher level of amortization expense from recently acquired businesses, management uses EBITDA as an internal operating metric to provide another representation of the businesses' performance across our three segments and for enterprise valuation purposes. EBITDA is also used to calculate certain financial covenants, as discussed in Note 5 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data." In addition, EBITDA has been adjusted for items that are not reflective of ongoing operations, such as gains/losses on the sale of businesses, restructuring expenses, and pension settlements to arrive at Adjusted EBITDA. Management believes that Adjusted EBITDA is useful as a performance indicator of ongoing operations. We believe that Adjusted EBITDA is also useful to some investors as an indicator of the strength and performance of the Company and its segments' ongoing business operations and a way to evaluate and compare operating performance and value companies within our industry. The definition of Adjusted EBITDA used here may differ from that used by other companies.

The non-GAAP financial measures disclosed by the Company should not be considered a substitute for, or superior to, financial measures prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP. The financial results prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP and the reconciliations from these results should be carefully evaluated.

1. Reconciliations of Consolidated EBITDA

				For the Y	- Year	s Ended Dece	emb	er 31,		
		2017		2016		2015		2014		2013
					(Iı	n thousands)				
Net income	\$	337,257	\$	271,109	\$	282,807	\$	279,386	\$	255,215
+ Provision for income taxes		118,016		97,403		109,538		113,054		97,914
+ Interest expense		44,889		45,616		41,636		41,895		42,206
+ Depreciation and amortization		84,216		86,892		78,120		76,907		79,334
EBITDA		584,378		501,020		512,101		511,242		474,669
+ Restructuring expenses		8,455		3,674		11,239		13,672		_
+ Loss (gain) on sale of businesses - net		(9,273)		22,298		(18,070)		_		_
+ Pension settlement		_		3,554		_				_
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	583,560	\$	530,546	\$	505,270	\$	524,914	\$	474,669
Net sales	\$	2,287,312	\$	2,113,043	\$	2,020,668	\$	2,147,767	\$	2,024,130
EBITDA margin	Ψ	25.5%	-	23.7%	-	25.3%	Ψ	23.8%	Ψ	23.5%
Adjusted EBITDA margin		25.5%		25.1%		25.0%		24.4%		23.5%

2. Reconciliations of Segment EBITDA

				For the Yea	rs Ended De	cember 31,			
		2017			2016			2015	
	FMT	HST	FSDP	FMT	HST	FSDP	FMT	HST	FSDP
				(In thousands)			
EBITDA	\$ 263,610	\$ 225,649	\$ 159,610	\$ 242,892	\$ 200,980	\$ 135,400	\$ 233,008	\$ 200,953	\$ 123,249
+ Restructuring expenses	3,374	4,696	255	932	1,117	1,425	7,090	3,408	576
+ Pension settlement	_	_	_	2,032	_	540	_	_	_
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 266,984	\$ 230,345	\$ 159,865	\$ 245,856	\$ 202,097	\$ 137,365	\$ 240,098	\$ 204,361	\$ 123,825
Net sales	\$ 880,957	\$ 820,131	\$ 587,533	\$ 849,101	\$ 744,809	\$ 520,009	\$ 860,792	\$ 738,996	\$ 423,915
EBITDA margin	29.9%	27.5%	27.2%	28.6%	27.0%	26.0%	27.1%	27.2%	29.1%
Adjusted EBITDA margin	30.3%	28.1%	27.2%	29.0%	27.1%	26.4%	27.9%	27.7%	29.2%

3. Reconciliations of Consolidated Reported-to-Adjusted Operating Income and Margin

For the Years Ended December 31,

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	2017	2016		2015	2014	2013
			(Iı	thousands)		
Operating income	\$ 502,556	\$ 412,397	\$	436,990	\$ 434,924	\$ 404,558
+ Restructuring expenses	8,455	3,674		11,239	13,672	_
+ Loss (gain) on sale of businesses - net	(9,273)	22,298		(18,070)	_	_
Adjusted operating income	\$ 501,738	\$ 438,369	\$	430,159	\$ 448,596	\$ 404,558
Net sales	\$ 2,287,312	\$ 2,113,043	\$	2,020,668	\$ 2,147,767	\$ 2,024,130
Operating margin	22.0%	19.5%		21.6%	20.3%	20.0%
Adjusted operating margin	21.9%	20.7%		21.3%	20.9%	20.0%

4. Reconciliations of Segment Reported-to-Adjusted Operating Income and Margin

For the Years Ended December 31,

		2017			2016			2015	
	FMT	HST	FSDP	FMT	HST	FSDP	FMT	HST	FSDP
				(In thousands)			
Operating income	\$ 241,030	\$ 179,567	\$ 147,028	\$ 217,500	\$ 153,691	\$ 123,605	\$ 206,419	\$ 158,364	\$ 117,346
+ Restructuring expenses	3,374	4,696	255	932	1,117	1,425	7,090	3,408	576
Adjusted operating income	\$ 244,404	\$ 184,263	\$ 147,283	\$ 218,432	\$ 154,808	\$ 125,030	\$ 213,509	\$ 161,772	\$ 117,922
Net sales	\$ 880,957	\$ 820,131	\$ 587,533	\$ 849,101	\$ 744,809	\$ 520,009	\$ 860,792	\$ 738,996	\$ 423,915
Operating margin	27.4%	21.9%	25.0%	25.6%	20.6%	23.8%	24.0%	21.4%	27.7%
Adjusted operating margin	27.7%	22.5%	25.1%	25.7%	20.8%	24.0%	24.8%	21.9%	27.8%

5. Reconciliations of Reported-to-Adjusted Net Income and EPS

For the Years Ended Dece

	2017		2016		2015	2014	2013
				(In	thousands)		
Net income	\$ 337,257	\$	271,109	\$	282,807	\$ 279,386	\$ 255,215
+ Restructuring expenses	8,455		3,674		11,239	13,672	_
+ Tax impact on restructuring expenses	(2,772)		(1,299)		(3,586)	(4,235)	_
+ Loss (gain) on sale of businesses	(9,273)		22,298		(18,070)	_	_
+ Tax impact on loss (gain) on sale of businesses	_		(9,706)		4,839	_	_
+ Pension settlement	_		3,554		_	_	_
+ Tax impact on pension settlement	 _		(1,257)		_	 _	
Adjusted net income	\$ 333,667	\$	288,373	\$	277,229	\$ 288,823	\$ 255,215
EPS	\$ 4.36	\$	3.53	\$	3.62	\$ 3.45	\$ 3.09
+ Restructuring expenses	0.11		0.05		0.14	0.17	_
+ Tax impact on restructuring expenses	(0.04)		(0.02)		(0.04)	(0.05)	_
+ Loss (gain) on sale of businesses	(0.12)		0.29		(0.23)	_	_
+ Tax impact on loss (gain) on sale of businesses	_		(0.13)		0.06	_	_
+ Pension settlement	_		0.05		_	_	_
+ Tax impact on pension settlement	_		(0.02)		_	_	_
Adjusted EPS	\$ 4.31	\$	3.75	\$	3.55	\$ 3.57	\$ 3.09
Diluted weighted average shares	77,333		76,758		77,972	80,728	82,489

6. Reconciliations of EBITDA to Net Income (dollars in thousands)

	For the Year Ended December 31, 2017										
		FMT		HST		FSDP	C	orporate		IDEX	
Operating income (loss)	\$	241,030	\$	179,567	\$	147,028	\$	(65,069)	\$	502,556	
- Other (income) expense - net		1,007		(795)		1,959		223		2,394	
+ Depreciation and amortization		23,587		45,287		14,541		801		84,216	
EBITDA		263,610		225,649		159,610		(64,491)		584,378	
- Interest expense										44,889	
- Provision for income taxes										118,016	
- Depreciation and amortization										84,216	
Net income									\$	337,257	
Net sales (eliminations)	\$	880,957	\$	820,131	\$	587,533	\$	(1,309)	\$ 2	2,287,312	
Operating margin		27.4%		21.9%		25.0%		n/m		22.0%	
EBITDA margin		29.9%		27.5%		27.2%		n/m		25.5%	

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	FMT	HST	FSDP	C	orporate		IDEX
Operating income (loss)	\$ 217,500	\$ 153,691	\$ 123,605	\$	(82,399)	\$	412,397
- Other (income) expense - net	3,066	(1,991)	161		(2,967)		(1,731)
+ Depreciation and amortization	28,458	45,298	 11,956		1,180		86,892
EBITDA	242,892	200,980	135,400		(78,252)		501,020
- Interest expense							45,616
- Provision for income taxes							97,403
- Depreciation and amortization							86,892
Net income						\$	271,109
Net sales (eliminations)	\$ 849,101	\$ 744,809	\$ 520,009	\$	(876)	\$:	2,113,043
Operating margin	25.6%	20.6%	23.8%		n/m		19.5%
EBITDA margin	28.6%	27.0%	26.0%		n/m		23.7%

For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

	For the Teal Ended Determber 31, 2013										
		FMT		HST		FSDP	Corporate			IDEX	
Operating income (loss)	\$	206,419	\$	158,364	\$	117,346	\$	(45,139)	\$	436,990	
- Other (income) expense - net		1,073		238		148		1,550		3,009	
+ Depreciation and amortization		27,662		42,827		6,051		1,580		78,120	
EBITDA		233,008		200,953		123,249		(45,109)		512,101	
- Interest expense										41,636	
- Provision for income taxes										109,538	
- Depreciation and amortization										78,120	
Net income									\$	282,807	
Net sales (eliminations)	\$	860,792	\$	738,996	\$	423,915	\$	(3,035)	\$ 2	2,020,668	
Operating margin		24.0%		21.4%		27.7%		n/m		21.6%	
EBITDA margin		27.1%		27.2%		29.1%		n/m		25.3%	

7. Reconciliation of the Change in Net Sales to Net Organic Sales

For the Year Ended December 31,

		20	17			20	16		2015					
	FMT	HST	FSDP	IDEX	FMT	HST	FSDP	IDEX	FMT	HST	FSDP	IDEX		
Change in net sales	4 %	10 %	13%	8%	(1)%	1 %	23 %	5 %	(4)%	(2)%	(16)%	(6)%		
- Net impact from acquisitions/divestitures	(2)%	3 %	9%	2%	1 %	3 %	27 %	7 %	2 %	2 %	%	2 %		
- Impact from FX	%	(1)%	%	%	(1)%	(1)%	(1)%	(1)%	(4)%	(3)%	(6)%	(4)%		
Change in organic net sales	6 %	8 %	4%	6%	(1)%	(1)%	(3)%	(1)%	(2)%	(1)%	(10)%	(4)%		

Refer to Management's Discussion and Analysis for definition and further discussion on organic sales.

Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

2017 Overview and Outlook

IDEX is an applied solutions company specializing in fluid and metering technologies, health and science technologies, and fire, safety and other diversified products built to customers' specifications. IDEX's products are sold in niche markets to a wide range of industries throughout the world. Accordingly, IDEX's businesses are affected by levels of industrial activity and economic conditions in the U.S. and in other countries where it does business and by the relationship of the U.S. dollar to other currencies. Levels of capacity utilization and capital spending in certain industries and overall industrial activity are important factors that influence the demand for IDEX's products.

The Company has three reportable business segments: Fluid & Metering Technologies, Health & Science Technologies and Fire & Safety/Diversified Products. Within our three reportable segments, the Company maintains thirteen platforms, where we focus on organic growth and strategic acquisitions. Each of our thirteen platforms is also a reporting unit, where we annually test for goodwill impairment.

The Fluid & Metering Technologies segment designs, produces, and distributes positive displacement pumps, flow meters, valves, injectors, and other fluid-handling pump modules and systems and provides flow monitoring and other services for the food, chemical, general industrial, water & wastewater, agriculture, and energy industries. The Fluid & Metering Technologies segment contains the Energy platform (comprised of Corken, Liquid Controls, SAMPI, and Toptech), the Valves platform (comprised of Alfa Valvole, Richter, and Aegis), the Water platform (comprised of Pulsafeeder, OBL, Knight, ADS, Trebor, and iPEK), the Pumps platform (comprised of Viking and Warren Rupp), and the Agriculture platform (comprised of Banjo).

The Health & Science Technologies segment designs, produces, and distributes a wide range of precision fluidics, rotary lobe pumps, centrifugal and positive displacement pumps, roll compaction and drying systems used in beverage, food processing, pharmaceutical, and cosmetics, pneumatic components and sealing solutions, including very high precision, low-flow rate pumping solutions required in analytical instrumentation, clinical diagnostics, and drug discovery, high performance molded and extruded sealing components, biocompatible medical devices and implantables, air compressors used in medical, dental, and industrial applications, optical components and coatings for applications in the fields of scientific research, defense, biotechnology, life sciences, aerospace, telecommunications, and electronics manufacturing, laboratory and commercial equipment used in the production of micro and nano scale materials, precision photonic solutions used in life science, research, and defense markets, and precision gear and peristaltic pump technologies that meet exacting original equipment manufacturer specifications. The Health & Science Technologies segment contains the Scientific Fluidics & Optics platform (comprised of Eastern Plastics, Rheodyne, Sapphire Engineering, Upchurch Scientific, ERC, CiDRA Precision Services, thinXXS, CVI Melles Griot, Semrock, and AT Films), the Sealing Solutions platform (comprised of Precision Polymer Engineering, FTL Seals Technology, Novotema, and SFC Koenig) the Gast platform, the Micropump platform, and the Material Processing Technologies platform (comprised of Quadro, Fitzpatrick, Microfluidics, and Matcon).

The Fire & Safety/Diversified Products segment produces firefighting pumps and controls, valves, monitors, nozzles, rescue tools, lifting bags and other components and systems for the fire and rescue industry, engineered stainless steel banding and clamping devices used in a variety of industrial and commercial applications, and precision equipment for dispensing, metering, and mixing colorants and paints used in a variety of retail and commercial businesses around the world. The Fire & Safety/Diversified Products segment is comprised of the Fire & Safety platform (comprised of Class 1, Hale, Akron Brass, AWG Fittings, Godiva, Dinglee, Hurst Jaws of Life, Lukas, and Vetter), the Band-It platform, and the Dispensing platform.

Our 2017 financial results were as follows:

- Sales of \$2.3 billion increased 8%, reflecting a 6% increase in organic sales (excluding acquisitions and divestitures) and a 2% increase due to acquisitions/divestitures.
- Operating income of \$502.6 million was up 22% and operating margin of 22.0% was up 250 basis points, respectively, from the prior year.
- Net income increased 24% to \$337.3 million.
- Diluted EPS of \$4.36 increased \$0.83, or 24%, compared to 2016.

Our 2017 financial results, adjusted for \$8.5 million of restructuring expense and a \$9.3 million gain on sale of a business, compared to our 2016 financial results, adjusted for \$3.7 million of restructuring expense, a \$3.6 million pension settlement charge and a \$22.3 million loss on the sale of businesses - net, were as follows (these non-GAAP measures have been reconciled to U.S. GAAP measures in Item 6, "Selected Financial Data"):

• Adjusted operating income of \$501.7 million was up 14% and adjusted operating margin of 21.9% was up 120 basis points, respectively, from the prior year.

- Adjusted net income increased 16% to \$333.7 million.
- Adjusted EPS of \$4.31 was 15% higher than prior year adjusted EPS of \$3.75.

Based on continued order strength in the fourth quarter, as well as benefits from our growth initiatives and segmentation efforts, we project approximately 5% organic revenue growth in 2018. Full year 2018 EPS is expected to be in the range of \$4.90 to \$5.10.

Results of Operations

The following is a discussion and analysis of our results of operations for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2017. For purposes of this Item, reference is made to the Consolidated Statements of Operations in Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data." Segment operating income excludes unallocated corporate operating expenses. Management's primary measurements of segment performance are sales, operating income, and operating margin.

In the following discussion, and throughout this report, references to organic sales, a non-GAAP measure, refers to sales from continuing operations calculated according to generally accepted accounting principles in the United States but excludes (1) the impact of foreign currency translation and (2) sales from acquired or divested businesses during the first twelve months of ownership or divestiture. The portion of sales attributable to foreign currency translation is calculated as the difference between (a) the period-to-period change in organic sales and (b) the period-to-period change in organic sales after applying prior period foreign exchange rates to the current year period. Management believes that reporting organic sales provides useful information to investors by helping identify underlying growth trends in our business and facilitating easier comparisons of our revenue performance with prior and future periods and to our peers. The Company excludes the effect of foreign currency translation from organic sales because foreign currency translation is not under management's control, is subject to volatility and can obscure underlying business trends. The Company excludes the effect of acquisitions and divestitures because the nature, size, and number of acquisitions and divestitures can vary dramatically from period to period and between the Company and its peers and can also obscure underlying business trends and make comparisons of long-term performance difficult.

Performance in 2017 Compared with 2016

(In thousands)	2017	2016	Change
Net sales	\$ 2,287,312	\$ 2,113,043	8%
Operating income	502,556	412,397	22%
Operating margin	22.0%	19.5%	250 bps

Sales in 2017 were \$2.3 billion, an 8% increase from last year. This increase reflects a 6% increase in organic sales and a 2% increase from acquisitions/divestitures (Acquisitions: thinXXS - December 2017; SFC Koenig - September 2016; AWG Fittings - July 2016 and Akron Brass - March 2016 / Divestitures: Faure Herman - October 2017; CVI Korea - December 2016; IETG - October 2016; CVI Japan - September 2016 and Hydra-Stop - July 2016). Sales to customers outside the U.S. represented approximately 49% of total sales in 2017 compared with 50% in 2016.

In 2017, Fluid & Metering Technologies contributed 38% of sales and 42% of operating income; Health & Science Technologies contributed 36% of sales and 32% of operating income; and Fire & Safety/Diversified Products contributed 26% of sales and 26% of operating income.

Gross profit of \$1.0 billion in 2017 increased \$95.9 million, or 10%, from 2016, while gross margin increased 90 basis points to 44.9% in 2017 from 44.0% in 2016. The increase in gross profit and margin is primarily a result of increased sales volume and the dilutive impact in the prior year attributable to \$14.7 million of fair value inventory step-up charges from 2016 acquisitions.

SG&A expenses increased to \$524.9 million in 2017 from \$492.4 million in 2016. The \$32.5 million increase is mainly attributable to \$15.2 million of net incremental impact from acquisitions and divestitures as well as higher variable compensation and stock compensation expense. As a percentage of sales, SG&A expenses were 23.0% for 2017 and 23.3% for 2016.

In 2017, the Company divested its Faure Herman business for a pre-tax gain of \$9.3 million. In 2016, the Company divested four businesses during the year (Hydra-Stop - July 2016; CVI Japan - September 2016; IETG - October 2016; and CVI Korea - December 2016) for a pre-tax loss-net of \$22.3 million.

In 2017 and 2016, the Company incurred pre-tax restructuring expenses totaling \$8.5 million and \$3.7 million, respectively, as part of initiatives that support the implementation of key strategic efforts designed to facilitate long-term, sustainable growth through cost reduction actions primarily consisting of employee reductions and facility rationalization.

Operating income of \$502.6 million in 2017 increased from \$412.4 million in 2016, primarily due to a gain on a divestiture in 2017 compared to a net loss on four divestitures in 2016, higher sales volume and the \$14.7 million of fair value inventory stepup charges from 2016 acquisitions, partially offset by higher restructuring costs in 2017 and overall higher SG&A costs in 2017 due to higher variable and share-based compensation as well as outside consulting costs. Operating margin of 22.0% in 2017 was up 250 basis points from 19.5% in 2016 primarily due to the gain on the sale of a business in 2017 compared to a net loss on the sale of businesses in 2016, the dilutive impact in the prior year due to \$14.7 million of fair value inventory step-up charges from 2016 acquisitions, as well as higher volume and productivity initiatives.

Other (income) expense - net changed by \$4.1 million, from income of \$1.7 million in 2016 to expense of \$2.4 million in 2017 mainly due to a \$4.7 million foreign exchange gain on intercompany loans in the prior year that did not repeat in 2017 due to the fact that the Company entered into foreign currency exchange contracts to minimize the earnings impact associated with these intercompany loans.

Interest expense decreased to \$44.9 million in 2017 from \$45.6 million in 2016. The decrease was primarily due to slightly lower borrowings in 2017 compared with 2016.

The provision for income taxes is based upon estimated annual tax rates for the year applied to federal, state and foreign income. The provision for income taxes increased to \$118.0 million in 2017 compared to \$97.4 million in 2016. The effective tax rate decreased to 25.9% in 2017 compared to 26.4% in 2016 due to the enactment of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Tax Act"), a change in the permanent reinvestment assertion related to certain foreign subsidiaries as well as the incurrence of certain foreign income withholding taxes in the prior year. These amounts were offset by the prior year tax benefits on the divestitures of CVI Korea and CVI Japan, certain return-to-provision adjustments, a partial change in the assertion of permanent reinvestment of certain foreign earnings, as well as the mix of global pre-tax income among jurisdictions.

On December 22, 2017, the President of the United States signed into law the Tax Act. The Tax Act included significant changes to the existing tax law, including, but not limited to, a permanent reduction to the U.S. federal corporate income tax rate from 35% to 21%, effective January 1, 2018, and the creation of a territorial tax system with a one-time repatriation tax on deferred foreign income ("Transition Tax"). We have estimated our provision for income taxes in accordance with the Tax Act and guidance available as of the date of this filing and as a result have recorded a net \$0.1 million tax benefit in the fourth quarter of 2017, the period in which the legislation was enacted. Although the net effect from the Tax Act was a \$0.1 million tax benefit, there were several offsetting adjustments, including: a \$40.6 million provisional tax benefit related to the remeasurement of certain deferred tax assets and liabilities, based on the rates at which they are expected to reverse in the future; \$30.3 million of provisional tax expense related to the one-time Transition Tax on the mandatory deemed repatriation of foreign earnings based on cumulative foreign earnings of \$779.0 million; and an additional \$10.2 million of tax expense primarily related to the removal of the permanent reinvestment representation with respect to certain of its subsidiaries in Canada, Italy, and Germany.

The Tax Act also establishes new provisions that will affect the Company's 2018 results, including but not limited to, a reduction in the U.S. corporate tax rate on domestic operations from 35 percent to 21 percent; a tax on certain income from foreign operations (Global Intangible Low-Tax Income, or "GILTI"); a general elimination of U.S. federal income taxes on dividends from foreign subsidiaries; the repeal of the domestic manufacturing deduction; and limitations on the deductibility of certain employee compensation.

On December 22, 2017, the SEC issued Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 118, *Income Tax Accounting Implications of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act* ("SAB 118"), which provides guidance on accounting for tax effects of the Tax Act. SAB 118 provides a measurement period that should not extend beyond one year from the Tax Act enactment date for companies to complete the accounting under ASC 740. In accordance with SAB 118, a company must reflect the income tax effects of those aspects of the Tax Act for which the accounting under ASC 740 is complete. To the extent that a company's accounting for certain income tax effects of the Tax Act is incomplete but it is able to determine a reasonable estimate, it must record a provisional estimate to be included in the financial statements. If a company cannot determine a provisional estimate to be included in the financial statements, it should continue to apply ASC 740 on the basis of the provision of the tax laws that were in effect immediately before the enactment of the Tax Act. While the Company is able to make reasonable estimates of the impact of the reduction in corporate rate and the deemed repatriation transition tax, the final impact of the Tax Act may differ from these estimates, due to, among other things, changes in the Company's interpretations and assumptions, additional guidance that may be issued by either the Internal Revenue Service or the U.S. Department of Treasury, and actions the Company may take. SAB 118 provides up to a one-year window for companies to finalize the accounting for the impacts of this new legislation and the Company anticipates finalizing its accounting during 2018. The Company has determined the following items are provisional amounts and reasonable estimates as of December 31, 2017: \$40.6 million of deferred tax benefit recorded in connection with the remeasurement of certain deferred

tax assets and liabilities, \$30.3 million of current tax expense recorded in connection with the Transition Tax on the mandatory deemed repatriation of foreign earnings and \$9.2 million of deferred tax expense recorded in connection with the removal of the permanent reinvestment representation with respect to certain of its subsidiaries in Canada, Italy and Germany.

Net income for the year of \$337.3 million increased from \$271.1 million in 2016. Diluted earnings per share in 2017 of \$4.36 increased \$0.83 from \$3.53 in 2016.

Fluid & Metering Technologies Segment

(In thousands)	2017	2016	Change	
Net sales	\$ 880,957	\$ 849,101	4 %	
Operating income	241,030	217,500	11 %	
Operating margin	27.4%	25.6%	180	bps

Sales of \$881.0 million increased \$31.9 million, or 4%, in 2017 compared with 2016. This increase reflected a 6% increase in organic sales and a 2% decline from divestitures (Faure Herman - October 2017; IETG - October 2016; and Hydra-Stop - July 2016). In 2017, sales were up 7% domestically and down 1% internationally. Sales to customers outside the U.S. were approximately 42% of total segment sales in 2017 compared with 44% in 2016.

Sales within our Energy platform decreased compared to 2016 primarily due to the impact of the 2017 divestiture as well as a large, non-recurring project in 2016 and weakness in the midstream oil and gas markets, partially offset by continued strength within the aviation market, increased market share in LPG mobile and increasing truck builds. Sales within our Pumps platform increased compared to 2016 due to strength in the upstream oil market and the improving economy as well as a strong U.S. distribution channel. Sales within the Water platform decreased slightly compared to 2016 primarily due to the Hydra-Stop and IETG divestitures, partially offset by increased municipal spending and share gain from new product development. Sales within our Agriculture platform increased year over year due to increased demand across both OEM and distribution channels as well as pre-season order strength in the fourth quarter of 2017. Sales within the Valves platform increased over 2016 as a result of strong global industrial markets as well as an uptick in chemical markets.

Operating income and operating margin of \$241.0 million and 27.4%, respectively, were higher than the \$217.5 million and 25.6%, respectively, recorded in 2016, primarily due to productivity initiatives and higher volume.

Health & Science Technologies Segment

(In thousands)	2017	2016	Change	
Net sales	\$ 820,131	\$ 744,809	10 %	
Operating income	179,567	153,691	17 %	
Operating margin	21.9%	20.6%	130	bps

Sales of \$820.1 million increased \$75.3 million, or 10%, in 2017 compared with 2016. This increase reflected an 8% increase in organic sales, a 3% increase from acquisitions / divestitures (Acquisitions: thinXXS - December 2017 and SFC Koenig - September 2016 / Divestitures: CVI Korea - December 2016 and CVI Japan - September 2016) and 1% of unfavorable foreign currency translation. In 2017, sales increased 10% both domestically and internationally. Sales to customers outside the U.S. were approximately 55% of total segment sales in both 2017 and 2016.

Sales within our Scientific Fluidics & Optics platform increased compared to 2016 due to strong demand in all primary end markets, including analytical instrumentation, in-vitro diagnostics and biotechnology, DNA sequencing and semiconductor, partially offset by the impact of the CVI Japan and CVI Korea divestitures in 2016. Sales within our Material Processing Technologies platform were relatively flat compared to the prior year primarily due to the impact of strategic changes in product focus which resulted in discontinued products, offset by global strength in the food and pharma end markets and a strong project funnel. Sales within our Sealing Solutions platform increased significantly compared to 2016 due to the full year impact of the SFC Koenig acquisition in 2016 as well as strength in the semiconductor market and an uptick in the oil and gas, mining and automotive markets. Sales in our Gast platform remained relatively flat year over year primarily due to the impact of OEM headwinds during the first half of 2017 offset by increasing demand in industrial and dental markets. Sales within our Micropump platform increased year over year due to solid demand in the North American industrial markets.

Operating income and operating margin of \$179.6 million and 21.9%, respectively, in 2017 were up from \$153.7 million and 20.6%, respectively, in 2016, primarily due to higher volume and the dilutive impact of the inventory step-up charge related to the SFC Koenig acquisition in the prior year, partially offset by higher restructuring expenses in 2017, costs associated with site consolidations within the Material Processing Technologies and the Scientific Fluidics & Optics platforms as well as additional engineering investments and operational challenges as a result of the strong growth within the segment.

Fire & Safety/Diversified Products Segment

(In thousands)	2017	2016	Chang	ge	
Net sales	\$ 587,533	\$ 520,009		13 %	
Operating income	147,028	123,605		19 %	
Operating margin	25.0%	23.8%	1	20	bps

Sales of \$587.5 million increased \$67.5 million, or 13%, in 2017 compared with 2016. This increase reflected a 4% increase in organic sales and a 9% increase due to acquisitions (AWG Fittings - July 2016 and Akron Brass - March 2016). In 2017, sales increased 9% domestically and 17% internationally. Sales to customers outside the U.S. were approximately 52% of total segment sales in 2017 compared with 51% in 2016.

Sales within our Dispensing platform decreased slightly compared to 2016 due to declining markets in Latin America and U.S. retail, partially offset by growing strength in Europe and Asia. Sales increased in our Band-It platform compared to the prior year as a result of rebounding energy markets as well as strength across the transportation and industrial markets and increasing demand in Asia and Latin America. Sales within our Fire & Safety platform increased significantly compared to 2016 primarily due to the full year impact of the prior year acquisitions as well as strength in municipal and North American OEM markets.

Operating income of \$147.0 million and operating margin of 25.0% were higher than the \$123.6 million and 23.8%, respectively, in 2016, primarily due to higher volume and productivity, as well as the full year impact of the Akron Brass and AWG Fittings acquisitions on 2017 financial results and the inclusion of \$7.5 million of fair value inventory step-up charges related to the acquisitions in the prior year period.

Performance in 2016 Compared with 2015

(In thousands)	 2016	 2015	Change	
Net sales	\$ 2,113,043	\$ 2,020,668	5 %	
Operating income	412,397	436,990	(6)%	
Operating margin	19.5%	21.6%	(210)	bps

Sales in 2016 were \$2.1 billion, a 5% increase from 2015. This increase reflects a 1% decrease in organic sales, a 1% decrease from foreign currency translation and a 7% increase from acquisitions/divestitures (Acquisitions: SFC Koenig - September 2016; AWG Fittings - July 2016; Akron Brass - March 2016; CiDRA Precision Services - July 2015; Alfa Valvole - June 2015 and Novotema - June 2015. Divestitures: CVI Korea - December 2016; IETG - October 2016; CVI Japan - September 2016; Hydra-Stop - July 2016 and Ismatec - July 2015). Sales to customers outside the U.S. represented approximately 50% of total sales in both 2016 and 2015.

In 2016, Fluid & Metering Technologies contributed 40% of sales and 44% of operating income; Health & Science Technologies contributed 35% of sales and 31% of operating income; and Fire & Safety/Diversified Products contributed 25% of sales and 25% of operating income.

Gross profit of \$930.8 million in 2016 increased \$26.5 million, or 3%, from 2015, while gross margin decreased 80 basis points to 44.0% in 2016 from 44.8% in 2015. The increase in gross profit is primarily a result of increased sales volume as a result of acquisitions, while the margin decrease is mainly attributable to \$14.7 million of fair value inventory step-up charges from 2016 acquisitions compared to \$3.4 million from 2015 acquisitions.

SG&A expenses increased to \$492.4 million in 2016 from \$474.2 million in 2015. The \$18.2 million increase is mainly attributable to \$41.4 million of incremental costs from new acquisitions, partially offset by current year divestitures and cost savings from prior year restructuring actions. As a percentage of sales, SG&A expenses were 23.3% for 2016 and 23.5% for 2015.

During 2016, the Company recorded a \$22.3 million pre-tax loss on the sale of businesses related to the four divestitures during the year (Hydra-Stop - July 2016; CVI Japan - September 2016; IETG - October 2016; and CVI Korea - December 2016), compared to the \$18.1 million pre-tax gain on the sale of a business in 2015 (Ismatec - July 2015).

During 2016, the Company recorded pre-tax restructuring expenses totaling \$3.7 million as part of initiatives that support the implementation of key strategic efforts designed to facilitate long-term, sustainable growth through cost reduction actions primarily consisting of employee reductions and facility rationalization. In 2015, the Company recorded \$11.2 million of restructuring expenses mainly attributable to employee severance from headcount reductions across all three segments and corporate.

Operating income of \$412.4 million in 2016 decreased from \$437.0 million in 2015, primarily as a result of the impact of the four divestitures in 2016 and the associated loss compared to the one divestiture in 2015 and the associated gain as well as the incremental fair value inventory step-up charges related to the 2016 acquisitions, partially offset by the reversal of \$4.7 million of contingent consideration related to a 2015 acquisition and lower restructuring costs recorded in 2016 compared to 2015. Operating margin of 19.5% in 2016 was down 210 basis points from 21.6% in 2015 primarily due to the loss on the sale of businesses in 2016 compared to a gain on the sale of a business in 2015, partially offset by productivity improvements and lower restructuring costs year over year.

Other (income) expense - net changed by \$4.7 million from expense of \$3.0 million in 2015 to income of \$1.7 million in 2016 mainly due to \$4.7 million of foreign currency transaction gains on intercompany loans that were established in conjunction with the SFC Koenig acquisition.

Interest expense increased to \$45.6 million in 2016 from \$41.6 million in 2015. The increase was primarily due to the \$200 million series of Senior Notes issued in 2016 and higher borrowings outstanding on the Revolving Facility.

The provision for income taxes is based upon estimated annual tax rates for the year applied to federal, state and foreign income. The provision for income taxes decreased to \$97.4 million in 2016 compared to \$109.5 million in 2015. The effective tax rate decreased to 26.4% in 2016 compared to 27.9% in 2015, due to tax benefits on the divestitures of CVI Korea and CVI Japan, certain return-to-provision adjustments and the early adoption of ASU 2016-09 and the related tax effects of share based payments now recognized as a reduction to income tax expense. These adjustments were offset by the incurrence of additional foreign withholding taxes, the prior year revaluation of the Italian deferred tax liability related to the reduction in the Italian statutory tax rate and tax expense on the divestiture of the Hydra-Stop product line and the prior year divestiture of the Ismatec product line as well as the mix of global pre-tax income among jurisdictions.

Net income for the year of \$271.1 million decreased from the \$282.8 million in 2015. Diluted earnings per share in 2016 of \$3.53 decreased \$0.09 from \$3.62 in 2015.

Fluid & Metering Technologies Segment

(In thousands)	2016	2015	Change	
Net sales	\$ 849,101	\$ 860,792	(1)%	
Operating income	217,500	206,419	5 %	
Operating margin	25.6%	24.0%	160	bps

Sales of \$849.1 million decreased \$11.7 million, or 1%, in 2016 compared with 2015. This decrease reflected a 1% decline in organic sales, a 1% increase from acquisitions (Alfa Valvole - June 2015) and 1% of unfavorable foreign currency translation. In 2016, sales were flat domestically and decreased approximately 3% internationally. Sales to customers outside the U.S. were approximately 44% of total segment sales in both 2016 and 2015.

Sales within our Energy platform increased compared to 2015 primarily due to strength within the aviation market, partially offset by continued weakness in the propane and oil and gas markets as well as challenges in the mobile end market. Sales within our Pumps platform (formerly Industrial) decreased compared to 2015 due to weakness in the North American industrial distribution market. Sales within the Water platform decreased due to the divestitures of Hydra-Stop and IETG and slowing demand in the chemical end market, partially offset by increased municipal spending. Sales within our Agriculture platform increased year over year due to increased demand in the second half of 2016 from both OEMs and distributors in anticipation of the 2017 planting season. Sales within the Valves platform, which was created in the third quarter of 2015, increased as a result of the full year impact of the Alfa Valvole acquisition, offset by a challenging oil & gas market and overall weakness in the European market.

Operating income and operating margin of \$217.5 million and 25.6%, respectively, were higher than the \$206.4 million and 24.0%, respectively, recorded in 2015, primarily due to the full year impact of the Alfa Valvole acquisition as well as productivity initiatives, partially offset by lower volume.

Health & Science Technologies Segment

(In thousands)	2016	2015	Change	
Net sales	\$ 744,809	\$ 738,996	1 %	
Operating income (loss)	153,691	158,364	(3)%	
Operating margin	20.6%	21.4%	(80)	bps

Sales of \$744.8 million increased \$5.8 million, or 1%, in 2016 compared with 2015. This increase reflected a 1% decrease in organic sales, a 3% increase from acquisitions / divestitures (Acquisitions: SFC Koenig - September 2016; CiDRA Precision Services - July 2015 and Novotema - May 2015. Divestitures: CVI Korea - December 2016 and CVI Japan - September 2016) and 1% of unfavorable foreign currency translation. In 2016, sales decreased 1% domestically and increased 3% internationally. Sales to customers outside the U.S. were approximately 55% of total segment sales in both 2016 and 2015.

Sales within our Scientific Fluidics & Optics platform were down year over year due to slowed demand in the industrial and laser optics end markets as well as the impact of the CVI Japan and CVI Korea divestitures in 2016 and the Ismatec divestiture in 2015 partially offset by strong demand in the core biotech and in-vitro diagnostic markets coupled with the full year impact of the CiDRA Precision Services acquisition and a strong semiconductor market. Sales within our Material Processing Technologies platform decreased compared to 2015 due to challenges in the North American markets which offset strength in the European and Indian pharma markets. Sales within our Sealing Solutions platform increased compared to 2015 due to the full year impact of the Novotema acquisition in 2015, the 2016 acquisition of SFC Koenig and continued strength in the semiconductor markets, partially offset by pressure in the oil & gas market. Sales in our Gast and Micropump platforms decreased year over year due to continued softness in the North American industrial distribution markets.

Operating income and operating margin of \$153.7 million and 20.6%, respectively, in 2016 were down from \$158.4 million and 21.4%, respectively, in 2015, primarily due to the inventory step-up charges related to the SFC Koenig acquisition, the incremental impact of divestitures, partially offset by volume increases.

Fire & Safety/Diversified Products Segment

(In thousands)	2016		2015	Change	
Net sales	\$ 520,009	\$	423,915	23%	
Operating income	123,605		117,346	5%	
Operating margin	23.8%)	27.7%	(390)	bps

Sales of \$520.0 million increased \$96.1 million, or 23%, in 2016 compared with 2015. This increase reflected a 3% decline in organic sales, a 27% increase due to acquisitions (AWG Fittings - July 2016 and Akron Brass - March 2016) and 1% of unfavorable foreign currency translation. In 2016, sales increased 28% domestically and 18% internationally. Sales to customers outside the U.S. were approximately 51% of total segment sales in 2016 compared with 52% in 2015.

Sales within our Dispensing platform increased year over year due to a strong Asian market and the overall strength of the X-Smart product sales, partially offset by the foreign currency impact caused by the strength of the U.S. dollar and challenges within the European markets. Sales decreased in our Band-It platform compared to 2015 as a result of declines in the oil & gas market, offset by strength in the transportation industry and the rebound of the European and Asian markets. Sales within our Fire & Safety platform increased compared to 2015 primarily due to the Akron Brass and AWG Fittings acquisitions as well as increased sales due to new product development, partially offset by project delays in Asia and large projects in Europe in 2015 which did not reoccur.

Operating income of \$123.6 million was higher than the \$117.3 million in 2015, while operating margin of 23.8% was lower than the 27.7% in 2015, primarily due to the dilutive impact of acquisitions on margins and the inventory step-up charges related to the Akron Brass and AWG Fittings acquisitions. The higher operating income is primarily related to the impact of 2016 acquisitions.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Operating Activities

Cash flows from operating activities increased \$32.8 million, or 8.2%, to \$432.8 million in 2017, primarily due to higher earnings in 2017. At December 31, 2017, working capital was \$643.1 million and the Company's current ratio was 2.78 to 1. At December 31, 2017, the Company's cash and cash equivalents totaled \$376.0 million, of which \$219.6 million was held outside of the United States.

Investing Activities

Cash flows used in investing activities decreased \$454.5 million to \$54.7 million in 2017, primarily as a result of \$471.8 million less cash paid for acquisitions, \$17.3 million of lower proceeds from the sale of businesses, and \$6.0 million of higher proceeds from fixed asset disposals, partially offset by \$5.6 million of higher capital expenditures.

Cash flows from operations were more than adequate to fund capital expenditures of \$43.9 million and \$38.2 million in 2017 and 2016, respectively. Capital expenditures were generally for machinery and equipment that improved productivity, although a portion was for business system technology, replacement of equipment, and construction of new facilities. Management believes that the Company has ample capacity in its plants and equipment to meet demand increases for future growth in the intermediate term.

The Company acquired thinXXS in December 2017 for cash consideration of \$38.2 million and the assumption of \$1.2 million in debt. The purchase price for this acquisition was funded with cash on hand. The Company acquired Akron Brass in March 2016 for cash consideration of \$221.4 million; AWG Fittings in July 2016 for cash consideration of \$47.5 million (€42.8 million); and SFC Koenig in September 2016 for cash consideration of \$241.1 million (€215.9 million). The purchase prices for the 2016 acquisitions were funded with both cash on hand and borrowings under the Company's revolving facilities.

Financing Activities

Cash flows from financing activities changed from \$46.5 million of cash provided by financing activities in 2016 to \$277.4 million of cash used in financing activities in 2017, primarily as a result of higher payments under revolving facilities (net of borrowings) and proceeds from the issuance of \$200.0 million senior notes, partially offset by a reduction of \$28.2 million of purchases of common stock in 2017 and \$7.3 million of lower proceeds from the exercise of stock options.

On June 13, 2016, the Company completed a private placement of \$100 million aggregate principal amount of 3.20% Senior Notes due June 13, 2023 and \$100 million aggregate principal amount of 3.37% Senior Notes due June 13, 2025 (collectively, the "Notes") pursuant to a Note Purchase Agreement, dated June 13, 2016 (the "Purchase Agreement"). Each series of Notes bears interest at the stated amount per annum, which is payable semi-annually in arrears on each June 13th and December 13th. The Notes are unsecured obligations of the Company and rank pari passu in right of payment with all of the Company's other unsecured, unsubordinated debt. The Company may at any time prepay all, or any portion of the Notes; provided that such portion is greater than 5% of the aggregate principal amount of Notes then outstanding. In the event of a prepayment, the Company will pay an amount equal to par plus accrued interest plus a make-whole amount. In addition, the Company may repurchase the Notes by making an offer to all holders of the Notes, subject to certain conditions.

The Company maintains a revolving credit facility (the "Revolving Facility"), which is a \$700.0 million unsecured, multicurrency bank credit facility expiring on June 23, 2020. At December 31, 2017, there was \$10.7 million outstanding under the Revolving Facility and \$7.2 million of outstanding letters of credit, resulting in a net available borrowing capacity under the Revolving Facility at December 31, 2017 of \$682.1 million. Borrowings under the Revolving Facility bear interest, at either an alternate base rate or an adjusted LIBOR rate plus, in each case, an applicable margin. This applicable margin is based on the Company's senior, unsecured, long-term debt rating and can range from .005% to 1.50%. Based on the Company's credit rating at December 31, 2017, the applicable margin was 1.10%. Given the fact that LIBOR was negative at December 31, 2017, the default interest rate is equal to the applicable margin, resulting in a weighted average interest rate of 1.10% at December 31, 2017. Interest is payable (a) in the case of base rate loans, quarterly, and (b) in the case of LIBOR rate loans, on the maturity date of the borrowing, or quarterly from the effective date for borrowings exceeding three months. The Company may request increases in the lending commitments under the Credit Agreement, but the aggregate lending commitments pursuant to such increases may not exceed \$350.0 million. An annual Revolving Facility fee, also based on the Company's credit rating, is currently 15 basis points and is payable quarterly.

On June 9, 2015, the Company paid the balance of the 2.58% Senior Euro Notes, upon its maturity, using cash on hand.

On December 9, 2011, the Company completed a public offering of \$350.0 million 4.2% senior notes due December 15, 2021 ("4.2% Senior Notes"). The net proceeds from the offering of \$346.2 million, after deducting a \$0.9 million issuance discount, a \$2.3 million underwriting commission and \$0.6 million of offering expenses, were used to repay \$306.0 million of outstanding

bank indebtedness, with the balance used for general corporate purposes. The 4.2% Senior Notes bear interest at a rate of 4.2% per annum, which is payable semi-annually in arrears on each June 15 and December 15. The Company may redeem all or part of the 4.2% Senior Notes at any time prior to maturity at the redemption prices set forth in the Note Indenture governing the 4.2% Senior Notes. The Company may issue additional debt from time to time pursuant to the Indenture. The Indenture and 4.2% Senior Notes contain covenants that limit the Company's ability to, among other things, incur certain liens securing indebtedness, engage in certain sale-leaseback transactions, and enter into certain consolidations, mergers, conveyances, transfers or leases of all or substantially all the Company's assets. The terms of the 4.2% Senior Notes also require the Company to make an offer to repurchase the 4.2% Senior Notes upon a change of control triggering event (as defined in the Indenture) at a price equal to 101% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any.

On December 6, 2010, the Company completed a public offering of \$300.0 million 4.5% senior notes due December 15, 2020 ("4.5% Senior Notes"). The net proceeds from the offering of \$295.7 million, after deducting a \$1.6 million issuance discount, a \$1.9 million underwriting commission and \$0.8 million of offering expenses, were used to repay \$250.0 million of outstanding bank indebtedness, with the balance used for general corporate purposes. The 4.5% Senior Notes bear interest at a rate of 4.5% per annum, which is payable semi-annually in arrears on each June 15 and December 15. The Company may redeem all or a portion of the 4.5% Senior Notes at any time prior to maturity at the redemption prices set forth in the Note Indenture governing the 4.5% Senior Notes. The Company may issue additional debt from time to time pursuant to the Indenture. The Indenture and 4.5% Senior Notes contain covenants that limit the Company's ability to, among other things, incur certain liens securing indebtedness, engage in certain sale-leaseback transactions, and enter into certain consolidations, mergers, conveyances, transfers or leases of all or substantially all the Company's assets. The terms of the 4.5% Senior Notes also require the Company to make an offer to repurchase the 4.5% Senior Notes upon a change of control triggering event (as defined in the Indenture) at a price equal to 101% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any.

There are two key financial covenants that the Company is required to maintain in connection with the Revolving Facility and the Notes, a minimum interest coverage ratio of 3.0 to 1 and a maximum leverage ratio of 3.50 to 1. At December 31, 2017, the Company was in compliance with both of these financial covenants, as the Company's interest coverage ratio was 13.64 to 1 and the leverage ratio was 1.45 to 1. There are no financial covenants relating to the 4.5% Senior Notes or 4.2% Senior Notes; however, both are subject to cross-default provisions.

On December 1, 2015 the Company's Board of Directors approved an increase of \$300.0 million in the authorized level for repurchases of common stock. Repurchases under the program will be funded with future cash flow generation or borrowings available under the Revolving Facility. During 2017, the Company purchased a total of 0.3 million shares at a cost of \$29.1 million compared to 0.7 million shares purchased in 2016 at a cost of \$55.0 million. As of December 31, 2017, there was \$551 million of repurchase authorization remaining.

The Company believes current cash, cash from operations and cash available under the Revolving Facility will be sufficient to meet its operating cash requirements, planned capital expenditures, interest and principal payments on all borrowings, pension and postretirement funding requirements, authorized share repurchases and annual dividend payments to holders of the Company's common stock for the next twelve months. Additionally, in the event that suitable businesses are available for acquisition upon acceptable terms, the Company may obtain all or a portion of the financing for these acquisitions through the incurrence of additional borrowings. As of December 31, 2017, \$10.7 million was outstanding under the Revolving Facility, with \$7.2 million of outstanding letters of credit, resulting in net available borrowing capacity under the Revolving Facility at December 31, 2017 of approximately \$682.1 million.

Contractual Obligations

Our contractual obligations include pension and postretirement medical benefit plans, rental payments under operating leases, payments under capital leases, and other long-term obligations arising in the ordinary course of business. There are no identifiable events or uncertainties, including the lowering of our credit rating, which would accelerate payment or maturity of any of these commitments or obligations.

The following table summarizes our significant contractual obligations and commercial commitments at December 31, 2017, and the future periods in which such obligations are expected to be settled in cash. In addition, the table reflects the timing of principal and interest payments on outstanding borrowings. Additional detail regarding these obligations is provided in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data."

 Total		Less Than 1 Year		1-3 Years		3-5 Years		More Than 5 Years
			(In	thousands)				
\$ 1,006,865	\$	37,147	\$	381,853	\$	377,840	\$	210,025
64,859		15,992		21,529		11,904		15,434
268		258		10		_		
137,685		132,152		3,716		1,389		428
30,301		2,424		4,848		4,848		18,181
112,621		13,602		22,288		22,021		54,710
\$ 1,352,599	\$	201,575	\$	434,244	\$	418,002	\$	298,778
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- (1) Includes interest payments based on contractual terms and current interest rates for variable debt.
- (2) Consists primarily of tangible personal property leases.
- (3) Consists primarily of inventory commitments.
- (4) Comprises liabilities recorded on the balance sheet of \$993.9 million, and obligations not recorded on the balance sheet of \$358.7 million.

Critical Accounting Policies

We believe that the application of the following accounting policies, which are important to our financial position and results of operations, require significant judgments and estimates on the part of management. For a summary of all of our accounting policies, including the accounting policies discussed below, see Note 1 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data."

Revenue recognition — The Company recognizes revenue when persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, delivery has occurred, the sales price is fixed or determinable, and collectability of the sales price is reasonably assured. For product sales, delivery does not occur until the products have been shipped and risk of loss has been transferred to the customer. Revenue from services is recognized when the services are provided or ratably over the contract term. Some arrangements with customers may include multiple deliverables, including the combination of products and services. In such cases, the Company has identified these as separate elements in accordance with ASC 605-25, Revenue Recognition-Multiple-Element Arrangements, and recognizes revenue consistent with the policy for each separate element based on the relative selling price method. Revenues from certain long-term contracts are recognized on the percentage-of-completion method. Percentage-of-completion is measured principally by the percentage of costs incurred to date for each contract to the estimated total costs for such contract at completion. Provisions for estimated losses on uncompleted long-term contracts are made in the period in which such losses are determined. Due to uncertainties inherent in the estimation process, it is reasonably possible that completion costs, including those arising from contract penalty provisions and final contract settlements, will be revised in the near-term. Such revisions to costs and income are recognized in the period in which the revisions are determined.

The Company records allowances for discounts, product returns and customer incentives at the time of sale as a reduction of revenue as such allowances can be reliably estimated based on historical experience and known trends. The Company also offers product warranties and accrues its estimated exposure for warranty claims at the time of sale based upon the length of the warranty period, warranty costs incurred and any other related information known to the Company.

Goodwill, long-lived and intangible assets — The Company evaluates the recoverability of certain noncurrent assets utilizing various estimation processes. An impairment of a long-lived asset exists when the asset's carrying amount exceeds its fair value, and is recorded when the carrying amount is not recoverable through future operations. An impairment of an indefinite-lived intangible asset or goodwill exceeds its fair value. Assessments of possible impairments of long-lived or indefinite-lived intangible assets or goodwill are made if an event occurs or circumstances change that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of a reporting unit below its carrying amount. Additionally, testing for possible impairments of recorded indefinite-lived intangible asset balances and goodwill is performed annually. On October 31, or more frequently if triggering events occur, the Company compares the fair value of each reporting unit to the carrying amount of each reporting unit to determine if a goodwill impairment exists. The amount and timing of impairment charges for these assets require the estimation of future cash flows to determine the fair value of the related assets. In 2017 and 2016, the Company concluded that certain long-lived assets had a fair value that was less than the carrying value of the assets, resulting in zero and \$0.2 million of long-lived asset impairment charges, respectively.

The Company's business acquisitions result in recording goodwill and other intangible assets, which affect the amount of amortization expense and possible impairment expense that the Company will incur in future periods. The Company follows the guidance prescribed in ASC 350, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets*, to test goodwill and intangible assets for impairment. The Company determines the fair value of each reporting unit utilizing an income approach (discounted cash flows) weighted 50% and a market approach (consisting of a comparable public company multiples methodology) weighted 50%. To determine the reasonableness of the calculated fair values, the Company reviews the assumptions to ensure that neither the income approach nor the market approach yielded significantly different valuations.

The key assumptions are updated every year for each reporting unit for the income and market approaches used to determine fair value. Various assumptions are utilized including forecasted operating results, annual operating plans, strategic plans, economic projections, anticipated future cash flows, the weighted average cost of capital, market data and market multiples. The assumptions that have the most significant effect on the fair value calculations are the weighted average cost of capital, market multiples, forecasted EBITDA, and terminal growth rates. The 2017 and 2016 ranges for these three assumptions utilized by the Company are as follows:

Assumptions	2017 Range	2016 Range
Weighted average cost of capital	8.75% to 10.5%	9.0% to 12.0%
Market multiples	11.0x to 20.0x	9.5x to 17.5x
Terminal growth rates	3.0% to 3.5%	3.0% to 3.5%

In assessing the fair value of the reporting units, the Company considers both the market approach and the income approach. Under the market approach, the fair value of the reporting unit is determined by the respective trailing twelve month EBITDA and the forward looking 2018 EBITDA (50% each), based on multiples of comparable public companies. The market approach is dependent on a number of significant management assumptions including forecasted EBITDA and selected market multiples. Under the income approach, the fair value of the reporting unit is determined based on the present value of estimated future cash flows. The income approach is dependent on a number of significant management assumptions including estimates of operating results, capital expenditures, net working capital requirements, long-term growth rates and discount rates. Weighting was equally attributed to both the market and income approaches (50% each) in arriving at the fair value of the reporting units.

The Banjo trade name and the Akron Brass trade name are indefinite-lived intangible assets which are tested for impairment on an annual basis in accordance with ASC 350 or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the assets might be impaired. The Company uses the relief-from-royalty method, a form of the income approach, to determine the fair value of these trade names. The relief-from-royalty method is dependent on a number of significant management assumptions, including estimates of revenues, royalty rates and discount rates.

In 2017 and 2016, there were no events that occurred or circumstances that changed that would have required a review other than as of our annual test date.

Defined benefit retirement plans — The plan obligations and related assets of the defined benefit retirement plans are presented in Note 15 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data." Level 1 assets are valued using unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets in active markets. Level 2 assets are valued using quoted prices or other observable inputs for similar assets. Level 3 assets are valued using unobservable inputs, but reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the assets. Plan obligations and the annual pension expense are determined by consulting with actuaries using a number of assumptions provided by the Company. Key assumptions in the determination of the annual pension expense include the discount rate, the rate of salary increases, and the estimated future return on plan assets. To the extent actual amounts differ from these assumptions and estimated amounts, results could be adversely affected.

The Society of Actuaries releases annual updates to mortality tables, which update life expectancy assumptions. IDEX adopts these annual updates and, in consideration of these tables, we modified the mortality assumptions used in determining our pension and post-retirement benefit obligations as of December 31, 2017, which will have a related impact on our annual benefit expense in future years. New mortality tables may result in additional funding requirements dependent upon the funded status of our plans. These expectations presume all other assumptions remain constant and there are no changes to applicable funding regulations.

Changes in the discount rate assumptions will impact the (gain) loss amortization and interest cost components of the projected benefit obligation ("PBO"), which in turn, may impact the Company's funding decisions if the PBO exceeds plan assets. Each 100 basis point increase in the discount rate will cause a corresponding decrease in the PBO of approximately \$29 million based upon the December 31, 2017 data. Each 100 basis point decrease in the discount rate will cause a corresponding increase in the PBO of approximately \$35 million based upon the December 31, 2017 data.

Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

The Company is subject to market risk associated with changes in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates. The Company may, from time to time, enter into foreign currency forward contracts and interest rate swaps on its debt when it believes there is a financial advantage in doing so. A treasury risk management policy, adopted by the Board of Directors, describes the procedures and controls over derivative financial and commodity instruments, including foreign currency forward contracts and interest rate swaps. Under the policy, the Company does not use financial or commodity derivative instruments for trading purposes, and the use of these instruments is subject to strict approvals by senior officers. Typically, the use of derivative instruments is limited to foreign currency forward contracts and interest rate swaps on the Company's outstanding long-term debt.

At December 31, 2017, the Company had outstanding foreign currency exchange contracts with a combined notional value of €180 million that have not been designated as hedges for accounting purposes. These contracts are used to minimize the economic impact and reduce the variability on earnings due to foreign currency fluctuations between the Swiss Franc and the Euro associated with certain intercompany loans that were established in conjunction with the SFC Koenig acquisition. The change in the fair value of the foreign currency exchange contracts and the corresponding foreign currency gain or loss on the revaluation of the intercompany loans are both recorded through earnings each period as incurred within Other (income) expense - net in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. During the year ended December 31, 2017, the Company recorded a gain of \$19.8 million within Other (income) expense - net related to these foreign currency exchange contracts and recorded a foreign currency transaction loss of \$20.2 million within Other (income) expense - net related to these intercompany loans. See Note 6 for further discussion.

Foreign Currency Exchange Rates

The Company's foreign currency exchange rate risk is limited principally to the Euro, Swiss Franc, British Pound, Canadian Dollar, Indian Rupee and Chinese Renminbi. The Company manages its foreign exchange risk principally through invoicing customers in the same currency as the source of products. The foreign currency transaction (gains) losses for the years ending December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 were \$20.5 million, \$(6.2) million, and \$(0.1) million, respectively, and are reported within Other (income) expense-net on the Consolidated Statements of Operations. Of the \$20.5 million reported as foreign currency transaction losses for the period ending December 31, 2017, \$20.2 million was due to intercompany loans established in conjunction with the SFC Koenig acquisition. See Note 6 for further discussion.

Interest Rate Fluctuations

The Company's interest rate exposure is primarily related to its \$862.2 million of total debt outstanding at December 31, 2017. Approximately 1% of the debt is priced at interest rates that float with the market. A 50 basis point movement in the interest rate on the floating rate debt would result in an approximate \$0.1 million annualized increase or decrease in interest expense and cash flows. The remaining debt is fixed rate debt.

Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.

MANAGEMENT'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. Internal control over financial reporting is a process to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(f).

Internal control over financial reporting cannot provide absolute assurance of achieving financial reporting objectives because of its inherent limitations. Because of such limitations, there is a risk that material misstatements may not be prevented or detected on a timely basis by internal control over financial reporting.

Management has used the framework set forth in the report entitled "Internal Control — Integrated Framework" (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission to assess the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Based on that assessment, management has concluded that the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2017.

The effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2017, has been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report which appears herein.

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of IDEX Corporation

Opinion on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

We have audited the internal control over financial reporting of IDEX Corporation and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2017, based on criteria established in *Internal Control-Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). In our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2017, based on criteria established in *Internal Control-Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by COSO.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2017, of the Company and our report dated February 22, 2018, expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements.

Basis for Opinion

The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Definition and Limitations of Internal Control over Financial Reporting

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed 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. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

/s/ DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

Chicago, Illinois February 22, 2018

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of IDEX Corporation

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of IDEX Corporation and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, shareholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2017, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2017, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2017, based on criteria established in *Internal Control-Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated February 22, 2018, expressed an unqualified opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/ DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

Chicago, Illinois February 22, 2018

We have served as the Company's auditor since 1987.

IDEX CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

		As of Dec	embe	er 31,
		2017		2016
		(In thousands e		
ASSETS		P == ======		
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	375,950	\$	235,964
Receivables — net		294,166		272,813
Inventories		259,724		252,859
Other current assets		74,203		61,085
Total current assets		1,004,043		822,721
Property, plant and equipment — net		258,350		247,816
Goodwill		1,704,158		1,632,592
Intangible assets — net		414,746		435,504
Other noncurrent assets		18,331		16,311
Total assets	\$	3,399,628	\$	3,154,944
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	_			
Current liabilities				
Trade accounts payable	\$	147,067	\$	128,933
Accrued expenses		184,705		152,852
Short-term borrowings		258		1,046
Dividends payable		28,945		26,327
Total current liabilities		360,975		309,158
Long-term borrowings		858,788		1,014,235
Deferred income taxes		137,638		166,427
Other noncurrent liabilities		155,685		121,230
Total liabilities		1,513,086		1,611,050
Commitments and contingencies (Note 8)				
Shareholders' equity				
Preferred stock:				
Authorized: 5,000,000 shares, \$.01 per share par value; Issued: none		_		_
Common stock:				
Authorized: 150,000,000 shares, \$.01 per share par value; Issued: 90,162,211 shares at December 31, 2017 and 90,200,951 shares at December 31, 2016		902		902
Additional paid-in capital		716,906		697,213
Retained earnings		2,057,915		1,834,739
Treasury stock at cost: 13,468,675 shares at December 31, 2017 and 13,760,266 shares at December 31, 2016		(799,674)		(787,307)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(89,507)		(201,653)
Total shareholders' equity	_	1,886,542		1,543,894
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	3,399,628	\$	3,154,944
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IDEX CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

	For the Year Ended December 31, 2017 2016 2015							
		2017 2016						
		(In thousa	nds	except per share	amo	ounts)		
Net sales	\$	2,287,312	\$	2,113,043	\$	2,020,668		
Cost of sales		1,260,634		1,182,276		1,116,353		
Gross profit		1,026,678		930,767		904,315		
Selling, general and administrative expenses		524,940		492,398		474,156		
Loss (gain) on sale of businesses - net		(9,273)		22,298		(18,070)		
Restructuring expenses		8,455		3,674		11,239		
Operating income		502,556		412,397		436,990		
Other (income) expense - net		2,394		(1,731)		3,009		
Interest expense		44,889		45,616		41,636		
Income before income taxes		455,273		368,512		392,345		
Provision for income taxes		118,016		97,403		109,538		
Net income	\$	337,257	\$	271,109	\$	282,807		
Earnings per common share:								
Basic earnings per common share	\$	4.41	\$	3.57	\$	3.65		
Diluted earnings per common share	\$	4.36	\$	3.53	\$	3.62		
Share data:								
Basic weighted average common shares outstanding		76,232		75,803		77,126		
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding		77,333		76,758		77,972		

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	For the Year Ended December 31,						
		2017		2016		2015	
			(In	thousands)			
Net income	\$	337,257	\$	271,109	\$	282,807	
Other comprehensive income (loss):							
Reclassification adjustments for derivatives, net of tax		4,210		4,361		4,531	
Pension and other postretirement adjustments, net of tax		(1,302)		3,049		9,415	
Foreign currency adjustments:							
Cumulative translation adjustment		110,421		(76,822)		(63,441)	
Tax effect of reversal of indefinite assertion on certain intercompany loans		(3,932)		_		_	
Reclassification of foreign currency translation to earnings upon sale of businesses		2,749		14,257		(4,725)	
Other comprehensive income (loss)		112,146		(55,155)		(54,220)	
Comprehensive income	\$	449,403	\$	215,954	\$	228,587	

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

						IIIC	ome (Loss)								
	St Ac	ommon ock and lditional Paid- Capital	Retained Earnings	Tr Ac	umulative ranslation ljustment			nefits on		Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Derivatives		1	Freasury Stock	Sh	Total areholders' Equity
Balance, December 31, 2014	\$	648,451	\$ 1,483,821	\$	(24,813)	•	(40,316)		(27,149)	\$	(553,543)	•	1,486,451		
Net income	φ	040,431	282,807	Φ	(24,613)	Φ	(40,310)	<u> </u>	(27,149)	Ф	(333,343)	Ф	282,807		
Cumulative translation adjustment					(68,166)								(68,166)		
Net change in retirement obligations (net of tax of \$3,842)		_	_		_		9,415		_		_		9,415		
Net change on derivatives designated as cash flow hedges (net of tax of \$2,499)		_	_		_		_		4,531		_		4,531		
Issuance of 685,501 shares of common stock from issuance of unvested shares, exercise of stock options and deferred compensation plans (net of tax of \$3,794)		14,545	_		_		_		_		9,937		24,482		
Repurchase of 2,811,002 shares of		_									(210,551)		(210,551)		
common stock Share-based compensation		17,529	_		_		_		_		(210,331)		17,529		
Unvested shares surrendered for tax		17,527													
withholding		_	_		_		_		_		(3,259)		(3,259)		
Cash dividends declared — \$1.28 per common share outstanding			(99,948)										(99,948)		
Balance, December 31, 2015	\$	680,525	\$ 1,666,680	\$	(92,979)	\$	(30,901)	\$	(22,618)	\$	(757,416)	\$	1,443,291		
Net income		_	271,109		((2.5(5)		_		_		_		271,109		
Cumulative translation adjustment Net change in retirement obligations (net		_	_		(62,565)		_		_		_		(62,565)		
of tax of \$2,107)		_	_		_		3,049		_		_		3,049		
Net change on derivatives designated as cash flow hedges (net of tax of \$2,490)		_	_		_		_		4,361		_		4,361		
Issuance of 594,919 shares of common stock from issuance of unvested shares, performance share units and exercise of stock options (net of tax of \$5,305)		253	_		_		_		_		29,987		30,240		
Repurchase of 738,593 shares of common stock		_	_		_		_		_		(54,950)		(54,950)		
Share-based compensation		17,337	_		_		_		_		_		17,337		
Unvested shares surrendered for tax withholding		_	_		_		_		_		(4,928)		(4,928)		
Cash dividends declared — \$1.36 per common share outstanding		_	(103,050)		_		_		_		_		(103,050)		
Balance, December 31, 2016	\$	698,115	\$ 1,834,739	\$	(155,544)	\$	(27,852)	\$	(18,257)	\$	(787,307)	\$	1,543,894		
Net income	_		337,257	<u> </u>		_		_		<u> </u>		<u> </u>	337,257		
Cumulative translation adjustment		_	´—		113,170		_		_		_		113,170		
Net change in retirement obligations (net of tax of \$239)		_	_		_		(1,302)		_		_		(1,302)		
Net change on derivatives designated as cash flow hedges (net of tax of \$2,445)		_	_		_		_		4,210		_		4,210		
Issuance of 557,591 shares of common stock from issuance of unvested shares, performance share units and exercise of stock options (net of tax of \$6,027)		_	_		_		_		_		22,935		22,935		
Repurchase of 266,000 shares of common											(20.074)		(20.074)		
stock Share-based compensation		19,693	_		_		_		_		(29,074)		(29,074) 19,693		
Unvested shares surrendered for tax withholding		_	_		_		_		_		(6,228)		(6,228)		
Tax effect of reversal of indefinite assertion on certain intercompany loans		_	_		(3,932)		_		_		_		(3,932)		
Cash dividends declared — \$1.48 per common share outstanding		_	(114,081)		_		_		_		_		(114,081)		
Balance, December 31, 2017	\$	717,808	\$ 2,057,915	\$	(46,306)	\$	(29,154)	\$	(14,047)	\$	(799,674)	\$	1,886,542		
	_			_		_				_		_			

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	For the Year Ended December 3				
		2017	2016		2015
Cook flows Community and Min			(In thousands)		
Cash flows from operating activities Net income	\$	337,257	\$ 271,109	\$	282,807
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	Ψ	331,231	Ψ 2/1,109	Ψ	202,007
Loss (gain) on sale of fixed assets - net		315	(28)		(114)
Loss (gain) on sale of businesses - net		(9,273)	22,298		(18,070)
Asset impairments		(7,273)	205		795
Depreciation and amortization		38,314	37,854		35,694
Amortization of intangible assets		45,902	49,038		42,426
Amortization of intalligible assets Amortization of debt issuance expenses		1,320	1,295		1,612
Share-based compensation expense		24,405	20,326		20,048
Deferred income taxes		(33,742)	(17,308)		(339)
Excess tax benefit from share-based compensation		(33,742)	(17,500)		(5,265)
Non-cash interest expense associated with forward starting swaps		6,655	6,851		7,030
Pension settlement		0,055	3,554		7,030
Changes in (net of the effect from acquisitions and divestitures):			3,334		
Receivables		(15,803)	302		8,832
Inventories		760	32,747		4,557
Other current assets		(20,031)	(22,006)		(2,728)
Trade accounts payable		12,556	(22,000)		(2,728)
* *		19,710	(5,470)		
Accrued expenses Other — net			` ′ ′		(16,672)
		24,408	(923)		2,536
Net cash flows provided by operating activities		432,753	399,917		360,321
Cash flows from investing activities					
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(43,858)	(38,242)		(43,776)
Acquisition of businesses, net of cash acquired		(38,161)	(510,001)		(195,013)
Proceeds from fixed asset disposals		6,011	49		894
Proceeds from sale of businesses, net of cash sold		21,795	39,064		27,677
Other — net		(533)	(69)		(273)
Net cash flows (used in) investing activities		(54,746)	(509,199)		(210,491)
Cash flows from financing activities					
Borrowings under revolving credit facilities		33,000	501,529		414,032
Proceeds from issuance of 3.20% Senior Notes		_	100,000		_
Proceeds from issuance of 3.37% Senior Notes		_	100,000		_
Payment of 2.58% Senior Euro Notes		_	_		(88,420)
Payments under revolving credit facilities		(200,618)	(520,125)		(333,630)
Debt issuance costs		_	(246)		(1,739)
Dividends paid		(111,172)	(102,650)		(96,172)
Proceeds from stock option exercises		22,935	30,240		19,217
Excess tax benefit from share-based compensation		_	_		5,265
Purchases of common stock		(29,074)	(57,272)		(210,822)
Unvested shares surrendered for tax withholding		(6,228)	(4,928)		(3,259)
Settlement of foreign exchange contracts		13,736	_		_
Net cash flows provided by (used in) financing activities		(277,421)	46,548		(295,528)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		39,400	(29,320)		(35,421)
Net increase (decrease) in cash		139,986	(92,054)		(181,119)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		235,964	328,018		509,137
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	375,950	\$ 235,964	\$	328,018
Supplemental cash flow information					
Cash paid for:					
Interest	\$	36,818	\$ 37,067	\$	33,502
Income taxes - net		104,852	109,399		112,613
Significant non-cash activities:					
Significant non-cash activities.					

IDEX CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Significant Accounting Policies

Business

IDEX is an applied solutions company specializing in fluid and metering technologies, health and science technologies, and fire, safety and other diversified products built to customers' specifications. IDEX's products are sold in niche markets to a wide range of industries throughout the world. The Company's products include industrial pumps, compressors, flow meters, injectors and valves, and related controls for use in a wide variety of process applications; precision fluidics solutions, including pumps, valves, degassing equipment, corrective tubing, fittings, and complex manifolds, optical filters and specialty medical equipment and devices for use in life science applications; precision-engineered equipment for dispensing, metering and mixing paints; and engineered products for industrial and commercial markets, including fire and rescue, transportation equipment, oil & gas, electronics, and communications. These activities are grouped into three reportable segments: Fluid & Metering Technologies, Health & Science Technologies and Fire & Safety/Diversified Products.

Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the Company and its subsidiaries. All intercompany transactions and accounts have been eliminated.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP") requires management to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The principal areas of estimation reflected in the financial statements are revenue recognition, sales returns and allowances, allowance for doubtful accounts, inventory valuation, recoverability of long-lived assets, income taxes, product warranties, contingencies and litigation, insurance-related items, defined benefit retirement plans and purchase accounting related to acquisitions.

Revenue Recognition

The Company recognizes revenue when persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, delivery has occurred, the sales price is fixed or determinable, and collectability of the sales price is reasonably assured. For product sales, delivery does not occur until the products have been shipped and risk of loss has been transferred to the customer. Revenue from services is recognized when the services are provided or ratably over the contract term. Some arrangements with customers may include multiple deliverables, including the combination of products and services. In such cases, the Company has identified these as separate elements in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 605-25, Revenue Recognition-Multiple-Element Arrangements, and recognizes revenue consistent with the policy for each separate element based on the relative selling price method. Revenues from certain long-term contracts are recognized on the percentage-of-completion method. Percentage-of-completion is measured principally by the percentage of costs incurred to date for each contract to the estimated total costs for such contract at completion. Provisions for estimated losses on uncompleted long-term contracts are made in the period in which such losses are determined. Due to uncertainties inherent in the estimation process, it is reasonably possible that completion costs, including those arising from contract penalty provisions and final contract settlements, will be revised in the near-term. Such revisions to costs and income are recognized in the period in which the revisions are determined.

The Company records allowances for discounts, product returns and customer incentives at the time of sale as a reduction of revenue as such allowances can be reliably estimated based on historical experience and known trends. The Company also offers product warranties and accrues its estimated exposure for warranty claims at the time of sale based upon the length of the warranty period, warranty costs incurred and any other related information known to the Company.

Shipping and Handling Costs

Shipping and handling costs are included in Cost of sales and are recognized as a period expense during the period in which they are incurred.

Advertising Costs

Advertising costs of \$15.8 million, \$15.3 million and \$16.1 million for 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively, are expensed as incurred within Selling, general and administrative expenses.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all highly liquid instruments purchased with an original maturity of 90 days or less to be cash and cash equivalents.

Accounts Receivable and Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

Accounts receivable are recorded at face amounts less an allowance for doubtful accounts. The Company maintains allowances for doubtful accounts for estimated losses as a result of customers' inability to make required payments. Management evaluates the aging of the accounts receivable balances, the financial condition of its customers, historical trends and the time outstanding of specific balances to estimate the amount of accounts receivable that may not be collected in the future and records the appropriate provision.

Inventories

The Company states inventories at the lower of cost or net realizable value. Cost, which includes material, labor, and factory overhead, is determined on a FIFO basis. We make adjustments to reduce the cost of inventory to its net realizable value, if required, for estimated excess, obsolescence or impaired balances. Factors influencing these adjustments include changes in market demand, product life cycle and engineering changes.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

Long-lived assets are reviewed for impairment if an event occurs or circumstances change that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of a long-lived asset below its carrying amount, as measured by comparing their net book value to the projected undiscounted future cash flows generated by their use. A long-lived asset impairment exists when the carrying amount of the asset exceeds its fair value. The amount and timing of impairment charges for these assets require the estimation of future cash flows to determine the fair value of the related assets. Impaired assets are recorded at their estimated fair value based on a discounted cash flow analysis. In 2017, 2016, and 2015, the Company concluded that certain long-lived assets had a fair value that was less than the carrying value of the assets, resulting in zero, \$0.2 million and \$0.8 million, respectively, of long-lived asset impairment charges.

Goodwill and Indefinite-Lived Intangible Assets

In accordance with ASC 350, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets*, the Company reviews the carrying value of goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets annually on October 31, or if an event occurs or circumstances change that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of a reporting unit below its carrying amount. The Company evaluates the recoverability of these assets based on the estimated fair value of each of the thirteen reporting units and the indefinite-lived intangible assets. See Note 4 for a further discussion on goodwill and intangible assets.

Borrowing Expenses

Expenses incurred in securing and issuing debt are capitalized and included as a reduction of Long-term borrowings. These amounts are amortized over the life of the related borrowing and the related amortization is included in Interest expense.

Earnings per Common Share

Earnings per common share ("EPS") is computed by dividing net income by the weighted average number of shares of common stock (basic) plus common stock equivalents (diluted) outstanding during the year. Common stock equivalents consist of stock options, which have been included in the calculation of weighted average shares outstanding using the treasury stock method, restricted stock and performance share units.

ASC 260, *Earnings per Share*, concludes that all outstanding unvested share-based payment awards that contain rights to nonforfeitable dividends participate in undistributed earnings with common shareholders. If awards are considered participating securities, the Company is required to apply the two-class method of computing basic and diluted earnings per share. The Company has determined that its outstanding shares of restricted stock are participating securities. Accordingly, EPS was computed using the two-class method prescribed by ASC 260.

Basic weighted average shares outstanding reconciles to diluted weighted average shares outstanding as follows:

	2017	2016	2015
		(In thousands)	
Basic weighted average common shares outstanding	76,232	75,803	77,126
Dilutive effect of stock options, restricted stock and performance share units	1,101	955	846
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding	77,333	76,758	77,972

Options to purchase approximately zero, 0.9 million and 0.9 million shares of common stock in 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively, were not included in the computation of diluted EPS because the effect of their inclusion would have been antidilutive.

Share-Based Compensation

The Company accounts for share-based payments in accordance with ASC 718, *Compensation-Stock Compensation*. Accordingly, the Company expenses the fair value of awards made under its share-based compensation plans. That cost is recognized in the consolidated financial statements over the requisite service period of the grants. See Note 13 for further discussion on share-based compensation.

Depreciation and Amortization

Property and equipment are stated at cost, with depreciation and amortization provided using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Land improvements	8 to 12 years
Buildings and improvements	8 to 30 years
Machinery, equipment and other	3 to 12 years
Office and transportation equipment	3 to 10 years

Certain identifiable intangible assets are amortized over their estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives used in the computation of amortization of identifiable intangible assets are as follows:

Patents	5 to 17 years
Trade names	10 to 20 years
Customer relationships	6 to 20 years
Unpatented technology and other	6 to 20 years

Research and Development Expenditures

Costs associated with engineering activities, including research and development, are expensed in the period incurred and are included in Cost of sales.

Total engineering expenses, which include research and development as well as application and support engineering, were \$76.4 million, \$68.8 million and \$61.2 million in 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively. Research and development expenses, which include costs associated with developing new products and major improvements to existing products, were \$42.4 million, \$39.4 million and \$33.6 million in 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Foreign Currency

The functional currency of substantially all operations outside the United States is the respective local currency. Accordingly, those foreign currency balance sheet accounts have been translated using the exchange rates in effect as of the balance sheet date. Income statement amounts have been translated using the average exchange rate for the year. The gains and losses resulting from changes in exchange rates from year to year have been reported in Accumulated other comprehensive loss in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The foreign currency transaction losses (gains) for the periods ending December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 were \$20.5 million, \$(6.2) million, and \$(0.1) million, respectively, and are reported within Other (income) expense - net on the Consolidated Statements of Operations. Of the \$20.5 million reported as foreign currency transaction losses for the period ending December 31, 2017, \$20.2 million was due to intercompany loans established in conjunction with the SFC Koenig acquisition. See Note 6 for further discussion.

Income Taxes

Income tax expense includes United States, state, local and international income taxes. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the tax consequences of temporary differences between the financial reporting and the tax basis of existing assets and liabilities and for loss carryforwards. The tax rate used to determine the deferred tax assets and liabilities is the enacted tax rate for the year and manner in which the differences are expected to reverse. Valuation allowances are recorded to reduce deferred tax assets to the amount that will more likely than not be realized.

Refer to Note 10 for further discussion on income taxes.

Concentration of Credit Risk

The Company is not dependent on a single customer as its largest customer accounted for less than 2% of net sales for all years presented.

Recently Adopted Accounting Standards

In March 2017, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2017-07, Improving the Presentation of Net Periodic Pension Cost and Net Periodic Postretirement Benefit Cost, which amends the requirements related to the income statement presentation of the components of net periodic benefit cost for a company's sponsored defined benefit pension and other postretirement plans. Under this ASU, companies are required to disaggregate the current service cost component from the other components of net benefit cost and present it with other current compensation costs for related employees in the income statement and present the other components elsewhere in the income statement and outside of income from operations if such a subtotal is presented. This ASU also requires companies to disclose the income statement lines that contain the other components if they are not presented on appropriately described separate lines. In addition, only the service cost component of periodic net benefit cost is eligible for capitalization. The Company elected to early adopt this standard in the quarter ended March 31, 2017 as presenting the service cost within income from operations is more indicative of our current pension cost. The Company adopted this standard retrospectively and thus \$6.6 million was reclassified from Selling, general and administrative expenses to Other (income) expense - net for the twelve months ended December 31, 2016, and \$5.3 million was reclassified from Selling, general and administrative expenses to Other (income) expense - net for the twelve months ended December 31, 2015 to conform to current period presentation. The Company elected to apply the practical expedient that permits the use of previously disclosed service cost and other costs from the prior year's pension and other postretirement benefit plan footnote in the comparative periods as appropriate estimates when retrospectively changing the presentation of these costs in the income statement. The Company included the required disclosures and the changes resulting from the adoption of this standard in Note 15.

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-04, *Simplifying the Test for Goodwill Impairment*, which eliminates Step 2 from the goodwill impairment test. Under this ASU, if the carrying amount of a reporting unit exceeds its fair value, an impairment loss will be recognized in an amount equal to the excess, limited to the total amount of goodwill allocated to the reporting unit. This ASU also eliminated the requirements for any reporting unit with a zero or negative carrying amount to perform a qualitative assessment and, if it fails that qualitative test, to perform Step 2 of the goodwill impairment test. In addition, companies will be required to disclose the amount of goodwill allocated to each reporting unit with a zero or negative carrying amount of net assets. The Company early adopted this standard on January 1, 2017. The adoption of this standard did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In July 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-11, *Simplifying the Measurement of Inventory*. Under this guidance, entities utilizing the FIFO or average cost method should measure inventory at the lower of cost or net realizable value, where net realizable value is defined as the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less reasonably predictable costs of completion, disposal

and transportation. The Company adopted this guidance on January 1, 2017. The adoption of this standard did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

New Accounting Pronouncements

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-01, *Clarifying the Definition of a Business*, which clarifies the definition of a business and assists entities with evaluating whether transactions should be accounted for as acquisitions or disposals of assets or businesses. Under this guidance, when substantially all of the fair value of gross assets acquired is concentrated in a single asset or group of similar assets, the assets acquired would not represent a business. In addition, in order to be considered a business, an acquisition would have to include at a minimum an input and a substantive process that together significantly contribute to the ability to create an output. The amended guidance also narrows the definition of outputs by more closely aligning it with how outputs are described in FASB guidance for revenue recognition. This guidance is effective for interim and annual periods for the Company on January 1, 2018, with early adoption permitted. The Company does not believe the guidance will have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In October 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-16, *Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets Other Than Inventory*, which amends ASC 740, *Income Taxes*. This ASU requires that the income tax consequences of an intra-entity asset transfer other than inventory are recognized at the time of the transfer. An entity will continue to recognize the income tax consequences of an intercompany transfer of inventory when the inventory is sold to a third party. The update is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017. The ASU requires adoption on a modified-retrospective basis through a cumulative adjustment to retained earnings at the beginning of the period of adoption. The Company is currently assessing the impact that adopting this new accounting standard will have on its consolidated financial statements and footnote disclosures.

In August 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-15, Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Cash Payments (a consensus of the FASB Emerging Issues Task Force). This ASU addresses the following eight specific cash flow issues: Debt prepayment or debt extinguishment costs; settlement of zero-coupon debt instruments or other debt instruments with coupon interest rates that are insignificant in relation to the effective interest rate of the borrowing; contingent consideration payments made after a business combination; proceeds from the settlement of insurance claims; proceeds from the settlement of corporate-owned life insurance policies (including bank-owned life insurance policies); distributions received from equity method investees; beneficial interests in securitization transactions; and separately identifiable cash flows and application of the predominance principle. This standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017. The Company does not believe the guidance will have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, *Leases*, which sets out the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases for both parties to a contract (i.e. lessees and lessors). The standard introduces a new lessee model that will require most leases to be recorded on the balance sheet and eliminates the required use of bright line tests in current U.S. GAAP for determining lease classification. The new standard requires lessors to account for leases using an approach that is substantially equivalent to existing guidance for sales-type leases, direct financing leases and operating leases. This standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018 and interim periods within those fiscal years. Companies are permitted to adopt the standard early and a modified retrospective application is permitted. The new guidance requires adoption on a retrospective basis unless it is impracticable to apply, in which case the company would be required to apply the amendments prospectively as of the earliest date practicable. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adopting the new guidance on our consolidated financial statements.

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, which will replace numerous requirements in U.S. GAAP, including industry-specific requirements, and provide companies with a new five-step model for recognizing revenue from contracts with customers. Under ASU 2014-09, an entity should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised 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 ASU also requires disclosures sufficient to enable users to understand the nature, amount, timing, and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from contracts with customers, including qualitative and quantitative disclosures about contracts with customers, significant judgments and changes in judgments, and assets recognized from the costs to obtain or fulfill a contract. This standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, using either of the following transition methods: (i) a full retrospective approach reflecting the application of the standard in each prior reporting period with the option to elect certain practical expedients, or (ii) a retrospective approach with the cumulative effect of initially adopting ASU 2014-09 recognized at the date of adoption. The FASB has also issued the following standards which clarify ASU 2014-09 and have the same effective date as the original standard: ASU 2016-08, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers: Principal versus Agent Considerations (Reporting Revenue Gross versus Net)*; ASU 2016-10, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers: Identifying Performance Obligations and Licensing*; ASU 2016-12, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers:*

Narrow-Scope Improvements and Practical Expedients; and ASU 2016-20, Technical Corrections and Improvements to Topic 606, Revenue from Contracts with Customers.

In 2016, we established an implementation team and analyzed the impact of the standard by surveying business units and reviewing contracts to identify potential differences that may result from applying the requirements of the new standard. We have completed our contract reviews. The contract reviews generally supported the recognition of revenue at a point in time, which is consistent with the current revenue recognition model used by most of our business units. As a result, we expect revenue recognition to remain substantially unchanged under the new standard. For our business units that currently recognize revenue under a percentage of completion model, we also expect revenue recognition to remain substantially unchanged as the contract reviews supported the recognition of revenue over time. The implementation team has reported these findings to the Audit Committee. The Company has implemented the appropriate changes to its processes, systems and controls to comply with the new guidance and is currently evaluating new disclosure requirements. The Company expects to adopt the standard in 2018 using the modified retrospective method and does not expect the adoption to have an impact on our consolidated financial statements.

2. Acquisitions and Divestitures

All of the Company's acquisitions have been accounted for under ASC 805, *Business Combinations*. Accordingly, the accounts of the acquired companies, after adjustments to reflect fair values assigned to assets and liabilities, have been included in the Company's consolidated financial statements from their respective dates of acquisition. The results of operations of the acquired companies have been included in the Company's consolidated results since the date of each acquisition. Supplemental pro forma information has not been provided as the acquisitions did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated results of operations individually or in the aggregate.

2017 Acquisition

On December 8, 2017, the Company acquired the stock of thinXXS Microtechnology AG ("thinXXS"), a leader in the design, manufacture, and sale of microfluidic components serving the point of care, veterinary, and life science markets. The business was acquired to complement our existing CiDRA Precision Services business and expand on our microfluidic and nanofluidic capabilities. Headquartered in Zweibrücken, Germany, thinXXS operates in our Health & Science Technologies segment. thinXXS was acquired for cash consideration of \$38.2 million and the assumption of \$1.2 million of debt. The purchase price was funded with cash on hand. Goodwill and intangible assets recognized as part of the transaction were \$23.9 million and \$11.8 million, respectively. The goodwill is not deductible for tax purposes.

The Company made an initial allocation of the purchase price for the thinXXS acquisition as of the acquisition date based on its understanding of the fair value of the acquired assets and assumed liabilities. These nonrecurring fair value measurements are classified as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy. As the Company obtains additional information about these assets and liabilities, including tangible and intangible asset appraisals, and learns more about the newly acquired business, we will refine the estimates of fair value and more accurately allocate the purchase price. Only items identified as of the acquisition date are considered for subsequent adjustment. The Company will make appropriate adjustments to the purchase price allocation prior to the completion of the measurement period, as required.

The Company incurred \$1.3 million of acquisition-related transaction costs in 2017. These costs were recorded in Selling, general and administrative expenses and were related to completed transactions, pending transactions and potential transactions, including transactions that ultimately were not completed.

2016 Acquisitions

On March 16, 2016, the Company acquired the stock of Akron Brass Holding Corporation ("Akron Brass"), a producer of a large array of engineered life–safety products for the safety and emergency response markets, which includes apparatus valves, monitors, nozzles, specialty lighting, electronic vehicle–control systems and firefighting hand tools. The business was acquired to complement and create synergies with our existing Hale, Class 1, and Godiva businesses. Headquartered in Wooster, Ohio, Akron Brass operates in our Fire & Safety/Diversified Products segment. Akron Brass was acquired for cash consideration of \$221.4 million. The purchase price was funded with borrowings under the Company's revolving facilities. Goodwill and intangible assets recognized as part of the transaction were \$124.6 million and \$90.4 million, respectively. The goodwill is not deductible for tax purposes.

On July 1, 2016, the Company acquired the stock of AWG Fittings GmbH ("AWG Fittings"), a producer of engineered products for the safety and emergency response markets, including valves, monitors and nozzles. The business was acquired to complement and create synergies with our existing Hale, Class 1, Godiva and Akron Brass businesses. Headquartered in Ballendorf,

Germany, AWG Fittings operates in our Fire & Safety/Diversified Products segment. AWG Fittings was acquired for cash consideration of \$47.5 million (€42.8 million). The purchase price was funded with cash on hand. Goodwill and intangible assets recognized as part of the transaction were \$22.1 million and \$10.3 million, respectively. The goodwill is not deductible for tax purposes.

On August 31, 2016, the Company acquired the stock of SFC Koenig AG ("SFC Koenig"), a producer of highly engineered expanders and check valves for critical applications across the transportation, hydraulic, aviation and medical markets. Headquartered in Dietikon, Switzerland, SFC Koenig operates in our Health & Science Technologies segment. SFC Koenig was acquired for cash consideration of \$241.1 million (€215.9 million). The purchase price was funded with cash on hand and borrowings under the Company's revolving facilities. Goodwill and intangible assets recognized as part of the transaction were \$141.3 million and \$117.0 million, respectively. The goodwill is not deductible for tax purposes.

The allocation of the acquisition costs to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, based on their estimated fair values at their respective acquisition dates, is as follows:

	Akron Brass		AWG Fittings		ngs SFC Koeni		Total
(In thousands)							
Accounts receivable	\$	14,523	\$	5,867	\$	9,190	\$ 29,580
Inventory		29,157		11,766		20,639	61,562
Other assets, net of cash acquired		446		565		4,501	5,512
Property, plant and equipment		12,195		6,595		4,637	23,427
Goodwill		124,643		22,055		141,298	287,996
Intangible assets		90,400		10,279		116,998	217,677
Deferred income taxes				3,928			3,928
Total assets acquired		271,364		61,055		297,263	629,682
Current liabilities		(7,081)		(5,117)		(11,704)	(23,902)
Deferred income taxes		(36,439)				(36,168)	(72,607)
Other noncurrent liabilities		(6,445)		(8,444)		(8,283)	(23,172)
Net assets acquired	\$	221,399	\$	47,494	\$	241,108	\$ 510,001

Acquired intangible assets consist of trade names, customer relationships and unpatented technology. The goodwill recorded for the acquisitions reflects the strategic fit, revenue and earnings growth potential of these businesses.

Of the \$217.7 million of acquired intangible assets, \$28.8 million was assigned to the Akron Brass trade name and is not subject to amortization. The acquired intangible assets and weighted average amortization periods are as follows:

(In thousands, except weighted average life)		Weighted Average Life	
Trade names	\$	14,078	15
Customer relationships		134,519	13
Unpatented technology		40,280	13
Amortized intangible assets		188,877	
Indefinite lived - Akron Brass trade name		28,800	
Total acquired intangible assets	\$	217,677	

The Company incurred \$4.7 million of acquisition-related transaction costs in 2016. These costs were recorded in Selling, general and administrative expenses and were related to completed transactions, pending transactions and potential transactions, including transactions that ultimately were not completed. The Company also incurred \$14.7 million of non-cash acquisition fair value inventory step-up charges associated with the completed 2016 acquisitions. These charges were recorded in Cost of sales.

2015 Acquisitions

On May 29, 2015, the Company acquired the stock of Novotema, SpA ("Novotema"), a leader in the design, manufacture and sale of specialty sealing solutions for use in the building products, gas control, transportation, industrial and water markets.

The business was acquired to complement and create synergies with our existing Sealing Solutions platform. Located in Villongo, Italy, Novotema operates in our Health & Science Technologies segment. Novotema was acquired for cash consideration of \$61.1 million (€56 million). The entire purchase price was funded with cash on hand. Goodwill and intangible assets recognized as part of this transaction were \$34.3 million and \$20.0 million, respectively. The \$34.3 million of goodwill is not deductible for tax purposes.

On June 10, 2015, the Company acquired the stock of Alfa Valvole, S.r.l ("Alfa Valvole"), a leader in the design, manufacture and sale of specialty valve products for use in the chemical, petro-chemical, energy and sanitary markets. The business was acquired to expand our valve capabilities. Located in Casorezzo, Italy, Alfa Valvole operates in our Fluid & Metering Technologies segment. Alfa Valvole was acquired for cash consideration of \$112.6 million (€99.8 million). The entire purchase price was funded with cash on hand. Goodwill and intangible assets recognized as part of this transaction were \$69.6 million and \$32.1 million, respectively. The \$69.6 million of goodwill is not deductible for tax purposes.

On July 1, 2015, the Company acquired the membership interests of CiDRA Precision Services, LLC ("CPS" or "CiDRA Precision Services"), a leader in the design, manufacture and sale of microfluidic components serving the life science, health and industrial markets. The business was acquired to provide a critical building block to our emerging microfluidic and nanofluidic capabilities. Located in Wallingford, Connecticut, CPS operates in our Health & Science Technologies segment. CPS was acquired for an aggregate purchase price of \$24.2 million, consisting of \$19.5 million in cash and contingent consideration valued at \$4.7 million as of the opening balance sheet date. The contingent consideration was based on the achievement of financial objectives during the 12-month period following the close. Based on potential outcomes, the undiscounted amount of all the future payments that the Company could have been required to make under the contingent consideration arrangement was between \$0 and \$5.5 million. During the six months ended June 30, 2016, the Company re-evaluated the contingent consideration arrangement and fully reversed the \$4.7 million liability based on CPS's actual operating results from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016. The \$4.7 million reversal was recognized as a benefit within Selling, general and administrative expenses, of which \$3.7 million was recognized in March 2016 and the remaining \$1.0 million was recognized in June 2016. The entire purchase price was funded with cash on hand. Goodwill and intangible assets recognized as part of this transaction were \$9.7 million and \$12.3 million, respectively. The \$9.7 million of goodwill is deductible for tax purposes.

On December 1, 2015, the Company acquired the assets of a complementary product line within our Fluid & Metering Technologies segment. The purchase price and goodwill associated with this transaction were \$1.9 million and \$0.7 million, respectively.

The allocation of the acquisition costs to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, based on their estimated fair values at their respective acquisition dates, is as follows:

	No	ovotema	Alfa Valvole		 CPS		Other		Total
(In thousands)									
Accounts receivable	\$	8,029	\$	13,487	\$ 945	\$	_	\$	22,461
Inventory		2,886		11,036	442		1,102		15,466
Other assets, net of cash acquired		1,866		3,367	79				5,312
Property, plant and equipment		11,844		8,395	1,105				21,344
Goodwill		34,316		69,568	9,739		748		114,371
Intangible assets		20,011		32,058	12,290				64,359
Total assets acquired		78,952		137,911	24,600		1,850		243,313
Current liabilities		(7,760)		(11,279)	(420)				(19,459)
Deferred income taxes		(7,803)		(12,622)					(20,425)
Other noncurrent liabilities		(2,291)		(1,420)					(3,711)
Net assets acquired	\$	61,098	\$	112,590	\$ 24,180	\$	1,850	\$	199,718

Acquired intangible assets consist of trade names, customer relationships and unpatented technology. The goodwill recorded for the acquisitions reflects the strategic fit, revenue and earnings growth potential of these businesses.

The acquired intangible assets and weighted average amortization periods are as follows:

(In thousands, except weighted average life)	Total	Weighted Average Life
Trade names	\$ 9,247	15
Customer relationships	44,401	12
Unpatented technology	10,711	8
Total acquired intangible assets	\$ 64,359	

The Company incurred \$2.6 million of acquisition-related transaction costs in 2015. These costs were recorded in Selling, general and administrative expense and were related to completed transactions, pending transactions and potential transactions, including transactions that ultimately were not completed. The Company also incurred \$3.4 million of non-cash acquisition fair value inventory charges in 2015. These charges were recorded in Cost of sales.

Divestitures

The Company periodically reviews its operations for businesses which may no longer be aligned with its strategic objectives and focuses on core business and customers. Any resulting gain or loss recognized due to divestitures is recorded within Loss (gain) on sale of businesses - net. The Company concluded that none of the divestitures that took place during the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 met the new criteria for reporting discontinued operations.

On October 31, 2017, the Company completed the sale of its Faure Herman subsidiary for \$21.8 million in cash, resulting in a pre-tax gain on the sale of \$9.3 million. There was no income tax expense associated with this transaction. The results of Faure Herman were reported within the Fluid & Metering Technologies segment and generated \$14.1 million of revenues in 2017 through the date of sale.

On July 29, 2016, the Company completed the sale of its Hydra-Stop product line for \$15.0 million in cash, resulting in a pre-tax gain on the sale of \$5.8 million. In addition, the Company earned \$1.0 million for the achievement of 2016 net sales objectives, which represents the maximum earn out for 2016, and the Company can earn an additional \$1.0 million if 2017 net sales objectives are achieved. The Company recorded \$2.8 million of income tax expense associated with this transaction during the year ended December 31, 2016. The results of Hydra-Stop were reported within the Fluid & Metering Technologies segment and generated \$7.5 million of revenues in 2016 through the date of sale.

On September 9, 2016, the Company completed the sale of its Melles Griot KK ("CVI Japan") subsidiary for \$17.5 million in cash, resulting in a pre-tax loss on the sale of \$7.9 million. The Company recorded \$3.4 million of income tax benefit associated with this transaction during the year ended December 31, 2016. The results of CVI Japan were reported within the Health & Science Technologies segment and generated \$13.1 million of revenues in 2016 through the date of sale.

On October 10, 2016, the Company completed the sale of its IETG and 40Seven subsidiaries for \$2.7 million in cash, resulting in a pre-tax loss on the sale of \$4.2 million. There was no income tax impact associated with this transaction. The results of IETG and 40Seven were reported within the Fluid & Metering Technologies segment and generated \$8.3 million of revenues in 2016 through the date of sale.

On December 30, 2016, the Company completed the sale of its Korea Electro-Optics Co., Ltd. ("CVI Korea") subsidiary for \$3.8 million in cash, resulting in a pre-tax loss on the sale of \$16.0 million. The Company recorded \$9.1 million of income tax benefit associated with this transaction during the year ended December 31, 2016. The results of CVI Korea were reported within the Health & Science Technologies segment and generated \$11.7 million of revenues in 2016 through the date of sale.

On July 31, 2015, the Company completed the sale of its Ismatec product line for \$27.7 million in cash, resulting in a pretax gain on the sale of \$18.1 million. The Company recorded \$4.8 million of income tax expense associated with this transaction during the year ended December 31, 2015. The results of Ismatec were reported in the Health & Science Technologies segment and generated \$5.3 million of revenues in 2015 through the date of sale.

3. Balance Sheet Components

		December 31,				
		2017	2016			
DEGENAL DA EG		(In tho	usand	s)		
RECEIVABLES						
Customers	\$	297,796	\$	275,250		
Other		4,134		5,641		
Total		301,930		280,891		
Less allowance for doubtful accounts		7,764		8,078		
Total receivables — net	\$	294,166	\$	272,813		
INVENTORIES						
Raw materials and components parts	\$	169,676	\$	154,278		
Work in process		33,668		34,832		
Finished goods		56,380		63,749		
Total	\$	259,724	\$	252,859		
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT						
Land and improvements	\$	32,984	\$	33,883		
Buildings and improvements		175,467		169,261		
Machinery, equipment and other		356,728		328,779		
Office and transportation equipment		96,541		98,355		
Construction in progress		14,715		10,373		
Total		676,435		640,651		
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization		418,085		392,835		
Total property, plant and equipment — net	\$	258,350	\$	247,816		
ACCRUED EXPENSES						
Payroll and related items	\$	75,869	\$	67,600		
Management incentive compensation		24,320		16,339		
Income taxes payable		28,033		8,808		
Insurance		9,424		9,416		
Warranty		6,281		5,628		
Deferred revenue		11,031		12,607		
Restructuring		4,180		3,893		
Liability for uncertain tax positions		1,745		1,366		
Accrued interest		1,759		1,663		
Other		22,063		25,532		
Total accrued expenses	\$	184,705	\$	152,852		
OTHER NONCURRENT LIABILITIES						
Pension and retiree medical obligations	\$	99,646	\$	93,604		
Transition tax payable		27,877		_		
Liability for uncertain tax positions		1,047		2,623		
Deferred revenue		3,297		2,442		
Other		23,818		22,561		
Total other noncurrent liabilities	\$	155,685	\$	121,230		
	Ψ			121,250		

The valuation and qualifying account activity for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 is as follows:

	2017	2016		2015	
		(In t	housands)		
ALLOWANCE FOR DOUBTFUL ACCOUNTS (1)					
Beginning balance January 1	\$ 8,078	\$	7,812	\$	6,961
Charged to costs and expenses, net of recoveries	720		1,425		1,556
Utilization	(1,418)		(1,585)		(1,009)
Currency translation and other	384		426		304
Ending balance December 31	\$ 7,764	\$	8,078	\$	7,812

(1) Includes provision for doubtful accounts, sales returns and sales discounts granted to customers.

4. Goodwill and Intangible Assets

The changes in the carrying amount of goodwill for 2017 and 2016, by reportable business segment, were as follows:

	Fluid & Metering Technologies			Health & Science echnologies	D	e & Safety/ iversified Products	Total
				(In thou	isands)	
Goodwill	\$	605,491	\$	740,425	\$	251,244	\$ 1,597,160
Accumulated goodwill impairment losses		(20,721)		(149,820)		(30,090)	(200,631)
Balance at January 1, 2016		584,770		590,605		221,154	1,396,529
Foreign currency translation		(5,951)		(23,559)		(7,972)	(37,482)
Acquisitions		_		143,719		146,674	290,393
Disposition of businesses		(3,759)		(12,013)		_	(15,772)
Acquisition adjustments		(1,623)		547		_	(1,076)
Balance at December 31, 2016		573,437		699,299		359,856	1,632,592
Foreign currency translation		15,748		19,225		18,206	53,179
Acquisitions		_		23,929		_	23,929
Disposition of business		(3,121)		_		_	(3,121)
Acquisition adjustments		_		(2,421)		_	(2,421)
Balance at December 31, 2017	\$	586,064	\$	740,032	\$	378,062	\$ 1,704,158

ASC 350 requires that goodwill be tested for impairment at the reporting unit level on an annual basis and between annual tests if an event occurs or circumstances change that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of a reporting unit below its carrying amount. Goodwill represents the purchase price in excess of the net amount assigned to assets acquired and liabilities assumed.

Goodwill and other acquired intangible assets with indefinite lives were tested for impairment as of October 31, 2017, the Company's annual impairment date. In assessing the fair value of the reporting units, the Company considers both the market approach and the income approach. Under the market approach, the fair value of the reporting unit is determined by the respective trailing twelve month EBITDA and the forward looking 2018 EBITDA (50% each), based on multiples of comparable public companies. The market approach is dependent on a number of significant management assumptions including forecasted EBITDA and selected market multiples. Under the income approach, the fair value of the reporting unit is determined based on the present value of estimated future cash flows. The income approach is dependent on a number of significant management assumptions including estimates of operating results, capital expenditures, net working capital requirements, long-term growth rates and discount rates. Weighting was equally attributed to both the market and the income approaches (50% each) in arriving at the fair value of the reporting units.

In 2017 and 2016, there were no events that occurred or circumstances that changed that would have required a review other than as of our annual test date.

The following table provides the gross carrying value and accumulated amortization for each major class of intangible asset at December 31, 2017 and 2016:

		At	Dece	ember 31, 201	7				At December 31, 2016																										
		Gross Carrying Amount		Carrying		Carrying		Carrying		Carrying		Carrying		Carrying		Carrying		Carrying		Carrying		Carrying		ccumulated mortization		Net	Weighted Average Life				Carrying		ccumulated mortization	N	Net
			(In	thousands)					(In thousands)																										
Amortized intangible assets:																																			
Patents	\$	9,633	\$	(7,143)	\$	2,490	11	\$	9,856	\$	(6,635)	\$	3,221																						
Trade names		117,206		(50,604)		66,602	16		113,428		(42,653)	7	0,775																						
Customer relationships		317,316		(124,566)		192,750	13		369,087		(161,065)	20	8,022																						
Unpatented technology		91,166		(29,428)		61,738	13		106,747		(44,516)	6	2,231																						
Other		839		(573)		266	10		6,527		(6,172)		355																						
Total amortized intangible assets		536,160		(212,314)		323,846			605,645		(261,041)	34	4,604																						
Indefinite-lived intangible assets:																																			
Banjo trade name		62,100		_		62,100			62,100		_	6	2,100																						
Akron Brass trade name		28,800				28,800			28,800		_	2	8,800																						
Total intangible assets	\$	627,060	\$	(212,314)	\$	414,746		\$	696,545	\$	(261,041)	\$43:	5,504																						

The Banjo trade name and the Akron Brass trade name are indefinite-lived intangible assets which are tested for impairment on an annual basis in accordance with ASC 350 or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the assets might be impaired. The Company uses the relief-from-royalty method, a form of the income approach, to determine the fair value of these trade names. The relief-from-royalty method is dependent on a number of significant management assumptions, including estimates of revenues, royalty rates and discount rates.

In 2017 and 2016, there were no events that occurred or circumstances that changed that would have required a review other than as of our annual test date.

Amortization of intangible assets was \$45.9 million, \$49.0 million and \$42.4 million in 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively. Based on the intangible asset balances as of December 31, 2017, amortization expense is expected to approximate \$38.4 million in 2018, \$35.3 million in 2019, \$34.5 million in 2020, \$33.2 million in 2021 and \$31.6 million in 2022.

5. Borrowings

Borrowings at December 31, 2017 and 2016 consisted of the following:

	 2017		2016
	(In tho	usand	ls)
Revolving Facility	\$ 10,740	\$	169,579
4.5% Senior Notes, due December 2020	300,000		300,000
4.2% Senior Notes, due December 2021	350,000		350,000
3.2% Senior Notes, due June 2023	100,000		100,000
3.37% Senior Notes, due June 2025	100,000		100,000
Other borrowings	1,446		1,294
Total borrowings	862,186		1,020,873
Less current portion	258		1,046
Less deferred debt issuance costs	2,204		4,399
Less unaccreted debt discount	936		1,193
Total long-term borrowings	\$ 858,788	\$	1,014,235

On June 13, 2016, the Company completed a private placement of \$100 million aggregate principal amount of 3.20% Senior Notes due June 13, 2023 and \$100 million aggregate principal amount of 3.37% Senior Notes due June 13, 2025 (collectively, the "Notes") pursuant to a Note Purchase Agreement, dated June 13, 2016 (the "Purchase Agreement"). Each series of Notes bears interest at the stated amount per annum, which is payable semi-annually in arrears on each June 13th and December 13th. The Notes are unsecured obligations of the Company and rank pari passu in right of payment with all of the Company's other unsecured, unsubordinated debt. The Company may at any time prepay all, or any portion of the Notes; provided that such portion is greater than 5% of the aggregate principal amount of Notes then outstanding. In the event of a prepayment, the Company will pay an amount equal to par plus accrued interest plus a make-whole amount. In addition, the Company may repurchase the Notes by making an offer to all holders of the Notes, subject to certain conditions.

The Purchase Agreement contains certain covenants that restrict the Company's ability to, among other things, transfer or sell assets, incur indebtedness, create liens, transact with affiliates and engage in certain mergers or consolidations or other change of control transactions. In addition, the Company must comply with a leverage ratio and interest coverage ratio, as further described below, and the Purchase Agreement also limits the outstanding principal amount of priority debt that may be incurred by the Company to 15% of consolidated assets. The Purchase Agreement provides for customary events of default. In the case of an event of default arising from specified events of bankruptcy or insolvency, all of the outstanding Notes will become due and payable immediately without further action or notice. In the case of payment event of default, any holder of the Notes affected thereby may declare all the Notes held by it due and payable immediately. In the case of any other event of default, a majority of the holders of Notes may declare all of the Notes to be due and payable immediately.

On June 23, 2015, the Company entered into a credit agreement (the "Credit Agreement") along with certain of its subsidiaries, as borrowers (the "Borrowers"), Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, swing line lender and an issuer of letters of credit, with other agents party thereto. The Credit Agreement replaces the Company's existing five-year \$700 million credit agreement, dated as of June 27, 2011, which was due to expire on June 27, 2016.

The Credit Agreement consists of a revolving credit facility (the "Revolving Facility") in an aggregate principal amount of \$700 million, with a final maturity date of June 23, 2020. The maturity date may be extended under certain conditions for an additional one-year term. Up to \$75 million of the Revolving Facility is available for the issuance of letters of credit. Additionally, up to \$50 million of the Revolving Facility is available to the Company for swing line loans, available on a same-day basis.

Proceeds of the Revolving Facility are available for use by the Borrowers for acquisitions, working capital and other general corporate purposes, including refinancing existing debt of the Company and its subsidiaries. The Company may request increases in the lending commitments under the Credit Agreement, but the aggregate lending commitments pursuant to such increases may not exceed \$350 million. The Company has the right, subject to certain conditions set forth in the Credit Agreement, to designate certain foreign subsidiaries of the Company as borrowers under the Credit Agreement. In connection with any such designation, the Company is required to guarantee the obligations of any such subsidiaries.

Borrowings under the Credit Agreement bear interest at either an alternate base rate or an adjusted LIBOR rate plus, in each case, an applicable margin. Such applicable margin is based on the Company's senior, unsecured, long-term debt rating and can range from .005% to 1.50%. Based on the Company's credit rating at December 31, 2017, the applicable margin was 1.10%. Given the fact that LIBOR was negative at December 31, 2017, the default interest rate is equal to the applicable margin, resulting in a weighted average interest rate of 1.10% at December 31, 2017. Interest is payable (a) in the case of base rate loans, quarterly, and (b) in the case of LIBOR rate loans, on the maturity date of the borrowing, or quarterly from the effective date for borrowings exceeding three months.

The Credit Agreement requires payment to the lenders of a facility fee based upon (a) the amount of the lenders' commitments under the credit facility from time to time and (b) the applicable corporate credit ratings of the Company. Voluntary prepayments of any loans and voluntary reductions of the unutilized portion of the commitments under the credit facility are permissible without penalty, subject to break funding payments and minimum notice and minimum reduction amount requirements.

The negative covenants include, among other things, limitations (each of which is subject to customary exceptions for financings of this type) on our ability to grant liens; enter into transactions resulting in fundamental changes (such as mergers or sales of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company); restrict subsidiary dividends or other subsidiary distributions; enter into transactions with the Company's affiliates; and incur certain additional subsidiary debt.

The Credit Agreement also contains customary events of default (subject to grace periods, as appropriate) including among others: nonpayment of principal, interest or fees; breach of the representations or warranties in any material respect; breach of the financial, affirmative or negative covenants; payment default on, or acceleration of, other material indebtedness; bankruptcy or insolvency; material judgments entered against the Company or any of its subsidiaries; certain specified events under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended; certain changes in control of the Company; and the invalidity or unenforceability of the Credit Agreement or other documents associated with the Credit Agreement.

At December 31, 2017, \$10.7 million was outstanding under the Revolving Facility, with \$7.2 million of outstanding letters of credit, resulting in net available borrowing capacity under the Revolving Facility at December 31, 2017 of approximately \$682.1 million.

On December 9, 2011, the Company completed a public offering of \$350.0 million 4.2% senior notes due December 15, 2021 ("4.2% Senior Notes"). The net proceeds from the offering of \$346.2 million, after deducting a \$0.9 million issuance discount, a \$2.3 million underwriting commission and \$0.6 million of offering expenses, were used to repay \$306.0 million of outstanding bank indebtedness, with the balance used for general corporate purposes. The 4.2% Senior Notes bear interest at a rate of 4.2% per annum, which is payable semi-annually in arrears on each June 15th and December 15th. The Company may redeem all or a portion of the 4.2% Senior Notes at any time prior to maturity at the redemption prices set forth in the Note Indenture governing the 4.2% Senior Notes. The Company may issue additional debt from time to time pursuant to the Indenture. The Indenture and 4.2% Senior Notes contain covenants that limit the Company's ability to, among other things, incur certain liens securing indebtedness, engage in certain sale-leaseback transactions, and enter into certain consolidations, mergers, conveyances, transfers or leases of all or substantially all the Company's assets. The terms of the 4.2% Senior Notes also require the Company to make an offer to repurchase the 4.2% Senior Notes upon a change of control triggering event (as defined in the Indenture) at a price equal to 101% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any.

On December 6, 2010, the Company completed a public offering of \$300.0 million 4.5% senior notes due December 15, 2020 ("4.5% Senior Notes"). The net proceeds from the offering of \$295.7 million, after deducting a \$1.6 million issuance discount, a \$1.9 million underwriting commission and \$0.8 million of offering expenses, were used to repay \$250.0 million of outstanding bank indebtedness, with the balance used for general corporate purposes. The 4.5% Senior Notes bear interest at a rate of 4.5% per annum, which is payable semi-annually in arrears on each June 15th and December 15th. The Company may redeem all or a portion of the 4.5% Senior Notes at any time prior to maturity at the redemption prices set forth in the Note Indenture governing the 4.5% Senior Notes. The Company may issue additional debt from time to time pursuant to the Indenture. The Indenture and 4.5% Senior Notes contain covenants that limit the Company's ability to, among other things, incur certain liens securing indebtedness, engage in certain sale-leaseback transactions, and enter into certain consolidations, mergers, conveyances, transfers or leases of all or substantially all the Company's assets. The terms of the 4.5% Senior Notes also require the Company to make an offer to repurchase the 4.5% Senior Notes upon a change of control triggering event (as defined in the Indenture) at a price equal to 101% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any.

There are two key financial covenants that the Company is required to maintain in connection with the Revolving Facility and the Notes, a minimum interest coverage ratio of 3.0 to 1 and a maximum leverage ratio of 3.50 to 1, which is the ratio of the Company's consolidated total debt to its consolidated EBITDA. At December 31, 2017, the Company was in compliance with

both of these financial covenants. There are no financial covenants relating to the 4.5% Senior Notes or 4.2% Senior Notes; however, both are subject to cross-default provisions.

Total borrowings at December 31, 2017 have scheduled maturities as follows:

(In thousands)	
2018	\$ 1,436
2019	10
2020	310,740
2021	350,000
2022	
Thereafter	200,000
Total borrowings	\$ 862,186

6. Derivative Instruments

The type of cash flow hedges the Company has entered into includes interest rate exchange agreements that effectively convert a portion of floating-rate debt to fixed-rate debt and are designed to reduce the impact of interest rate changes on future interest expense as well as foreign currency exchange contracts designed to minimize the earnings impact on certain intercompany loans.

The effective portion of gains or losses on interest rate exchange agreements is reported in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) in shareholders' equity and reclassified into net income in the same period or periods in which the hedged transaction affects net income. The remaining gain or loss in excess of the cumulative change in the present value of future cash flows or the hedged item, if any, is recognized into net income during the period of change. See Note 14 for the amount of loss reclassified into income for interest rate contracts for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015.

Fair values relating to derivative financial instruments reflect the estimated amounts that the Company would receive or pay to sell or buy the contracts based on quoted market prices of comparable contracts at each balance sheet date.

On April 15, 2010, the Company entered into a forward starting interest rate contract with a notional amount of \$300.0 million with a settlement date in December 2010. This contract was entered into in anticipation of the issuance of the 4.5% Senior Notes and was designed to lock in the market interest rate as of April 15, 2010. In December 2010, the Company settled and paid this interest rate contract for \$31.0 million. The \$31.0 million is being amortized into interest expense over the 10 year term of the 4.5% Senior Notes, which results in an effective interest rate of 5.8%.

On July 12, 2011, the Company entered into a forward starting interest rate contract with a notional amount of \$350.0 million and a settlement date of September 30, 2011. This contract was entered into in anticipation of the issuance of the 4.2% Senior Notes and was designed to lock in the market interest rate as of July 12, 2011. On September 29, 2011, the Company settled this interest rate contract for \$34.7 million with a payment made on October 3, 2011. Simultaneously, the Company entered into a separate interest rate contract with a notional amount of \$350.0 million and a settlement date of February 28, 2012. The contract was entered into in anticipation of the expected issuance of the 4.2% Senior Notes and was designed to maintain the market rate as of July 12, 2011. In December 2011, the Company settled and paid the September interest rate contract for \$4.0 million, resulting in a total settlement of \$38.7 million. Of the \$38.7 million, \$0.8 million was recognized as other expense in 2011 and the balance of \$37.9 million is being amortized into interest expense over the 10 year term of the 4.2% Senior Notes, which results in an effective interest rate of 5.3%.

The amount of expense reclassified into interest expense for interest rate contracts for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 is \$6.7 million, \$6.9 million and \$7.0 million, respectively.

Approximately \$6.5 million of the pre-tax amount included in accumulated other comprehensive loss in shareholders' equity at December 31, 2017 will be recognized to net income over the next 12 months as the underlying hedged transactions are realized.

At December 31, 2017, the Company had outstanding foreign currency exchange contracts with a combined notional value of €180 million that have not been designated as hedges for accounting purposes. These contracts are used to minimize the economic impact and reduce the variability on earnings due to foreign currency fluctuations between the Swiss Franc and the Euro associated with certain intercompany loans that were established in conjunction with the SFC Koenig acquisition. The change in the fair value

of the foreign currency exchange contracts and the corresponding foreign currency gain or loss on the revaluation of the intercompany loans are both recorded through earnings each period as incurred within Other (income) expense - net in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

During the year ended December 31, 2017, the Company recorded a gain of \$19.8 million within Other (income) expense - net related to these foreign currency exchange contracts. During year ended December 31, 2017, the Company recorded a foreign currency transaction loss of \$20.2 million within Other (income) expense - net related to these intercompany loans.

The foreign currency exchange contracts are settled in cash approximately every 90 days, with the proceeds recorded within Financing Activities on the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows. The non-cash impact associated with the change in the amount receivable from or payable to the counter parties is recorded within Operating Activities on the Statement of Cash Flows until such time as the foreign currency exchange contracts are settled in cash. For the year ended December 31, 2017, the Company received \$13.7 million in settlement of the foreign currency exchange contracts. The Company received \$6.6 million on January 5, 2018 in settlement of the foreign currency exchange contracts outstanding as of December 31, 2017.

Fair values relating to derivative financial instruments reflect the estimated amounts that the Company would receive or pay to sell or buy the contracts based on quoted market prices of comparable contracts at each balance sheet date. The following table sets forth the fair value amounts of derivative instruments held by the Company as of December 31, 2017 and 2016:

		Fair Value Ass	ets (Liabilitie	es)	
	Decem	ber 31, 2017	December	31, 2016	Balance Sheet Caption
		(In tho	usands)		
Foreign currency exchange contracts	\$	5,779	\$		Other current assets

7. Fair Value Measurements

ASC 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, defines fair value, provides guidance for measuring fair value and requires certain disclosures. This standard discusses valuation techniques, such as the market approach (comparable market prices), the income approach (present value of future income or cash flow), and the cost approach (cost to replace the service capacity of an asset or replacement cost). The standard utilizes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three broad levels. The following is a brief description of those three levels:

- Level 1: Observable inputs such as quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2: Inputs, other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. These include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets and quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active.
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs that reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions.

The following table summarizes the basis used to measure the Company's financial assets (liabilities) at fair value on a recurring basis in the balance sheets at December 31, 2017 and 2016:

		Basis of Fair Value Measurements										
	Dece	lance at ember 31, 2017	1	Level 1	L	evel 2		Level 3				
				(In tho	usands)							
Available for sale securities	\$	6,742	\$	6,742	\$	_	\$	_				
Foreign currency exchange contracts		5,779				5,779		_				
			Basi	is of Fair Val	ue Meas	urements						
	Dece	lance at ember 31, 2016	1	Level 1	L	evel 2		Level 3				
				(In tho	usands)							
Available for sale securities	\$	5,369	\$	5,369	\$	_	\$	_				

There were no transfers of assets or liabilities between Level 1 and Level 2 in 2017 or 2016.

The carrying value of our cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued expenses approximates their fair values because of the short term nature of these instruments. At December 31, 2017, the fair value of the outstanding indebtedness under our Revolving Facility, 3.2% Senior Notes, 3.37% Senior Notes, 4.5% Senior Notes and 4.2% Senior Notes, based on quoted market prices and current market rates for debt with similar credit risk and maturity, was approximately \$886.3 million compared to the carrying value of \$861.0 million. This fair value measurement is classified as Level 2 within the fair value hierarchy since it is determined based upon significant inputs observable in the market, including interest rates on recent financing transactions to entities with a credit rating similar to ours.

8. Commitments and Contingencies

The Company leases certain office facilities, warehouses and data processing equipment under operating leases. Rental expense totaled \$19.0 million, \$18.6 million and \$18.9 million in 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

The aggregate future minimum lease payments for operating and capital leases as of December 31, 2017 were as follows:

	O	perating	Ca	pital
		(In tho	usands)	
2018	\$	15,992	\$	258
2019		12,064		10
2020		9,465		_
2021		6,904		_
2022		4,999		_
2023 and thereafter		15,435		_
	\$	64,859	\$	268

Warranty costs are provided for at the time of sale. The warranty provision is based on historical costs and adjusted for specific known claims. A rollforward of the warranty reserve is as follows:

	 2017	2016		 2015
	 	(In t	housands)	
Beginning balance January 1	\$ 5,628	\$	7,936	\$ 7,196
Provision for warranties	2,895		1,828	4,788
Claim settlements	(2,317)		(3,539)	(3,864)
Other adjustments, including acquisitions, divestitures and currency translation	75		(597)	(184)
Ending balance December 31	\$ 6,281	\$	5,628	\$ 7,936

The Company and certain of its subsidiaries are involved in pending and threatened legal, regulatory and other proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business. These proceedings may pertain to matters such as product liability or contract disputes, and may also involve governmental inquiries, inspections, audits or investigations relating to issues such as tax matters, intellectual property, environmental, health and safety issues, governmental regulations, employment and other matters. Although the results of such legal proceedings cannot be predicted with certainty, the Company believes that the ultimate disposition of these matters will not have a material adverse effect, individually or in the aggregate, on the Company's business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

9. Common and Preferred Stock

On December 1, 2015 the Company's Board of Directors approved a \$300.0 million increase in the authorized level for repurchases of common stock. Repurchases under the program will be funded with future cash flow generation or borrowings available under the Revolving Facility. During 2017, the Company purchased a total of 0.3 million shares at a cost of \$29.1 million,

compared to 0.7 million shares purchased at a cost of \$55.0 million in 2016. As of December 31, 2017, there was \$551 million of repurchase authorization remaining.

At December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company had 150 million shares of authorized common stock, with a par value of \$.01 per share, and five million shares of authorized preferred stock, with a par value of \$.01 per share. No preferred stock was issued as of December 31, 2017 and 2016.

10. Income Taxes

Pretax income for 2017, 2016 and 2015 was taxed in the following jurisdictions:

	2017			2016		2015
			(In	thousands)		_
U.S.	\$	302,515	\$	265,260	\$	285,399
Foreign		152,758		103,252		106,946
Total	\$	455,273	\$	368,512	\$	392,345

The provision (benefit) for income taxes for 2017, 2016 and 2015, was as follows:

	2017			2016		2015
			(In	thousands)		
Current						
U.S.	\$	91,641	\$	67,668	\$	73,059
State and local		9,342		4,503		6,188
Foreign		50,775		42,540		30,630
Total current		151,758		114,711		109,877
Deferred						
U.S.		(36,390)		(6,249)		7,125
State and local		3,305		(331)		(1,017)
Foreign		(657)		(10,728)		(6,447)
Total deferred		(33,742)		(17,308)		(339)
Total provision for income taxes	\$	118,016	\$	97,403	\$	109,538

Deferred tax assets (liabilities) at December 31, 2017 and 2016 were:

	2017			2016
		(In tho	usand	ls)
Employee and retiree benefit plans	\$	31,804	\$	42,950
Capital loss carryforwards		12,853		18,668
Depreciation and amortization		(176,592)		(238,321)
Inventories		8,548		11,519
Allowances and accruals		4,572		9,338
Interest rate exchange agreement		5,007		10,442
Other		(8,019)		(90)
Total gross deferred tax (liabilities)		(121,827)		(145,494)
Capital loss valuation allowance		(12,853)		(18,668)
Total deferred tax (liabilities), net of valuation allowances	\$	(134,680)	\$	(164,162)

The deferred tax assets and liabilities recognized in the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 were:

		2017		2016		
	(In thousands)					
Noncurrent deferred tax asset — Other noncurrent assets	\$	2,958	\$	2,265		
Noncurrent deferred tax liabilities — Deferred income taxes		(137,638)		(166,427)		
Net deferred tax liabilities	\$	(134,680)	\$	(164,162)		

The Company had prepaid income taxes, recorded within Other current assets on the Consolidated Balance Sheets, of \$40.9 million and \$42.2 million as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

The provision for income taxes differs from the amount computed by applying the statutory federal income tax rate to pretax income. The computed amount and the differences for 2017, 2016 and 2015 are as follows:

	2017			2016	2015	
Pretax income	\$	455,273	\$	368,512	\$	392,345
Provision for income taxes						
Computed amount at statutory rate of 35%	\$	159,346	\$	128,979	\$	137,321
State and local income tax (net of federal tax benefit)		5,841		4,070		5,033
Taxes on non-U.S. earnings-net of foreign tax credits		(24,914)		(6,666)		(11,663)
Effect of flow-through entities		192		(8,735)		(8,358)
U.S. business tax credits		(1,928)		(1,665)		(1,273)
Domestic activities production deduction		(8,516)		(9,043)		(6,521)
Deferred tax effect of foreign tax rate change		_				(2,636)
Capital loss on divestitures		(2,275)		(23,444)		_
Share-based payments		(6,844)		(6,520)		_
Valuation allowance		(361)		17,973		_
Impact of Tax Act		(100)		_		_
Other		(2,425)		2,454		(2,365)
Total provision for income taxes	\$	118,016	\$	97,403	\$	109,538

On December 22, 2017, the President of the United States signed into law the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Tax Act"). The Tax Act included significant changes to the existing tax law, including, but not limited to, a permanent reduction to the U.S. federal corporate income tax rate from 35% to 21%, effective January 1, 2018, and the creation of a modified territorial tax system with a one-time repatriation tax on certain deferred foreign income ("Transition Tax"). We have estimated our provision for income taxes in accordance with the Tax Act and guidance available as of the date of this filing and as a result have recorded a net \$0.1 million tax benefit in the fourth quarter of 2017, the period in which the legislation was enacted. Although the net effect from the Tax Act was a \$0.1 million tax benefit, there were several offsetting adjustments, including: a \$40.6 million provisional tax benefit related to the remeasurement of certain deferred tax assets and liabilities, based on the rates at which they are expected to reverse in the future; \$30.3 million of provisional tax expense related to the one-time Transition Tax on the mandatory deemed repatriation of foreign earnings based on cumulative foreign earnings of \$779.0 million; and an additional \$10.2 million of tax expense primarily related to the removal of the permanent reinvestment representation with respect to certain of its subsidiaries in Canada, Italy, and Germany.

The Company has \$350 million and \$670 million of permanently reinvested earnings of non-U.S. subsidiaries as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The significant decrease in permanently reinvested earnings of non-U.S. subsidiaries was due to the Company's removal of its permanently reinvested assertion on select entities in Canada, Germany and Italy, mainly in response to the deemed distribution and repatriation tax incurred in 2017 as a result of the Tax Act, further described within the footnote. No deferred U.S. income taxes have been provided on the \$350 million of permanently reinvested earnings, as these

earnings are provisionally considered to be reinvested for an indefinite period of time, pending further evaluation of the impacts of the Tax Act on the Company. It should also be noted that, pursuant to the Tax Act, the aforementioned earnings will not incur U.S. taxes when ultimately repatriated other than potentially U.S. state and local taxes and/or U.S. federal income taxes on foreign exchange gains or losses crystallized on the distribution of such earnings. Such distributions could also be subject to additional foreign withholding and foreign income taxes. The amount of unrecognized deferred income tax liabilities on currently permanently reinvested earnings is estimated to be \$8.2 million as of December 31, 2017.

During the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 the Company repatriated \$3.3 million, \$28.8 million and \$14.3 million of foreign earnings, respectively, exclusive of the repatriation tax distributions deemed to have been made under the Tax Act. These actual distributions resulted in \$6.4 million of incremental income tax benefit, \$2.7 million of incremental income tax expense and \$0.3 million of incremental income tax expense, in 2017, 2016, and 2015, respectively. These repatriations represent distributions of current year earnings and distributions from liquidating subsidiaries and did not impact our representation that the undistributed earnings were permanently invested.

Because the changes included in the Tax Act are broad and complex, on December 22, 2017, the SEC issued Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 118, *Income Tax Accounting Implications of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act* ("SAB 118"), which provides guidance on accounting for tax effects of the Tax Act. SAB 118 provides a measurement period that should not extend beyond one year from the Tax Act enactment date for companies to complete the accounting under ASC 740. In accordance with SAB 118, a company must reflect the income tax effects of those aspects of the Tax Act for which the accounting under ASC 740 is complete. To the extent that a company's accounting for certain income tax effects of the Tax Act is incomplete but it is able to determine a reasonable estimate, it must record a provisional estimate to be included in the financial statements. If a company cannot determine a provisional estimate to be included in the financial statements, it should continue to apply ASC 740 on the basis of the provision of the tax laws that were in effect immediately before the enactment of the Tax Act. While the Company is able to make reasonable estimates of the impact of the reduction in corporate rate and the deemed repatriation transition tax, the final impact of the Tax Act may differ from these estimates, due to, among other things, changes in the Company's interpretations and assumptions, additional guidance that may be issued by either the Internal Revenue Service or the U.S. Department of Treasury, and actions the Company may take. The Company is continuing to gather additional information to determine the final impact. While the Company was able to make reasonable estimates of certain impacts (and therefore, recorded provisional adjustments), the Company's accounting for the following elements of the Tax Act is incomplete:

Deemed Repatriation Transition Tax: The Transition Tax is a tax on previously untaxed accumulated and current earnings and profits of certain foreign subsidiaries. To determine the amount of the Transition Tax, the Company must determine, in addition to other factors, the amount of post-1986 earnings and profits of the relevant subsidiaries, as well as the amount of non-U.S. income taxes paid on such earnings. The Company is able to make a reasonable estimate of the Transition Tax and recorded a provisional Transition Tax obligation of \$30.3 million. However, the Company is continuing to gather additional information to more precisely compute the amount of Transition Tax. As of December 31, 2017, the company recorded \$2.4 million of the Transition tax within accrued liabilities and the remaining \$27.9 million within other noncurrent liabilities on the consolidated balance sheets based on the Company's intention to pay these liabilities. The amount recorded within other noncurrent liabilities is included as a source of cash in Other-net within the operating activities of the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

Reduction of U.S. federal corporate tax rate: The Tax Act reduces the corporate tax rate to 21%, effective January 1, 2018. The Company recorded a provisional deferred income tax benefit of \$40.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2017 in connection with the remeasurement of certain deferred tax assets and liabilities. While the Company is able to make a reasonable estimate of the impact of the reduction in corporate rate, it may be affected by other analyses related to the Tax Act which are still ongoing, including, but not limited to, the state tax effect of adjustments made to federal temporary differences.

Removal of permanent reinvestment representation on certain undistributed foreign earnings: As a result of the enactment of the Tax Act, the Company has decided to remove the permanent reinvestment representation with respect to certain of its subsidiaries in Canada, Italy, and Germany, as of December 31, 2017. Under the mandatory repatriation provisions of the Tax Act, post-1986 undistributed earnings were taxed in the U.S. as if they were distributed before December 31, 2017. However, with the removal of the permanent reinvestment representation with respect to select subsidiaries in Canada, Italy, and Germany, the non-creditable withholding taxes and any local country taxes associated with future dividends from these subsidiaries are required to be recorded as deferred tax liabilities as of the end of 2017. The Company recorded a provisional increase in its deferred tax liability of \$9.2 million, with a corresponding adjustment to deferred income tax expense of \$9.2 million for the year ending December 31, 2017. The Company is considering removal of the permanent reinvestment representation with respect to its remaining subsidiaries, which it estimates would result in an additional \$8.2 million increase in its deferred tax liability.

Global intangible low taxed income ("GILTI"): The Tax Act creates a new requirement that certain income (i.e. GILTI) earned by controlled foreign corporations ("CFCs") must be included currently in the gross income of the CFC's U.S. shareholder. GILTI is the excess of the U.S. shareholder's "net CFC tested income" over the net deemed intangible income return, which is currently defined as the excess of (1) 10% of the aggregate of the U.S. shareholder's pro rata share of the qualified business asset investment of each CFC with respect to which it is a U.S. shareholder over (2) the amount of certain interest expense taken into account in the determination of net CFC-tested income. In January 2018, FASB released guidance on the accounting for the GILTI tax. The guidance indicates that either accounting for deferred taxes related to GILTI tax inclusions or treating the GILTI tax as a period cost are both acceptable methods subject to an accounting policy election. Because of the complexity of the new GILTI tax rules, the Company is continuing to evaluate this provision of the Tax Act and the application of ASC 740. Therefore, the Company has not made any adjustments related to potential GILTI tax in the Company's financial statements and has not made a policy decision regarding whether to record deferred taxes on GILTI.

As a result of the enactment of the Tax Act, the Company has decided to remove the ASC 830 representation with respect to certain intercompany loans between the Company's foreign subsidiaries. Under ASC 830, functional currency assets and liabilities are translated into U.S. dollars generally using current rates of exchange prevailing at the balance sheet date of each respective subsidiary and the related translation adjustments are recorded as a separate component of other comprehensive income. The Company has decided to remove the ASC 830 representation with respect to certain intercompany loans between the Company's foreign subsidiaries. As a result, the Company recorded an increase in income tax expense of \$1.0 million.

A reconciliation of the beginning and ending amount of unrecognized tax benefits for 2017, 2016 and 2015 is as follows:

	2017		2016		2015
	(In t	thousands)			
\$	3,775	\$	7,228	\$	3,619
	_				3,772
	537		201		1,256
	(587)		(93)		
	(604)		(2,014)		(667)
	(399)		(1,547)		(752)
\$	2,722	\$	3,775	\$	7,228
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We recognize interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions in income tax expense. As of December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, we had approximately \$0.1 million, \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million, respectively, of accrued interest related to uncertain tax positions. As of December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, we had approximately zero, \$0.1 million and \$0.3 million, respectively, of accrued penalties related to uncertain tax positions.

The total amount of unrecognized tax benefits that would affect our effective tax rate if recognized is \$0.9 million, \$1.8 million and \$3.0 million as of December 31,2017,2016 and 2015, respectively. The tax years 2011-2016 remain open to examination by major taxing jurisdictions. Due to the potential for resolution of federal, state and foreign examinations, and the expiration of various statutes of limitation, it is reasonably possible that the Company's gross unrecognized tax benefits balance may change within the next 12 months by a range of zero to \$1.7 million.

The Company had net operating loss and credit carryforwards related to prior acquisitions for U.S. federal purposes at December 31, 2017 and 2016 of \$2.4 million and \$3.5 million, respectively. The U.S. federal net operating loss and credit carryforwards are available for use against the Company's consolidated U.S. federal taxable income and expire between 2021 and 2028. For non-U.S. purposes, the Company had net operating loss carryforwards at December 31, 2017 and 2016 of \$24.5 million and \$25.6 million, respectively, the majority of which relates to acquisitions. The entire balance of the non-U.S. net operating losses is available to be carried forward. At December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company had U.S. state net operating loss carryforwards of approximately \$6.7 million and \$33.1 million, respectively. If unutilized, the U.S. state net operating loss will expire between 2019 and 2037. At December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company recorded a valuation allowance against the deferred tax asset attributable to the U.S. state net operating loss of \$0.1 million and \$1.3 million, respectively.

The Company had a capital loss carryover for U.S. federal purposes at December 31, 2017 and 2016 of approximately \$46.0 million and \$70.1 million, respectively. U.S. federal capital loss carryovers can be carried back three years and forward five years,

thus, if unutilized, the U.S. federal capital loss carryover will expire in 2021. At December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company recorded a valuation allowance against the deferred tax asset attributable to the U.S. federal capital loss carryover of \$9.7 million and \$18.7 million, respectively. At December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company had U.S. state capital loss carryovers of approximately \$62.7 million and \$70.1 million, respectively. If unutilized, the U.S. state capital loss carryovers will expire between 2021 and 2031. At December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company recorded a valuation allowance against the deferred tax assets attributable to the U.S. state capital loss carryovers of \$0.8 million and \$0.7 million, respectively. At December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company had a foreign capital loss carryforward of approximately \$14.2 million and \$0.7 million, respectively. The foreign capital loss can be carried forward indefinitely. At both December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company has a full valuation allowance against the deferred tax asset attributable to the foreign capital loss.

11. Business Segments and Geographic Information

IDEX has three reportable business segments: Fluid & Metering Technologies, Health & Science Technologies and Fire & Safety/Diversified Products.

The Fluid & Metering Technologies segment designs, produces and distributes positive displacement pumps, flow meters, injectors, and other fluid-handling pump modules and systems and provides flow monitoring and other services for the food, chemical, general industrial, water & wastewater, agriculture and energy industries.

The Health & Science Technologies segment designs, produces and distributes a wide range of precision fluidics, rotary lobe pumps, centrifugal and positive displacement pumps, roll compaction and drying systems used in beverage, food processing, pharmaceutical and cosmetics, pneumatic components and sealing solutions, including very high precision, low-flow rate pumping solutions required in analytical instrumentation, clinical diagnostics and drug discovery, high performance molded and extruded sealing components, biocompatible medical devices and implantables, air compressors used in medical, dental and industrial applications, optical components and coatings for applications in the fields of scientific research, defense, biotechnology, aerospace, telecommunications and electronics manufacturing, laboratory and commercial equipment used in the production of micro and nano scale materials, precision photonic solutions used in life sciences, research and defense markets, and precision gear and peristaltic pump technologies that meet exacting original equipment manufacturer specifications.

The Fire & Safety/Diversified Products segment produces firefighting pumps, valves and controls, rescue tools, lifting bags and other components and systems for the fire and rescue industry, engineered stainless steel banding and clamping devices used in a variety of industrial and commercial applications, and precision equipment for dispensing, metering and mixing colorants and paints used in a variety of retail and commercial businesses around the world.

Information on the Company's business segments is presented below based on the nature of products and services offered. The Company evaluates performance based on several factors, of which sales and operating income are the primary financial measures. Intersegment sales are accounted for at fair value as if the sales were to third parties.

		2017		2016 (4)		2015 (4)
			(I	n thousands)		
NET SALES						
Fluid & Metering Technologies						
External customers	\$	880,648	\$	848,708	\$	859,945
Intersegment sales		309		393		847
Total segment sales		880,957		849,101		860,792
Health & Science Technologies						
External customers		819,719		744,380		737,011
Intersegment sales		412		429		1,985
Total segment sales		820,131		744,809		738,996
Fire & Safety/Diversified Products						
External customers		586,945		519,955		423,712
Intersegment sales		588		54		203
Total segment sales		587,533		520,009		423,915
Intersegment eliminations		(1,309)		(876)		(3,035)
Total net sales	\$	2,287,312	\$	2,113,043	\$	2,020,668
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) (1)						
Fluid & Metering Technologies	\$	241,030	\$	217,500	\$	206,419
Health & Science Technologies		179,567		153,691		158,364
Fire & Safety/Diversified Products		147,028		123,605		117,346
Corporate office (2)		(65,069)		(82,399)		(45,139)
Total operating income		502,556		412,397		436,990
Interest expense		44,889		45,616		41,636
Other (income) expense - net		2,394		(1,731)		3,009
Income before taxes	\$	455,273	\$	368,512	\$	392,345
		2017		2016 (4)		2015 (4)
		2017	<u>(I</u>	n thousands)	_	2013
ASSETS			`	,		
Fluid & Metering Technologies	\$	1,101,580	\$	1,065,670	\$	1,125,266
Health & Science Technologies		1,323,373		1,266,036		1,108,302
Fire & Safety/Diversified Products		744,515		705,735		448,867
Corporate office		230,160		117,503		123,008
Total assets	\$	3,399,628	\$	3,154,944	\$	2,805,443
DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION (3)	<u> </u>		_		_	
Fluid & Metering Technologies	\$	23,587	\$	28,458	\$	27,662
Health & Science Technologies		45,287		45,298		42,827
Fire & Safety/Diversified Products		14,541		11,956		6,051
Corporate office and other		801		1,180		1,580
Total depreciation and amortization	\$	84,216	\$	86,892	\$	78,120
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	=		<u> </u>		=	
Fluid & Metering Technologies	\$	18,218	\$	16,389	\$	22,846
Health & Science Technologies	Ψ	16,340	**	15,665	*	13,104
Fire & Safety/Diversified Products		6,363		5,945		5,804
Corporate office and other		2,937		243		2,022
Total capital expenditures	\$	43,858	\$	38,242	\$	43,776
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- (1) Segment operating income (loss) excludes net unallocated corporate operating expenses.
- (2) 2017 includes a \$9.3 million gain on the sale of a business, 2016 includes a \$22.3 million loss on the sale of businesses net and 2015 includes an \$18.1 million gain on the sale of a business.
- (3) Excludes amortization of debt issuance expenses.
- (4) Certain amounts in the prior year income statements have been reclassified to conform with the current presentation due to the early adoption of ASU 2017-07.

Information about the Company's operations in different geographical regions for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 is shown below. Net sales were attributed to geographic areas based on location of the customer and no country outside the U.S. was greater than 10% of total revenues.

	2017		2016			2015
	(In thousands)					
NET SALES						
U.S.	\$	1,158,889	\$	1,067,333	\$	1,015,277
North America, excluding U.S.		93,419		84,836		85,852
Europe		567,282		517,179		490,435
Asia		366,577		340,624		325,507
Other		101,145		103,071		103,597
Total net sales	\$	2,287,312	\$	2,113,043	\$	2,020,668
LONG-LIVED ASSETS — PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT						
U.S.	\$	145,808	\$	152,504	\$	144,508
North America, excluding U.S.		3,627		1,533		643
Europe		85,932		71,681		69,082
Asia		22,613		21,793		26,498
Other		370		305		214
Total long-lived assets — net	\$	258,350	\$	247,816	\$	240,945

12. Restructuring

During the first and fourth quarters of 2017, the fourth quarter of 2016 and the third and fourth quarters of 2015, the Company recorded restructuring costs as a part of restructuring initiatives that support the implementation of key strategic efforts designed to facilitate long-term, sustainable growth through cost reduction actions, primarily consisting of employee reductions and facility rationalization. The costs incurred related to these initiatives were included in Restructuring expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Operations while the related accruals were included in Accrued expenses in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Severance costs primarily consisted of severance benefits through payroll continuation, COBRA subsidies, outplacement services, conditional separation costs and employer tax liabilities, while exit costs primarily consisted of asset disposals or impairments and lease exit and contract termination costs.

2017 Initiative

During the fourth quarter of 2017, the Company recorded pre-tax restructuring expenses totaling \$3.7 million related to the 2017 restructuring initiative. These expenses consisted of employee severance related to employee reductions across various functional areas as well as facility rationalization and contract termination costs. The 2017 restructuring initiative included severance benefits for 92 employees. Severance payments will be substantially paid by the end of 2018 using cash from operations.

Pre-tax restructuring expenses by segment for the 2017 initiative were as follows:

	Severance Costs				Exi	t Costs	Total
		(In thousands)					
Fluid & Metering Technologies	\$	1,375	\$	433	\$ 1,808		
Health & Science Technologies		1,510		158	1,668		
Fire & Safety/Diversified Products		182			182		
Corporate/Other					_		
Total restructuring costs	\$	3,067	\$	591	\$ 3,658		

2016 Initiative

During the first quarter of 2017, the Company recorded pre-tax restructuring expenses totaling \$4.8 million related to the 2016 restructuring initiative. During the fourth quarter of 2016, the Company recorded pre-tax restructuring expenses totaling \$3.7 million related to the 2016 restructuring initiative. These expenses consisted of employee severance related to employee reductions across various functional areas as well as facility rationalization costs. The 2016 restructuring initiative included severance benefits for 226 employees. Severance payments were substantially paid by the end of 2017 using cash from operations.

Pre-tax restructuring expenses by segment for the 2016 initiative were as follows:

2017							2016								
Severance Costs								Exit Costs		Exit Costs		Rest	ructuring	Rest	Total ructuring Costs
\$	1,566	\$		\$	1,566	\$	932								
	2,470		558		3,028		1,117								
	73				73		1,425								
	130				130		200								
\$	4,239	\$	558	\$	4,797	\$	3,674								
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2015 Initiative

During 2015, the Company recorded pre-tax restructuring expenses totaling \$11.2 million related to the 2015 restructuring initiative. These expenses consisted of employee severance related to employee reductions across various functional areas. The

2015 restructuring initiative included severance benefits for 208 employees. Severance payments were fully paid by the end of 2017 using cash from operations.

Pre-tax restructuring expenses, comprised solely of severance costs, by segment for the 2015 initiative were as follows:

	Total Restru			
	(In th	ousands)		
Fluid & Metering Technologies	\$	7,090		
Health & Science Technologies		3,408		
Fire & Safety/Diversified Products		576		
Corporate/Other		165		
Total restructuring costs	\$	11,239		

Restructuring accruals of \$4.2 million and \$3.9 million at December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, are reflected in Accrued expenses in our Consolidated Balance Sheets as follows:

	Restructuring Initiatives
	(In thousands)
Balance at January 1, 2016	\$ 6,636
Restructuring expenses	3,674
Payments, utilization and other	(6,417)
Balance at December 31, 2016	3,893
Restructuring expenses	8,455
Payments, utilization and other	(8,168)
Balance at December 31, 2017	\$ 4,180

13. Share-Based Compensation

The Company maintains two share-based compensation plans for executives, non-employee directors and certain key employees that authorize the granting of stock options, restricted stock, performance share units, and other types of awards consistent with the purpose of the plans. The number of shares authorized for issuance under the Company's plans as of December 31, 2017 totaled 15.6 million, of which 4.9 million shares were available for future issuance. The Company's policy is to recognize compensation cost on a straight-line basis, assuming forfeitures, over the requisite service period for the entire award.

Stock Options

Stock options granted under the Company's plans are generally non-qualified and are granted with an exercise price equal to the market price of the Company's stock at the date of grant. The majority of the options issued to employees become exercisable in four equal installments, beginning one year from the date of grant, and generally expire 10 years from the date of grant. Stock options granted to non-employee directors cliff vest after one year.

Weighted average option fair values and assumptions for the period are as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,					
	2017	2016	2015			
Weighted average fair value of grants	\$24.19	\$18.56	\$20.32			
Dividend yield	1.45%	1.69%	1.45%			
Volatility	29.41%	29.70%	29.90%			
Risk-free interest rate	0.83% - 3.04%	0.53% - 2.49%	0.24% - 2.82%			
Expected life (in years)	5.83	5.91	5.93			

The assumptions are as follows:

- The Company estimated volatility using its historical share price performance over the contractual term of the option.
- The Company uses historical data to estimate the expected life of the option. The expected life assumption for the years
 ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 is an output of the Binomial lattice option-pricing model, which incorporates
 vesting provisions, rate of voluntary exercise and rate of post-vesting termination over the contractual life of the option
 to define expected employee behavior.
- The risk-free interest rate is based on the U.S. Treasury yield curve in effect at the time of grant for periods within the contractual life of the option. For the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, we present the range of risk-free one-year forward rates, derived from the U.S. treasury yield curve, utilized in the Binomial lattice option-pricing model.
- The expected dividend yield is based on the Company's current dividend yield as the best estimate of projected dividend yield for periods within the contractual life of the option.

A summary of the Company's stock option activity as of December 31, 2017, and changes during the year ended December 31, 2017 is presented as follows:

Stock Options	Shares	Weighted Average Price		Weighted-Average Remaining Contractual Term	Aggregate Intrinsic Value	
Outstanding at January 1, 2017	1,987,946	\$	61.83	6.84	\$ 56,144,876	
Granted	441,990		93.48			
Exercised	(448,189)		51.17			
Forfeited/Expired	(57,064)		79.14			
Outstanding at December 31, 2017	1,924,683	\$	71.07	6.87	\$ 117,209,218	
Vested and expected to vest at December 31, 2017	1,823,279	\$	70.26	6.77	\$ 112,521,086	
Exercisable at December 31, 2017	898,003	\$	57.21	5.27	\$ 67,130,223	

The intrinsic value for stock options outstanding and exercisable is defined as the difference between the market value of the Company's common stock as of the end of the period and the grant price. The total intrinsic value of options exercised in 2017, 2016 and 2015 was \$26.1 million, \$26.5 million and \$16.9 million, respectively. In 2017, 2016 and 2015, cash received from options exercised was \$22.9 million, \$30.2 million and \$19.2 million, respectively, while the actual tax benefit realized for the tax deductions from stock options exercised totaled \$9.5 million, \$9.6 million and \$6.1 million, respectively.

Total compensation cost for stock options is recorded in the Consolidated Statements of Operations as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,						
	2017			2016		2015	
			(In	thousands)			
Cost of goods sold	\$	428	\$	427	\$	543	
Selling, general and administrative expenses		7,347		6,561		6,488	
Total expense before income taxes		7,775		6,988		7,031	
Income tax benefit		(2,485)		(2,213)		(2,208)	
Total expense after income taxes	\$	5,290	\$	4,775	\$	4,823	

As of December 31, 2017, there was \$12.3 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to stock options that is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.4 years.

Restricted Stock

Restricted stock awards generally cliff vest after three years for employees and non-employee directors. Unvested restricted stock carries dividend and voting rights and the sale of the shares is restricted prior to the date of vesting. Dividends are paid on restricted stock awards and their fair value is equal to the market price of the Company's stock at the date of the grant. A summary of the Company's restricted stock activity as of December 31, 2017, and changes during the year ending December 31, 2017 is as follows:

Restricted Stock	Shares	Weighted-Average Grant Date Fair Value		
Unvested at January 1, 2017	217,898	\$	76.19	
Granted	59,315		93.75	
Vested	(82,420)		72.42	
Forfeited	(12,770)		79.80	
Unvested at December 31, 2017	182,023	\$	83.37	

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Total compensation cost for restricted stock is recorded in the Consolidated Statements of Operations as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,					
	2017		2016			2015
			(In t	thousands)		
Cost of goods sold	\$	335	\$	390	\$	341
Selling, general and administrative expenses		4,772		4,401		5,213
Total expense before income taxes		5,107		4,791		5,554
Income tax benefit		(1,654)		(1,410)		(1,604)
Total expense after income taxes	\$	3,453	\$	3,381	\$	3,950

As of December 31, 2017, there was \$4.9 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to restricted stock that is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.0 year.

Cash-Settled Restricted Stock

The Company also maintains a cash-settled share based compensation plan for certain employees. Cash-settled restricted stock awards generally cliff vest after three years. Dividend equivalents are paid on certain cash-settled restricted stock awards. A summary of the Company's unvested cash-settled restricted stock activity as of December 31, 2017, and changes during the year ending December 31, 2017 is as follows:

Cash-Settled Restricted Stock	Shares	Weighted-Average Fair Value		
Unvested at January 1, 2017	103,790	\$	90.06	
Granted	34,530		93.92	
Vested	(27,050)		92.44	
Forfeited	(16,540)		122.31	
Unvested at December 31, 2017	94,730	\$	131.97	

Total compensation cost for cash-settled restricted stock is recorded in the Consolidated Statements of Operations as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,					
	2017			2016		2015
		_	(In t	housands)		
Cost of goods sold	\$	1,357	\$	764	\$	753
Selling, general and administrative expenses		3,241		2,224		1,765
Total expense before income taxes		4,598		2,988		2,518
Income tax benefit		(808)		(419)		(355)
Total expense after income taxes	\$	3,790	\$	2,569	\$	2,163

At December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company has \$4.5 million and \$3.0 million, respectively, included in Accrued expenses in the Consolidated Balance Sheets and \$3.0 million and \$2.4 million, respectively, included in Other non-current liabilities.

Performance Share Units

Beginning in 2013 the Company granted performance share units to selected key employees that may be earned based on IDEX total shareholder return over the three-year period following the date of grant. Performance share units are expected to be made annually and are paid out at the end of a three-year period based on the Company's performance. Performance is measured by determining the percentile rank of the total shareholder return of IDEX common stock in relation to the total shareholder return of the S&P Midcap 400 Industrial Group (for awards granted prior to 2016) or the Russell Midcap Index (for awards granted in 2016 and 2017) for the three-year period following the date of grant. The payment of awards following the three-year award period will be based on performance achieved in accordance with the scale set forth in the plan agreement and may range from 0 percent to 250 percent of the initial grant. A target payout of 100 percent is earned if total shareholder return is equal to the 50th percentile of the peer group. Performance share units earn dividend equivalents for the award period, which will be paid to participants with the award payout at the end of the period based on the actual number of performance share units that are earned. Payments made at the end of the award period will be in the form of stock for performance share units and will be in cash for dividend equivalents. The Company's performance share awards are considered performance condition awards and the grant date fair value of the awards, based on a Monte Carlo simulation model, is expensed ratably over the three-year term of the awards. The Company granted approximately 0.1 million of performance share units in each of 2017, 2016 and 2015.

Weighted average performance share unit fair values and assumptions for the period specified are as follows:

	Year	Years Ended December 31,					
	2017	2016	2015				
Weighted average fair value of grants	\$115.74	\$111.42	\$95.07				
Dividend yield							
Volatility	17.36%	17.99%	19.14%				
Risk-free interest rate	1.45%	0.89%	1.01%				
Expected life (in years)	2.85	2.86	2.86				

The assumptions are as follows:

- The Company estimated volatility using its historical share price performance over the remaining performance period as of the grant date.
- The Company uses a Monte Carlo simulation model that uses an expected life commensurate with the performance period. As a result, the expected life of the performance share units was assumed to be the period from the grant date to the end of the performance period.
- The risk-free interest rate is based on the U.S. Treasury yield curve in effect at the time of grant with a term commensurate with the remaining performance period.
- Total Shareholder Return is determined assuming that dividends are reinvested in the issuing entity over the performance period, which is mathematically equivalent to utilizing a 0% dividend yield.

Weighted_

A summary of the Company's performance share unit activity as of December 31, 2017, and changes during the year ending December 31, 2017, is as follows:

Performance Share Units	Shares	A Grant	verage t Date Fair Value
Unvested at January 1, 2017	137,055	\$	104.18
Granted	65,530		115.74
Vested	(62,755)		95.81
Forfeited	(2,960)		109.75
Unvested at December 31, 2017	136,870	\$	113.81

Awards that vested in 2017 will result in 143,897 shares being issued in 2018.

Total compensation cost for performance share units is as follows:

	 Yea	ars End	led December	31,		
	2017		2016		2015	
		(In	thousands)			
Cost of goods sold	\$ _	\$	_	\$	_	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	6,925		5,559		4,946	
Total expense before income taxes	 6,925		5,559		4,946	
Income tax benefit	(2,342)		(1,859)		(1,670)	
Total expense after income taxes	\$ 4,583	\$	3,700	\$	3,276	

As of December 31, 2017, there was \$6.6 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to performance shares that is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 0.9 years.

14. Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

The components of Other comprehensive income (loss) are as follows:

	For the Year	End	led Decem	ber 31, 2017	For the Year Ended December 31, 2016					
	Pre-tax	Tax		Net of tax	Pre-tax	Tax		Net of tax		
				(In thou	isands)					
Foreign currency translation adjustments										
Cumulative translation adjustment	\$110,421	\$		\$110,421	\$ (76,822)	\$	_	\$ (76,822)		
Reclassification of foreign currency translation to earnings upon sale of business	2,749		_	2,749	14,257		_	14,257		
Tax effect of reversal of indefinite assertion on certain intercompany loans	(3,932)			(3,932)						
Foreign currency translation adjustments	109,238			109,238	(62,565)			(62,565)		
Pension and other postretirement adjustments										
Net gain (loss) arising during the year	(5,355)		828	(4,527)	(1,927)		789	(1,138)		
Amortization/recognition of settlement loss	3,814		(589)	3,225	7,083		(2,896)	4,187		
Pension and other postretirement adjustments	(1,541)		239	(1,302)	5,156		(2,107)	3,049		
Reclassification adjustments for derivatives	6,655		(2,445)	4,210	6,851		(2,490)	4,361		
Total other comprehensive income (loss)	\$114,352	\$	(2,206)	\$112,146	\$ (50,558)	\$	(4,597)	\$ (55,155)		

	For the Year Ended December 31, 2						
	Pre-tax	Tax	Net of tax				
		(In thousands)					
Foreign currency translation adjustments							
Cumulative translation adjustment	\$ (63,441)	\$ —	\$ (63,441)				
Reclassification of foreign currency translation to earnings upon sale of business	(4,725)	_	(4,725)				
Pension and other postretirement adjustments							
Net gain (loss) arising during the year	8,318	(2,411)	5,907				
Amortization/recognition of settlement loss	4,939	(1,431)	3,508				
Pension and other postretirement adjustments, net	13,257	(3,842)	9,415				
Reclassification adjustments for derivatives	7,030	(2,499)	4,531				
Total other comprehensive income (loss)	\$ (47,879)	\$ (6,341)	\$ (54,220)				

Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) to net income are summarized as follows:

	For the Y	ear l	Ended Dec	eml	per 31,	
	2017		2016		2015	Income Statement Caption
Foreign currency translation:					_	
Reclassification upon sale of business	\$ 2,749	\$	14,257	\$	(4,725)	Loss (gain) on sale of businesses - net
Total before tax	2,749		14,257		(4,725)	
Provision for income taxes					_	
Total net of tax	\$ 2,749	\$	14,257	\$	(4,725)	
Pension and other postretirement plans:		_				
Amortization of service cost	\$ 3,580	\$	3,529	\$	4,939	Other (income) expense - net
Recognition of settlement loss	234		3,554			Other (income) expense - net
Total before tax	3,814		7,083		4,939	
Provision for income taxes	(589)		(2,896)		(1,431)	
Total net of tax	\$ 3,225	\$	4,187	\$	3,508	
Derivatives:		_		_		
Reclassification adjustments	\$ 6,655	\$	6,851	\$	7,030	Interest expense
Total before tax	6,655		6,851		7,030	
Provision for income taxes	(2,445)		(2,490)		(2,499)	
Total net of tax	\$ 4,210	\$	4,361	\$	4,531	

15. Retirement Benefits

The Company sponsors several qualified and nonqualified pension plans and other postretirement plans for its employees. The Company uses a measurement date of December 31 for its defined benefit pension plans and post retirement medical plans. The Company employs the measurement date provisions of ASC 715, *Compensation-Retirement Benefits*, which require the measurement date of plan assets and liabilities to coincide with the sponsor's year end.

During 2016, the Company offered a voluntary lump-sum pension payment opportunity to certain terminated vested U.S. pension plan participants. Total lump-sum payments of \$11.0 million were made for those participants electing to receive lump sums using pension plan assets. The Company recognized pretax settlement losses of \$3.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2016 for those plans where the settlement payment exceeded the sum of the plans' service and interest costs.

The following table provides a reconciliation of the changes in the benefit obligations and fair value of plan assets over the two-year period ended December 31, 2017, and a statement of the funded status at December 31 for both years.

	Pension 1					fits			Other Benefits			
		20	17			20	16			2017		2016
		U.S.		Non-U.S.		U.S.		Non-U.S.				
CHANCE IN DENEFIT OF IC	A TELO	NN T				(In tho	usano	ls)				
CHANGE IN BENEFIT OBLIG			_						_		_	
Obligation at January 1	\$	90,256	\$	87,764	\$	98,476	\$	58,063	\$	24,636	\$	20,400
Service cost		976		1,975		1,016		1,627		610		601
Interest cost		2,677		1,283		3,043		1,429		818		811
Plan amendments				_		_		_		_		_
Benefits paid		(6,258)		(1,942)		(3,140)		(2,023)		(738)		(718)
Actuarial loss (gain)		3,684		(15)		1,987		6,844		592		(1,990)
Currency translation				9,323		_		(6,988)		150		52
Settlements		_		(2,452)		(11,126)		(819)		_		_
Acquisition/Divestiture				(482)		_		29,491		_		5,480
Other				1,997				140				
Obligation at December 31	\$	91,335	\$	97,451	\$	90,256	\$	87,764	\$	26,068	\$	24,636
CHANGE IN PLAN ASSETS												
Fair value of plan assets at	Ф	72 (00	Φ.	22.504	Ф		Ф	20.645	Φ.		Φ.	
January 1	\$	73,688	\$	32,586	\$	77,575	\$	20,645	\$		\$	_
Actual return on plan assets		5,046		1,792		6,740		2,470				
Employer contributions		3,565		2,702		3,639		1,974		738		718
Benefits paid		(6,258)		(1,942)		(3,140)		(2,023)		(738)		(718)
Currency translation				2,446				(4,108)		_		_
Settlements				(2,452)		(11,126)		(819)		_		_
Acquisition/Divestiture				_		_		14,307		_		_
Other				1,184				140				
Fair value of plan assets at December 31	\$	76,041	\$	36,316	\$	73,688	\$	32,586	\$	_	\$	_
Funded status at December 31	\$	(15,294)	\$	(61,135)	\$	(16,568)	\$	(55,178)	\$	(26,068)	\$	(24,636)
COMPONENTS ON THE CONS	SOLI	DATED B	ALA	NCE SHE	ETS							
Current liabilities	\$	(658)	\$	(1,159)	\$	(729)	\$	(1,005)	\$	(1,034)	\$	(1,044)
Other noncurrent liabilities		(14,636)		(59,976)		(15,839)		(54,173)		(25,034)		(23,592)
Net liability at December 31	\$	(15,294)	\$	(61,135)	\$	(16,568)	\$	(55,178)	\$	(26,068)	\$	(24,636)

The accumulated benefit obligation ("ABO") for all defined benefit pension plans was \$182.7 million and \$176.7 million at December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

The weighted average assumptions used in the measurement of the Company's benefit obligation at December 31, 2017 and 2016 were as follows:

	U.S. Pla	ns	Non-U.S. P	lans
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Discount rate	3.46%	3.91%	1.82%	1.76%
Rate of compensation increase	4.00%	4.00%	2.37%	2.29%

The pretax amounts recognized in Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) on the Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 were as follows:

			Pension	Bene	efits			Other I	Benefi	ts
	20	17			20	16		2017		2016
	U.S.		Non-U.S.		U.S.		Non-U.S.			
					(In tho	usanc	ls)			
Prior service cost (credit)	\$ 86	\$	18	\$	110	\$	77	\$ (483)	\$	(849)
Net loss	27,789		17,986		27,860		17,643	(2,866)		(3,852)
Total	\$ 27,875	\$	18,004	\$	27,970	\$	17,720	\$ (3,349)	\$	(4,701)

The amounts in Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) on the Consolidated Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2017, that are expected to be recognized as components of net periodic benefit cost during 2018 are as follows:

	Pension efit Plans	Non-U.S. sion Benefit Plans	Be	Other nefit Plans	Total
		(In tho	usands	s)	
Prior service cost (credit)	\$ 24	\$ 3	\$	(366)	\$ (339)
Net loss	2,716	1,282		(371)	3,627
Total	\$ 2,740	\$ 1,285	\$	(737)	\$ 3,288

The components of, and the weighted average assumptions used to determine, the net periodic benefit cost for the plans in 2017, 2016 and 2015 are as follows:

				Pension	Ben	efits				
20	17			20	16			20	15	
U.S.		Non-U.S.		U.S.		Non-U.S.		U.S.		Non-U.S.
				(In thou	usan	ds)				
\$ 976	\$	1,975	\$	1,016	\$	1,627	\$	1,279	\$	1,506
2,677		1,283		3,043		1,429		3,770		1,734
(3,832)		(1,088)		(4,777)		(993)		(4,910)		(1,114)
		234		3,339		215		_		_
2,566		1,809		3,226		1,008		3,422		1,931
\$ 2,387	\$	4,213	\$	5,847	\$	3,286	\$	3,561	\$	4,057
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			Othe	r Benefits	
	20	017		2016	2015
			(In t	housands)	
Service cost	\$	610	\$	601	\$ 673
Interest cost		818		811	833
Net amortization		(795)		(705)	(414)
Net periodic benefit cost	\$	633	\$	707	\$ 1,092

_		U.S. Plans		N	on-U.S. Plans	
_	2017	2016	2015	2017	2016	2015
Discount rate	3.91%	4.12%	3.78%	1.76%	2.99%	2.66%
Expected return on plan assets	5.50%	6.50%	6.50%	3.20%	4.58%	5.19%
Rate of compensation increase	4.00%	4.00%	4.00%	2.29%	2.98%	3.00%

The pretax change recognized in Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) on the Consolidated Balance Sheet in 2017 is as follows:

	Pension	Benefi	ts	Other Benefits
	U.S.	N	Non-U.S.	
		(In	thousands)	
Net gain (loss) in current year	\$ (2,471)	\$	318	\$ (592)
Amortization of prior service cost (credit)	24		3	(366)
Amortization of net loss (gain)	2,542		2,040	(429)
Exchange rate effect on amounts in OCI	_		(2,645)	35
Total	\$ 95	\$	(284)	\$ (1,352)

The discount rates for our plans are derived by matching the plan's cash flows to a yield curve that provides the equivalent yields on zero-coupon bonds for each maturity. The discount rate selected is the rate that produces the same present value of cash flows.

In selecting the expected rate of return on plan assets, the Company considers the historical returns and expected returns on plan assets. The expected returns are evaluated using asset return class, variance and correlation assumptions based on the plan's target asset allocation and current market conditions.

Prior service costs are amortized on a straight-line basis over the average remaining service period of active participants. Gains and losses in excess of 10% of the greater of the benefit obligation or the market value of assets are amortized over the average remaining service period of active participants.

Costs of defined contribution plans were \$10.2 million, \$10.1 million and \$10.3 million for 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

The Company, through its subsidiaries, participates in certain multi-employer pension plans covering approximately 355 participants under U.S. collective bargaining agreements. None of these plans are considered individually significant to the Company as contributions to these plans totaled \$1.0 million, \$1.3 million, and \$1.0 million for 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

For measurement purposes, a 6.21% weighted average annual rate of increase in the per capita cost of covered health care benefits was assumed for 2017. The rate was assumed to decrease gradually each year to a rate of 4.50% for 2038, and remain at that level thereafter. Assumed health care cost trend rates have an effect on the amounts reported for the health care plans. A 1% increase in the assumed health care cost trend rates would increase the service and interest cost components of the net periodic benefit cost by \$0.2 million and the health care component of the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation by \$2.3 million. A 1% decrease in the assumed health care cost trend rate would decrease the service and interest cost components of the net periodic benefit cost by \$0.1 million and the health care component of the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation by \$2.0 million.

Plan Assets

The Company's pension plan weighted average asset allocations at December 31, 2017 and 2016, by asset category, were as follows:

	U.S. P	lans	Non-U.S. Plans			
	2017	2016	2017	2016		
Equity securities	47%	44%	14%	24%		
Fixed income securities	51%	43%	30%	26%		
Cash/Commingled Funds/Other (1)	2%	13%	56%	50%		
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%		

The basis used to measure the defined benefit plans' assets at fair value at December 31, 2017 and 2016 is summarized as follows:

	Basis of Fair Value Measurement							
		tstanding alances		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3
As of December 31, 2017				(In tho	usands)		
Equity								
U.S. Large Cap	\$	16,402	\$	16,402	\$	_	\$	
U.S. Small / Mid Cap		7,966		7,051		915		_
International		16,844		13,205		3,639		
Fixed Income								
U.S. Intermediate		13,568		13,483		85		_
U.S. Short Duration		13,362		13,362		_		_
U.S. High Yield		9,529		8,462		1,067		_
International		13,311		3,767		9,544		_
Other Commingled Funds (1)		16,059		_		_		16,059
Cash and Equivalents		2,613		1,346		1,267		_
Other		2,851				2,851		
	\$	112,505	\$	77,078	\$	19,368	\$	16,059

⁽¹⁾ Other commingled funds represent pooled institutional investments in non-U.S. plans.

Basis of Fair Value Measurement

	tstanding alances	Level 1]	Level 2	Level 3
As of December 31, 2016		(In tho	usands))	
Equity					
U.S. Large Cap	\$ 15,345	\$ 15,345	\$		\$ _
U.S. Small / Mid Cap	8,920	7,111		1,809	
International	16,282	10,647		5,635	
Fixed Income					
U.S. Intermediate	10,014	9,943		71	
U.S. Short Duration	10,160	10,160			_
U.S. High Yield	9,343	7,924		1,419	_
International	10,310	3,627		6,683	_
Other Commingled Funds (1)	14,180	_			14,180
Cash and Equivalents	10,382	9,660		722	_
Other	1,338	_		1,338	
	\$ 106,274	\$ 74,417	\$	17,677	\$ 14,180

Equities that are valued using quoted prices are valued at the published market prices. Equities in a common collective trust or a registered investment company that are valued using significant other observable inputs are valued at the net asset value ("NAV") provided by the fund administrator. The NAV is based on the value of the underlying assets owned by the fund minus its liabilities. Fixed income securities that are valued using significant other observable inputs are valued at prices obtained from independent financial service industry-recognized vendors.

Investment Policies and Strategies

The investment objective of the plan, consistent with prudent standards for preservation of capital and maintenance of liquidity, is to earn the highest possible total rate of return consistent with the plan's tolerance for risk. The general asset allocation guidelines for plan assets are that "equities" will constitute from 40% to 60% of the market value of total fund assets with a target of 44%, and "fixed income" obligations, including cash, will constitute from 40% to 60% with a target of 56%. The term "equities" includes common stock, convertible bonds and convertible stock. The term "fixed income" includes preferred stock and/or contractual payments with a specific maturity date. The Company strives to maintain asset allocations within the designated ranges by conducting periodic reviews of fund allocations and plan liquidity needs and rebalancing the portfolio accordingly. Diversification of assets is employed to ensure that adverse performance of one security or security class does not have an undue detrimental impact on the portfolio as a whole. Diversification is interpreted to include diversification by type, characteristic and number of investments as well as by investment style of designated investment fund managers. No restrictions are placed on the selection of individual investments by the investment fund managers. The total fund performance and the performance of the investment fund managers is reviewed on a regular basis using appointed professional independent advisors. As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, there were no shares of the Company's stock held in plan assets.

Cash Flows

The Company expects to contribute approximately \$5.5 million to its defined benefit plans and \$0.1 million to its other postretirement benefit plans in 2018. The Company also expects to contribute approximately \$11.0 million to its defined contribution plan and \$8.5 million to its 401(k) savings plan in 2018.

Estimated Future Benefit Payments

The future estimated benefit payments for the next five years and the five years thereafter are as follows: 2018 — \$13.6 million; 2019 — \$11.0 million; 2020 — \$11.0 million; 2022 to 2026 — \$54.7 million.

16. Quarterly Results of Operations (Unaudited)

The unaudited quarterly results of operations for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 are as follows:

	2017 Quarters				2016 Quarters									
		First		Second	Third		Fourth		First		Second		Third	Fourth
					(In th	ous	ands, excep	t pe	r share am	ounts	s)			
Net sales	\$:	553,552	\$:	573,366	\$ 574,490	\$	585,904	\$	502,572	\$ 3	549,696	\$	530,356	\$ 530,419
Gross profit	2	250,941	2	256,925	257,930		260,882		223,335	2	244,058		230,889	232,485
Operating income		115,671		125,133	126,504		135,248		103,345		113,823		109,708	85,521
Net income		75,899		83,844	83,768		93,746		68,130		75,759		69,873	57,347
Basic EPS	\$	0.99	\$	1.10	\$ 1.09	\$	1.23	\$	0.90	\$	1.00	\$	0.92	\$ 0.75
Diluted EPS	\$	0.99	\$	1.08	\$ 1.08	\$	1.21	\$	0.89	\$	0.99	\$	0.91	\$ 0.75
Basic weighted average shares outstanding		76,115		76,220	76,309		76,283		75,749		75,690		75,819	75,955
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding		76,894		77,320	77,523		77,597		76,699		76,674		76,880	76,806

⁽¹⁾ Quarterly data includes acquisition of Akron Brass (March 2016), AWG Fittings (July 2016), SFC Koenig (September 2016) and thinXXS (December 2017) from the date of acquisition. Quarterly data also includes the gain/(loss) on the sale of Hydra-Stop (July 2016), CVI Japan (September 2016), IETG (October 2016), CVI Korea (December 2016) and Faure Herman (October 2017) and also the results of each divested business through the date of disposition.

Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure.

None.

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures.

The Company maintains disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the Company's Exchange Act reports is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

As required by SEC Rule 13a-15(b), the Company carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on the foregoing, the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of December 31, 2017.

Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting appearing on page 29 of this report is incorporated into this Item 9A by reference.

There has been no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting during the Company's most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

Item 9B. Other Information.

On February 22, 2018, the Company entered into an amended and restated employment agreement with its Chief Executive Officer, Andrew K. Silvernail, effective as of February 22, 2018 (the "Employment Agreement"), replacing his previous employment agreement, dated February 19, 2016. The Employment Agreement provides for a term of approximately four years (expiring December 31, 2021).

Under the terms of the Employment Agreement, Mr. Silvernail will be entitled to the following: (i) an annual base salary of \$1,000,000 subject to increase (but not decrease) in the discretion of the Board of Directors after an annual review; (ii) an annual incentive cash bonus under the IDEX Corporation Incentive Award Plan (the "IAP") or other bonus plan as may be in

effect for senior executives and annual consideration for long-term equity awards under the IAP; and (iii) in addition to normal employee benefits offered to the Company's officers, Mr. Silvernail will be permitted to use IDEX's corporate aircraft for up to 25 hours of personal travel (as well as an additional 25 hours of use subject to reimbursement by Mr. Silvernail of the incremental costs for such additional hours of use) and will be provided with an automobile allowance in accordance with Company policy.

Under the terms of the Employment Agreement, if Mr. Silvernail's employment is terminated by the Company other than for "cause" and not in connection with a "change in control" (each as defined in the Employment Agreement), then, subject to his execution and non-revocation of a general release of claims and his continued compliance with applicable restrictive covenants, he will receive (i) continuing salary payments and health benefits for 24 months following termination, (ii) a pro rata portion of his annual bonus for the year in which his termination occurs (based on the portion of the year he was employed), (iii) a payment equal to 200% of his base salary payable over 24 months commencing approximately 60 days after his termination, (iv) fully accelerated vesting and immediate exercisability of all unvested time-based equity awards (the "timebased acceleration") with such time-based equity awards remaining exercisable for one year following the date of termination of his employment or until expiration of the option term, if earlier, (v) vesting of all unvested performance-based equity awards granted prior to February 22, 2018, on the December 31 following his termination of employment with respect to that number of shares of the Company's common stock (or performance units or dividend equivalents, as applicable) based on the performance level achieved with respect to the performance goal(s) under each such award from the beginning date of the performance period applicable thereto through such December 31, and (vi) vesting of all unvested performance-based equity awards granted on or following February 22, 2018, at the end of the applicable performance period with respect to that number of shares of Company common stock (or performance units or dividend equivalents, as applicable) based on the performance level achieved through the end of such performance period ((v) and (vi), as applicable, the "performance-based acceleration").

If Mr. Silvernail's employment is terminated due to his disability or death, he or his estate, as applicable, will receive (i) a pro rata portion of his annual bonus for the year in which his termination occurs (based on the portion of the year he was employed), (ii) time-based acceleration, with such time-based awards granted before February 22, 2018, remaining exercisable for one year following the date of termination of employment or until expiration of the option term, if earlier, and those granted on or following February 22, 2018, remaining exercisable for five years following the date of termination of employment, or until expiration of the term, if earlier and (iii) performance-based acceleration.

If Mr. Silvernail's employment is terminated due to his retirement, he will receive (i) the time-based acceleration, with such time-based awards granted before February 22, 2018, remaining exercisable for one year following the date of termination of employment or until expiration of the option term, if earlier, and with those granted on or following February 22, 2018, remaining exercisable for five years following the date of termination of employment or until expiration of the option term, if earlier and (ii) performance-based acceleration.

If Mr. Silvernail's employment is terminated by the Company without cause or by him for "good reason" (as defined in the Employment Agreement), in either case, in contemplation of or within the 24 month period following a change in control, then, subject to his execution and non-revocation of a general release of claims and his continued compliance with applicable restrictive covenants, he will receive (i) continuing salary payments and health benefits for 36 months following termination, (ii) a pro rata portion of his annual bonus for the year in which his termination occurs (based on the portion of the year he was employed), (iii) a payment equal to 300% of his base salary, payable over 36 months commencing approximately 60 days after his termination, (iv) fully accelerated vesting and immediate exercisability of all unvested time-based equity awards and (v) in lieu of performance-based acceleration, a cash payment in respect of all performance-based equity awards with respect to which he has not yet received payment, based on the performance level achieved with respect to the performance goal(s) under each such award from the beginning date of the performance period applicable thereto through such change in control, with such cash payment adjusted to reflect hypothetical earnings (equal to the lesser of the Barclays Long Aaa US Corporate Index or 120% of the applicable federal long-term rate, in each case, determined as of the first business day of November of the calendar year preceding the change in control and compounded) for the period between such change in control and the date of payment.

In addition, to the extent that any payment or benefit received in connection with a change in control would be subject to an excise tax under Section 4999 of the Internal Revenue Code, such payments and/or benefits will be subject to a "best pay cap" reduction if such reduction would result in a greater net after-tax benefit to Mr. Silvernail than receiving the full amount of such payments. The Employment Agreement contains confidentiality covenants by Mr. Silvernail, which apply indefinitely.

The foregoing description of Mr. Silvernail's Employment Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to its terms, which is filed as Exhibit 10.5 to this Form 10-K.

PART III

Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance.

Information under the headings "Election of Directors"; "Board Committees"; "Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance"; and "Corporate Governance" in the 2018 Proxy Statement is incorporated into this Item 10 by reference. Information regarding executive officers of the Company is located in Part I, Item 1, of this report under the caption "Executive Officers of the Registrant."

The Company has adopted a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics applicable to the Company's directors, officers (including the Company's principal executive officer, principal financial officer and principal accounting officer) and employees. The Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, along with the Audit Committee Charter, Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee Charter, Compensation Committee Charter and Corporate Governance Guidelines are available on the Company's website at www.idexcorp.com under "Investor Relations." In the event we amend or waive any of the provisions of the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics applicable to our principal executive officer, principal financial officer or principal accounting officer, we intend to disclose the same on the Company's website.

Item 11. Executive Compensation.

Information under the heading "Executive Compensation" in the 2018 Proxy Statement is incorporated into this Item 11 by reference.

Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters.

Information under the heading "Security Ownership" in the 2018 Proxy Statement is incorporated into this Item 12 by reference.

Equity Compensation Plan Information

Information with respect to the Company's equity compensation plans as of December 31, 2017 is as follows:

<u>Plan Category</u>	Number of Securities To be Issued Upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights	Weighted-Average Exercise Price of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights	Number of Securities Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans
Equity compensation plans approved by the Company's stockholders	2,301,882	\$ 71.07	4,911,112

(1) Includes an indeterminate number of shares underlying deferred compensation units ("DCUs") granted under the Directors Deferred Compensation Plan and Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-officer Presidents which are issuable under the Company's Incentive Award Plan. Also includes an indeterminate number of shares underlying DCUs granted under the Deferred Compensation Plan for Officers, which shares are issuable under the Incentive Award Plan. The number of DCUs granted under these plans is determined by dividing the amount deferred by the closing price of the common stock the day before the date of deferral. The DCUs are entitled to receive dividend equivalents which are reinvested in DCUs based on the same formula for investment of a participant's deferral.

Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence.

Information under the headings, "Corporate Governance" and "Board Committees" in the 2018 Proxy Statement is incorporated into this Item 13 by reference.

Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services.

Information under the heading "Principal Accountant Fees and Services" in the 2018 Proxy Statement is incorporated into this Item 14 by reference.

PART IV

Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules.

(A) 1. Financial Statements

Consolidated financial statements filed as part of this report are listed under Part II. Item 8. "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data."

2. Financial Statement Schedules

Financial statement schedules are omitted because they are not applicable, not required, or because the required information is included in the Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company or the Notes thereto.

3. Exhibits

The exhibits filed with this report are listed on the "Exhibit Index."

(B) Exhibit Index

Exhibit Number	Description
3.1	Restated Certificate of Incorporation of IDEX Corporation as amended to date
3.2	Amended and Restated By-Laws of IDEX Corporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 3.1 to the Current Report of IDEX on Form 8-K filed November 14, 2011, Commission File No. 1-10235)
4.1	Credit Agreement, dated as of June 23, 2015, among IDEX Corporation, Bank of America N.A. as Agent and Issuing Bank, and the Other Financial Institutions Party Hereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Current Report of IDEX on Form 8-K filed June 25, 2015, Commission File No. 1-10235)
4.2	Indenture between IDEX Corporation and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee, dated as of December 6, 2010 (Debt Securities) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 4.1 to the Current Report of IDEX on Form 8-K filed December 7, 2010, Commission File No. 1-10235)
4.3	First Supplemental Indenture between IDEX Corporation and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee, dated as of December 6, 2010 (as to 4.5% Senior Notes due 2020) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 4.2 to the Current Report of IDEX on Form 8-K filed December 7, 2010, Commission File No. 1-10235)
4.4	Second Supplemental Indenture between IDEX Corporation and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee, dated as of December 13, 2011 (as to 4.2% Senior Notes due 2021) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 4.1 to the Current Report of IDEX on Form 8-K filed December 14, 2011, Commission File No. 1-10235)
4.5	Note Purchase Agreement, dated June 13, 2016, between IDEX Corporation and the Purchasers listed in Schedule A thereto (incorporated by reference in Exhibit No. 4.1 to the Current Report of IDEX on Form 8-K filed June 15, 2016, Commission File No. 1-10235)
10.1**	Revised and Restated IDEX Management Incentive Compensation Plan for Key Employees Effective January 1, 2013 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Current Report of IDEX on Form 8-K filed February 20, 2013, Commission File No. 1-10235)
10.2**	IDEX Corporation Form of Director Indemnification Agreement
10.3**	IDEX Corporation Amended and Restated Stock Option Plan for Outside Directors, adopted by resolution of the Board of Directors dated as of November 20, 2003 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 (a) to the Annual Report of IDEX on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003, Commission File No. 1-10235)

Exhibit Number	Description
10.4**	IDEX Corporation Incentive Award Plan (as amended and restated) (incorporated by reference to Appendix A of the Proxy Statement of IDEX on Schedule 14A, filed March 5, 2015, Commission File No. 1-10235)
10.5**	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement dated February 22, 2018 between IDEX Corporation and Andrew K. Silvernail
10.6**	Third Amended and Restated IDEX Corporation Directors Deferred Compensation Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.30 to the Annual Report of IDEX on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010, Commission File No. 1-10235)
10.7**	IDEX Corporation Supplemental Executive Retirement and Deferred Compensation Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.31 to the Annual Report of IDEX on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010, Commission File No. 1-10235)
10.8**	IDEX Amended and Restated Non-Employee Director Compensation Policy, effective January 1, 2018
10.9**	Letter Agreement between IDEX Corporation and Jeffrey Bucklew, dated January 16, 2012 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.16 to the Annual Report of IDEX on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013, Commission File No. 1-10235)
10.10**	Letter Agreements between IDEX Corporation and Eric Ashleman, dated January 14, 2008 and February 12, 2014 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.14 to the Annual Report of IDEX on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, Commission File No. 1-10235)
10.11**	Form of IDEX Corporation Restricted Stock Award Agreement effective February 2015 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.16 to the Annual Report of IDEX on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, Commission File No. 1-10235)
10.12**	Form of IDEX Corporation Stock Option Agreement effective February 2015 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.17 to the Annual Report of IDEX on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, Commission File No. 1-10235)
10.13**	Form of IDEX Corporation Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement effective February 2015 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.18 to the Annual Report of IDEX on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, Commission File No. 1-10235)
10.14**	Form of IDEX Corporation Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement - Cash Settled effective February 2015 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.19 to the Annual Report of IDEX on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, Commission File No. 1-10235)
10.15**	Form of IDEX Corporation Performance Share Unit Award Agreement effective February 2015 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.20 to the Annual Report of IDEX on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, Commission File No. 1-10235)
10.16**	Form of IDEX Corporation Restricted Stock Unit Agreement for Directors effective February 2015 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.21 to the Annual Report of IDEX on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, Commission File No. 1-10235)
10.17**	Form of IDEX Corporation Stock Option Agreement effective February 2015 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.22 to the Annual Report of IDEX on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, Commission File No. 1-10235)
10.18**	Form of IDEX Corporation Restricted Stock Award Agreement effective February 2015 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.23 to the Annual Report of IDEX on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, Commission File No. 1-10235)

Exhibit Number	Description
10.19**	Amendment of Letter Agreement dated January 16, 2012, between IDEX Corporation and Jeffrey D. Bucklew, effective January 12, 2018
10.20**	Letter Agreement between IDEX Corporation and Denise Cade, dated September 24, 2015. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.24 to the Annual Report of IDEX Corporation on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, Commission File No. 1-10235)
10.21	Stock Purchase Agreement, dated February 4, 2016, by and among IDEX Corporation, Premier Farnell PLC, Celdis Limited, Premier Farnell Corp. and Akron Brass Holding Corp. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.25 to the Annual Report of IDEX Corporation on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, Commission File No. 1-10235)
10.22**	Letter Agreement between IDEX Corporation and William K. Grogan, dated December 30, 2016.
10.23**	Amendment to Letter Agreement dated September 24, 2015, between IDEX Corporation and Denise R. Cade, effective as of April 24, 2017 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of IDEX Corporation for the quarter ended March 31, 2017, Commission File No. 1-10235)
10.24**	Amendment to Letter Agreement dated February 12, 2014, between IDEX Corporation and Eric D. Ashleman, effective as of April 24, 2017 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of IDEX Corporation for the quarter ended March 31, 2017, Commission File No. 1-10235)
10.25**	Amendment to Letter Agreement dated December 30, 2016, between IDEX Corporation and William K. Grogan, effective as of April 24, 2017 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of IDEX Corporation for the quarter ended March 31, 2017, Commission File No. 1-10235)
10.26**	Form of IDEX Corporation Performance Share Unit Award Agreement - Stock Settled, effective February 2018
10.27**	Form of IDEX Corporation Restricted Stock Award Agreement, effective February 2018
10.28**	Form of IDEX Corporation Restricted Stock Unit Agreement for Directors, effective February 2018
10.29**	Form of IDEX Corporation Performance Share Unit Award Agreement - Cash Settled, effective February 2018
10.30**	Form of IDEX Corporation Stock Option Agreement, effective February 2018
10.31**	Form of IDEX Corporation Stock Option Agreement - Cash Settled, effective February 2018
10.32**	Form of IDEX Corporation Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement - Cash Settled, effective February 2018
10.33**	Form of IDEX Corporation Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement, effective December 2015
10.34**	Form of IDEX Corporation Confidential Information, Work Product and Restrictive Covenant Agreement

- 12 Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges
- 21 Subsidiaries of IDEX
- 23 Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP
- 31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14 (a) or Rule 15d-14 (a)
- 31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14 (a) or Rule 15d-14 (a)
- ***32.1 Certification pursuant to Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of the United States Code
- ***32.2 Certification pursuant to Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of the United States Code
- ****101 The following materials from IDEX Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 formatted in XBRL (Extensible Business Reporting Language): (i) the Consolidated Balance Sheets at December 31, 2017 and 2016, (ii) the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the three years ended December 31, 2017, (iii) the Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the three years ended December 31, 2017, (iv) the Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity for the three years ended December 31, 2017, (v) the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the three years ended December 31, 2017, and (vi) Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.
- ** Management contract or compensatory plan or agreement.
- *** Furnished herewith.
- **** In accordance with Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, the XBRL related information in Exhibit 101 to this Annual Report on Form 10-K shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, and shall not be part of any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 16. Form 10-K Summary.

None.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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.

IDEX CORPORATION

By: /s/ WILLIAM K. GROGAN

William K. Grogan

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: February 22, 2018

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>	
/s/ ANDREW K. SILVERNAIL	Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer		
Andrew K. Silvernail	(Principal Executive Officer)	February 22, 2018	
/s/ WILLIAM K. GROGAN	Senior Vice President and Chief Financial		
William K. Grogan	Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	February 22, 2018	
/s/ MICHAEL J. YATES	Vice President and		
Michael J. Yates	Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)	February 22, 2018	
/s/ MARK A. BECK	Director		
Mark A. Beck	Director	February 22, 2018	
/s/ MARK A. BUTHMAN	Director		
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/s/ WILLIAM M. COOK	Director	- Director	
William M. Cook	Brector	February 22, 2018	
/s/ KATRINA L. HELMKAMP	Director		
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/s/ ERNEST J. MROZEK	Director		
Ernest J. Mrozek	Sheeto.	February 22, 2018	
/s/ LIVINGSTON L. SATTERTHWAITE	Director		
Livingston L. Satterthwaite	Director	February 22, 2018	
/s/ CYNTHIA J. WARNER	Director		
Cynthia J. Warner	Director	February 22, 2018	

