

**KRATON PERFORMANCE POLYMERS, INC.  
THIRD QUARTER 2011 EARNINGS CONFERENCE CALL**

**November 1, 2011**



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# Update on 2011 Business Priorities



## Earnings Growth

- Q3 sales revenue of \$402 million, up 20% year-on-year
- Q3 GAAP net income of \$43 million or \$1.33 per diluted share
- Q3 Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup> of \$71 million
- Q3 sales volume of 78 kT

## Innovation-led Top-line Growth

- Q3'11 TTM vitality index of 14%
- Q3'11 TTM innovation revenue up 31% vs. Q3'10 TTM
- Q3'11 TTM innovation volume up 13% vs. Q3'10 TTM

## Capital Investment

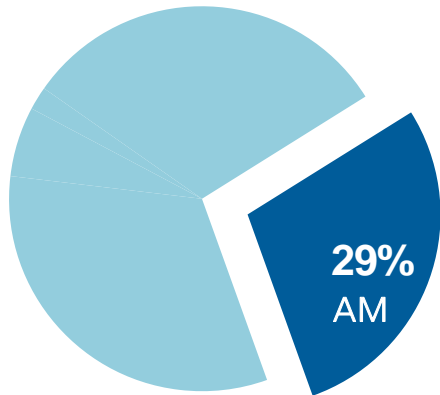
- Progress continues on proposed 30 kT Asian HSBC plant
  - Engineering and design work ongoing
  - Drafting of definitive documentation underway
  - Taiwan Fair Trade Commission has approved the proposed joint venture with Formosa
  - Continuing process to secure necessary permits

(1) Adjusted EBITDA is EBITDA excluding restructuring and related charges and non-cash compensation expenses.

# Advanced Materials End Use Review



## TTM Sales Revenue Profile

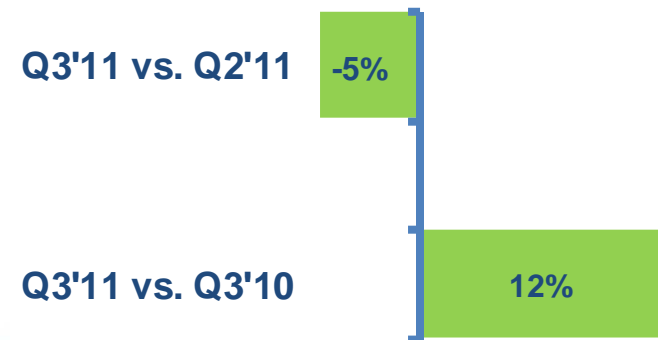


## End Use Sales Revenue

US \$ in millions



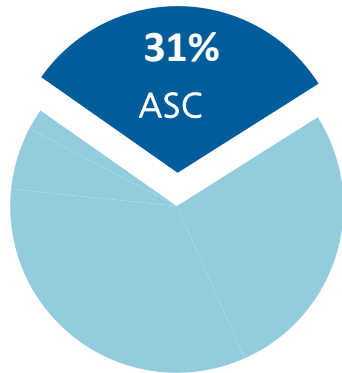
## Change in Sales Revenue



# Adhesives, Sealants and Coatings End Use Review



## TTM Sales Revenue Profile

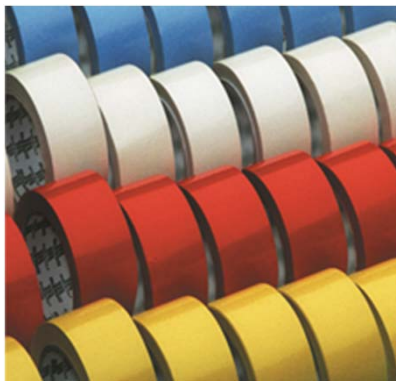
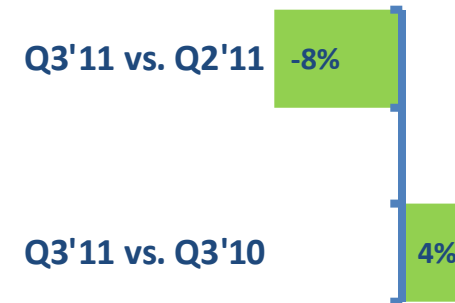


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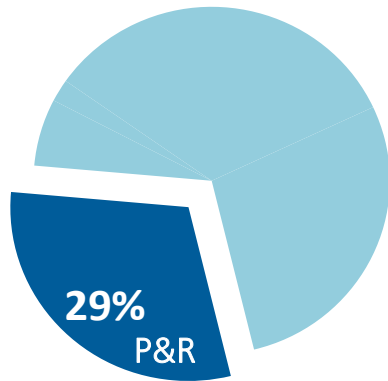
## Change in Sales Revenue



# Paving and Roofing End-Use Review

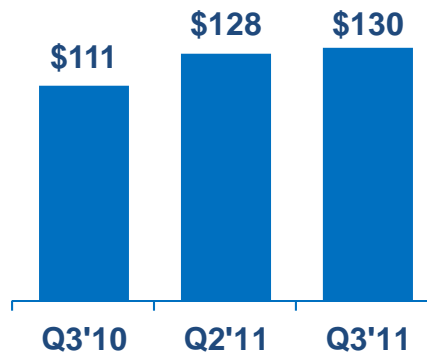


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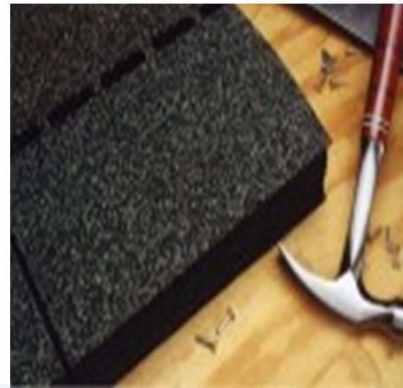
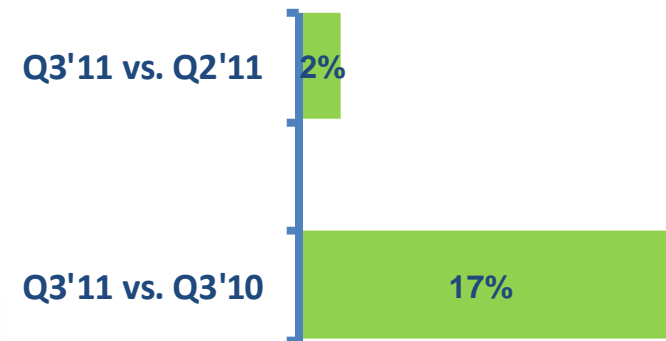


## End Use Sales Revenue

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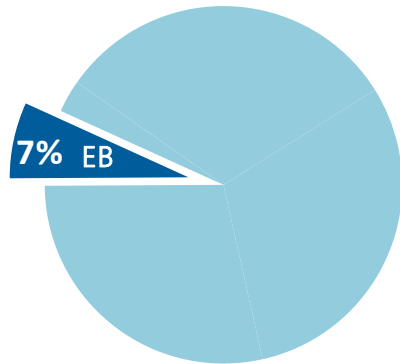
## Change in Sales Revenue



# Emerging Businesses End Use Review



## TTM Sales Revenue Profile



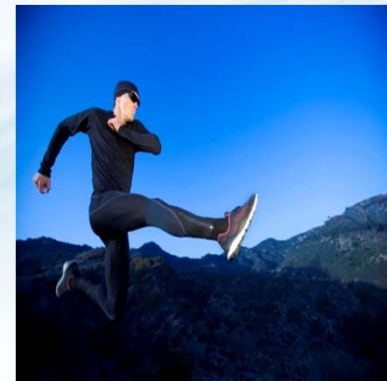
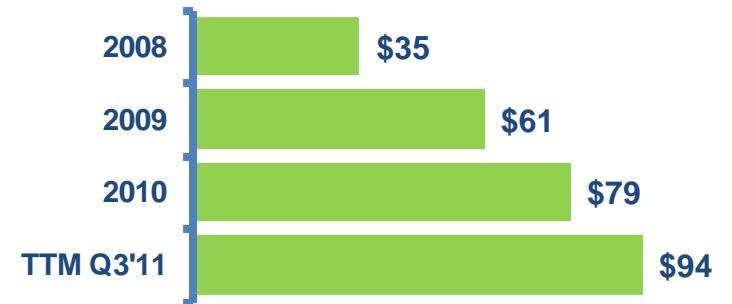
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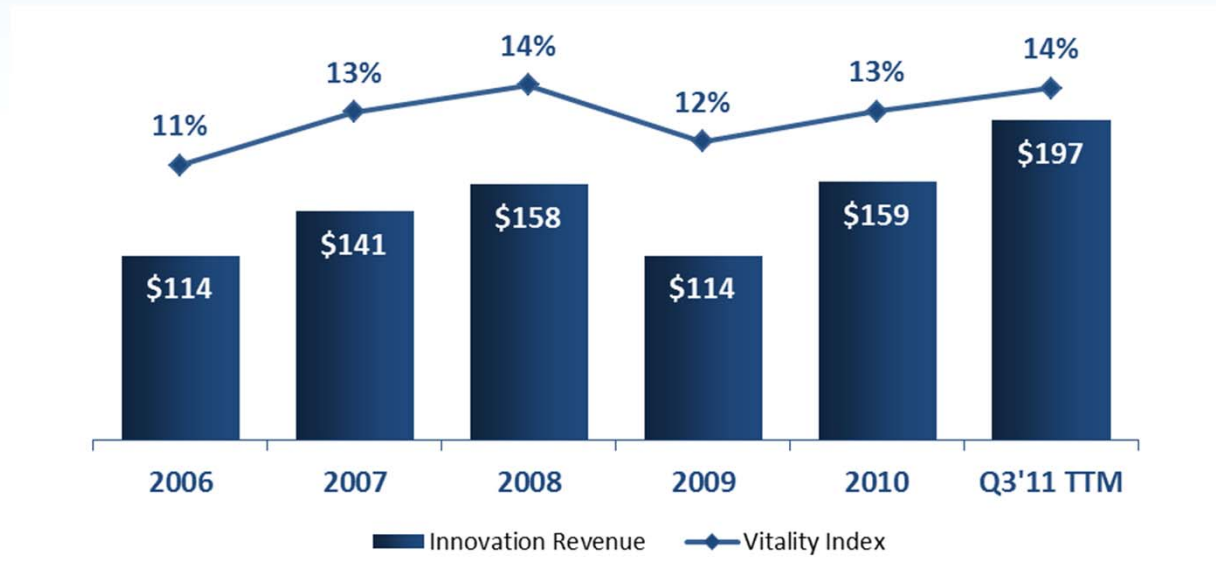
## Sales Revenue

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# Innovation-led Top Line Growth

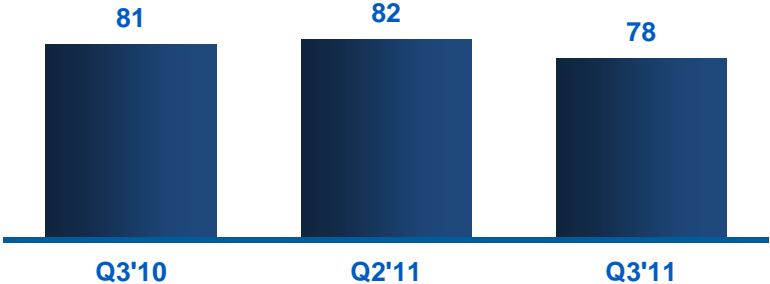


- Q3'11 TTM vitality index 14%
- Q3'11 TTM innovation revenue up 31% vs. Q3'10 TTM
- Q3'11 TTM innovation volume up 13% vs. Q3'10 TTM
- Key innovations showing strong TTM revenue growth:
  - PVC replacement for IV bags up 91%
  - Roofing innovations up 72%
  - Protective films up 47%
  - PVC replacement in wire & cable up 33%
  - Reactive SBS for printing plates up 20%

# Q3 2011 Sales Volume and Sales Revenue



Sales Volume  
(Kilotons)



Sales Revenue  
(US \$ in Millions)

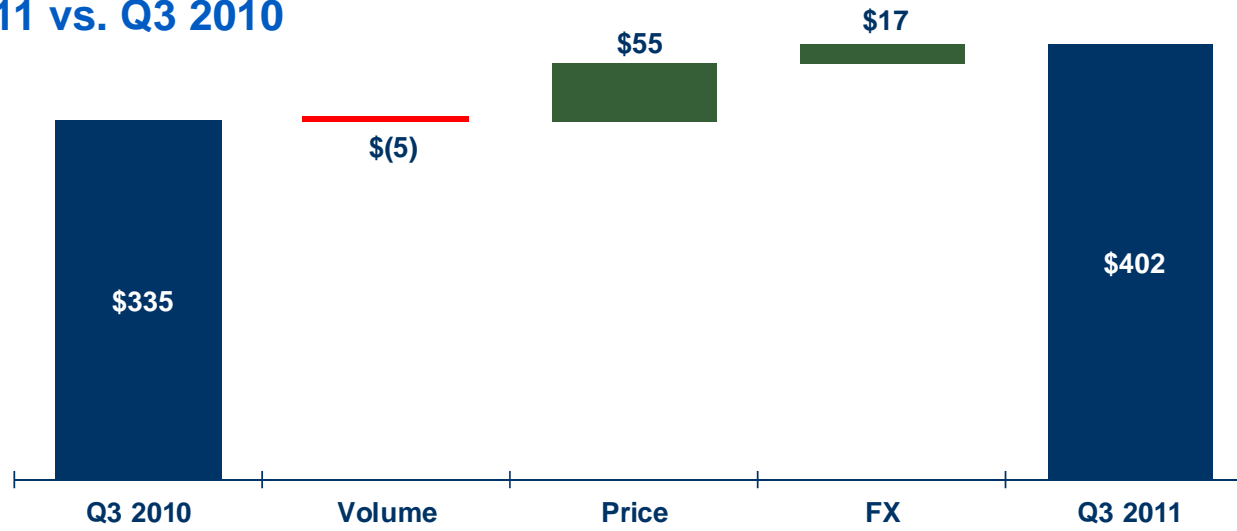


# Q3 2011 Sales Revenue Walk

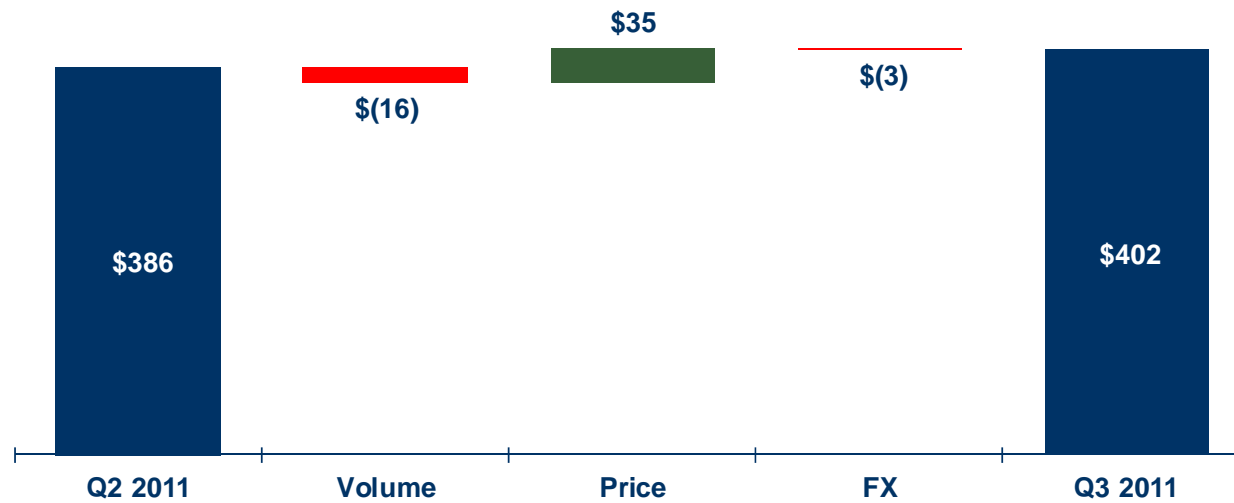
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## Q3 2011 vs. Q3 2010



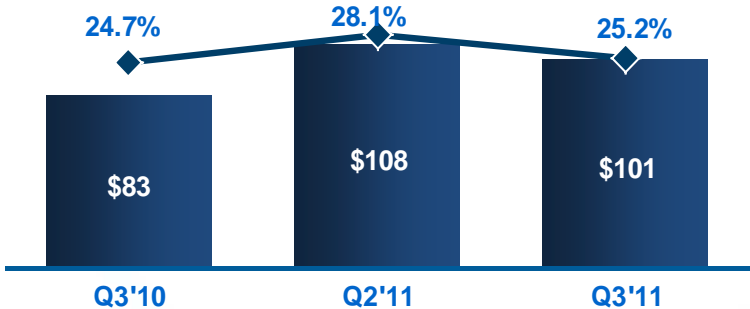
## Q3 2011 vs. Q2 2011



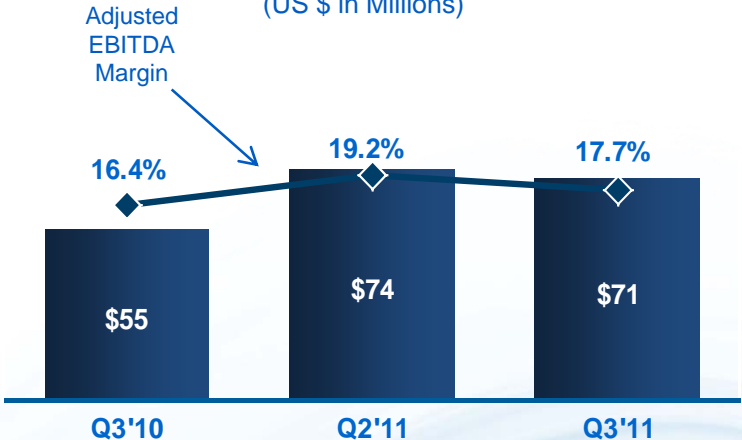
# Q3 2011 Gross Profit and Adjusted EBITDA



Gross Profit and Gross Margin  
(US \$ in Millions)



Adjusted EBITDA  
(US \$ in Millions)

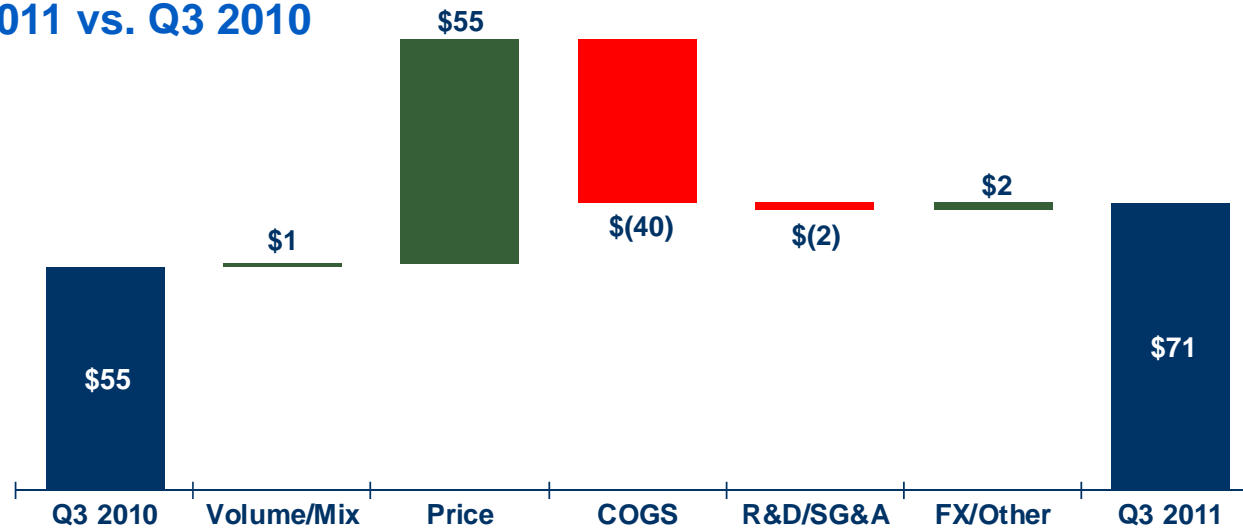


# Q3 2011 Adjusted EBITDA Walk

US \$ in millions



## Q3 2011 vs. Q3 2010



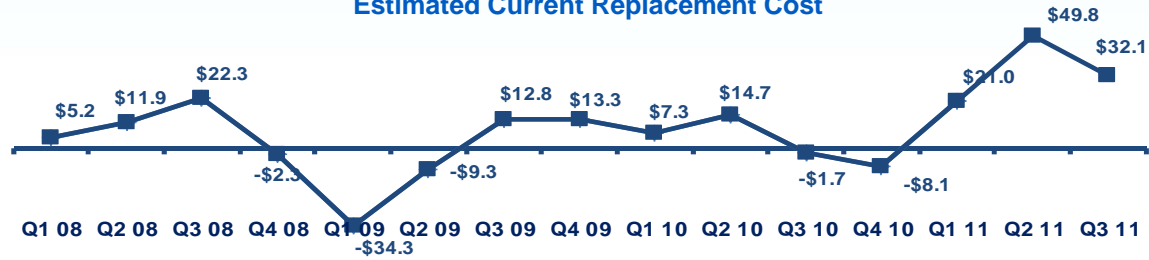
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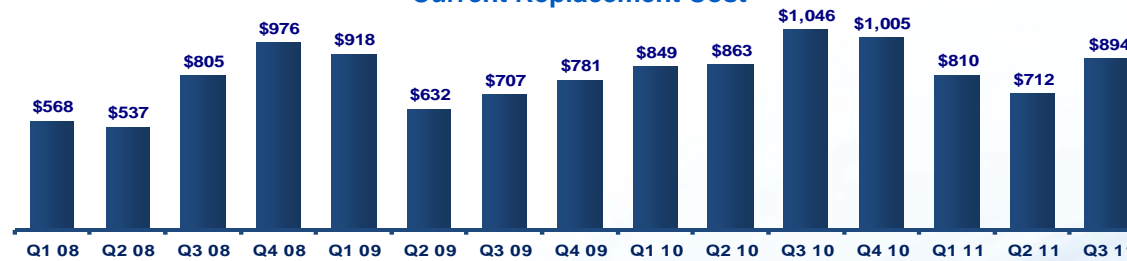
# Impact of Monomer Volatility



Quarterly Impact of FIFO vs. Estimated Current Replacement Cost



Gross Profit per Ton at Estimated Current Replacement Cost



Gross Profit per Ton at FIFO



# Q3 2011 Financial Overview

US \$ in Thousands except per share data



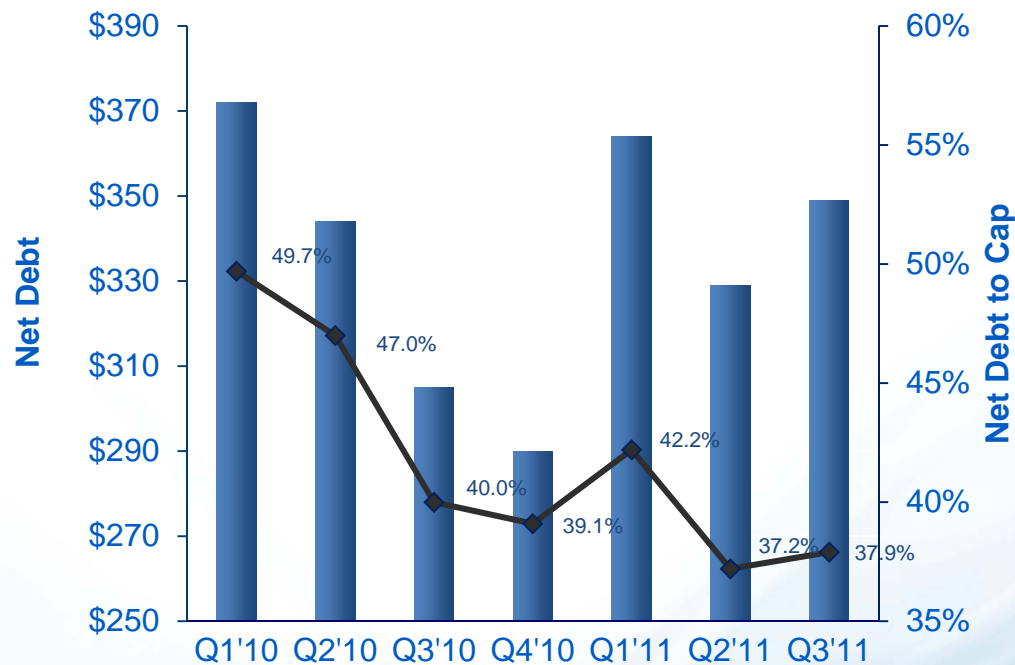
	Three months Ended 9/30/2011	Three months Ended 6/30/2011	Three months Ended 9/30/2010
Sales Volume (Kilotons)	78	82	81
Sales Revenues	\$ 401,993	\$ 386,428	\$ 335,442
Cost of Goods Sold	<u>300,539</u>	<u>278,033</u>	<u>252,561</u>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	101,454	108,395	82,881
<b>Operating expenses</b>			
Research and Development	6,703	6,966	6,125
Selling, General and Administrative	25,838	27,912	24,819
Depreciation and Amortization	16,689	15,604	13,027
Earnings (loss) of Unconsolidated Joint Venture	595	(880)	81
Interest Expense, net	<u>6,288</u>	<u>5,915</u>	<u>6,127</u>
<b>Income Before Income Taxes</b>	46,531	51,118	32,864
Income Tax Expense	<u>3,438</u>	<u>4,141</u>	<u>4,828</u>
<b>Net Income</b>	<u>\$ 43,093</u>	<u>\$ 46,977</u>	<u>\$ 28,036</u>
Earnings per Common Share - Diluted	\$ 1.33	\$ 1.44	\$ 0.88
<b>Adjusted EBITDA</b>	\$ 71,063	\$ 74,199	\$ 54,947

# Balance Sheet

US \$ in millions



## Net Debt <sup>(1)</sup> and Net Debt to Capitalization



- Cash at quarter end of \$46 million.
- Net Debt-to-Capitalization ratio of 37.9% at quarter end.
- Net Debt to TTM Adjusted EBITDA was 1.5x at 9/30/11.

(1) Net debt is equal to total debt, less cash and cash equivalents.



## Selected 2011 Estimates



Working capital (excluding cash) as a % of revenue	~ 30%
Capital spending	\$65 to \$70 million
Interest expense <sup>(1)</sup>	~\$30 million
Research & development	~\$28 million
SG&A	~ \$105 million
Depreciation and amortization	~\$63 million
Book tax rate <sup>(2)</sup>	~9%

(1) Includes accelerated write-off of debt issuance costs associated with the debt refinancing of \$5 million.

(2) The estimated book tax rate is based on certain facts and circumstances that may change. In particular, an increase in the release of the valuation allowance to reflect the benefit of tax net operating loss carryforwards in the fourth quarter of 2011 or some future period would result in a lower effective tax rate in the period of the release and a higher effective tax rate in future periods.

# APPENDIX

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# Reconciliation of Net Income to EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA

US \$ in Thousands

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Add:			
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<b>EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<u>\$ 69,508</u>	<u>\$ 72,637</u>	<u>\$ 52,018</u>
<b>EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup></b>	\$ 69,508	\$ 72,637	\$ 52,018
Add (deduct):			
Restructuring and related charges <sup>(3)</sup>	308	(93)	1,864
Other non-cash expenses	1,247	1,655	1,065
<b>Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup></b>	<u>\$ 71,063</u>	<u>\$ 74,199</u>	<u>\$ 54,947</u>

- (1) The EBITDA measure is used by management to evaluate operating performance. Management believes that EBITDA is useful to investors because it is frequently used by investors and other interested parties in the evaluation of companies in our industry. EBITDA is not a recognized term under GAAP and does not purport to be an alternative to net income (loss) as an indicator of operating performance or to cash flows from operating activities as a measure of liquidity. Since not all companies use identical calculations, this presentation of EBITDA may not be comparable to other similarly titled measures of other companies. Additionally, EBITDA is not intended to be a measure of free cash flow for management's discretionary use, as it does not consider certain cash requirements such as interest payments, tax payments and debt service requirements.
- (2) Adjusted EBITDA is GAAP EBITDA excluding restructuring and related charges and non-cash compensation expenses..
- (3) The restructuring and related charges were recorded as Selling, General and Administrative expenses.

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