

**KRATON PERFORMANCE POLYMERS, INC.  
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# GAAP Disclaimer



This presentation includes the use of both GAAP and non-GAAP financial measures. The non-GAAP financial measures are EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA at ECRC, Gross Profit at ECRC and Adjusted Net Income (or earnings per share). A table included in this presentation reconciles each of these non-GAAP financial measures with the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure.

We consider these non-GAAP financial measures important supplemental measures of our performance and believe they are frequently used by investors, securities analysts and other interested parties in the evaluation of our performance and/or that of other companies in our industry, including period-to-period comparisons. Further, management uses these measures to evaluate operating performance, and our executive compensation plan bases incentive compensation payments on our Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA at ECRC performance, along with other factors.

These non-GAAP financial measures have limitations as analytical tools and in some cases can vary substantially from other measures of our performance. You should not consider them in isolation, or as a substitute for analysis of our results under GAAP in the United States. For EBITDA, these limitations include: EBITDA does not reflect our cash expenditures, or future requirements for capital expenditures or contractual commitments; EBITDA does not reflect changes in, or cash requirements for, our working capital needs; EBITDA does not reflect the significant interest expense, or the cash requirements necessary to service interest or principal payments, on our debt; although depreciation and amortization are non-cash charges, the assets being depreciated and amortized will often have to be replaced in the future, and EBITDA does not reflect any cash requirements for such replacements; EBITDA calculations under the terms of our debt agreements may vary from EBITDA presented herein, and our presentation of EBITDA herein is not for purposes of assessing compliance or non-compliance with financial covenants under our debt agreements; and other companies in our industry may calculate EBITDA differently from how we do, limiting its usefulness as a comparative measure. As an analytical tool, Adjusted EBITDA is subject to all the limitations applicable to EBITDA. In addition, we prepare Adjusted EBITDA by adjusting EBITDA to eliminate the impact of a number of items we do not consider indicative of our on-going performance, but you should be aware that in the future we may incur expenses similar to the adjustments in this presentation. Our presentation of Adjusted EBITDA should not be construed as an inference that our future results will be unaffected by unusual or non-recurring items. As an analytical tool, Adjusted EBITDA at ECRC is subject to all the limitations applicable to EBITDA, as well as the following limitations: due to volatility in raw material prices, Adjusted EBITDA at ECRC may, and often does, vary substantially from EBITDA and other performance measures, including net income calculated in accordance with GAAP; and Adjusted EBITDA at ECRC may, and often will, vary significantly from EBITDA calculations under the terms of our debt agreements and should not be used for assessing compliance or non-compliance with financial covenants under our credit agreement. Because of these and other limitations, EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and ECRC Adjusted EBITDA should not be considered as a measure of discretionary cash available to us to invest in the growth of our business. As a measure of our performance, Gross Profit at ECRC is limited because it often varies substantially from gross profit calculated in accordance with GAAP due to volatility in raw material prices. Finally, we prepare Adjusted Net Income by adjusting net income to eliminate the impact of a number of items we do not consider indicative of our on-going performance, but you should be aware that in the future we may incur expenses similar to the adjustments in this presentation. Our presentation of Adjusted Net Income should not be construed as an inference that our future results will be unaffected by unusual or non-recurring items.

# First Quarter 2013 Financial Summary

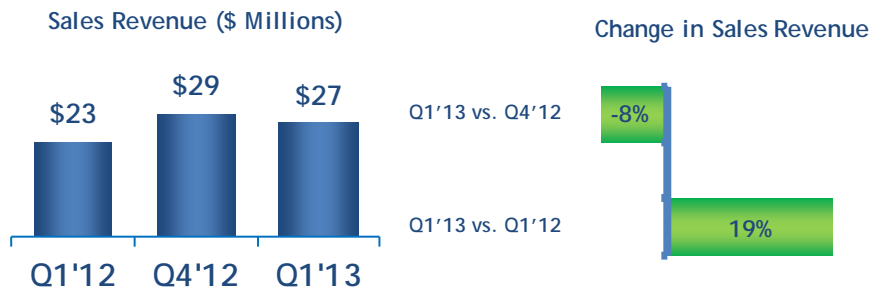


(\$ millions, except volume and per share data)	<u>Q1'13</u>	<u>Q1'12</u>	<u>Change</u>
Sales volume (kT)	78.2	89.6	(12.7)%
Sales revenue	\$ 340.1	\$ 408.3	\$ (68.2)
Net income (loss) attributable to Kraton	\$ (3.7)	\$ 16.4	\$ (20.1)
Net income (loss) per diluted share	\$ (0.12)	\$ 0.50	\$ (0.62)
Adjusted earnings per diluted share <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.49	\$ (0.42)
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 28.7	\$ 43.0	\$ (14.3)
Adjusted EBITDA at ECRC <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 29.2	\$ 39.6	\$ (10.4)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ (20.8)	\$ 56.1	\$ (76.9)

(1) See reconciliation of Net Income (Loss) and Net income (Loss) per diluted share to EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA at ECRC, Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted Earnings per Diluted Share in the attached appendix

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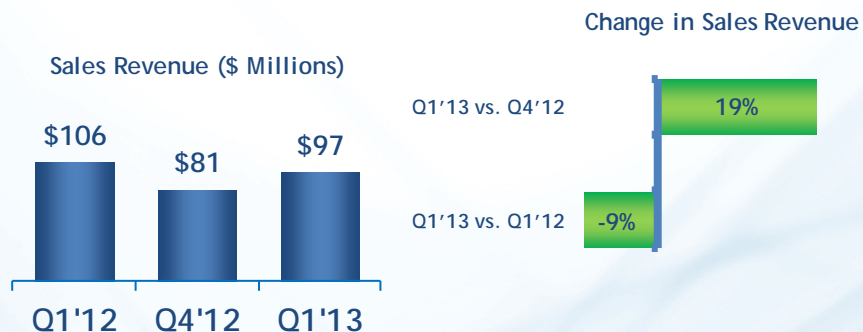
## Q1'13 vs. Q1'12



- Sales volume increased in surgical glove, medical and innovation applications
- Average selling price increased
- Negative impact of currency movements

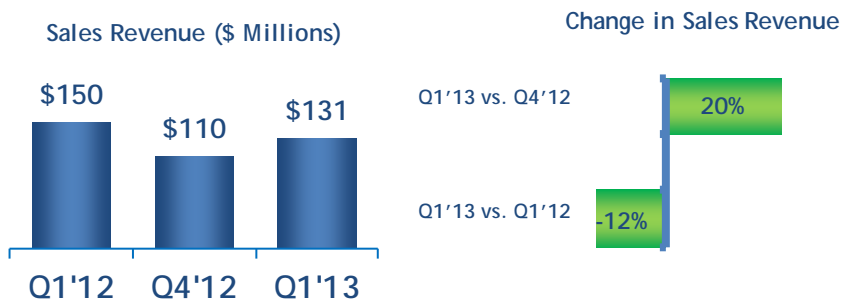
## Advanced Materials

## Q1'13 vs. Q1'12



- Sales volume essentially flat
- Average selling price declined, driven by reductions in monomer pricing, primarily butadiene
- Negative impact of currency movements

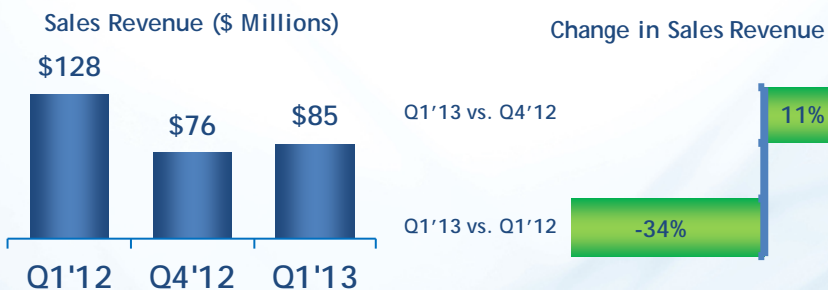
## Adhesives, Sealants & Coatings



## Q1'13 vs. Q1'12

- Sales volume decreased due to timing of lubricant additive sales and lower demand for PSA and nonwoven applications
- Average selling price declined, driven by reductions in monomer pricing, primarily butadiene
- Negative impact of currency movements

## Paving & Roofing

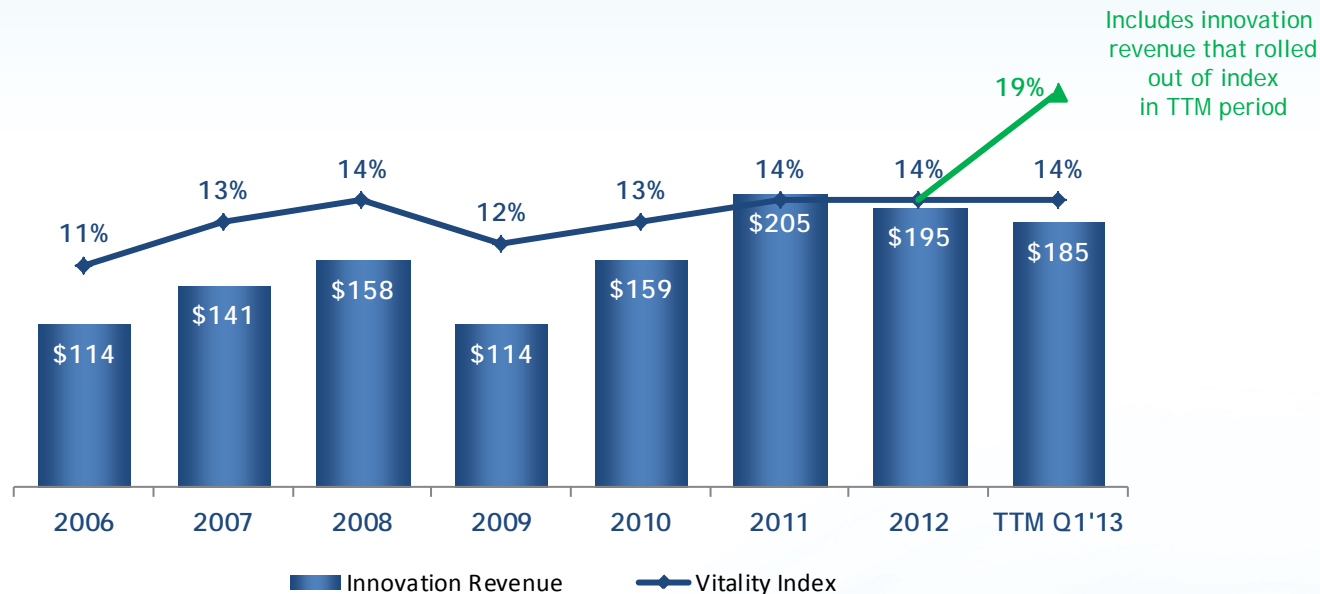


## Q1'13 vs. Q1'12

- Sales volume decrease reflects atypical Q1 2012 sales volume and impact of adverse weather in Q1 2013
- Average selling price declined, driven by lower average butadiene pricing
- Negative impact of currency movements

# Vitality Index

\$ in millions

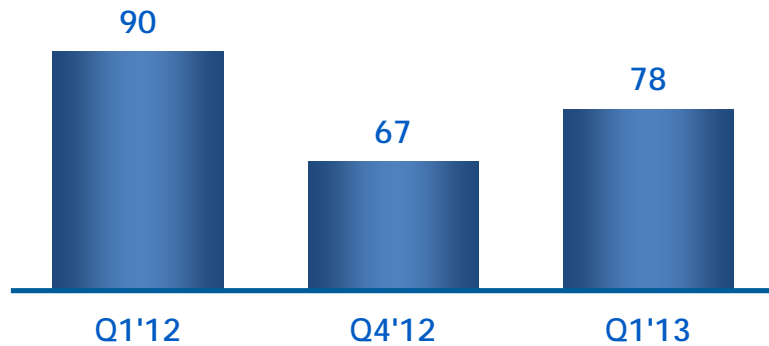


- TTM revenue growth for select innovations:
  - Oilfield applications up 147%
  - HiMA up 120%
  - Adhesive applications up 29%
  - PVC alternatives up 22%
  - Protective film applications up 19%
  - Reactive SBS for printing plates up 9%

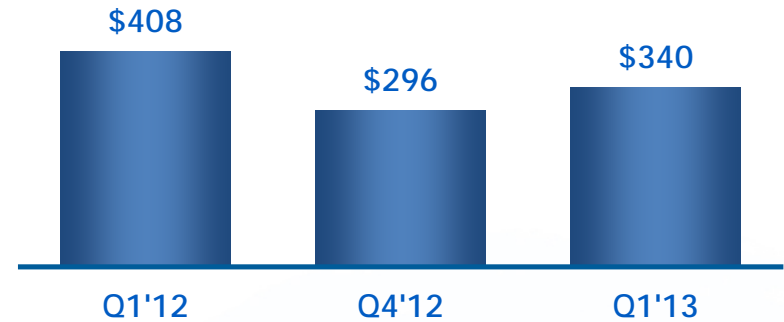
# Sales Volume and Sales Revenue



Sales Volume  
(Kilotons)

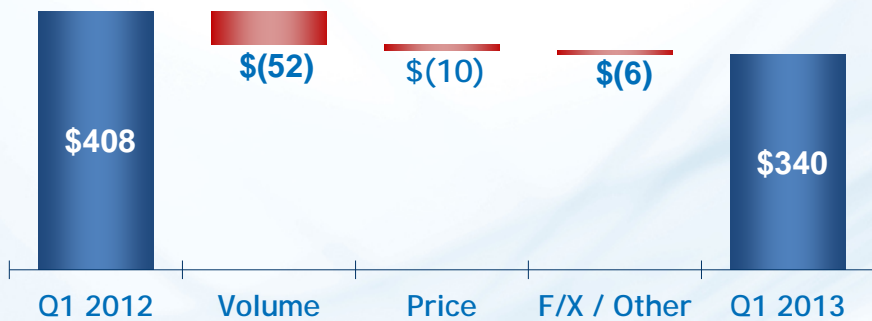


Sales Revenue  
(\$ in Millions)



## Sales Revenue Bridges

Q1 2012 to Q1 2013



Q4 2012 to Q1 2013



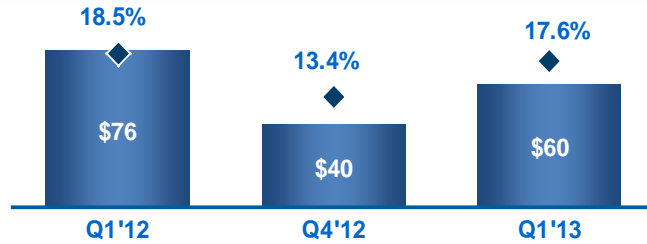


# Gross Profit and Adjusted EBITDA<sup>(1)</sup>



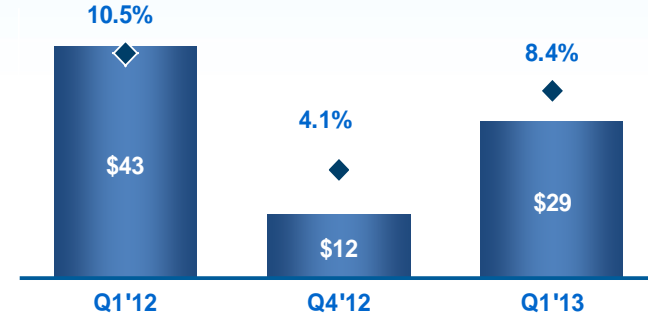
\$ in millions

## Gross Profit and Gross Margin



Gross Profit at ECRC <sup>(1)</sup>	\$72	\$50	\$60
Margin at ECRC	17.7%	16.8%	17.8%

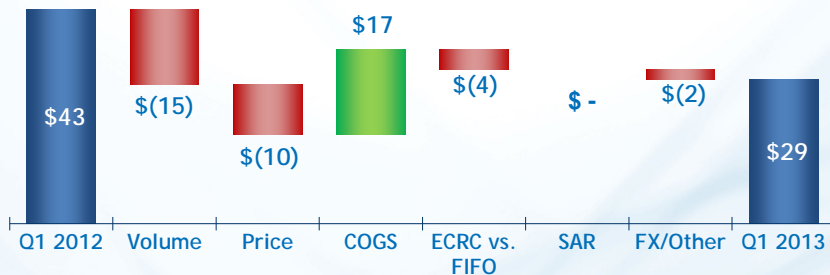
## Adjusted EBITDA<sup>(1)</sup> and Margin



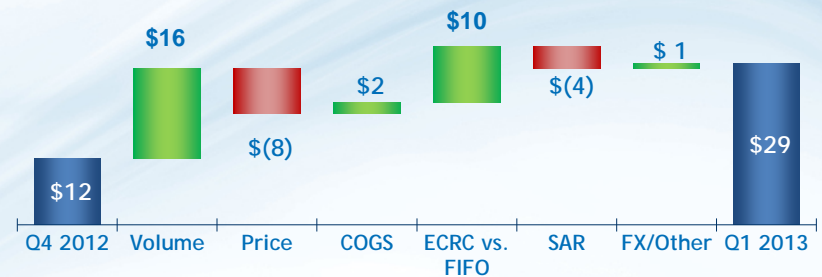
Adj. EBITDA at ECRC <sup>(1)</sup>	\$40	\$22	\$29
Margin at ECRC	9.7%	7.5%	8.6%

## Adjusted EBITDA<sup>(1)</sup> Bridges

### Q1 2012 to Q1 2013



### Q4 2012 to Q1 2013

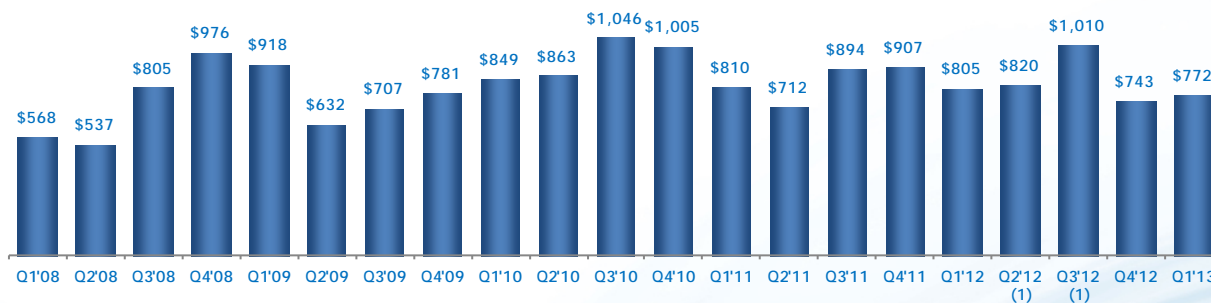


(1) See reconciliation of Net Income (Loss) to EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA at ECRC and reconciliation of Gross Profit to Gross Profit at ECRC in the attached appendix.

Quarterly Difference Between Inventory Valuation at FIFO and at ECRC (\$ Millions)



Gross Profit per Ton at Estimated Current Replacement Cost



Gross Profit per Ton at FIFO



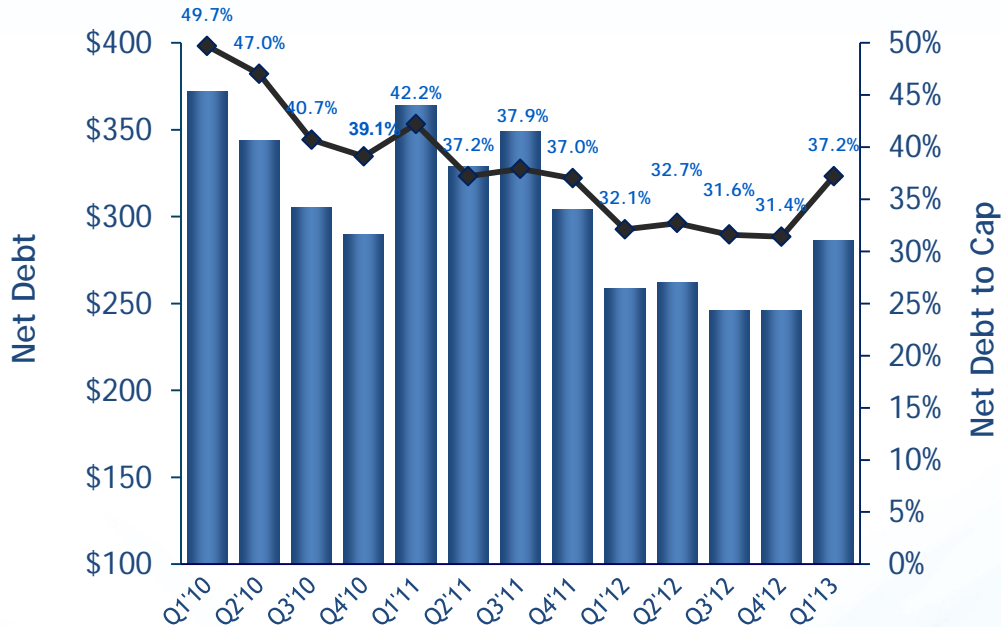
(1) Excludes impact of Belpre storm-related charge and severance charge aggregating \$3.8 million in the second quarter 2012 and \$(0.3) million in the third quarter of 2012.

# Balance Sheet



\$ in millions

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



- Cash at March 31, 2013 of \$105 million<sup>(2)</sup>
- Net Debt<sup>(2)</sup> to TTM Adjusted EBITDA was 2.9x at 3/31/13

	\$ Millions	
	3 Months Ended	
	<u>3/31/13</u>	<u>3/31/12</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$(20.8)	\$56.1

(1) See reconciliation of Net Debt and Net Debt to Net Capitalization in the attached appendix.

(2) Excludes cash of \$31 million in our joint venture, Kraton Formosa Polymers Corporation, and as such is not available to the company.

# Selected 2013 P&L Estimates<sup>(1)</sup>



Interest expense	~ \$32 million <sup>(2)</sup>
Research & development	~ \$35 million
SG&A	~ \$109 million
Depreciation and amortization	~ \$60 million
Book effective tax rate	~ 12%

(1) Management's estimates. These estimates are forward-looking statements and speak only as of May 2, 2013. Management assumes no obligation to update these estimates in light of new information or future events.

(2) Includes \$5.7 million associated with recent debt refinancing.

# APPENDIX

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# Reconciliation of Net Income (Loss) Attributable to Kraton to Adjusted Net Income



\$ in thousands except per share data

	Three Months ended March 31, 2013		Three Months ended December 31, 2012		Three Months ended March 31, 2012	
	After Tax	Per Diluted Share	After Tax	Per Diluted Share	After Tax	Per Diluted Share
Net income (loss) attributable to Kraton and Net Income (loss) per diluted share	\$ (3,748)	\$ (0.12)	\$(29,452)	\$ (0.91)	\$ 16,353	\$ 0.50
Add:						
Settlement gain <sup>(a)</sup>	-	-	-	-	(6,909)	(0.21)
Property tax dispute <sup>(b)</sup>	-	-	-	-	6,211	0.19
Restructuring and related charges <sup>(c)</sup>	136	-	297	0.01	40	-
Debt offering <sup>(d)</sup>	-	-	-	-	126	-
Retirement plan settlement <sup>(e)</sup>	-	-	1,100	0.03	-	-
Settlement of interest rate swap <sup>(f)</sup>	697	0.02	-	-	-	-
Write-off of debt issuance cost <sup>(g)</sup>	5,023	0.16	-	-	-	-
<b>Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted Earnings per Diluted Share</b>	<b>\$ 2,108</b>	<b>\$ 0.07</b>	<b>\$(28,055)</b>	<b>\$ (0.87)</b>	<b>\$ 15,821</b>	<b>\$ 0.49</b>

Note - The sum of the EPS adjustments may not equal adjusted earnings per diluted share due to rounding

- a) Reflects the benefit of the LBI settlement, which is recorded in cost of goods sold.
- b) Reflects a charge associated with the resolution of the property tax dispute in France, of which \$5,646 is recorded in cost of goods sold and \$565 is recorded in selling, general and administrative expenses.
- c) Includes charges related to severance expense and evaluation of acquisition transactions.
- d) Includes costs related to the public offering of our senior notes.
- e) Reflects the retirement plan settlement charge associated with a disbursement from a benefit plan upon the retirement of an employee.
- f) Reflects interest expense related to the termination and settlement of an interest rate swap agreement in connection with the refinancing of our credit facility.
- g) Reflects interest expense related to the write-off of unamortized debt issuance costs in connection with the refinancing of our credit facility.

# Reconciliation of Net Income (Loss) Attributable to Kraton to EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA at ECRC



\$ in Thousands

	Three months Ended 3/31/2013	Three months Ended 12/31/2012	Three months Ended 3/31/2012
Net income (loss) attributable to Kraton	\$ (3,748)	\$ (29,452)	\$ 16,353
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest	(76)	0	0
Consolidated net income (loss)	(3,824)	(29,452)	16,353
Add:			
Interest expense, net	13,298	7,197	6,699
Income tax expense	1,446	14,945	2,732
Depreciation and amortization expenses	15,098	16,711	15,849
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>\$ 26,018</b>	<b>\$ 9,401</b>	<b>\$ 41,633</b>
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Add (deduct):			
Settlement gain <sup>(1)</sup>	0	0	(6,819)
Property tax dispute <sup>(2)</sup>	0	0	6,211
Restructuring and related charges <sup>(3)</sup>	136	297	56
Non-cash compensation expense	2,523	1,326	1,880
Retirement plan settlement <sup>(4)</sup>	0	1,100	0
<b>Adjusted EBITDA</b>	<b>\$ 28,677</b>	<b>\$ 12,124</b>	<b>\$ 42,961</b>
Add:			
Spread between FIFO and ECRC	507	10,235	(3,372)
<b>Adjusted EBITDA at ECRC <sup>(5)</sup></b>	<b>\$ 29,184</b>	<b>\$ 22,359</b>	<b>\$ 39,589</b>

- Gain on LBI settlement, recorded in cost of goods sold
- Charge associated with resolution of the property tax dispute in France, of which \$5,646 is recorded in Cost of Goods Sold and \$565 is recorded in Selling, General and Administrative Expenses.
- Includes charges related to severance expenses, fees associated with the public offering of our notes and charges associated with evaluating acquisition transactions.
- Reflects the retirement plan settlement charge associated with a disbursement from a benefit plan upon the retirement of an employee which is recorded in selling, general and administrative expenses.
- Adjusted EBITDA at estimated current replacement cost (ECRC) is Adjusted EBITDA net of the impact of the spread between the FIFO basis of accounting and ECRC. Although we report our financial results using the FIFO basis of accounting, as part of our pricing strategy, we measure our business performance using the estimated current replacement cost of our inventory and cost of goods sold. In addition, volatility in the cost of raw materials affects our results of operations and the period-over-period comparability of our results of operations. Therefore, we provide the spread between FIFO and ECRC, and we present Adjusted EBITDA at ECRC as another supplemental measure of our performance. We believe this additional adjustment provides helpful information to investors, securities analysts and other interested parties in evaluating period-over-period comparisons of our performance.

# Reconciliation of Net Debt and Net Debt to Net Capitalization



(\$ Millions)	Q1'10	Q2'10	Q3'10	Q4'10	Q1'11	Q2'11	Q3'11	Q4'11	Q1'12	Q2'12	Q3'12	Q4'12	Q1'13
Total Debt	\$384	\$384	\$383	\$383	\$400	\$396	\$394	\$393	\$492	\$490	\$448	\$448	\$391
Less: Cash <sup>(1)</sup>	\$12	\$39	\$72	\$93	\$36	\$67	\$46	\$89	\$233	\$228	\$202	\$223	\$105
Net Debt	\$372	\$344	\$311	\$290	\$364	\$329	\$349	\$304	\$258	\$262	\$246	\$225	\$286
Equity <sup>(1)</sup>	\$377	\$388	\$454	\$452	\$499	\$556	\$571	\$518	\$546	\$539	\$532	\$492	\$483
Add: Net Debt	\$372	\$344	\$311	\$290	\$364	\$329	\$349	\$304	\$258	\$262	\$246	\$225	\$286
Net Capitalization	\$750	\$732	\$765	\$742	\$863	\$885	\$920	\$822	\$805	\$801	\$778	\$717	\$769
Net Debt to Net Capitalization	49.7%	47.0%	40.7%	39.1%	42.2%	37.2%	37.9%	37.0%	32.1%	32.7%	31.6%	31.4%	37.2%

(1) Excludes JV cash and noncontrolling interest beginning in Q1 2013



# Reconciliation of Gross Profit to Gross Profit at Estimated Current Replacement Cost



(\$ Millions, except Gross Profit/Ton)	Q1'08	Q2'08	Q3'08	Q4'08	Q1'09	Q2'09	Q3'09	Q4'09	Q1'10	Q2'10	Q3'10	Q4'10
Sales Volume (Kilotons)	76.8	94.2	89.6	52.6	47.1	71.4	80.9	61.0	72.9	86.2	80.9	67.1
Gross Profit @ FIFO	\$ 48.79	\$ 62.55	\$ 94.45	\$ 48.97	\$ 8.93	\$ 35.76	\$ 69.97	\$ 60.87	\$ 69.13	\$ 89.13	\$ 82.88	\$ 59.37
ECRC to FIFO	\$ 5.18	\$ 11.94	\$ 22.33	\$ (2.31)	\$ (34.32)	\$ (9.30)	\$ 12.77	\$ 13.28	\$ 7.26	\$ 14.69	\$ (1.72)	\$ (8.08)
Gross Profit @ ECRC <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 43.60	\$ 50.60	\$ 72.12	\$ 51.28	\$ 43.25	\$ 45.06	\$ 57.20	\$ 47.59	\$ 61.87	\$ 74.44	\$ 84.60	\$ 67.45
Gross Profit/Ton @ECRC	\$568.13	\$537.20	\$ 805.03	\$975.70	\$917.58	\$631.54	\$707.38	\$780.55	\$849.01	\$ 863.45	\$1,045.50	\$1,005.10
Gross Profit/Ton @ FIFO	\$635.64	\$663.97	\$1,054.24	\$931.79	\$189.51	\$501.16	\$865.32	\$998.39	\$948.60	\$1,034.09	\$1,024.21	\$ 884.71

(\$ Millions, except Gross Profit/Ton)	Q1'11	Q2'11	Q3'11	Q4'11	Q1'12	Q2'12	Q3'12	Q4'12	Q1'13
Sales Volume (Kilotons)	81.3	82.3	77.6	61.9	89.6	77.2	79.3	67.2	78.2
Gross Profit @ FIFO	\$ 86.9	\$ 108.4	\$ 101.5	\$ 19.5	\$ 75.5	\$ 73.5	\$ 42.8	\$ 39.7	\$ 59.9
ECRC to FIFO	\$ 21.0	\$ 49.8	\$ 32.1	\$ (36.6)	\$ 3.4	\$ 14.0	\$ (37.6)	\$ (10.2)	\$ (0.5)
Gross Profit @ ECRC <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 65.8	\$ 58.6	\$ 69.4	\$ 56.1	\$ 72.1	\$ 59.5	\$ 80.4	\$ 49.9	\$ 60.4
Gross Profit/Ton @ECRC	\$ 810	\$ 712	\$ 894	\$ 907	\$ 805	\$ 771	\$ 1,014	\$ 743	\$ 772
Gross Profit/Ton @ FIFO	\$ 1,068	\$ 1,318	\$ 1,308	\$ 315	\$ 842	\$ 952	\$ 539	\$ 590	\$ 766

(1) Gross Profit at ECRC is gross profit net of the impact of the spread between the FIFO basis of accounting and ECRC. Although we report our financial results using the FIFO basis of accounting, as part of our pricing strategy, we measure our business performance using the estimated current replacement cost of our inventory and cost of goods sold. In addition, volatility in the cost of raw materials affects our results of operations and the period-over-period comparability of our results of operations. Therefore, we provide Gross Profit at ECRC as another supplemental measure of our performance. We believe this adjustment provides helpful information to investors, securities analysts and other interested parties in the evaluating period-over-period comparisons of our performance.

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