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Registration No. 333-188255

**UNITED STATES** 

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO

FORM S-4

REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

BIOMET, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Indiana 3842 35-1418342 (State or other jurisdiction of (Primary Standard Industrial (I.R.S. Employer incorporation or organization) Classification Code Number) Identification Number)

(see table of additional registrants below)

56 East Bell Drive

Warsaw, Indiana 46582

(574) 267-6639

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

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(Copies of all communications, including communications (Address, including zip code, and telephone number,

sent to agent for service)

including area code, of agent for service.)

Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: As soon as practicable after this registration statement becomes effective.

If the securities being registered on this Form are being offered in connection with the formation of a holding company and there is compliance with General Instruction G, check the following box.

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," and "smaller reporting

company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer x Smaller reporting company (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

If applicable, place an X in the box to designate the appropriate rule provision relied upon in conducting this transaction:

Exchange Act Rule 13e-4(i) (Cross-Border Issuer Tender Offer)

Exchange Act Rule 14d-1(d) (Cross-Border Third-Party Tender Offer)

#### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

| Title of each class of securities to be registered         | Amount to be registered | Proposed<br>maximum<br>offering price<br>per unit | Proposed<br>maximum<br>aggregate<br>offering price(1) | Amount of registration fee(2)(5) |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 6.500% Senior Notes due 2020                               | \$1,825,000,000         | 100%                                              | \$1,825,000,000                                       | \$248,930                        |
| Guarantees of 6.500% Senior Notes due 2020(3)              | (4)                     | (4)                                               | (4)                                                   | (4)                              |
| 6.500% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2020                  | \$800,000,000           | 100%                                              | \$800,000,000                                         | \$109,120                        |
| Guarantees of 6.500% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2020(3) | (4)                     | (4)                                               | (4)                                                   | (4)                              |

- (1) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(f) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
- $\ensuremath{\text{(2)}}\xspace \text{Calculated pursuant to Rule 457 under the Securities Act.}$
- Each of Biomet, Inc.'s current and future wholly-owned domestic restricted subsidiaries that is a guarantor of

  (3) Biomet's senior secured credit facilities jointly, severally and unconditionally guarantees, the 6.500% Senior Notes
- due 2020 on a senior unsecured basis, and the 6.500% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2020 on a senior subordinated unsecured basis. See inside facing page for table of additional registrant guarantors.
- (4) Pursuant to Rule 457(n) under the Securities Act, no separate fee is payable for the registration of the Guarantees.
- (5) Previously paid.

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The registrants hereby amend this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrants shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

## TABLE OF ADDITIONAL REGISTRANT GUARANTORS

| Exact Name of<br>Registrant as Specified<br>in its Charter | State or Other<br>Jurisdiction of<br>Incorporation or<br>Organization | Primary Standard<br>Industrial<br>Classification Code<br>Number | I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification<br>Number | Zip Code and Telephone Number, including Area Code, of Agent for Service, of Registrant's Principal Executive Offices |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Biolectron, Inc.                                           | Delaware                                                              | 3842                                                            | 13-2914413                                  | 399 Jefferson Road<br>Parsippany, NJ 07054<br>(973) 299-9300                                                          |
| Biomet 3i, LLC                                             | Florida                                                               | 3842                                                            | 59-2816882                                  | 4555 Riverside Drive<br>Palm Beach Gardens,<br>FL 33410<br>(561) 776-6700                                             |
| Biomet Biologics, LLC                                      | Indiana                                                               | 3842                                                            | 03-04079652                                 | 56 E. Bell Drive<br>Warsaw, IN 46582<br>(574) 267-6639                                                                |
| Biomet Europe Ltd.                                         | Delaware                                                              | 3842                                                            | 35-1603620                                  | 56 E. Bell Drive<br>Warsaw, IN 46582<br>(574) 267-6639                                                                |
| Biomet Fair Lawn,<br>LLC                                   | Indiana                                                               | 3842                                                            | 31-1651311                                  | 20-01 Pollitt Drive<br>Fairlawn, NJ 07410<br>(201) 797-7300                                                           |
| Biomet International Ltd.                                  | Delaware                                                              | 3842                                                            | 35-2046422                                  | 56 E. Bell Drive<br>Warsaw, IN 46582<br>(574) 267-6639                                                                |
| Biomet Leasing, Inc.                                       | Indiana                                                               | 3842                                                            | 35-2076217                                  | 56 E. Bell Drive<br>Warsaw, IN 46582<br>(574) 267-6639                                                                |
| Biomet Manufacturing<br>Corporation                        | Indiana                                                               | 3842                                                            | 35-2074039                                  | 56 E. Bell Drive<br>Warsaw, IN 46582<br>(574) 267-6639                                                                |
| Biomet Microfixation,<br>LLC                               | Florida                                                               | 3842                                                            | 59-1692523                                  | 1520 Tradeport Drive<br>Jacksonville, FL<br>32218-2482<br>(904) 741-4400                                              |
| Biomet Orthopedics,<br>LLC                                 | Indiana                                                               | 3842                                                            | 35-2074037                                  | 56 E. Bell Drive<br>Warsaw, IN 46582<br>(574) 267-6639                                                                |
| Biomet Sports<br>Medicine, LLC                             | Indiana                                                               | 3842                                                            | 35-1803072                                  | 56 E. Bell Drive<br>Warsaw, IN 46852<br>(574) 267-6639                                                                |
| Cross Medical<br>Products, LLC                             | Delaware                                                              | 3842                                                            | 31-0992628                                  | Drive Irvine, CA 92618                                                                                                |
| EBI Holdings, LLC                                          | Delaware                                                              | 3842                                                            | 22-2407246                                  | (574) 267-6639                                                                                                        |

Address, including

|                             |          |      |            | 399 Jefferson Road<br>Parsippany, NJ 07054<br>(973) 299-9300<br>399 Jefferson Road |
|-----------------------------|----------|------|------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| EBI, LLC                    | Indiana  | 3842 | 31-1651314 | Parsippany, NJ 07054 (973) 299-9300                                                |
| EBI Medical Systems,<br>LLC | Delaware | 3842 | 22-2406619 | 399 Jefferson Road<br>Parsippany, NJ 07054<br>(973) 299-9300                       |

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|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Electro-Biology, LLC                                       | Delaware                                                              | 3842                                                            | 22-2278360                                  | Boulevard<br>Los Frailes Industrial<br>Park<br>Guaynabo, Puerto<br>Rico 00657<br>(787) 720-6855<br>1520 Tradeport Drive                                     |
| Biomet Florida<br>Services, LLC                            | Florida                                                               | 3842                                                            | 20-0388276                                  | Jacksonville, FL<br>32218<br>(904) 741-4400                                                                                                                 |
| Implant Innovations<br>Holdings, LLC                       | Indiana                                                               | 3842                                                            | 35-2088040                                  | 56 E. Bell Drive<br>Warsaw, IN 46852<br>(574) 267-6639                                                                                                      |
| Interpore Cross<br>International, LLC                      | California                                                            | 3842                                                            | 33-0818017                                  | 181 Technology<br>Drive,<br>Irvine, CA 92618<br>(949) 453-3200                                                                                              |
| Interpore Spine Ltd.                                       | Delaware                                                              | 3842                                                            | 95-3043318                                  | 181 Technology<br>Drive,<br>Irvine, CA 92618<br>(949) 453-3200                                                                                              |
| Kirschner Medical<br>Corporation                           | Delaware                                                              | 3842                                                            | 52-1319702                                  | 56 E. Bell Drive<br>Warsaw, IN 46852<br>(574) 267-6639                                                                                                      |
| Biomet Trauma, LLC                                         | Indiana                                                               | 3842                                                            | 27-3309062                                  | 56 E. Bell Drive<br>Warsaw, IN 46582<br>(574) 267-6639<br>56 E. Bell Drive                                                                                  |
| Biomet U.S.<br>Reconstruction, LLC                         | Indiana                                                               | 3842                                                            | 45-5118007                                  | Warsaw, IN 46582<br>(574) 267-6639                                                                                                                          |

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The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. These securities may not be sold until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.

SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED MAY 14, 2013

PRELIMINARY PROSPECTUS

**OFFERS TO EXCHANGE** 

\$1,825,000,000, aggregate principal amount of our 6.500% Senior Notes due 2020 (the "exchange senior notes") and \$800,000,000 aggregate principal amount of our 6.500% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2020, (the "exchange senior subordinated notes" and together with the exchange senior notes, the "exchange notes"), the issuance of each of which has been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"),

for

\$1,825,000,000 of our 6.500% Senior Notes due 2020, (the "original senior notes", and together with the exchange senior notes, the "Senior Notes") and \$800,000,000 of our 6.500% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2020 (the "original senior subordinated notes" and together with the exchange senior subordinated notes, the "Subordinated Notes" and the original senior subordinated notes with the original senior notes, the "original notes", and the original notes together with the exchange notes, the "notes"), respectively, that have not been registered under the Securities Act.

## THIS EXCHANGE OFFERS WILL EXPIRE AT 5:00 P.M., NEW YORK CITY TIME, ON , 2013 UNLESS EXTENDED BY US.

#### The Exchange Offers:

- We will exchange all original notes that are validly tendered and not validly withdrawn for an equal principal • The exchange notes are being offered in order to satisfy amount of exchange notes.
- time, on , 2013 (such date and time, the "Expiration Date," offerings of the original notes. unless we extend or terminate either or both exchange offers, in which case the "Expiration Date" will mean the latest date and time to which we extend such exchange offer or exchange offers). We do not currently intend to extend the Expiration Date with respect to either exchange exchange notes have no transfer restrictions, rights to
- You may withdraw tenders of original notes at any time prior to the Expiration Date.
- exchange offers generally will not be a taxable event for U.S. federal income tax purposes.
- We will not receive any proceeds from the exchange offers.

The Exchange Notes:

- certain of our obligations under the registration rights • The exchange offers expire at 5:00 P.M., New York City agreements entered into in connection with the private
  - The terms of the exchange notes to be issued in the exchange offers are substantially the same as the terms of the original notes, except that the offer of the exchange notes is registered under the Securities Act, and the additional interest or registration rights.

Resales of the Exchange Notes:

• The exchange notes may be sold in the over-the-counter • The exchange of original notes for exchange notes in the market, in negotiated transactions or through a combination of such methods. We do not plan to list the exchange notes on a securities exchange or automated quotation system.

Investing in the exchange notes to be issued in the exchange offers involves certain risks. You should consider carefully the risk factors beginning on page 9 of this prospectus before participating in the exchange offers.

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Each broker-dealer that receives exchange notes for its own account pursuant to the exchange offers must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of such exchange notes. The letter of transmittal set forth in Annex A to this prospectus states that by so acknowledging and by delivering a prospectus, a broker-dealer will not be deemed to admit that it is an "underwriter" within the meaning of the Securities Act. This prospectus, as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, may be used by a broker-dealer in connection with resales of exchange notes received in exchange for original notes where such original notes were acquired by such broker-dealer as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities. We have agreed that, for a period of 90 days after the Expiration Date (as defined herein), we will make this prospectus available to any broker-dealer for use in connection with any such resale. See "Plan of Distribution."

We are not making an offer to exchange notes in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted. NEITHER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION NOR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION HAS APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED OF THESE SECURITIES OR PASSED UPON THE ADEQUACY OR ACCURACY OF THIS PROSPECTUS. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

The date of this prospectus is, 2013.

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You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus. We have not authorized any person to provide you with any information or represent anything about us or this offering that is not contained in this prospectus. If given or made, any such other information or representation should not be relied upon as having been authorized by us. We are offering to exchange the original notes for the exchange notes only in places where the exchange offers are permitted. You should not assume that the information contained in this prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front cover of this prospectus.

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#### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We and the guarantors have filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), a registration statement on Form S-4 under the Securities Act with respect to the notes being offered hereby. This prospectus, which forms a part of the registration statement, does not contain all of the information set forth in the registration statement. For further information with respect to us, the guarantors or the notes, we refer you to the registration statement. We also file annual, quarterly, and current reports and other information with the SEC. The registration statement, such reports and other information can be inspected and copied at the Public Reference Room of the SEC located at Room 1580, 100 F Street, N.E., Washington D.C. 20549. Copies of such materials, including copies of all or any portion of the registration statement, can be obtained from the Public Reference Room of the SEC at prescribed rates. You can call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 to obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room. Such materials may also be accessed electronically by means of the SEC's home page on the Internet (http://www.sec.gov). Our Internet address is www.biomet.com. There we make available free of charge, on or through the "Investors" section of our Web site, Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K and amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with, or furnish it to, the SEC. The information found on our Web site does not form a part of this prospectus. Under the terms of the indentures relating to the notes, we have agreed that, whether or not we are required to do so by the rules and regulations of the SEC, for so long as any of the notes remain outstanding, we will furnish to the trustee and holders of the notes the information specified in the indentures. See "Description of Exchange Senior Notes" and "Description of Exchange Senior Subordinated Notes."

#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Some of the statements made under the headings "Summary" and elsewhere in this prospectus contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of U.S. federal securities laws, including Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act. Statements that are not historical facts, including statements about our beliefs and expectations, are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include statements generally preceded by, followed by or that include the words "believe," "could," "expect," "forecast," "intend," "may," "anticipate," "plan," "predict," "project," "potential," "estimate," "should," "will," or similar expressions. These statements include, but are not limited to, statements related to:

the timing and number of planned new product introductions;

the effect of anticipated changes in the size, health and activities of the population or on the demand for our products; assumptions and estimates regarding the size and growth of certain market categories;

our ability and intent to expand in key international markets;

the timing and anticipated outcome of clinical studies;

assumptions concerning anticipated product developments and emerging technologies;

the future availability of raw materials;

the anticipated adequacy of our capital resources to meet the needs of our business;

our continued investment in new products and technologies;

the ultimate marketability of products currently being developed;

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our ability to successfully implement new technologies and transition certain manufacturing operations to China; our ability to manage working capital and generate adequate cash flows to service outstanding debt;

our ability to sustain sales and earnings growth;

our success in achieving timely approval or clearance of our products with domestic and foreign regulatory entities; our success in implementing our operational improvement programs;

the stability of certain foreign economic markets;

the impact of anticipated changes in the musculoskeletal industry and our ability to react to and capitalize on those changes;

our ability to successfully implement desired organizational changes;

our ability to successfully integrate the DePuy Trauma acquisition;

the impact of our managerial changes; and

our ability to take advantage of technological advancements.

Forward-looking statements reflect our current expectations and are not guarantees of performance. These statements are based on our management's beliefs and assumptions, which in turn are based on currently available information. Important assumptions relating to these forward-looking statements include, among others, assumptions regarding demand for our products, expected pricing levels, raw material costs, the timing and cost of planned capital expenditures, future regulatory reforms affecting the healthcare industry, expected outcomes of pending litigation and regulatory matters, the solvency of our insurers and the ultimate resolution of allocation and coverage issues with those insurers, competitive conditions and general economic conditions. Readers of this prospectus are cautioned that reliance on any forward-looking statement involves risks and uncertainties. Although we believe that the assumptions on which the forward-looking statements contained herein are based are reasonable, any of those assumptions could prove to be inaccurate given the inherent uncertainties as to the occurrence or nonoccurrence of future events. There can be no assurance that the forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus will prove to be accurate. The inclusion of a forward-looking statement in this prospectus should not be regarded as a representation by us that our objectives will be achieved. Forward-looking statements also involve risks and uncertainties, which could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected by any forward-looking statement. Many of these factors are beyond our ability to control or predict and could, among other things, cause actual results to differ from those contained in forward-looking statements made in this prospectus and presented elsewhere by management from time to time. Such factors, among others, may have a material adverse effect upon our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows and may include, but are not limited to, factors discussed under the heading "Risk Factors" and the following:

changes in general economic conditions and interest rates;

changes in the availability of capital and financing sources;

changes in competitive conditions and prices in our markets;

changes to the regulatory environment for our products, including national health care reform;

the effects of incurring or having incurred a substantial amount of indebtedness under the notes, our senior secured credit facilities and our existing notes;

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the effects upon us of complying with the covenants contained in our senior secured credit facilities and the indentures and our existing notes;

restrictions that the terms and conditions of the notes, our senior secured credit facilities and the existing notes may place on our ability to respond to changes in our business or take certain actions;

changes in the relationship between supply of and demand for our products;

fluctuations in costs of raw materials and labor;

changes in other significant operating expenses;

decreases in sales of our principal product lines;

slowdowns or inefficiencies in our product research and development efforts;

increases in expenditures related to increased government regulation of our business;

developments adversely affecting our sales activities inside or outside the United States;

decreases in reimbursement levels by our customers, including certain of our foreign government customers that are experiencing financial distress;

difficulties in transitioning certain manufacturing operations to China and other locations;

challenges in effectively implementing restructuring and cost saving initiatives;

increases in cost-containment efforts from managed care organizations and other third-party payors;

loss of our key management and other personnel or inability to attract such management and other personnel;

\*ncreases in costs of retaining existing independent sales agents of our products;

potential future goodwill and/or intangible impairment charges;

unanticipated expenditures related to litigation; and

failure to comply with the terms of the DPA (as defined elsewhere in this prospectus).

There may be other factors of which we are currently unaware or that we deem immaterial that may cause our actual results to differ materially from the expectations we express in our forward-looking statements. Although we believe the assumptions underlying our forward-looking statements are reasonable, any of these assumptions, and, therefore, also the forward-looking statements based on these assumptions could themselves prove to be inaccurate.

Forward-looking statements are based on current plans, estimates, assumptions and projections, and therefore you should not place undue reliance on them. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made and we undertake no obligation to update them publicly in light of new information or future events.

You should carefully consider the "Risk Factors" and other information included in this prospectus before making any investment decision with respect to the exchange notes. If any of these trends, risks, assumptions or uncertainties actually occurs or continues, our business, financial condition or operating results could be materially adversely affected, the trading prices of the notes could decline and you could lose all or part of your investment. All forward-looking statements attributable to us or persons acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by this cautionary statement.

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#### MARKET AND INDUSTRY DATA

In this prospectus, we rely on and refer to information and statistics regarding our industry products and our market share based on revenues in the sectors in which we compete. Where possible, we obtained this information and statistics from third-party sources, such as independent industry publications, government publications or reports by market research firms, including, without limitation, Eurostat, Knowledge Enterprises, Inc., the U.S. Census Bureau, Wall Street research and from company research and trade interviews. In addition, we have supplemented third-party information where necessary with management estimates based on our review of internal surveys, information from our customers and vendors, trade and business organizations and other contacts in markets in which we operate, and our management's knowledge and experience. However, these estimates are subject to change and are uncertain due to limits on the availability and reliability of primary sources of information and the voluntary nature of the data gathering process. Although we believe that these independent sources and our management's estimates are reliable as of the date of this prospectus, the information contained in them has not been independently verified, and we cannot assure you as to the accuracy or completeness of such information. As a result, you should be aware that market share and industry data included in this prospectus, and estimates and beliefs based on that data, may not be reliable. We make no representation as to the accuracy or completeness of such information.

#### TERMS USED IN THIS PROSPECTUS

Unless otherwise noted or indicated by the context, in this prospectus:

The term "guarantors", as of the date of this prospectus with respect to both the senior notes and the senior subordinated notes, means Biolectron, Inc., Biomet 3i, LLC, Biomet Biologics, LLC, Biomet Europe Ltd., Biomet Fair Lawn, LLC, Biomet Florida Services, LLC, Biomet International Ltd, Biomet Leasing, Inc., Biomet Manufacturing Corporation, Biomet Microfixation, LLC, Biomet Orthopedics, LLC, Biomet Sports Medicine, LLC, Biomet U.S. Reconstruction, LLC, Biomet Trauma, LLC, Cross Medical Products, LLC, EBI Holdings, LLC, EBI, LLC, EBI Medical Systems, LLC, Electro-Biology, LLC, Implant Innovations Holdings, LLC, Interpore Cross International, LLC, Interpore Spine Ltd., and Kirschner Medical Corporation. However, since each of our current and future wholly owned domestic restricted subsidiaries that is a guarantor of our senior secured credit facilities will fully and unconditionally guarantee the exchange senior notes on a senior unsecured basis and the exchange senior subordinated notes on a senior subordinated unsecured basis, the identities of the guarantors may change from time to time without notice. See "Description of Exchange Senior Notes—Guarantees" and "Description of Exchange Senior Subordinated Notes—Guarantees. The term "senior notes indenture" refers to the Senior Notes Indenture dated as of August 8, 2012 among Biomet, Inc., the Guarantors listed therein and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, collectively.

The term "senior subordinated notes indenture" refers to the Senior Subordinated Notes Indenture dated as of October 2, 2012 among Biomet, Inc., the Guarantors listed therein and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association.

The term "indentures" refers to the senior notes indenture and senior subordinated notes indenture, collectively. The term "senior notes registration rights agreements" refers to each of the registration rights agreements we entered into with the initial purchasers of the original senior notes concurrently with the sales of the original senior notes on August 8, 2012 and October 2, 2012, respectively.

The term "senior subordinated notes registration rights agreement" refers to registration rights agreement we entered into with the initial purchasers of the original senior subordinated notes concurrently with the sale of the original senior subordinated notes on October 2, 2012.

The term "registration rights agreements" refers to the senior notes registration rights agreements and the senior subordinated notes registration rights agreement, collectively.

References to our fiscal years through and including fiscal 2012 are to the twelve months ended on May 31 of such year.

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#### **SUMMARY**

This summary highlights aspects of our business and the exchange offers. You should, however, carefully read the entire prospectus, including the information presented under the section entitled "Risk Factors" and our consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included elsewhere in this prospectus before making an investment decision. This summary contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Our actual results may differ significantly from the results discussed in the forward-looking statements as a result of certain factors, including those set forth under "Risk Factors" and "Forward-Looking Statements."

Unless the context otherwise requires or indicates, references to "Biomet," "the Company," "we," "us" and "our" refer to Biomet, Inc. and its subsidiaries.

Our Company

General

Biomet, Inc., an Indiana corporation incorporated in 1977, is one of the largest orthopedic medical device companies in the United States and worldwide with operations in more than 50 locations throughout the world and distribution in approximately 90 countries. Our principal subsidiaries include Biomet U.S. Reconstruction, LLC; Biomet Orthopedics, LLC; Biomet Manufacturing Corp.; Biomet Europe BV; EBI, LLC; Biomet 3i, LLC; Biomet International Ltd.; Biomet Microfixation, LLC; Biomet Sports Medicine, LLC; Biomet Trauma, LLC; and Biomet Biologics, LLC. We design, manufacture and market a comprehensive range of both surgical and non-surgical products used primarily by orthopedic surgeons and other musculoskeletal medical specialists. We operate in one reportable business segment, musculoskeletal products, which includes the design, manufacture and marketing of products in five major product categories: Large Joint Reconstructive; Sports, Extremities and Trauma ("S.E.T."); Spine & Bone Healing; Dental; and Other Products. We have three geographic markets: United States, Europe and International.

#### Corporate Information

Biomet is incorporated in the State of Indiana. Our principal executive offices are located at 56 East Bell Drive, Warsaw, Indiana 46582. Our website address is www.biomet.com. The information on our website is not deemed to be part of this prospectus. For additional information, contact our Corporate Communications department at (574) 372-1514.

#### Ownership and Corporate Structures

LVB Acquisition, Inc., or "Parent," owns all of our issued and outstanding capital stock. LVB Acquisition Holding, LLC ("Holding") owns 97.0% of the issued and outstanding capital stock of Parent. Substantially all the equity interests in Holding are owned, directly or indirectly, by a consortium of private equity funds affiliated with The Blackstone Group, Goldman, Sachs & Co., Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. and TPG Global, LLC (together with its affiliates, "TPG"), and their co-investors (jointly, the "Sponsors").

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**Original Notes** 

#### The Exchange Offers

On August 8, 2012 and October 2, 2012, we completed private offerings of our original notes. We entered into registration rights agreements with the initial purchasers in the private offerings in which we agreed, among other things, to file the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part. The following is a summary of the exchange offers.

On August 8, 2012, we issued:

- \$1,000,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 6.500% Senior Notes due 2020. On October 2, 2012, we issued:
- \$825,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 6.500% Senior Notes due 2020; and
- \$800,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 6.500% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2020.

The proceeds of these issuances were used to purchase or redeem all of our outstanding 10 %/11 % Senior PIK Toggle Notes due 2017; all of our outstanding 10% Senior Notes due 2017; and all of our outstanding 11 % Senior Subordinated Notes due 2017.

Exchange Notes Offered in the Exchange Offer

**Exchange Senior Subordinated** 

**Exchange Senior Notes** 

6.500% Senior Notes due 2020. The terms of the exchange senior notes are substantially identical in all material respects to those terms of the original senior notes, except that the transfer restrictions, registration rights and provisions for additional interest relating to the original senior notes do not apply to the exchange senior notes.

6.500% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2020. The terms of the exchange senior subordinated notes are substantially identical in all material respects to those terms of the original senior subordinated notes, except that the transfer restrictions, registration rights and provisions for additional interest relating to the original senior subordinated notes do not apply to the exchange senior subordinated notes. The exchange notes are summarized in greater detail below under "The Exchange Notes."

We are offering to exchange:

- up to \$1,825 million principal amount of our exchange senior notes for an equal amount of our original senior notes; and
- up to \$800 million principal amount of our exchange senior subordinated notes for an equal amount of our original senior subordinated notes.

**Exchange Offers** 

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We will not pay any accrued and unpaid interest on the original notes that we will acquire in the exchange offers. Instead, interest on the exchange senior notes will accrue from February 1, 2013, the most recent date on which interest has been paid. Interest on the exchange senior subordinated notes will accrue from October 2, 2012, the issue date of the senior subordinated notes, or from April 1, 2013 if the exchange offer in respect thereof is completed after, and interest is paid on, that date.

The exchange offers will expire at 5:00 P.M., New York City time, , 2013, unless we extend or terminate either or both exchange offers, in which case the "Expiration Date" will mean the latest date and time to which we extend such exchange offer or

exchange offers.

The settlement date of the exchange offers will be as soon as practicable after the respective Expiration Date.

Settlement Date

**Expiration Date** 

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Conditions to the Exchange Offers

Procedures for Tendering Original Notes

Withdrawal of Tenders

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Use of Proceeds

Consequences of Failure to Exchange Original Notes

U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations The registration rights agreements do not require us to accept original notes for exchange if the exchange offers or the making of any exchange by a holder of the original notes would violate any applicable law or interpretation of the staff of the SEC or if any legal action has been instituted or threatened that would impair our ability to proceed with the exchange offers. A minimum aggregate principal amount of original notes being tendered is not a condition to the exchange offers. Please read "The Exchange Offers—Conditions to the Exchange Offers" for more information about the conditions to the exchange offers.

To participate in the exchange offers, you must follow the automatic tender offer program ("ATOP") procedures established by The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") for tendering original notes held in book-entry form. The ATOP procedures require that the exchange agent receive, prior to the Expiration Date, a computer-generated message known as an "agent's message" that is transmitted through ATOP and that DTC confirms that:

- DTC has received instructions to exchange your original notes; and
- you agree to be bound by the terms of the letter of transmittal.

In the alternative, you may properly complete and duly execute a letter of transmittal and transmit it, along with all other documents required by such letter of transmittal, to the exchange agent on or before the Expiration Date at the address provided on the cover page of the letter of transmittal. The form of the letter of transmittal is set forth in Annex A to this prospectus.

For more details, please read "The Exchange Offers—Procedures for Tendering," "The Exchange Offers—Book-Entry Transfer". If you elect to have original notes exchanged pursuant to these exchange offers, you must properly tender your original notes prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the respective Expiration Date. All original notes validly tendered and not properly withdrawn will be accepted for exchange. Original notes may be exchanged only in minimum denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

You may withdraw your tender of original notes at any time prior to the Expiration Date.

We will bear all expenses related to the exchange offers. Please read "The Exchange Offers—Fees and Expenses."

The issuance of the exchange notes will not provide us with any new proceeds. We are making the exchange offers solely to satisfy certain obligations under our registration rights agreements.

If we complete the exchange offers and you do not participate, then:

- your original notes will continue to be subject to the existing restrictions upon their transfer;
- we will have no further obligations to provide the registration under the Securities Act of those original notes except under certain limited circumstances; and
- the liquidity of the market for your original notes could be adversely affected. Neither the registration of the original notes pursuant to our obligations under the registration rights agreements nor the U.S. Holder's receipt of exchange notes in exchange for original notes will constitute a taxable event for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Please read "Certain U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations."

We have appointed Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as the exchange agent for the exchange offers. You should direct questions and requests for assistance and requests for additional copies of this prospectus (including the letter of transmittal) to the exchange agent at the following addresses:

By Registered and Certified Mail:

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association

**Corporate Trust Operations** 

MAC N9303-121

P.O. Box 1517

Minneapolis, MN 55480

By Overnight Courier or Regular Mail:

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association

**Corporate Trust Operations** 

MAC N9303-121

6th & Marquette Avenue

Minneapolis, MN 55479

By Hand Delivery:

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association

Corporate Trust Services

608 2nd Avenue South

Northstar East Building—12th Floor

Minneapolis, MN 55402

By Facsimile Transmission:

(612) 667-6282

Confirm by Telephone:

(800) 344-5128

Based on interpretations of the staff of the SEC, we believe that you may offer for sale, resell or otherwise transfer the exchange notes that we issue in the exchange offers without complying with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act if:

- you are not a broker-dealer tendering original notes acquired directly from us;
- you acquire the exchange notes in the ordinary course of your business;
- you are not participating, do not intend to participate, and have no arrangement or undertaking with anyone to participate, in the distribution (within the meaning of the Exchange Act) of the exchange notes issued to you in the exchange offers; and
- you are not an "affiliate" of our company, as that term is defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.

If any of these conditions are not satisfied and you transfer any exchange notes issued to you in the exchange offers without delivering a proper prospectus or without qualifying for a registration exemption, you may incur liability under the Securities Act. We will not be responsible for, or indemnify you against, any liability you incur.

Any broker-dealer that acquires exchange notes in the exchange offers for its own account in exchange for original notes which it acquired through market-making or other trading activities must acknowledge that it will deliver this prospectus when it resells or transfers any exchange notes issued in the exchange offers. See "Plan of Distribution" for a description of the prospectus delivery obligations of broker-dealers.

#### **Exchange Agent**

## Resales of the Exchange Notes

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Biomet, Inc. Issuer

> Each of our current and future wholly owned domestic restricted subsidiaries that is a guarantor of our senior secured credit facilities will fully and unconditionally guarantee the exchange senior notes on a senior unsecured basis and the exchange senior subordinated notes on a senior subordinated unsecured basis. See "Description of

> Exchange Senior Notes—Guarantees" and "Description of Exchange

Senior Subordinated Notes—Guarantees."

Up to \$1,825 million in aggregate principal amount of 6.500% Senior

Notes due 2020. The exchange senior notes and the original senior notes will be considered to be a single class for all purposes under the senior notes indenture, including waivers, amendments, redemptions

and offers to purchase.

Up to \$800 million in aggregate principal amount of 6.500% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2020. The exchange senior subordinated notes and the original senior subordinated notes will be considered to be a single class for all purposes under the senior subordinated notes

indenture, including waivers, amendments, redemptions and offers to

purchase.

The exchange senior notes will mature on August 1, 2020, and the Maturity Dates

exchange senior subordinated notes will mature on October 1, 2020.

Interest on the exchange senior notes and exchange senior

subordinated notes will be payable in cash and will accrue at a rate of

6.500% per annum.

August 1 and February 1, commencing February 1, 2013. Interest will

accrue from February 1, 2013.

April 1 and October 1, commencing April 1, 2013. Interest will

accrue from October 2, 2012, or from April 1, 2013 if the exchange

offer in respect thereof is completed after, and interest is paid on, that

date.

**Exchange Senior Notes** 

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Exchange Senior Subordinated Notes.....

The exchange senior notes will be our senior unsecured obligations and will:

- rank pari passu in right of payment with all of our existing and future indebtedness that is not expressly subordinated in right of payment thereto:
- be senior in right of payment to any future indebtedness that is expressly subordinated in right of payment thereto (including our existing senior subordinated notes); and
- be effectively junior to our and our guarantors' existing and future secured indebtedness (including the borrowings under our senior secured credit facilities), to the extent of the value of the collateral securing such indebtedness and to all existing and future liabilities of our non-guarantor subsidiaries.

Similarly, the guarantees of the exchange senior notes will be the guarantors' senior unsecured obligations and will:

- rank pari passu in right of payment with all existing and future indebtedness of each guarantor that is not expressly subordinated thereto:
- be senior in right of payment to any future indebtedness of each guarantor that is expressly subordinated in right of payment thereto; and
- be effectively junior to all existing and future secured indebtedness of each guarantor to the extent of the value of the collateral securing such indebtedness.

The exchange senior subordinated notes will be our senior subordinated unsecured obligations and will:

- rank junior in right of payment with all of our existing and future indebtedness that is not expressly subordinated in right of payment thereto (including the senior notes);
- rank pari passu in right of payment to any of our existing and future senior subordinated indebtedness (including the original senior subordinated notes) and other obligations; and
- be senior in right of payment to any future subordinated indebtedness and effectively junior to our and our guarantors' existing and future secured indebtedness (including the borrowings under our senior secured credit facilities), to the extent of the value of the collateral securing such indebtedness and to all existing and future liabilities of our non-guarantor subsidiaries.

Similarly, the guarantees of the exchange senior subordinated notes will be the guarantors' senior subordinated unsecured obligations and:

- rank junior in right of payment with all existing and future indebtedness of each guarantor that is not expressly subordinated thereto:
- rank pari passu in right of payment to any of our existing and future senior subordinated indebtedness and other obligations; and
- be senior in right of payment to any future indebtedness of each guarantor that is expressly subordinated in right of payment thereto and effectively junior to all existing and future secured indebtedness

of each guarantor to the extent of the value of the collateral securing such indebtedness.

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**Optional Redemption** 

**Exchange Senior Notes** 

**Exchange Senior Subordinated Notes** 

Change of Control

At any time prior to August 1, 2015, we may redeem up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount of the senior notes (including both the original senior notes and the exchange senior notes) with the net proceeds of certain equity offerings at the redemption price set forth in this prospectus, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date.

At any time prior to August 1, 2015, we may redeem the exchange senior notes, in whole or in part, at our option, at a redemption price equal to 100% of their principal amount plus a "make-whole premium" and accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of redemption. On and after August 1, 2015, we may redeem some or all of the exchange senior notes at any time at the redemption prices set forth in this prospectus plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of redemption.

See "Description of Exchange Senior Notes—Optional Redemption." At any time prior to October 1, 2015, we may redeem up to 40% of the aggregate principal amount of the senior subordinated notes (including both the original senior subordinated notes and the exchange senior subordinated notes) with the net proceeds of certain equity offerings at the redemption price set forth in this prospectus, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date. At any time prior to October 1, 2015, we may redeem the exchange senior subordinated notes, in whole or in part, at our option, at a redemption price equal to 100% of their principal amount plus a "make-whole premium" and accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of redemption.

On and after October 1, 2015, we may redeem some or all of the exchange senior subordinated notes at any time at the redemption prices set forth herein plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of redemption.

See "Description of Exchange Senior Subordinated Notes—Optional Redemption."

Upon certain change of control events, each holder of exchange notes may require us to purchase all or a portion of such holder's notes at a purchase price equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the purchase date. See "Description of Exchange Senior Notes" and "Description of Exchange Senior Subordinated Notes."

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The senior notes indenture and the senior subordinated notes indenture contain covenants that, among other things, limit our ability and the ability of our restricted subsidiaries to:

- pay dividends on, redeem or repurchase capital stock or make other restricted payments;
- make investments;
- incur indebtedness or issue certain equity;
- create certain liens;
- incur obligations that restrict the ability of our subsidiaries to make dividend or other payments to us;
- enter into transactions with our affiliates;
- create or designate unrestricted subsidiaries; and
- consolidate, merge or transfer all or substantially all of our assets.

These covenants are subject to important exceptions and qualifications, which are described under the headings "Description of Exchange Senior Notes" and "Description of Exchange Senior Subordinated Notes" in this prospectus.

Certain of these covenants will be suspended if the notes are assigned an investment grade rating by Standard & Poor's Rating Services ("Standard & Poor's") and Moody's Investors Services, Inc. ("Moody's") and no default has occurred and is continuing. If either rating on the notes should subsequently decline to below investment grade or a default occurs and is continuing, the suspended covenants will be reinstated.

The exchange notes are new securities for which there currently is no market and we cannot assure you that any public market for the exchange notes will develop or be sustained.

We do not intend to list the notes on any securities exchange. The notes are governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association

See "Risk Factors" and the other information in this prospectus for a discussion of some of the factors you should carefully consider before participating in the exchange offers.

#### Certain Covenants

Absence of a Public Market

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Risk Factors

#### RISK FACTORS

Before tendering original notes in the exchange offers and investing in the exchange notes, you should consider carefully each of the following risk factors, as well as other information included in this prospectus. The risks described below are not the only ones facing our company. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial may also materially and adversely affect our business or results of operations in the future. Any of the following risks could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition or results of operations. We cannot assure you that any of the events discussed in or incorporated by reference into this prospectus will not occur. In such case, you may lose all or part of your original investment in the notes. Risks Related to Our Business

Our future profitability depends on the success of our principal product lines.

Sales of our large joint reconstructive products accounted for approximately 56% of our net sales for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 and 60% of our net sales for each of the three fiscal years ended May 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010. We expect sales of reconstructive products to continue to account for a significant portion of our aggregate sales. Any event adversely affecting the sale of reconstructive products may, as a result, adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

If we are unable to continue to develop and market new products and technologies in a timely manner, the demand for our products may decrease or our products could become obsolete, and our revenue and profitability may decline. The market for our products is highly competitive and dominated by a small number of large companies. We are continually engaged in product development, research and improvement efforts. New products and line extensions of existing products represent a significant component of our growth rate. Our ability to continue to grow sales effectively depends on our capacity to keep up with existing or new products and technologies in the musculoskeletal products market. The process of obtaining regulatory approvals to market a medical device, particularly from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") and certain foreign governmental authorities, can be costly and time consuming and approvals and clearances might not be granted for future products on a timely basis, if at all. On July 29, 2011, the Institute of Medicine ("IoM") published a report of its review of the 510(k) clearance program to FDA. The IoM report recommended that the FDA pursue a legislative change from the current 510(k) process to an integrated premarket and post-market regulatory framework. It is uncertain if these recommendations will ultimately be pursued. If they are pursued, it is possible we will be required to submit additional clinical and manufacturing information with respect to premarket applications in the future, resulting in increased costs and increased delay in introducing products to the market. Other devices we develop and market fall into a class of products for which the FDA has implemented stringent clinical investigation and Premarket Approval ("PMA") requirements. The PMA process requires us to provide clinical and laboratory data that establishes that the new medical device is safe and effective. The FDA will approve the new device for commercial distribution if it determines that the data and information in the PMA relating to design, materials, bench and animal testing and human clinical data constitute valid scientific evidence and that there is reasonable assurance that the device is safe and effective for its intended use. In addition, if our competitors' new products and technologies reach the market before our products, they may gain a competitive advantage or render our products obsolete. The ultimate success of our product development efforts will depend on many factors, including, but not limited to, our ability to create innovative designs and materials, provide innovative surgical techniques, accurately anticipate and meet customers' needs, commercialize new products in a timely manner, and manufacture and deliver products and instrumentation in sufficient volumes on time. Moreover, research and development efforts may require a substantial investment of time and resources before we are adequately able to determine the commercial viability of a new product, technology, material or other innovation. Even in the event that we are able to successfully develop innovations, they may not produce revenue in excess of the costs of development and may be quickly rendered obsolete as a result of changing customer preferences or the introduction by our competitors of products embodying new technologies or features.

In addition to the impact of the 2.3% excise tax on our results of operations beginning January 1, 2013 following enactment of the Patient Protection and Affordable Health Care Act (H.R. 3590), our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows could be significantly and adversely affected if this legislation

ultimately results in lower reimbursements for our products or reduced medical procedure volumes or if certain other types of healthcare reform programs are adopted in our key markets.

In the United States, healthcare providers that purchase our products (e.g., hospitals, physicians, dentists and other healthcare providers) generally rely on payments from third-party payors (principally federal Medicare, state Medicaid and private health insurance plans) to cover all or a portion of the cost of our musculoskeletal products. These third-party payors may deny reimbursement if they determine that a device used in a procedure was not in accordance with cost-effective treatment methods, as determined by the third-party payor, or was used for an unapproved indication. Third-party payors may also decline to reimburse for experimental procedures and devices. In the event that third-party payors deny coverage or reduce their current levels of reimbursement, we may be unable to sell certain products on a profitable basis, thereby materially adversely impacting our results of operations. Further, third-party payors are continuing to carefully review their coverage policies with respect to existing and new therapies and can, without notice, deny coverage for treatments that may include the use of our products.

In March 2010, the U.S. Congress adopted and President Obama signed into law comprehensive healthcare reform legislation through the passage of the Patient Protection and Affordable Health Care Act (H.R. 3590) and the Healthcare and Education Reconciliation Act (H.R. 4872). Among other initiatives, these bills impose a 2.3% excise tax on domestic sales of medical devices following December 31, 2012, which is estimated to contribute approximately \$20 billion to healthcare reform. The law was upheld by a Supreme Court decision that was announced on June 28, 2012. Various healthcare reform proposals have also emerged at the state level. Outside of the excise tax, which has impacted our results of operations following December 31, 2012, we cannot predict with certainty what healthcare initiatives, if any, will be implemented at the state level, or what the ultimate effect of federal healthcare reform or any future legislation or regulation will have on us. However, an expansion in government's role in the U.S. healthcare industry may lower reimbursements for our products, reduce medical procedure volumes and adversely affect our business and results of operations, possibly materially.

Outside of the United States, reimbursement systems vary significantly from country to country. In the majority of the international markets in which our products are sold, government-managed healthcare systems mandate the reimbursement rates and methods for medical devices and procedures. If adequate levels of reimbursement from third-party payors outside of the United States are not obtained, international sales of our products may decline. Many foreign markets, including Canada, and some European and Asian countries, have tightened reimbursement rates. Our ability to continue to sell certain products profitably in these markets may diminish if the government-managed healthcare systems continue to reduce reimbursement rates.

Our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows could be significantly and negatively affected by substantial government regulations.

Our products are subject to rigorous regulation by the FDA and numerous other federal, state and foreign governmental authorities. Overall, there appears to be a trend toward more stringent regulation throughout the world, and we do not anticipate this trend to dissipate in the near future.

In general, the development, testing, manufacturing and marketing of our products are subject to extensive regulation and review by numerous governmental authorities both in the United States and abroad. The regulatory process requires the expenditure of significant time, effort and expense to bring new products to market. In addition, we are required to implement and maintain stringent reporting, labeling and record keeping procedures. The medical device industry also is subject to a myriad of complex laws and regulations governing Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement and healthcare fraud and abuse laws, with these laws and regulations being subject to interpretation. In many instances, the industry does not have the benefit of significant regulatory or judicial interpretation of these laws and regulations. In certain public statements, governmental authorities have taken positions on issues for which little official interpretation was previously available. Some of these positions appear to be inconsistent with common practices within the industry but have not previously been challenged.

Various federal and state agencies have become increasingly vigilant in recent years in their investigation of various business practices. Governmental and regulatory actions against us can result in various actions that could adversely impact our operations, including:

the recall or seizure of products;

the suspension or revocation of the authority necessary for the production or sale of a product;

the suspension of shipments from particular manufacturing facilities;

the imposition of fines and penalties;

the delay of our ability to introduce new products into the market;

the exclusion of our products from being reimbursed by federal and state healthcare programs (such as Medicare, Medicaid, Veterans Administration health programs and Civilian Health and Medical Program Uniformed Service ("CHAMPUS"); and

other civil or criminal sanctions against us.

Any of these actions, in combination or alone, or even a public announcement that we are being investigated for possible violations of these laws, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

In many of the foreign countries in which we market our products, we are subject to regulations affecting, among other things, clinical efficacy, product standards, packaging requirements, labeling requirements, import/ export restrictions, tariff regulations, duties and tax requirements. Many of the regulations applicable to our devices and products in these countries, such as the European Medical Devices Directive, are similar to those of the FDA. In addition, in many countries the national health or social security organizations require our products to be qualified before they can be marketed with the benefit of reimbursement eligibility. Failure to receive or delays in the receipt of relevant foreign qualifications also could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

As both the U.S. and foreign government regulators have become increasingly stringent, we may be subject to more rigorous regulation by governmental authorities in the future. Our products and operations are also often subject to the rules of industrial standards bodies, such as the International Standards Organization ("ISO"). If we fail to adequately address any of these regulations, our business will be harmed.

Certain provisions of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act currently or in the future will require us to report on "conflict minerals" used in our products and the due diligence plan we put in place to track whether such minerals originate from the Democratic Republic of Congo and adjoining countries. The implementation of these requirements could affect the sourcing and availability of minerals used in certain of our products.

We, like other companies in the orthopedic industry, are involved in ongoing governmental investigations, the results of which may adversely impact our business and results of operations.

In September 2010, we received a Civil Investigative Demand ("CID") issued by the U.S. Department of Justice Civil Division pursuant to the False Claims Act. The CID requests that we provide documents and testimony related to allegations that we and OtisMed Corp. and Stryker Corp. have violated the False Claims Act relating to the marketing of, and payment submissions for, OtisMed's OtisKnee<sup>TM</sup> (a registered trademark of Otis Med) knee replacement system. We have produced responsive documents and are fully cooperating in the investigation. We can make no assurances as to the time or resources that will be needed to devote to this inquiry or its final outcome.

In February 2010, we received a subpoena from the Office of the Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services requesting various documents relating to agreements or arrangements between physicians and our Interpore Cross subsidiary for the period from 1999 through the present and the marketing and sales activities associated with Interpore Cross' spinal products. We are cooperating with the request of the Office of the Inspector General. We can make no assurances as to the time or resources that will be needed to devote to this inquiry or its final outcome.

In April 2009, we received an administrative subpoena from the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Massachusetts requesting various documents relating primarily to the Medicare reimbursement of and certain business practices related to our EBI subsidiary's non-invasive bone growth stimulators. It is our understanding that competitors in the non-invasive bone growth stimulation market received similar subpoenas. We received subsequent subpoenas in connection with the investigation in September 2009, June 2010 and February 2011 along with several informal requests for information. We are producing responsive documents and are fully cooperating in

the investigation. We can make no assurances as to the time or resources that will be needed to devote to this investigation or its final outcome.

In April 2009, we became aware of a qui tam complaint alleging violations of the federal and various state False Claims Acts filed in the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts, where it is currently pending. Biomet, Parent and several of our competitors in the non-invasive bone growth stimulation market were named as defendants in this action. The allegations in the complaint are similar in nature to certain categories of requested documents in the above- referenced administrative subpoenas. The U.S. government has not intervened in the action. We are vigorously defending this matter and intend to continue to do so. We can make no assurances as to the time or resources that will be needed to devote to this investigation or its final outcome.

On September 25, 2007, we received a letter from the SEC informing us that it was conducting an informal investigation regarding possible violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act ("FCPA"), in the sale of medical devices in certain foreign countries by companies in the medical devices industry. The FCPA prohibits U.S. companies and their officers, directors, employees, shareholders acting on their behalf and agents from offering, promising, authorizing or making payments to foreign officials for the purpose of obtaining or retaining business abroad or otherwise obtaining favorable treatment and this law requires companies to maintain records which fairly and accurately reflect transactions and to maintain internal accounting controls. In many countries, hospitals and clinics are government-owned and healthcare professionals employed by such hospitals and clinics, with whom we regularly interact, may meet the definition of a foreign official for purposes of the FCPA. If we are found to have violated the FCPA, we may face sanctions including fines, criminal penalties, disgorgement of profits and suspension or debarment of our ability to contract with government agencies or receive export licenses. On November 9, 2007, we received a letter from the Department of Justice ("DOJ") requesting any information provided to the SEC be provided to the DOJ on a voluntary basis.

On March 26, 2012, Biomet entered into a Deferred Prosecution Agreement ("DPA") with the DOJ and a Consent to Final Judgment ("Consent Agreement") with the SEC related to these investigations by the DOJ and the SEC. Pursuant to the DPA, the DOJ has agreed not to prosecute the Company in connection with this matter, provided that the Company satisfies its obligations under the agreement over the next three years. In addition, pursuant to the terms of the DPA, an independent external compliance monitor has been appointed to review the Company's compliance with the DPA, particularly in relation to the Company's international sales practices, for at least the first 18 months of the three year term of the DPA. The Company agreed to pay a monetary penalty of \$17.3 million to resolve the charges brought by the DOJ. The terms of the DPA and the associated monetary penalty reflect the Company's full cooperation throughout the investigation.

The Company contemporaneously reached a Consent Agreement with the SEC to settle civil claims related to this matter. As part of the Consent Agreement, Biomet agreed to the SEC's entry of a Final Judgment requiring Biomet to disgorge profits and pay prejudgment interest in the aggregate amount of \$5.6 million.

From time to time, we have been, and may be in the future, the subject of additional investigations. If, as a result of these investigations described above or any additional investigations, we are found to have violated one or more applicable laws, our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows could be materially adversely affected. If some of our existing business practices are challenged as unlawful, we may have to modify those practices, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Compliance with the terms of the DPA requires cooperation by many employees and others and may divert substantial financial and human resources from our other business activities.

On March 26, 2012, Biomet entered into the DPA with the DOJ related to the DOJ's FCPA investigation. Pursuant to the Deferred Prosecution Agreement, the DOJ has agreed not to prosecute the Company in connection with this matter, provided that the Company satisfies its obligations under the agreement over the next three years. In addition, pursuant to the terms of the Deferred Prosecution Agreement, an independent external compliance monitor has been appointed to review the Company's compliance with the Deferred Prosecution Agreement, particularly in relation to the Company's international sales practices, for at least the first 18 months of the three year term of the Deferred Prosecution Agreement.

Compliance with this agreement requires substantial cooperation of our employees, distributors and sales agents and the healthcare professionals with whom they interact. These efforts not only involve expense, but also require management and other key employees to focus extensively on these matters.

We could be subject to further governmental investigations or actions by other third parties as a result of our settlement with the DOJ and the Office of the Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services ("OIG-HHS").

We are subject to various federal and state laws concerning healthcare fraud and abuse, including false claims laws and anti-kickback laws. Violations of these laws are punishable by criminal and/or civil sanctions, including, in some instances, fines, imprisonment and, within the United States, exclusion from participation in government healthcare programs, including Medicare, Medicaid and Veterans Administration ("VA") health programs. These laws are administered by, among others, the DOJ, the OIG-HHS and state attorneys general. Many of these agencies have increased their enforcement activities with respect to medical device manufacturers in recent years.

As a result of our settlement with the DOJ and SEC related to the FCPA investigation described above, we may be subject to further governmental investigations by foreign governments or other claims by third parties arising from the conduct subject to the investigation.

We intend to review and take appropriate actions with respect to any such investigations or proceedings; however, we cannot assure you that the costs of defending or fines imposed in resolving those civil or criminal investigations or proceedings would not have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. The current global economic uncertainties may adversely affect our results of operations.

Our results of operations could be substantially affected not only by global economic conditions, but also by local operating and economic conditions, which can vary substantially by market. Unfavorable conditions can depress sales in a given market and may result in actions that adversely affect our margins, constrain our operating flexibility or result in charges which are unusual or non-recurring. Certain macroeconomic events, such as the current adverse conditions in the global economy, including most recently with the market disruptions caused by the economic and political challenges facing specific Eurozone countries such as Greece, Ireland, Italy, Portugal, and Spain, could have a more wide-ranging and prolonged impact on the general business environment, which could also adversely affect us. These economic developments could affect us in numerous ways, many of which we cannot predict. Among the potential effects could be an increase in our variable interest rates, an inability to access credit markets should we require external financing, and further impairments of our goodwill and other intangible assets. In addition, it is possible that further deteriorating economic conditions, and resulting federal budgetary concerns, could prompt the federal government to make significant changes in the Medicare program, which could adversely affect our results of operations. We are unable to predict the likely duration and severity of the current disruption in financial markets and adverse economic conditions, or the effects these disruptions and conditions could have on us.

We are subject to cost-containment efforts of group purchasing organizations, which may have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Many customers of our products have joined or developed group purchasing organizations in an effort to contain costs. Group purchasing organizations negotiate pricing arrangements with medical supply manufacturers and distributors, and these negotiated prices are made available to a group purchasing organization's affiliated hospitals and other members. If we are not one of the providers selected by a group purchasing organization, affiliated hospitals and other members may be less likely to purchase our products, and if the group purchasing organization has negotiated a strict compliance contract for another manufacturer's products, we may be precluded from making sales to members of the group purchasing organization for the duration of the contractual arrangement. We have observed a trend in accelerating average sales price declines due to bundled purchases through group purchasing organizations. Our failure to respond to the cost-containment efforts of group purchasing organizations may cause us to lose market share to our competitors and could have a material adverse effect on our sales, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

We conduct a significant amount of our sales activity outside of the United States, which subjects us to additional business risks and may adversely affect our results due to increased costs.

During the nine months ended February 28, 2013 and the fiscal year ended May 31, 2012, we derived approximately 38% and 40% of our net sales from sales of our products outside of the United States, respectively. We intend to continue to pursue growth opportunities in sales internationally, which could expose us to additional

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risks associated with international sales and operations. Our international operations are, and will continue to be, subject to a number of risks and potential costs, including:

changes in foreign medical reimbursement policies and programs;

unexpected changes in foreign regulatory requirements;

differing local product preferences and product requirements;

diminished protection of intellectual property in some countries outside of the United States;

differing payment cycles;

trade protection measures, import or export licensing requirements and compliance with economic sanctions laws and regulations;

• the application of U.S. and U.K. regulatory and anti-corruption laws to our international operations;

difficulty in staffing, training and managing foreign operations;

differing legal regulations and labor relations;

potentially negative consequences from changes in tax laws (including potential taxes payable on earnings of foreign subsidiaries upon repatriation); and

political and economic instability.

In addition, we are subject to risks arising from currency exchange rate fluctuations, which could increase our costs and may adversely affect our results. The U.S. dollar value of our foreign-generated revenues varies with currency exchange rate fluctuations. Measured in local currency, the majority of our foreign-generated revenues were generated in Europe. Significant increases in the value of the U.S. dollar relative to foreign currencies could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

Recently, there have been widely publicized concerns with respect to the overall stability of the Euro as a single currency, given the economic and political challenges facing several Eurozone countries, including Greece, Ireland, Italy, Portugal and Spain. The collapse of the Euro as a common European currency, the withdrawal of one or more member countries from the EU or continuing deterioration in the creditworthiness of the Eurozone countries could adversely affect the Company's revenues, financial condition or results of operations.

Any of these factors may, individually or collectively, have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. In addition, we are subject to risks arising from currency exchange rate fluctuations, which could increase our costs and may adversely affect our results. The U.S. dollar value of our foreign-generated revenues varies with currency exchange rate fluctuations. Measured in local currency, the majority of our foreign-generated revenues were generated in Europe. Significant increases in the value of the U.S. dollar relative to foreign currencies could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

We conduct manufacturing operations outside of the United States and are in the process of transitioning certain manufacturing operations to China, which will expose us to additional business risks.

In addition to our principal executive offices, we maintain more than 50 other manufacturing facilities, offices and warehouse facilities in various countries and regions, including Canada, Europe, Asia Pacific and Latin America. We currently conduct operations in Jinhua, Zhejiang Province, China and Changzhou, Jiangsu Province, China. Our future business strategy may involve the operation of other manufacturing facilities in China. As a result of this initiative, we will be exposed to all the risks inherent in operating in an emerging market like China. In recent years the Chinese economy has undergone various developments, including beginning the transition from a more heavily government influenced-planned economy to a more market- oriented economy. Despite this transition, the

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Chinese government continues to own significant production assets and exercises significant control over economic growth. Our international operations, including our planned expansion in China, may be subject to greater or new political, legal and economic risks than those faced by our operations in the United States, including such risks as those arising from:

unexpected changes in foreign or domestic legal, regulatory or governmental requirements or approvals, such as those related to taxation, lending, import and tariffs, environmental regulations, land use rights, intellectual property and other matters:

unexpected increases in taxes, tariffs and other assessments;

diminished protection of intellectual property;

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difficulty in staffing, training and managing foreign operations;

differing legal and labor regulations;

political and economic instability; and

operating in a market with a less developed supply chain, transportation and distribution infrastructure.

Due to these inherent risks, there can be no assurance that we will achieve any anticipated benefits from transitioning manufacturing operations to China and any of these factors may, individually or collectively, have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Our business and financial performance may be adversely affected by our inability to effectively implement our global reconstructive product reorganization initiative.

As of the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2011, we commenced a global reconstructive products reorganization program. The program includes the reorganization of our domestic and international reconstructive products corporate structure. Projected costs and savings associated with this program are subject to a variety of risks, including contemplated costs to implement this program may exceed estimates and the loss of skilled employees in connection with this program. While we expect to continue to implement this program, there can be no assurance that we will be able to do so successfully or that we will realize the projected benefits of this initiative. If we are unable to realize the anticipated benefits and efficiencies of the reorganization program, our business may be adversely affected. Moreover, our continued implementation of our reorganization program may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

If pricing pressures cause us to decrease prices for our goods and services and we are unable to compensate for such reductions through product mix and reductions to our expenses, our results of operations will suffer.

We may experience decreasing prices for our goods and services we offer due to pricing pressure exerted by our customers in response to increased cost containment efforts from managed care organizations and other third-party payors and increased market power of our customers as the medical device industry consolidates. If we are unable to offset such price reductions through product mix or reductions in our expenses, our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows will be adversely affected.

Quality problems with our manufacturing processes or our goods and services could significantly and adversely affect both our reputation for producing high-quality products and our results of operations.

Our ability to manufacture and supply high-quality goods and services is critical to the marketing success of our goods and services. If we fail to satisfy our ISO quality standards, our reputation could be significantly harmed, resulting in the loss of customers and market share and significantly and adversely affecting our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Inventory may become obsolete due to shortened product life cycles, reduced product demand or changes in market conditions, resulting in inventory write-downs that may adversely affect our results of operations, possibly materially. In our industry, inventory is routinely placed at hospitals to provide the healthcare provider with the appropriate product when needed. Because product usage tends to follow a bell curve, larger and smaller sizes of inventory are provided, but infrequently used. In addition, the musculoskeletal market is highly competitive, with new products, raw materials and procedures being introduced continually, which may make those products currently on the market obsolete. We make estimates regarding the future use of these products and provide a provision for excess and obsolete inventory. If actual product life cycles, product demand or market conditions are less favorable than those projected by management, additional inventory write-downs may be required, which would adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Our business may be harmed as a result of product liability litigation.

Our involvement in the manufacture and sale of medical devices creates exposure to risks of product liability claims, particularly in the United States. In the past, we have received product liability claims relating to our products and anticipate that we will continue to receive claims in the future, some of which could have a material adverse impact on our business. In addition, we could experience a material design or manufacturing failure in our products, a quality system failure, other safety issues or heightened regulatory scrutiny that would warrant a recall of some of our products. Our existing product liability insurance coverage may be inadequate to satisfy liabilities we might incur. Moreover, even if any product liability loss is covered by an insurance policy, these policies have substantial self-insured retentions or deductibles that we remain responsible for. If a product liability claim or series of claims is brought against us for uninsured liabilities or is in excess of our insurance coverage limits, our business could suffer and our financial condition, results of operations and cash flow could be materially adversely impacted. We have received claims for personal injury associated with our metal-on-metal hip products. The pre-trial management of certain of these claims has been consolidated in a federal court in South Bend, Indiana, Certain other claims are pending in various state courts. The number of claims continues to increase incrementally, we believe due to the negative publicity regarding metal-on-metal hip products generally. We believe we have data that supports the efficacy and safety of our metal-on-metal hip products, and we intend to vigorously defend ourselves in these matters. We currently account for these claims in accordance with our standard product liability accrual methodology on a case by case basis, Management does not believe that the outcome of the currently reported claims will have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial positions or results of operations. However, we are unable to estimate the impact of future potential claims.

We may be subject to intellectual property litigation and infringement claims, which could cause us to incur significant expenses or prevent us from selling our products.

The musculoskeletal products industry is highly litigious with respect to the enforcement of patents and other intellectual property rights. In some cases, intellectual property litigation may be used to gain a competitive advantage. We have in the past and may in the future become a party to lawsuits involving patents or other intellectual property. A legal proceeding, regardless of the outcome, could put pressure on our financial resources and divert the time, energy and efforts of our management.

A successful claim of patent or other intellectual property infringement against us could adversely affect our growth and results of operations, in some cases materially. From time to time, we receive notices from third parties of potential infringement and receive claims of potential infringement. We may be unaware of intellectual property rights of others that may cover some of our technology. If someone claims that our products infringed their intellectual property rights, any resulting litigation could be costly and time consuming and would divert the attention of management and key personnel from other business issues.

The complexity of the technology involved and the uncertainty of intellectual property litigation increase these risks. Claims of intellectual property infringement also might require us to enter into costly royalty or license agreements. However, we may be unable to obtain royalty or license agreements on terms acceptable to us or at all. We also may be subject to significant damages or an injunction preventing us from manufacturing, selling or using some of our products in the event of a successful claim of patent or other intellectual property infringement. Any of these adverse consequences could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash

flows.

In January 2009, Heraeus Kulzer GmbH initiated legal proceedings in Germany against Biomet, Inc. and our subsidiary, Biomet Europe BV, alleging that we and Biomet Europe BV misappropriated Heraeus Kulzer trade secrets when developing our new lines of European bone cements. The lawsuit seeks damages in excess of €30.0 million and injunctive relief to preclude us from producing our current line of European bone cements. On December 20, 2012, the trial court ruled that Biomet did not misappropriate trade secrets and consequently dismissed Biomet, Inc., Biomet Europe BV, Biomet Deutschland GmbH and other defendants from the lawsuit. Biomet Orthopaedics Switzerland GmbH ("Biomet Switzerland") remains as the only defendant in the lawsuit and as to it the trial court has ruled that Heraeus Kulzer will not be permitted to review certification materials of Biomet Switzerland for purposes of determining whether there is any evidence that would support a claim of trade secret misappropriation by that entity. The trial court's decision remains subject to appeal by Heraeus Kulzer and we are continuing to vigorously defend this matter. We can make no assurance as to the final outcome of this matter.

On May 3, 2013, Bonutti Skeletal Innovations LLC, a company formed to hold certain patents acquired from Dr. Peter M. Bonutti and an affiliate of patent licensing firm Acacia Research Group LLC, filed suit against us in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, alleging a failure to pay royalties due under a license agreement with Dr. Bonutti, misuse of confidential information and infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 5,921,986; 6,099,531; 6,423,063; 6,638,279; 6,702,821; 7,070,557; 7,087,073; 7,104,996; 7,708,740; 7,806,896; 7,806,897; 7,828,852; 7,931,690; 8,133,229; and 8,147,514. The lawsuit seeks damages in an amount yet to be determined and injunctive relief. Previous to the filing of this lawsuit, on March 8, 2013 we had filed a complaint for declaratory judgment with the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Indiana seeking a judgment of non-infringement and invalidity of the patents at issue. We are vigorously defending this matter and believe that our defenses against infringement are valid and meritorious. We can make no assurances as to the time or resources that will be needed to devote to this litigation or its final outcome.

The conditions of the U.S. and international capital markets may adversely affect our ability to draw on our current revolving credit facilities as well as the value of certain of our investments.

We believe that our cash, other liquid assets and operating cash flow, together with available borrowings and potential access to credit and capital markets, will be sufficient to meet our operating expenses, research and development costs and capital expenditures and service our debt requirements as they become due. However, our ongoing ability to meet our substantial debt service and other obligations will be dependent upon our future performance, which will be subject to business, financial and other factors. We will not be able to control many of these factors, such as economic conditions in the markets where we operate and pressure from competitors. We cannot be certain that our cash flow will be sufficient to allow us to pay principal and interest on our debt, support our operations and meet our other obligations. If we do not have enough money, we may be required to refinance all or part of our existing debt, sell assets or borrow more money. We may not be able to do so on terms acceptable to us, if at all. In addition, the terms of existing or future debt agreements may restrict us from pursuing any of these alternatives.

If financial institutions that have extended credit commitments to us are adversely affected by the conditions of the U.S. and international capital markets, they may become unable to fund borrowings under their credit commitments to us, which could have a material adverse impact on our financial condition and our ability to borrow additional funds, if needed, for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions, research and development and other corporate purposes.

Loss of our key management and other personnel, or an inability to attract such management and other personnel, could impact our business.

We depend on our senior managers and other key personnel to run our business and on technical experts to develop new products and technologies. The loss of any of these senior managers or other key personnel could adversely affect our operations. Competition for qualified employees is intense, and the loss of qualified employees or an inability to attract, retain and motivate additional highly skilled employees required for the management, operation and expansion of our business could hinder our ability to expand, conduct research and development activities successfully and develop marketable products.

If we fail to retain our existing relationships with our independent sales agents and distributors or establish relationships with different agents and distributors, our results of operations may be negatively impacted. Our revenues and profitability depend largely on the ability of independent sales agents and distributors to sell our products to customers. Typically, these agents and distributors have developed long-standing relationships

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with our customers and provide our customers with the necessary training and product support relating to our products. If we fail to retain our existing relationships with these agents and distributors or establish relationships with different agents and distributors, our results of operations may be negatively impacted.

We may record future goodwill and/or intangible impairment charges related to one or more of our reporting units, which could materially adversely impact our results of operations.

We test our goodwill and indefinite lived intangible asset balances as of March 31 of each fiscal year for impairment. We test these balances more frequently if indicators are present or changes in circumstances suggest that impairment may exist. In evaluating the potential for impairment we make assumptions regarding revenue projections, growth rates, cash flows, tax rates and discount rates. These assumptions are uncertain and by nature can vary from actual results. Various future events could have a negative impact on the fair value of our reporting units' goodwill and indefinite lived intangibles when the annual or interim impairment test is completed. The events include, but are not limited to:

our ability to sustain sales and earnings growth;

the effect of anticipated changes in the size, health and activities of the population or on the demand for our products; our ability and intent to expand in key international markets;

the timing and anticipated outcome of clinical studies;

assumptions concerning anticipated product developments and emerging technologies;

our continued investment in new products and technologies;

the ultimate marketability of products currently being developed;

our success in achieving timely approval or clearance of our products with domestic and foreign regulatory entities; and

the stability of certain foreign economic markets.

We recorded a goodwill and intangible asset impairment charge of \$334.1 million in the third quarter of fiscal year 2013 that was related to our Dental Reconstructive reporting unit, primarily due to declining industry market growth rates in certain European and Asia Pacific markets and corresponding unfavorable margin trends.

We have identified a total of four reporting units with a material amount of goodwill that are at a higher risk of potential failure of step one of the goodwill impairment test in the future. These reporting units include our U.S. Reconstructive reporting unit (\$2,973.4 million of goodwill), our International reporting unit (\$523.5 million of goodwill), our dental reconstructive reporting unit (\$66.3 million of goodwill) and our Europe reporting unit (\$299.4 million). The level of excess fair value over carrying value for these higher risk reporting units were each less than 10% for the latest step one impairment test.

A natural or man-made disaster could have a material adverse effect on our business.

We have 14 manufacturing operations located throughout the world. However, a significant portion of our products are produced at and shipped from our facility in Warsaw, Indiana. In the event that this facility is severely damaged or destroyed as a result of a natural or man-made disaster, we would be forced to shift production to our other facilities and/or rely on third-party manufacturers. Our existing business interruption insurance coverage may be inadequate to satisfy liabilities we might incur in such a situation. If a business interruption claim or series of claims is in excess of our insurance coverage limits, or is not otherwise covered in whole or in part by our insurance coverage, our business could suffer and our financial condition, results of operations and cash flow could be materially adversely impacted. Failure to successfully integrate acquired businesses into our operations or to otherwise successfully execute strategic transactions could adversely affect our business.

We may, from time to time, consider and take advantage of selected opportunities to grow by acquiring businesses whose operations or product lines fit well within our existing businesses or whose geographic location or market position would enable us to expand into new markets. Our ability to implement this expansion strategy will, however, depend on whether any suitable businesses are available at suitable valuations, how much money we can spend and maintaining our customer base. Any acquisition that we make could be subject to a number of risks, including failing to discover liabilities of the acquired company for which we may be responsible as a successor owner or operator despite any investigation we may make before the acquisition, our inability to assimilate the operations and personnel of the acquired company, the loss of key personnel in the acquired company and any adverse impact on our financial statements from the amortization of acquired intangible assets or the creation of reserves or write-downs. We may not be able to adequately meet these challenges, and any failure to do so could adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. In addition, if we incur additional indebtedness to finance these acquisitions, the related risks we face from our already substantial level of indebtedness could intensify. On June 15, 2012, we announced the initial closing of the previously announced \$280.0 million acquisition of the worldwide trauma business of DePuy Orthopaedics, Inc. During the first and second quarters of fiscal year 2013, subsequent closings in various foreign countries occurred on a staggered basis, with the final closing occurring on December 7, 2012. Our integration of the operations of the acquired business requires significant efforts, including the coordination of complex information technology environments, research and development, sales and marketing, operations, manufacturing and finance.

The integration efforts related to the DePuy Trauma acquisition require significant expenses and involve significant amounts of management's time that cannot be dedicated to other initiatives. We may not be able to adequately meet these challenges, and any failure to do so could adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

We are increasingly dependent on sophisticated information technology and if we fail to properly maintain the integrity of our data, our business could be adversely affected.

We are increasingly dependent on sophisticated information technology for our products and infrastructure. As a result of technology upgrades, recently enacted regulations, improvements in our system platforms and integration of new business acquisitions, we have been consolidating and integrating the number of systems we operate and have upgraded and expanded our information systems capabilities. Our information systems require an ongoing commitment of significant resources to maintain, protect, and enhance existing systems and keep information technology systems current. In addition, our obligations to protect patient and customer information have increased significantly. Third parties may attempt to hack into our products or systems and may obtain data relating to patients with our products or our proprietary information. If we fail to maintain or protect our information systems and data integrity effectively, we could lose existing customers, have difficulty preventing, detecting, and controlling fraud, have disputes with customers, physicians, and other health care professionals, have regulatory sanctions or penalties imposed, incur expenses or lose revenues as a result of a data privacy breach, or suffer other adverse consequences. There can be no assurance that our process of consolidating the number of systems we operate, upgrading and expanding our information systems capabilities, protecting and enhancing our systems and developing new systems to keep pace with continuing changes in information processing technology will be successful or that additional systems issues will not arise in the future.

Risks Related to Our Indebtedness and the Notes

Our substantial level of indebtedness could materially adversely affect our ability to generate sufficient cash to fulfill our obligations under the notes and any other outstanding indebtedness, our ability to react to changes in our business and our ability to incur additional indebtedness to fund future needs.

We are highly leveraged. As of February 28, 2013, we had total indebtedness of \$5,978.4 million (compared to total indebtedness of \$5,827.8 million as of May 31, 2012). The following chart shows our level of indebtedness as of February 28, 2013 and May 31, 2012:

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| (in millions)                              | February 28, 2013 | May 31, 2012 |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Debt Instruments                           |                   |              |
| Non-U.S. facility                          | \$2.6             | \$3.5        |
| Term loan facilities                       | 3,311.7           | 3,274.3      |
| Cash flow revolving credit facility        | _                 | _            |
| Asset-based revolving credit facility      | _                 | _            |
| 10% Senior Cash Pay Notes due 2017         | _                 | 761.0        |
| 10 %/11 % Senior PIK Toggle Notes due 2017 | _                 | 771.0        |
| 11 % Senior Subordinated Notes due 2017    | _                 | 1,015.0      |
| 6.500% Senior Notes due 2020               | 1,825.0           | _            |
| 6.500% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2020  | 800.0             | _            |
| Premium on notes                           | 39.1              | 3.0          |
| Total debt                                 | \$5,978.4         | \$5,827.8    |

As of February 28, 2013, we had outstanding approximately \$3,311.7 million in aggregate principal amount of indebtedness under our senior secured credit facilities that bears interest at a floating rate.

On August 2, 2012, we entered into an amendment and restatement agreement that amended our existing senior secured credit facilities. The amendment (i) extended the maturity of approximately \$1,007.2 million of our U.S. dollar-denominated term loans and approximately €631.3 million of our euro-denominated term loans under the credit facility to July 25, 2017, (ii) refinanced and replaced the previous alternative currency revolving credit commitments under the credit facility with a new class of alternative currency revolving credit commitments in an aggregate amount of \$165.0 million and (iii) refinanced and replaced the previous U.S. dollar revolving credit commitments under the credit facility with a new class of U.S. dollar-denominated revolving credit commitments in an aggregate amount of \$165.0 million. The new revolving credit commitments will mature on April 25, 2017, except that, if as of December 23, 2014, there is an outstanding aggregate principal amount of non-extended U.S. dollar and euro term loans in excess of \$200.0 million, then such revolving credit commitments will mature on December 24, 2014.

The joinder agreement was entered into pursuant to our senior secured credit facility, as amended by the amendment and restatement agreement dated August 2, 2012. By entering into the joinder agreement, the joining lenders party thereto have agreed to extend the maturity of (i) approximately \$392.7 million of Biomet's U.S. dollar-denominated term loans and (ii) approximately €32.9 million of Biomet's euro-denominated term loans, to July 25, 2017. The term loans extended pursuant to the joinder agreement are on terms identical to the terms loans that were extended pursuant to the prior Amendment. The remaining term loans of the lenders under the senior secured credit facilities who did not elect to extend such loans either pursuant to the August 2 amendment and restatement agreement or the subsequent joinder agreement will continue to mature on March 25, 2015.

On November 14, 2012, we also replaced and refinanced our asset-based revolving credit facility with a new asset-based revolving credit facility that has a U.S. tranche of up to \$400.0 million and a European borrower tranche (denominated in euros) of up to the euro-equivalent of \$100.0 million. The European borrower tranche is secured by certain foreign assets of European subsidiary borrowers, and the U.S. borrowers under the U.S. tranche guarantee the obligations of any such European subsidiary borrowers (and those guarantees are secured by the current asset collateral that secures the direct obligations of those U.S. borrowers under the U.S. tranche).

In addition, on December 27, 2012, we completed a \$730.0 million add-on to our extended U.S. dollar-denominated term loan. The proceeds from the add-on were used to refinance the non-extended U.S. dollar-denominated term B loan, which was net of fees associated with the add-on closing. The terms of the add-on are consistent with the terms in the August 2 amendment.

On August 8, 2012, we completed our offering of \$1,000.0 million aggregate principal amount of new senior notes. We used a portion of the proceeds of that offering to fund a tender offer for any and all of our outstanding 10 %/11 % Senior PIK Toggle Notes due 2017 including related fees and expenses, to redeem the remaining 10 %/11 % Senior PIK Toggle Notes and to redeem \$140.0 million aggregate principal amount of 11 % Senior Subordinated Notes due 2017.

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On October 2, we completed our offering of \$825.0 million aggregate principal amount of additional senior notes and \$800.0 million aggregate principal amount of our senior subordinated notes. We used the net proceeds of those offerings, together with cash on hand and other sources, to purchase any and all of our 10% Senior Cash Pay Notes due 2017 and \$940 million principal amount of outstanding 11 % Senior Subordinated Notes due 2017. On November 1, 2012, we purchased and redeemed all remaining outstanding 11 % Senior Subordinated Notes using cash on hand and asset-based revolver proceeds.

We have also entered into a series of interest rate swap agreements to fix the interest rates on approximately 60% of the borrowings under our senior secured credit facilities.

Our substantial level of indebtedness increases the possibility that we may be unable to generate cash sufficient to pay, when due, the principal of, interest on or other amounts due in respect of our indebtedness. Our substantial indebtedness, combined with our other financial obligations and contractual commitments, could have important consequences. For example, it could:

make it more difficult for us to satisfy our obligations with respect to our indebtedness, including the notes, and any failure to comply with the obligations under any of our debt instruments, including restrictive covenants, could result in an event of default under the indentures, any other outstanding notes and the agreements governing such other indebtedness:

require us to dedicate a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations to payments on our indebtedness, thereby reducing funds available for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions, research and development and other purposes;

increase our vulnerability to adverse economic and industry conditions, which could place us at a competitive disadvantage compared to our competitors that have relatively less indebtedness;

increase the risk we assess with our counterparties which could affect the fair value of our derivative instruments related to our debt facilities noted above;

• timit our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in our business and the industries in which we operate; limit our noteholders' rights to receive payments under the notes and any other outstanding notes if secured creditors have not been paid;

limit our ability to borrow additional funds, or to dispose of assets to raise funds, if needed, for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions, research and development and other corporate purposes; and prevent us from raising the funds necessary to repurchase all notes tendered to us upon the occurrence of certain changes of control, which would constitute a default under the indentures.

Restrictions imposed by the indentures, our senior secured credit facilities and our other outstanding indebtedness may limit our ability to operate our business and to finance our future operations or capital needs or to engage in other business activities.

The agreements governing our indebtedness, including the indentures, contain various covenants that limit our discretion in the operation of our business and also require us to meet financial maintenance tests and other covenants. The failure to comply with such tests and covenants could have a material adverse effect on us. The agreements governing our indebtedness, including the indentures, restrict our and our restricted subsidiaries' ability, among other things, to:

incur additional indebtedness;

pay dividends on our capital stock or redeem, repurchase or retire our capital stock or indebtedness; make investments, loans, advances and acquisitions;

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create restrictions on the payment of dividends or other amounts to us from our restricted subsidiaries;

engage in transactions with our affiliates;

sell assets, including capital stock of our subsidiaries;

consolidate or merge;

create liens; and

enter into sale and lease-back transactions.

The terms of our senior secured credit facilities also restrict Parent from conducting any business or operations other than, among others, (i) owning Biomet, Inc., (ii) maintaining its legal existence, (iii) performing its obligations with respect to the senior secured credit facilities and the indentures governing the notes, (iv) publicly offering its common stock, (v) financing activities, including the issuance of securities, incurrence of debt, payment of dividends, making contributions to the capital of its subsidiaries and guaranteeing the obligations of its subsidiaries, or (vi) providing indemnification to its officers and directors.

In addition, although the agreements governing our senior secured credit facilities and the indentures governing the notes do not require us to comply with any financial ratio maintenance covenants, if Excess Global Availability (as that term is defined in the asset-based revolving credit facility) is less than 10% of the sum of (1) aggregate commitments under our asset-based revolving credit facility plus (2) the revolving credit commitments under our cash flow credit facility at any time, the fixed charge coverage ratio as of the end of the most recently ended fiscal quarter must be greater than or equal to 1.00 to 1.00. In the event of a default under any of our senior secured credit facilities, the lenders could elect to declare all amounts outstanding under the agreements governing our senior secured credit facilities to be immediately due and payable. If the indebtedness under our senior secured credit facilities, or the notes were to be accelerated, our assets may not be sufficient to repay such indebtedness in full. In particular, noteholders will be paid only if we have assets remaining after we pay amounts due on our secured indebtedness, including our senior secured credit facilities.

We, including our subsidiaries, have the ability to incur substantially more indebtedness, including senior secured indebtedness, and our noteholders' right to receive payments on each series of notes is effectively junior to the right of lenders who have a security interest in our assets to the extent of the value of those assets.

Our obligations under the notes and our guarantors' obligations under their guarantees of the notes are unsecured, but our obligations under our senior secured credit facilities and each guarantor's obligations under its guarantee of our senior secured credit facilities are secured by a security interest in substantially all of our domestic tangible and intangible assets, including the stock of substantially all of our wholly-owned U.S. subsidiaries and a portion of the stock of certain of our non-U.S. subsidiaries. If we are declared bankrupt or insolvent, or if we default under our senior secured credit facilities, the lenders could declare all of the funds borrowed thereunder, together with accrued interest, immediately due and payable. If we were unable to repay such indebtedness, the lenders could foreclose on the pledged assets to the exclusion of holders of the notes, even if an event of default exists at such time under the indentures. Furthermore, if the lenders foreclose and sell the pledged equity interests in any guarantor under the notes, then that guarantor will be released from its guarantee of the notes automatically and immediately upon such sale. In any such event, because the notes are not secured by any of our assets or the equity interests in the guarantors, it is possible that there would be no assets remaining from which noteholders' claims could be satisfied or, if any assets remained, they might be insufficient to satisfy noteholders' claims in full.

Subject to the restrictions in our senior secured credit facilities and the indentures, we, including our subsidiaries, may incur significant additional indebtedness. As of February 28, 2013:

we and the guarantors had approximately \$330.0 million available for borrowing under our cash flow revolving credit facilities, which, if borrowed, would be senior secured indebtedness;

we and the guarantors had \$465.5 million available for borrowing under our asset-based revolving credit facility, subject to borrowing base limitations, which, if borrowed, would be senior secured indebtedness;

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we and the guarantors have the option to incur additional incremental term loans or increase the cash flow revolving credit facilities commitments under our senior secured credit facilities up to an amount that would cause our Senior Secured Leverage Ratio (as defined in our senior secured credit facilities) to be equal to or less than 4.50 to 1.00, which, if borrowed, would be senior secured indebtedness; and

we and the guarantors have the option to increase the asset-based revolving credit facility commitments under our asset-based revolving credit facility by up to \$100.0 million, which, if borrowed, would be senior secured indebtedness.

Although the terms of our senior secured credit facilities and the indentures contain restrictions on the incurrence of additional indebtedness, these restrictions are subject to a number of important exceptions, and indebtedness incurred in compliance with these restrictions could be substantial. If we and our restricted subsidiaries incur significant additional indebtedness, the related risks that we face could intensify.

We may not be able to generate sufficient cash to service all of our indebtedness, including the notes, and may be forced to take other actions to satisfy our obligations under our indebtedness, which may not be successful. Our ability to make scheduled payments on or to refinance our debt obligations depends on our financial condition and operating performance, which is subject to prevailing economic and competitive conditions and to certain financial, business and other factors beyond our control. We may not be able to maintain a level of cash flows from operating activities sufficient to permit us to pay the principal, premium, if any, and interest on our indebtedness, including the notes.

If our cash flows and capital resources are insufficient to fund our debt service obligations, we may be forced to reduce or delay investments and capital expenditures or to sell assets, seek additional capital or restructure or refinance our indebtedness, including the notes. Our ability to restructure or refinance our debt will depend on the condition of the capital markets and our financial condition at such time. Any refinancing of our debt could be at higher interest rates and may require us to comply with more onerous covenants, which could further restrict our business operations. The terms of existing or future debt instruments, including the indentures, may restrict us from adopting some of these alternatives. In addition, any failure to make payments of interest and principal on our outstanding indebtedness on a timely basis would likely result in a reduction of our credit rating, which could harm our ability to incur additional indebtedness. In the absence of such operating results and resources, we could face substantial liquidity problems and might be required to dispose of material assets or operations to meet our debt service and other obligations. Our senior secured credit facilities and the indentures restrict our ability to dispose of assets and use the proceeds from the disposition. We may not be able to consummate those dispositions or to obtain the proceeds that we could realize from them and these proceeds may not be adequate to meet any debt service obligations then due. These alternative measures may not be successful and may not permit us to meet our scheduled debt service obligations.

Repayment of our debt, including the notes, is dependent on cash flow generated by our subsidiaries. Our subsidiaries own a significant portion of our assets and conduct a significant portion of our operations. Accordingly, repayment of our indebtedness, including the notes, is dependent, to a significant extent, on the generation of cash flow by our subsidiaries and their ability to make such cash available to us, by dividend, debt repayment or otherwise. Unless they are guarantors of the notes, our subsidiaries do not have any obligation to pay amounts due on the notes or to make funds available for that purpose. Our subsidiaries may not be able to, or may not be permitted to, make distributions to enable us to make payments in respect of our indebtedness, including the notes. Each subsidiary is a distinct legal entity and, under certain circumstances, legal and contractual restrictions may limit our ability to obtain cash from our subsidiaries. While the indentures limit the ability of our subsidiaries to incur consensual restrictions on their ability to pay dividends or make other intercompany payments to us, these limitations are subject to certain qualifications and exceptions. In the event that we do not receive distributions from our subsidiaries, we may be unable to make required principal and interest payments on our indebtedness, including the notes.

Claims of noteholders will be structurally subordinated to claims of creditors of all our non-U.S. subsidiaries and some of our U.S. subsidiaries because they will not guarantee the notes.

The notes are not guaranteed by any of our non-U.S. subsidiaries or any of our less than wholly-owned U.S. subsidiaries. Accordingly, claims of holders of the notes will be structurally subordinated to the claims of

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creditors of these non-guarantor subsidiaries, including trade creditors. Therefore, all obligations of our non-guarantor subsidiaries will have to be satisfied before any of the assets of such subsidiaries would be available for distribution, upon a liquidation or otherwise, to us or a guarantor of the notes.

For the nine months ended February 28, 2013 and February 29, 2012, our non-guarantor subsidiaries accounted for \$830.4 million, or 37% of our consolidated net sales, and \$782.5 million, or 37% of our consolidated net sale, respectively. As of February 28, 2013, our non-guarantor subsidiaries accounted for approximately \$2,806.9 million, or 28%, of our consolidated assets and approximately \$409.6 million, or 5.3%, of our total consolidated liabilities. For the fiscal years ended May 31, 2012 and 2011, our non-guarantor subsidiaries accounted for \$1,068.3 million, or 38% of our consolidated net sales and \$1,015.7 million, or 37% of our consolidated net sales, respectively. As of May 31, 2012 and 2011, our non-guarantor subsidiaries accounted for approximately \$2,734.3 million, or 26%, and \$3,236.1 million, or 28%, of our consolidated assets, respectively, and approximately \$413.1 million, or 5.3%, and \$587.9 million, or 7.2%, of our consolidated liabilities, respectively. All amounts are presented after giving effect to intercompany eliminations.

The lenders under our senior secured credit facilities will have the discretion to release any guarantors under these facilities in a variety of circumstances, which will cause those guarantors to be released from their guarantees of the notes.

While any obligations under our senior secured credit facilities remain outstanding, any guarantee of the notes may be released without action by, or consent of, any holder of the notes or the trustee under the indentures, at the discretion of lenders under our senior secured credit facilities, if the related guarantor is no longer a guarantor of obligations under our senior secured credit facilities or any other indebtedness. The lenders under our senior secured credit facilities will have the discretion to release the guarantees under our senior secured credit facilities in a variety of circumstances. Noteholders will not have a claim as a creditor against any subsidiary that is no longer a guarantor of the notes, and the indebtedness and other liabilities, including trade payables, whether secured or unsecured, of those subsidiaries will effectively be senior to claims of noteholders.

If we default on our obligations to pay our other indebtedness, we may not be able to make payments on the notes. Any default under the agreements governing our indebtedness, including a default under our senior secured credit facilities that is not waived by the required lenders, and the remedies sought by the holders of such indebtedness, could prevent us from paying principal, premium, if any, and interest on the notes and substantially decrease the market value of the notes. If we are unable to generate sufficient cash flow and are otherwise unable to obtain funds necessary to meet required payments of principal, premium, if any, and interest on our indebtedness, or if we otherwise fail to comply with the various covenants, including financial and operating covenants in the instruments governing our indebtedness (including covenants in our senior secured credit facilities and the indentures), we could be in default under the terms of the agreements governing such indebtedness, including our senior secured credit facilities and the indentures.

In the event of such default:

the holders of such indebtedness may be able to cause all of our available cash flow to be used to pay such indebtedness and, in any event, could elect to declare all the funds borrowed thereunder to be due and payable, together with accrued and unpaid interest;

the lenders under our senior secured credit facilities could elect to terminate their commitments thereunder, cease making further loans and institute foreclosure proceedings against our assets;

we could be forced into bankruptcy or liquidation; and

the subordination provisions in senior subordinated notes may prevent us from paying any obligation with respect to such notes.

If our operating performance declines, we may in the future need to obtain waivers from the required lenders under our senior secured credit facilities to avoid being in default. If we breach our covenants under our

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senior secured credit facilities and seek a waiver, we may not be able to obtain a waiver from the required lenders. If this occurs, we would be in default under our senior secured credit facilities, the lenders could exercise their rights, as described above, and we could be forced into bankruptcy or liquidation.

Your right to receive payments on the exchange senior subordinated notes will be junior to the rights of the lenders under our senior secured credit facilities and all of our other senior debt (including the exchange senior notes) and any of our future senior indebtedness.

The senior subordinated notes will be general unsecured senior subordinated obligations that will rank junior in right or payment to all of our existing and future senior indebtedness. We may not pay principal, premium, if any, interest or other amounts on account of the notes in the event of a payment default or certain other defaults in respect of certain of our senior indebtedness, including the exchange senior notes and borrowings under our senior secured credit facilities, unless the senior indebtedness has been paid in full or the default has been cured or waived. In addition, in the event of certain other defaults with respect to certain of our senior indebtedness, we may not be permitted to pay any amount on account of the notes for a designated period of time.

Because of the subordination provisions in the indenture governing the senior subordinated notes, in the event of our bankruptcy, liquidation or dissolution, our assets will not be available to pay obligations under the senior subordinated notes until we have made all payments in cash on our senior indebtedness, see "Description of Exchange Senior Subordinated Notes." Sufficient assets may not remain after all these payments have been made to make any payments on the senior subordinated notes, including payments of principal or interest when due. See "Description of Other Indebtedness" for a description of the outstanding indebtedness that will rank senior to the senior subordinated notes. We may not be able to repurchase the notes upon a change of control.

Upon the occurrence of specific kinds of change of control events, we will be required to offer to repurchase all outstanding notes at 101% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any. The source of funds for any such purchase of the notes will be our available cash or cash generated from our subsidiaries' operations or other sources, including borrowings, sales of assets or sales of equity. We may not be able to repurchase the notes upon a change of control because we may not have sufficient financial resources to purchase all of the notes that are tendered upon a change of control. Further, we will be contractually restricted under the terms of our senior secured credit facilities from repurchasing all of the notes tendered by holders upon a change of control. Accordingly, we may not be able to satisfy our obligations to purchase the notes unless we are able to refinance or obtain waivers under our senior secured credit facilities. Our failure to repurchase the notes upon a change of control would cause a default under the indentures and a cross default under our senior secured credit facilities. Our senior secured credit facilities also provide that a change of control will be a default that permits lenders to accelerate the maturity of borrowings thereunder. Any of our future debt agreements may contain similar provisions.

The trading prices for the notes will be directly affected by many factors, including our credit rating. Credit rating agencies continually revise their ratings for companies they follow. The condition of the financial and credit markets and prevailing interest rates have fluctuated in the past and are likely to fluctuate in the future. Any such fluctuation may impact the trading price of the notes. In addition, developments in our business and operations could lead to a ratings downgrade which could adversely affect the trading price of the notes, or the trading market for the notes.

An adverse rating of the notes may cause their trading price to fall.

If a rating agency rates the notes, it may assign a rating that is lower than the rating expected by the noteholders. Ratings agencies also may lower ratings on the notes or any of our other debt in the future, or may choose to cease providing ratings on the notes or such other debt. If rating agencies assign a lower than expected rating or reduce, or indicate that they may reduce, their ratings of our debt in the future, the trading price of the notes could significantly decline.

Certain covenants under the indentures will be suspended if and for so long as the notes are rated "investment grade" by both Standard & Poor's and Moody's and no default has occurred and is continuing. These covenants restrict, among other things, our and our restricted subsidiaries' ability to incur or guarantee debt or issue certain stock, pay dividends, make distributions on, or redeem or repurchase, capital stock and enter into

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transactions with affiliates. Because these restrictions would not apply if the notes are rated investment grade, we would be able to incur additional debt and consummate transactions that may impair our ability to satisfy our obligations with respect to the notes. In addition, we would not have to make certain offers to repurchase the notes. These covenants would be reinstated if the credit ratings assigned to the notes later declined below investment grade or a default occurs and is continuing.

Federal and state fraudulent transfer laws may permit a court to void the notes and the guarantees, subordinate claims in respect of the notes and the guarantees, and require noteholders to return payments received. If this occurs, noteholders may not receive any payments on the notes.

Federal and state fraudulent transfer and conveyance statutes may apply to the issuance of the notes and the incurrence of any guarantees. Under federal bankruptcy law and comparable provisions of state fraudulent transfer or conveyance laws, which may vary from state to state, the notes or guarantees could be voided as a fraudulent transfer or conveyance if (1) we or any of the guarantors, as applicable, issued the notes or incurred the guarantees with the intent of hindering, delaying or defrauding creditors or (2) we or any of the guarantors, as applicable, received less than reasonably equivalent value or fair consideration in return for either issuing the notes or incurring the guarantees and, in the case of (2) only, one of the following is also true at the time thereof:

we or any of the guarantors, as applicable, were insolvent or rendered insolvent by reason of the issuance of the notes or the incurrence of the guarantees;

the issuance of the notes or the incurrence of the guarantees left us or any of the guarantors, as applicable, with an unreasonably small amount of capital to carry on the business;

we or any of the guarantors intended to, or believed that we or such guarantor would, incur debts beyond our or such guarantor's ability to pay such debts as they mature; or

we or any of the guarantors was a defendant in an action for money damages, or had a judgment for money damages docketed against us or such guarantor if, in either case, after final judgment, the judgment is unsatisfied.

A court would likely find that we or a guarantor did not receive reasonably equivalent value or fair consideration for the notes or such guarantee if we or such guarantor did not substantially benefit directly or indirectly from the issuance of the notes or the applicable guarantee. As a general matter, value is given for a transfer or an obligation if, in exchange for the transfer or obligation, property is transferred or an antecedent debt is secured or satisfied.

We cannot be certain as to the standards a court would use to determine whether or not we or the guarantors were solvent at the relevant time or, regardless of the standard that a court uses, that the issuance of the guarantees would not be further subordinated to our or any of our guarantors' other debt. Generally, however, an entity would be considered insolvent if, at the time it incurred indebtedness:

the sum of its debts, including contingent liabilities, was greater than the fair value of all its assets;

the present fair saleable value of its assets was less than the amount that would be required to pay its probable liability on its existing debts, including contingent liabilities, as they become absolute and mature; or it could not pay its debts as they become due.

If a court were to find that the issuance of the notes or the incurrence of the guarantee was a fraudulent transfer or conveyance, the court could void the payment obligations under the notes or such guarantee or further subordinate the notes or such guarantee to presently existing and future indebtedness of ours or of the related guarantor, or require the holders of the notes to repay any amounts received with respect to such guarantee. In the event of a finding that a fraudulent transfer or conveyance occurred, noteholders may not receive any repayment on the notes. Further, the voidance of the notes could result in an event of default with respect to our and our subsidiaries' other debt that could result in acceleration of such debt.

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Although each guarantee entered into by a guarantor will contain a provision intended to limit that guarantor's liability to the maximum amount that it could incur without causing the incurrence of obligations under its guarantee to be a fraudulent transfer, this provision may not be effective to protect those guarantees from being voided under fraudulent transfer law, or may reduce that guarantor's obligation to an amount that effectively makes its guarantee worthless. We are indirectly owned and controlled by the Sponsors, and the Sponsors' interests as equity holders may conflict with the interests of noteholders as creditors.

We are a subsidiary of Parent, which is controlled by the Sponsors, and, accordingly, the Sponsors have the ability to control our policies and operations. The interests of the Sponsors may not in all cases be aligned with our noteholders' interests. For example, if we encounter financial difficulties or are unable to pay our debts as they mature, the interests of our equity holders might conflict with our noteholders' interests. In addition, our equity holders may have an interest in pursuing acquisitions, divestitures, financings or other transactions that, in their judgment, could enhance their equity investments, even though such transactions might involve risks to holders of the notes. Furthermore, the Sponsors may in the future own businesses that directly or indirectly compete with us. The Sponsors also may pursue acquisition opportunities that may be complementary to our business, and as a result, those acquisition opportunities may not be available to us.

Risks Related to the Exchange Offers

The consummation of the exchange offers may not occur.

We are not obligated to complete the exchange offers under certain circumstances. See "The Exchange Offers—Conditions to the Exchange Offers." Even if the exchange offers are completed, they may not be completed on the schedule described in this prospectus. Accordingly, holders participating in the exchange offers may have to wait longer than expected to receive their exchange notes, during which time those holders of original notes who have tendered original notes in the exchange offer, will not be able to effect transfers of those original notes.

If you fail to exchange the original notes, they will remain subject to transfer restrictions, and it may be harder for you to resell and transfer your original notes.

The original notes were not, and will not be, registered under the Securities Act or under the securities laws of any state. Any original notes that remain outstanding after these exchange offers will continue to be subject to restrictions on their transfer. If you do not exchange your original notes for exchange notes by these exchange offers, or if you do not properly tender your original notes in these exchange offers, you will not be able to resell, offer to resell or otherwise transfer your original notes unless they are registered under the Securities Act or unless you resell them, offer to resell or otherwise transfer them under an exemption from the registration requirements of, or in a transaction not subject to, the Securities Act. After these exchange offers, holders of original notes will not have any further rights to have their original notes exchanged for exchange notes registered under the Securities Act and will not have any right to additional interest in the case of non-registration.

Late deliveries of original notes and failure to follow proper procedures could prevent a holder from exchanging its original notes.

Holders are responsible for complying with all of the procedures of the exchange offers. The issuance of exchange notes in exchange for original notes will only occur upon completion of the procedures described in this prospectus under "The Exchange Offers." Therefore, holders of original notes who wish to exchange them for exchange notes should allow sufficient time for timely completion of the exchange procedure. Neither we nor the exchange agent are obligated to extend the offer or notify you of any failure to follow the proper procedure.

If you hold your original notes through a broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee, you should keep in mind that such entity may require you to take action with respect to the exchange offers a number of days before the Expiration Date in order for such entity to tender original notes on your behalf at or prior to the Expiration Date.

If you are a broker-dealer or a person that tenders original notes for the purpose of participating in a distribution of the exchange notes, your ability to transfer the exchange notes may be restricted.

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Broker-dealers that acquired the original notes directly from Biomet, but not as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, as well as any other person that tenders original notes for the purpose of participating in a distribution of the exchange notes, must comply with all applicable registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with a resale of the exchange notes.

Each broker-dealer that receives exchange notes for its own account pursuant to the exchange offers in exchange for original notes that it acquired as a result of market-making or other trading activities must comply with its prospectus delivery obligations in connection with any resale of the exchange notes. Our obligation to make this prospectus available to broker-dealers is limited. Consequently, we cannot guarantee that a proper prospectus will be available to broker-dealers wishing to resell their exchange notes.

Holders who fail to exchange their original notes may have reduced liquidity after the exchange offers. As the original notes of any series that are tendered and accepted in the exchange offers will be cancelled, the principal amount of remaining original notes of that series will decrease. This decrease could reduce the liquidity of the trading market for the original notes of that series. We cannot assure you of the liquidity, or even the continuation, of any trading market for the original notes following the completion of the exchange offers.

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#### RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

Our ratio of earnings to fixed charges for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 and the years ended May 31, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, the periods from July 12, 2007 to May 31, 2008 and June 1, 2007 to July 11, 2007 is set forth below.

| (in millions)                     | Successor<br>Nine Months<br>Ended<br>February 28,<br>2013 | Year Ended<br>May 31,<br>2012 | Year Ended<br>May 31,<br>2011 | Year Ended<br>May 31,<br>2010 | Year Ended<br>May 31,<br>2009 | Period from<br>July 12,<br>2007 – May<br>31, 2008 | Predecessor<br>Period from<br>June 1, 2007<br>– July 11,<br>2007 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Earnings:                         |                                                           |                               |                               |                               |                               |                                                   |                                                                  |
| Earnings (loss)                   |                                                           |                               |                               |                               |                               |                                                   |                                                                  |
| before income                     | \$(508.4)                                                 | \$(590.8)                     | \$(1,064.6)                   | \$(141.7)                     | \$(920.4)                     | \$(1,194.3)                                       | \$(81.9)                                                         |
| taxes                             |                                                           |                               |                               |                               |                               |                                                   |                                                                  |
| Add: Fixed charge                 | s<br>\$310.8                                              | \$479.8                       | \$498.9                       | \$516.4                       | \$618.9                       | \$603.1                                           | \$0.3                                                            |
| (per below)<br>Total earnings     |                                                           |                               |                               |                               |                               |                                                   |                                                                  |
| (loss)                            | \$(197.6)                                                 | \$(111.0)                     | \$(565.7)                     | \$374.7                       | \$(301.5)                     | \$(591.2)                                         | \$(81.6)                                                         |
| (1033)                            |                                                           |                               |                               |                               |                               |                                                   |                                                                  |
| Fixed charges:                    |                                                           |                               |                               |                               |                               |                                                   |                                                                  |
| Interest expense <sup>(2)</sup> . | \$310.8                                                   | \$479.8                       | \$498.9                       | \$516.4                       | \$618.9                       | \$603.1                                           | \$0.3                                                            |
| Total fixed charges               | 8 \$310.8                                                 | \$479.8                       | \$498.9                       | \$516.4                       | \$618.9                       | \$603.1                                           | \$0.3                                                            |
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| Ratio of earnings                 | N/A(1)                                                    | N/A(1)                        | N/A(1)                        | N/A(1)                        | N/A(1)                        | N/A(1)                                            | N/A(1)                                                           |
| to fixed charges                  |                                                           |                               |                               |                               |                               |                                                   |                                                                  |

Earnings were inadequate to cover fixed charges for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 and years ended May 31, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, for the period from July 12, 2007 through May 31, 2008 and for the period from June 1, 2007 through July 11, 2007 by \$508.4 million, \$590.8 million, \$1,064.6 million, \$141.7 million, \$920.4 million, \$1,194.3 million and \$81.9 million, respectively.

<sup>(2)</sup> Interest expense includes the amortization of deferred financing costs and bond premium.

#### THE EXCHANGE OFFERS

#### General

Concurrently with the sales of the original senior notes on August 8, 2012 and October 2, 2012, we entered into the senior notes registration rights agreements with the initial purchasers of the original senior notes, and concurrently with the sale of the original senior subordinated notes on October 2, 2012, we entered into the senior subordinated notes registration rights agreement with the initial purchasers of the original senior subordinated notes. Those agreements require us to use our commercially reasonable efforts to prepare and file a registration statement under the Securities Act with respect to the exchange notes and, upon the effectiveness of the registration statement, to offer to the holders of the original notes the opportunity to exchange their original notes for a like principal amount of exchange notes.

The registration rights agreements provide that we must (a) use our commercially reasonable efforts to cause the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part with respect to the exchange of the original notes for the exchange notes to be declared effective under the Securities Act and (b) keep the exchange offers open for at least 20 business days (or longer, if required by applicable law) after the date notice of the exchange offers is mailed to holders of the original notes and (c) consummate the exchange offers on or prior to the 360th day (or if the 360th day is not a business day, the first business day thereafter) after the original issue date of the original notes.

Copies of the registration rights agreements have been filed as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part. Following the completion of the exchange offers, holders of original notes not tendered will not have any further registration rights other than as set forth in the paragraphs below, and the original notes will continue to be subject to certain restrictions on transfer.

# Resale of the Exchange Notes

We are making the exchange offers in reliance on the position of the staff of the SEC as set forth in interpretive letters addressed to other parties in other transactions. For further information on the SEC's position, see Exxon Capital Holdings Corporation, available May 13, 1988, Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated, available June 5, 1991, Shearman & Sterling, available July 2, 1993, and other interpretive letters to similar effect. We have not sought our own interpretive letter, however, and we cannot assure you that the staff would make a similar determination with respect to the exchange offers as it has in interpretive letters to other parties. Based on these interpretations by the staff, however, we believe that, with the exceptions set forth below, the exchange notes issued in the exchange offers may be offered for resale, resold and otherwise transferred by the holder of exchange notes without further compliance with the registration and prospectus delivery provision of the Securities Act, so long as such holder:

is acquiring the exchange notes in the ordinary course of its business;

is not participating in, and does not intend to participate in, a distribution of the exchange notes within the meaning of the Securities Act and has no arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in a distribution of the exchange notes within the meaning of the Securities Act;

is not a broker-dealer who acquired the original notes directly from us; and

is not an "affiliate" of ours within the meaning of Rule 405 of the Securities Act.

By tendering your original notes in exchange for exchange notes, you will be required to represent to us that each of the above statements applies to you. If you are participating in or intend to participate in, a distribution of the exchange notes, or have any arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in a distribution of the exchange notes to be acquired in these exchange offers, you may be deemed to have received restricted securities and may not rely on the applicable interpretations of the staff of the SEC. If you are so deemed, you will have to comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any secondary resale transaction.

Each broker-dealer that receives exchange notes for its own account in exchange for original notes, where the original notes were acquired by the broker-dealer as a result of market-making activities or other trading

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activities, must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of the exchange notes. The letter of transmittal states that by so acknowledging and by delivering a prospectus, a broker-dealer will not be deemed to admit that it is an "underwriter" within the meaning of the Securities Act. So long as we maintain the effectiveness of the registration statement to which this prospectus relates, a broker-dealer may use this prospectus, as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, in connection with resales of exchange notes received in exchange for original notes which the broker-dealer acquired as a result of market-making or other trading activities. See "Plan of Distribution."

The exchange offers are not being made to, nor will we accept tenders for exchange from, holders of original notes in any jurisdiction in which the exchange offers or the acceptance of it would not be in compliance with the securities or blue sky laws of such jurisdiction.

Terms of the Exchange Offers

Upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this prospectus and in the letter of transmittal, we will accept any and all original notes validly tendered and not withdrawn prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on , 2013, or such date and time to which we extend either or both of the exchange offers, as the case may be. We will issue \$1,000 in principal amount of exchange notes in exchange for each \$1,000 principal amount of original notes validly tendered and accepted in the exchange offers.

We will not pay any accrued and unpaid interest on the original notes we acquire in the exchange offers. Instead, interest on the exchange senior notes will accrue from February 1, 2013, the most recent interest payment date from which interest on the original senior notes has previously been paid, and interest on the exchange senior subordinated notes will accrue from October 2, 2012, the issue date of the senior subordinated notes, or from April 1, 2013 if the exchange offer in respect thereof is completed after, and interest is paid on, that date.

The exchange notes will evidence the same debt as the original notes and will be issued under the terms of, and entitled to the benefits of, the applicable indenture relating to the original notes.

The terms of the exchange notes are identical in all material respects to the terms of the original notes, except that:

- (1) we have registered the exchange notes under the Securities Act and therefore the exchange notes will not bear legends restricting their transfer, and
- (2) specified rights under the registration rights agreements, including the provisions providing for payment of additional interest in specified circumstances relating to the exchange offers, will be eliminated for all the notes. As of the date of this prospectus: (a) \$1,825 million in aggregate principal amount of original senior notes were outstanding, and there was one registered holder, a nominee of DTC and (b) \$800 million in aggregate principal amount of original senior subordinated notes were outstanding, and there was one registered holder, a nominee of DTC. Original notes accepted for exchange will be retired and cancelled and not reissued.

Except as described under "Form, Book-Entry Procedures and Transfer," we will issue the exchange notes in the form of one or more global notes registered in the name of DTC or its nominee, and each beneficial owner's interest in it will be transferable in book-entry form through DTC. We will conduct the exchange offers in accordance with the applicable requirements of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated under the Exchange Act.

We will be considered to have accepted validly tendered original notes when, as and if we have given oral or written notice thereof to the exchange agent. The exchange agent will act as agent for the tendering holders for the purpose of receiving the exchange notes from us. If any tendered original notes are not accepted for exchange because of an invalid tender, the occurrence of certain other events set forth under the heading "—Conditions to the Exchange Offers," any such unaccepted original notes will be returned, without expense, to the tendering holder of those original notes promptly after the Expiration Date.

Holders who tender original notes in the exchange offers will not be required to pay brokerage commissions or fees or, subject to the instructions in the letter of transmittal, transfer taxes with respect to the

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exchange of original notes in the exchange offers. We will pay all charges and expenses, other than certain applicable taxes, applicable to the exchange offers. See "—Fees and Expenses."

If we successfully complete the exchange offers, any original notes that holders do not tender or we do not accept in the exchange offers will remain outstanding and continue to accrue interest. The holders of original notes after the exchange offers in general will not have further rights under the registration rights agreements, including registration rights and any rights to additional interest. Holders wishing to transfer the original notes would have to rely on exemptions from the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

Expiration Date; Extensions; Amendments

The Expiration Date shall be 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on , 2013, unless we, in our sole discretion, extend either or both of the exchange offers, in which case the Expiration Date shall be the latest date and time to which such exchange offer or exchange offers are extended. In order to extend the exchange offer or exchange offers, we will notify the exchange agent and each registered holder of any extension by oral or written notice prior to 9:00 a.m., New York City time, on the next business day after the previously scheduled Expiration Date and will also disseminate notice of any extension by press release or other public announcement no later than 9:00 a.m., New York City time on such date. We reserve the right, in our sole discretion:

to delay accepting any original notes, to extend either or both of the exchange offers or, if any of the conditions set forth under "—Conditions to the Exchange Offers" shall not have been satisfied, to terminate either or both of the exchange offers, by giving oral or written notice of that delay, extension or termination to the exchange agent, or to amend the terms of either or both of the exchange offers in any manner.

Procedures for Tendering

To participate in the exchange offers, you must properly tender your original notes to the exchange agent as described below. We will only issue exchange notes in exchange for original notes that you timely and properly tender. Therefore, you should allow sufficient time to ensure timely delivery of the original notes, and you should follow carefully the instructions on how to tender your original notes. It is your responsibility to properly tender your original notes. We have the right to waive any defects. However, we are not required to waive defects, and neither we nor the exchange agent is required to notify you of defects in your tender.

If you have any questions or need help in exchanging your original notes, please contact the exchange agent at the address or telephone numbers set forth below.

All of the original notes were issued in book-entry form, and all of the original notes are currently represented by global certificates registered in the name of Cede & Co., the nominee of DTC. We have confirmed with DTC that the original notes may be tendered using DTC's automatic tender offer program, or ATOP. The exchange agent will establish an account with DTC for purposes of the exchange offers promptly after the commencement of the exchange offers, and DTC participants may electronically transmit their acceptance of the exchange offers by causing DTC to transfer their original notes to the exchange agent using the ATOP procedures. In connection with the transfer, DTC will send an "agent's message" to the exchange agent. The agent's message will state that DTC has received instructions from the participant to tender original notes and that the participant agrees to be bound by the terms of the letter of transmittal.

By using the ATOP procedures to exchange original notes, you will not be required to deliver a letter of transmittal to the exchange agent. However, you will be bound by its terms just as if you had signed it. The form of the letter of transmittal is set forth in Annex A to this prospectus.

**Determinations Under the Exchange Offers** 

We will determine in our sole discretion all questions as to the validity, form, eligibility, time of receipt, acceptance of tendered original notes and withdrawal of tendered original notes. Our determination will be final and binding. We reserve the absolute right to reject any original notes not properly tendered or any original notes our acceptance of which would, in the opinion of our counsel, be unlawful. We also reserve the right to waive any defect, irregularities or conditions of tender as to particular original notes. Our interpretation of the terms and

conditions of the exchange offers, including the instructions in the letter of transmittal, will be final and binding on all parties. Unless waived, all defects or irregularities in connection with tenders of original notes must be cured within such time as we shall determine. Although we intend to notify holders of defects or irregularities with respect to tenders of original notes, neither we, the exchange agent nor any other person will incur any liability for failure to give such notification. Tenders of original notes will not be deemed made until such defects or irregularities have been cured or waived. Any original notes received by the exchange agent that are not properly tendered and as to which the defects or irregularities have not been cured or waived will be returned to the tendering holder as soon as practicable after the Expiration Date of the exchange.

When We Will Issue Exchange Notes

In all cases, we will issue exchange notes for original notes that we have accepted for exchange under the exchange offers only after the exchange agent receives, prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the Expiration Date:

a book-entry confirmation of such number of original notes into the exchange agent's account at DTC; and a properly transmitted agent's message.

Return of Original Notes Not Accepted or Exchanged

If we do not accept any tendered original notes for exchange or if original notes are submitted for a greater principal amount than the holder desires to exchange, the unaccepted or non-exchanged original notes will be returned without expense to their tendering holder. Such non-exchanged original notes will be credited to an account maintained with DTC. These actions will occur as promptly as practicable after the expiration or termination of the exchange offers. Participating Broker-Dealers

Each broker-dealer that receives exchange notes for its own account in exchange for original notes, where those original notes were acquired by such broker-dealer as a result of marketmaking activities or other trading activities, must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of those exchange notes. See "Plan of Distribution."

Acceptance of Original Notes for Exchange; Delivery of Exchange Notes Issued in the Exchange Offers Following completion of the exchange offers, on the settlement date exchange notes to be issued in exchange for original notes in the exchange offers, if consummated, will be delivered in book-entry form.

We will be deemed to accept validly tendered original notes that have not been validly withdrawn as provided in this prospectus when, and if, we give oral or written notice of acceptance to the exchange agent. Subject to the terms and conditions of the exchange offers, delivery of the exchange notes will be made by the exchange agent on the settlement date following receipt of that notice. The exchange agent will act as agent for tendering holders of original notes for the purpose of receiving original notes and transmitting exchange notes as of the settlement date. If any tendered original notes are not accepted for any reason described in the terms and conditions of the exchange offers, such unaccepted original notes will be returned without expense to the tendering holders as promptly as practicable after the expiration or termination of the exchange offers.

# **Book-Entry Transfer**

The participant should transmit its acceptance to DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, on or prior to the Expiration Date. DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, will verify the acceptance and then send to the exchange agent confirmation of the book-entry transfer. The confirmation of the book-entry transfer will be deemed to include an agent's message confirming that DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, has received an express acknowledgment from the participant that the participant has received and agrees to be bound by the letter of transmittal and that we may enforce the letter of transmittal against such participant. Delivery of exchange notes issued in the exchange offers may be effected through book-entry transfer at DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be. However, the letter of transmittal or facsimile thereof or an agent's message, with

any required signature guarantees and any other required documents, must be transmitted to and received by the exchange agent at the address set forth below under "—Exchange Agent" on or prior to the Expiration Date. DTC's ATOP program is the only method of processing exchange offers through DTC. To accept exchange offers through ATOP, participants in DTC must send electronic instructions to DTC through DTC's communication system. In addition, unless an agent's message is transmitted in lieu thereof, such tendering participants should deliver a copy of the letter of transmittal to the exchange agent. DTC is obligated to communicate those electronic instructions to the exchange agent through an agent's message. Any instruction through ATOP, such as an agent's message, is at your risk and such instruction will be deemed made only when actually received by the exchange agent.

In order for an acceptance of exchange offers through ATOP to be valid, an agent's message must be transmitted to and received by the exchange agent prior to the Expiration Date. Delivery of instructions to DTC does not constitute delivery to the exchange agent.

Withdrawal of Tenders

Tenders of original notes may be withdrawn at any time prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the Expiration Date.

For a withdrawal to be effective, you must comply with the appropriate ATOP procedures. Any notice of withdrawal must specify the name and number of the account at DTC to be credited with withdrawn original notes and otherwise comply with the ATOP procedures.

We will determine all questions as to the validity, form, eligibility and time of receipt of a notice of withdrawal. Our determination shall be final and binding on all parties. We will deem any original notes so withdrawn not to have been validly tendered for exchange for purposes of the exchange offers.

Any original notes that have been tendered for exchange but that are not exchanged for any reason will be credited to an account maintained with DTC for the original notes. This return or crediting will take place as soon as practicable after withdrawal, rejection of tender, expiration or termination of the exchange offers. You may retender properly withdrawn original notes by following the procedures described under "—Procedures for Tendering" above at any time on or prior to the Expiration Date.

#### Conditions to the Exchange Offers

Notwithstanding any other provision of the exchange offers, we may (a) refuse to accept any original notes and return all tendered original notes to the tendering holders, (b) extend the exchange offers and retain all original notes tendered before the expiration of the exchange offers, subject, however, to the rights of holders to withdraw those original notes, or (c) to the extent lawful, waive the unsatisfied conditions with respect to the exchange offers and accept all properly tendered original notes that have not been previously validly withdrawn, if we determine, in our reasonable judgment, that (i) the exchange offers violate applicable law or any applicable interpretation of the staff of the SEC; (ii) an action or proceeding shall have been instituted or threatened in any court or by any governmental agency which might materially impair our ability to proceed with the exchange offers or a material adverse development shall have occurred in any existing action or proceeding with respect to us; or (iii) all governmental approvals that we deem necessary for the consummation of the exchange offers have not been obtained. The foregoing conditions are for our sole benefit and may be asserted by us regardless of the circumstances giving rise to any such condition or may be waived by us in whole or in part at any time and from time to time. The failure by us at any time to exercise any of the foregoing rights shall not be deemed a waiver of any of those rights and each of those rights shall be deemed an ongoing right which may be asserted at any time and from time to time. In addition, we will not accept for exchange any original notes tendered, and no exchange notes will be issued in exchange for those original notes, if at such time any stop order shall be threatened or in effect with respect to the registration statement of which this prospectus constitutes a part or with respect to the qualification of the indenture governing the exchange notes under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended. In any such an event, we are required to use every reasonable effort to obtain the withdrawal of any stop order at the earliest possible time.

#### Effect of Not Tendering

Holders who desire to tender their original notes in exchange for exchange notes should allow sufficient time to ensure timely delivery. Neither the exchange agent nor we are under any duty to give notification of defects or irregularities with respect to the tenders of original notes for exchange.

Original notes that are not tendered or are tendered but not accepted will, following the consummation of the exchange offers, continue to accrue interest and to be subject to the provisions in the indenture regarding the transfer and exchange of the original notes and the existing restrictions on transfer set forth in the legend on the original notes and in the offering circulars relating to the original notes dated July 25, 2012 and September 18, 2012 (in the case of the original senior notes) and September 18, 2012 (in the case of the original senior subordinated notes). After completion of these exchange offers, we will have no further obligation to provide for the registration under the Securities Act of those original notes except in limited circumstances with respect to specific types of holders of original notes and we do not otherwise intend to register the original notes under the Securities Act. In general, original notes, unless registered under the Securities Act, may not be offered or sold except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws.

**Exchange Agent** 

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association has been appointed as exchange agent for the exchange offers. Questions, requests for assistance and requests for additional copies of this prospectus or of the letter of transmittal should be directed to the exchange agent addressed as follows:

By Registered and Certified Mail:

By Overnight Courier or Regular Mail:

By Hand Delivery:

Wells Fargo Bank, National

Association

Corporate Trust Services 608 2nd Avenue South

Northstar East Building—12th

Floor

Minneapolis, MN 55402

**Corporate Trust Operations** 

MAC N9303-121 P.O. Box 1517

Minneapolis, MN 55480

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association Wells Fargo Bank, National Association **Corporate Trust Operations** 

MAC N9303-121

6th & Marquette Avenue Minneapolis, MN 55479

By Facsimile Transmission:

(612) 667-6282

Confirm by Telephone:

(800) 344-5128

#### Fees and Expenses

We will bear the expenses of soliciting tenders of the original notes. The principal solicitation is being made by mail and by electronic transmission through DTC. Additional solicitations may, however, be made by e-mail, facsimile transmission, telephone or in person by the exchange agent as well as our officers and other employees and those of our affiliates.

We have not retained any dealer-manager in connection with these exchange offers and will not make any payments to broker-dealers or others soliciting acceptances of the exchange offers. However, we will pay the exchange agent reasonable and customary fees for its services and will reimburse it for its reasonable out-of-pocket expenses. Tendering holders of original notes will not be required to pay any fee or commission to the exchange agent. If, however, a tendering holder handles the transaction through its commercial bank, broker, dealer, trust company or other institution, that holder may be required to pay brokerage fees or commissions.

#### **Accounting Treatment**

We will record the exchange notes at the same carrying value as the original notes, as reflected in our accounting records on the date of the exchange. Accordingly, we will not recognize any gain or loss for accounting

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purposes as the terms of the exchange notes are substantially identical to those of the original notes. The expenses of the exchange offers will be amortized over the terms of the exchange notes.

**Transfer Taxes** 

Holders who tender their original notes for exchange will not be obligated to pay any transfer taxes in connection with that tender or exchange, except that holders who instruct us to register exchange notes in the name of, or who request that original notes not tendered or not accepted in the exchange offers be returned to, a person other than the registered tendering holder will be responsible for the payment of any applicable transfer tax on those original notes.

Exchange Offers Registration Statement; Additional Interest

Under the registration rights agreements, we have agreed that if:

- (1) any change in law or applicable interpretation of the staff of the SEC does not permit us to effect the exchange offers:
- (2) for any other reason the exchange offers are not consummated by 360 days from August 8, 2012 for the senior notes, or from October 2, 2012 for the senior subordinated notes, respectively;
- (3) any initial purchaser of the original notes named in the Registration Rights Agreement notifies us that:
- (a) it is prohibited by law or SEC policy from participating in the exchange offers; or
- (b) it holds original notes that are or were ineligible to be exchanged in the exchange offers.

then we will use our commercially reasonable efforts, at our cost, to (a) file as reasonably promptly as practicable a registration statement (the "shelf registration statement") covering resales of the relevant notes; (b) cause the shelf registration statement to be declared effective under the Securities Act and (c) use our commercially reasonable efforts to keep the shelf registration statement continuously effective until the earliest of (x) the date that is two years from August 8, 2012 (in the case of the senior notes) or October 2, 2012 (in the case of the senior subordinated notes), or (y) such shorter period ending when all registrable securities covered by the initial shelf registration statement have been sold in a manner set forth and as contemplated in the initial shelf registration statement or, if applicable, a subsequent shelf registration statement (the "effectiveness period").

We will, in the event a shelf registration statement is filed, among other things, provide to each holder for whom such shelf registration statement was filed copies of the prospectus which is a part of the shelf registration statement, notify each such holder when the shelf registration statement has become effective and take certain other actions as are required to permit unrestricted resales of the notes. A holder selling original notes or exchange notes pursuant to the shelf registration statement generally would be required to be named as a selling security holder in the related prospectus and to deliver a prospectus to purchasers, will be subject to certain of the civil liability provisions under the Securities Act in connection with such sales and will be bound by the provisions of the registration rights agreement which are applicable to such holder (including certain indemnification obligations).

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the registration rights agreements, at any time, we may delay the filing of any initial shelf registration Statement or delay or suspend the effectiveness thereof, for a reasonable period of time, but not in excess of 45 consecutive days or more than three (3) times during any calendar year (each, a "shelf suspension period"), if our board of directors determines reasonably and in good faith that the filing of any such initial shelf registration statement or the continuing effectiveness thereof would require the disclosure of non-public material information that, in the reasonable judgment of our board of directors, would be detrimental to us if so disclosed or would otherwise materially adversely affect a financing, acquisition, disposition, merger or other material transaction or such action is required by applicable law; provided however that the effectiveness period shall be extended for the number of days of any such shelf suspension period exercised by us.

The registration rights agreements further provides that in the event that either (each such event referred to in clauses (a) through (b), a "registration default"):

we have not exchanged exchange notes for all notes validly tendered in accordance with the terms of the exchange offers, or a shelf registration statement has not been declared effective on or prior

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to 360 days from August 8, 2012 for the senior notes, and October 2, 2012 for the senior subordinated notes, respectively; or

if applicable, a shelf registration statement has been declared effective and such shelf registration statement ceases (b) to be effective at any time during the effectiveness period (other than because of the sale of all of the notes registered thereunder);

then additional interest shall accrue on the principal amount of the senior notes and/or the senior subordinated notes, as the case may be, at a rate of 0.25% per annum (which rate will be increased by an additional 0.25% per annum for each subsequent 90-day period that such additional interest continues to accrue, provided that the rate at which such additional interest accrues may in no event exceed 1.00% per annum) (such additional interest to be calculated by us) commencing on (x) the 361st day after August 8, 2012 (in the case of the senior notes) or October 2, 2012 (in the case of the senior subordinated notes), in the case of clause (a), or (y) the day such shelf registration statement ceases to be effective, in the case of clause (b); provided, however, that upon the exchange of the exchange notes for all original notes tendered (in the case of clause (a)), or upon the effectiveness of the applicable shelf registration statement which had ceased to remain effective (in the case of clause (b)), additional interest on such notes will cease to accrue. Other

Participation in these exchange offers is voluntary, and you should carefully consider whether to participate. You are urged to consult your financial and tax advisors in making your own decision as to what action to take.

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#### **USE OF PROCEEDS**

The exchange offers are intended to satisfy certain of our obligations under the registration rights agreements. We will not receive any proceeds from the issuance of the exchange notes in the exchange offers. In exchange for each of the exchange notes, we will receive original notes in like principal amount. We will retire or cancel all of the original notes tendered in the exchange offers. Accordingly, issuance of the exchange notes will not result in any change in our capitalization.

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# **CAPITALIZATION**

The following table sets forth our cash, cash equivalents and capitalization as of February 28, 2013:

You should read this table in conjunction with "Use of Proceeds," "Description of Other Indebtedness," and our consolidated financial statements and the related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus.

|                                             | r                 |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| (in millions)                               | February 28, 2013 |
| Cash and cash equivalents                   | \$217.4           |
| Debt                                        |                   |
| Non-U.S. facility                           | \$2.6             |
| USD Term loan facility                      | \$2,226.7         |
| EUR Term loan facility (€829.2)             | \$1,085.0         |
| USD/EUR Cash flow revolving credit facility | \$/€ —            |
| Asset-based revolving credit facility       | <del></del>       |
| 10% senior cash pay notes due 2017          | <del></del>       |
| 10 %/11 % senior PIK toggle notes due 2017  | <del></del>       |
| 11 % senior subordinated notes              | <del>_</del>      |
| 6.500% senior notes due 2020                | \$1,825.0         |
| 6.500% senior subordinated notes due 2020   | \$800.0           |
| Premium on notes                            | \$39.1            |
| Total debt                                  | \$5,978.4         |
| Shareholder's equity                        | \$2,266.0         |
| Total capitalization                        | \$8,244.4         |
|                                             |                   |

# SELECTED HISTORICAL CONSOLIDATED AND UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL AND OTHER DATA

The following table presents our selected historical financial information for the periods and at the dates indicated. The statement of operations data presented below for the years ended May 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, and balance sheet data as of May 31, 2012 and 2011, were derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of Biomet included in this prospectus. The statement of operations data presented below for the years ended May 31, 2009 and for the periods from July 12, 2007 to May 31, 2008 and from June 1, 2007 to July 11, 2007, and the balance sheet data as of May 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008 were derived from audited consolidated financial statements not included in this prospectus.

The selected historical interim financial data for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 and February 29, 2012, and as of February 28, 2013, have been derived from our unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. The unaudited financial data presented has been prepared on a basis consistent with our audited consolidated financial statements. In the opinion of management, such unaudited financial data reflect all adjustments, consisting only of normal and recurring adjustments, necessary for a fair presentation of the results for those periods. Certain amounts recorded in previous periods have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation.

The selected historical and unaudited consolidated financial and other data to be read in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and our audited and unaudited consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. Statement of Operations Data

| 1                                                | (Unaudited)               |                   |   |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---|--|--|--|
|                                                  | For the Nine Months Ended |                   |   |  |  |  |
| (in millions)                                    | February 28, 2013         | February 29, 2012 |   |  |  |  |
| Net sales                                        | \$2,269.0                 | \$2,098.6         |   |  |  |  |
| Cost of sales                                    | 736.0                     | 669.9             |   |  |  |  |
| Gross profit                                     | 1,533.0                   | 1,428.7           |   |  |  |  |
| Selling, general and administrative expense      | 886.7                     | 800.9             |   |  |  |  |
| Research and development expense                 | 107.2                     | 93.2              |   |  |  |  |
| Amortization                                     | 230.2                     | 250.0             |   |  |  |  |
| Goodwill and intangible assets impairment charge | 334.1                     | _                 |   |  |  |  |
| Operating income (loss)                          | (25.2)                    | 284.6             |   |  |  |  |
| Interest expense                                 | 310.8                     | 363.4             |   |  |  |  |
| Other (income) expense                           | 172.4                     | 9.3               |   |  |  |  |
| Loss before income taxes                         | (508.4)                   | (88.1             | ) |  |  |  |
| Benefit from income taxes                        | (106.2)                   | (18.4)            | ) |  |  |  |
| Net loss                                         | \$(402.2)                 | \$(69.7)          | ) |  |  |  |

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|                                                  | Successor  |      |           |     |           |   |           |   | July 12,<br>2007 | Predeces<br>June 1,<br>2007  | sor |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------|------|-----------|-----|-----------|---|-----------|---|------------------|------------------------------|-----|
|                                                  | Fiscal Yea | ır ] | Ended May | y 3 | 1,        |   |           |   | to               | to                           |     |
| (in millions)                                    | 2012       |      | 2011      |     | 2010      |   | 2009      |   | May 31,<br>2008  | July 11, 2007 <sup>(1)</sup> |     |
| Net sales                                        | \$2,838.1  |      | \$2,732.2 |     | \$2,698.0 |   | \$2,504.1 |   | \$2,134.5        | \$248.8                      |     |
| Cost of sales                                    | 894.4      |      | 838.7     |     | 819.9     |   | 828.4     |   | 814.7            | 102.3                        |     |
| Gross profit                                     | 1,943.7    |      | 1,893.5   |     | 1,878.1   |   | 1,675.7   |   | 1,319.8          | 146.5                        |     |
| Selling, general and administrative expense      | 1,053.3    |      | 1,041.7   |     | 1,042.3   |   | 1,003.6   |   | 1,097.6          | 194.2                        |     |
| Research and development expense                 | 126.8      |      | 119.4     |     | 106.6     |   | 93.5      |   | 82.2             | 34.0                         |     |
| In-process research and development              | _          |      | _         |     |           |   | _         |   | 479.0            | _                            |     |
| Amortization                                     | 327.2      |      | 367.9     |     | 372.6     |   | 375.8     |   | 329.3            | 0.5                          |     |
| Goodwill and intangible assets impairment charge | 529.8      |      | 941.4     |     |           |   | 551.1     |   |                  | _                            |     |
| Operating income (loss)                          | (93.4      | )    | (576.9    | )   | 356.6     |   | (348.3    | ) | (668.3           | )(82.2                       | )   |
| Interest expense                                 | 479.8      |      | 498.9     |     | 516.4     |   | 550.3     |   | 516.3            | 0.3                          |     |
| Other (income) expense                           | 17.6       |      | (11.2     | )   | (18.1     | ) | 21.8      |   | 9.7              | (0.6                         | )   |
| Loss before income taxes                         | (590.8     | )    | (1,064.6  | )   | (141.7    | ) | (920.4    | ) | (1,194.3)        | )(81.9                       | )   |
| Benefit from income taxes                        | (132.0     | )    | (214.8    | )   | (94.1     | ) | (171.2    | ) | (230.1           | )(27.3                       | )   |
| Net loss                                         | \$(458.8   | )    | \$(849.8  | )   | \$(47.6   | ) | \$(749.2  | ) | \$(964.2         | )\$(54.6                     | )   |

The successor and predecessor periods together are not comparable to the preceding Predecessor period presented above due to a new basis of accounting as of the completion of the Offer on July 12, 2007.

| Balance | Sheet Data |
|---------|------------|
|---------|------------|

| (in millions)                           | (Unaudited)<br>February 28,<br>2013 | May 31, 2012 | May 31, 2011 | May 31, 2010 | May 31, 2009 | May 31, 2008 |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Current assets less current liabilities | \$1,118.0                           | \$1,200.8    | \$1,079.0    | \$786.5      | \$756.9      | \$785.2      |
| Total assets                            | 10,001.7                            | 10,420.4     | 11,357.0     | 11,969.0     | 12,600.9     | 13,781.8     |
| Total debt                              | 5,978.4                             | 5,827.8      | 6,020.3      | 5,896.5      | 6,212.7      | 6,300.8      |
| Shareholder's equity                    | 2,266.0                             | 2,682.1      | 3,175.1      | 3,733.5      | 3,840.3      | 4,836.3      |

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations contains forward-looking statements, which are subject to numerous risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to, those described in "Risk Factors" and "Forward-Looking Statements." Actual results may differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements.

Overview

**Executive Overview** 

Our net sales increased 8% for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 to \$2,269.0 million, compared to \$2,098.6 million for the nine months ended February 29, 2012, driven primarily by our acquisition of DePuy's worldwide trauma business (the "Trauma Acquisition") as described below. Our net sales for the year ended May 31, 2012, increased 4% to \$2,838.1 million, compared to \$2,732.2 million for the year ended May 31, 2011. The effect of foreign currency fluctuations negatively impacted reported net sales for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 by \$37.3 million, with Europe reported net sales negatively impacted by \$26.8 million, or 5%, and International reported net sales negatively impacted by \$10.5 million, or 4%. For the year ended May 31, 2012, the effect of foreign currency fluctuations positively impacted reported net sales by \$15.3 million, with Europe reported net sales positively impacted by \$2.9 million and International reporting net sales positively impacted by \$12.4 million. The following represents key sales growth statistics for the nine months ended February 28, 2013, in each case compared to the nine months ended February 29, 2012, and for the year ended May 31, 2012 compared to the year ended May 31, 2011, respectively:

- Large Joint Reconstructive product sales were flat worldwide and increased 1% in the U.S. for the nine months ended February 28, 2013, and 4% worldwide and 3% in the U.S. for the year ended May 31, 2012. S.E.T. product sales, including the Trauma Acquisition, increased 67% worldwide and 60% in the U.S. for
- the nine months ended February 28, 2013, and 13% worldwide and 13% in the U.S. for the year ended May 31, 2012.
- Spine & Bone Healing product sales were flat worldwide and in the U.S. for the nine months ended February 28, 2013, and decreased 4% worldwide and 5% in the U.S. for the year ended May 31, 2012.

  Dental product sales decreased 5% worldwide and increased 5% in the U.S. for the nine months ended
- February 28, 2013, and decreased 1% worldwide and increased 8% in the U.S. for the year ended May 31, 2012.
- Other product sales increased 1% worldwide and were flat in the U.S. for the nine months ended February 28, 2013, and increased 6% worldwide and increased 1% in the U.S. for the year ended May 31, 2012.

On May 24, 2012, DePuy Orthopaedics, Inc. accepted our binding offer to purchase certain assets representing substantially all of DePuy's worldwide trauma business, which involves researching, developing, manufacturing, marketing, distributing and selling products to treat certain bone fractures or deformities in the human body. On June 15, 2012, the Company announced the initial closing of the transaction. During the first and second quarters of fiscal year 2013, subsequent closings in various foreign countries occurred on a staggered basis, with the final closing occurring on December 7, 2012.

We have been active in the capital markets during fiscal year 2013. Our objectives included reducing market risk by extending the maturity on the majority of our term loans from March 2015 to July 2017, reducing the cost of our capital structure and retaining access to liquidity through the refinancing of our cash flow and asset-based revolvers.

#### **Our Business**

We design, manufacture and market a comprehensive range of both surgical and non-surgical products used primarily by orthopedic surgeons and other musculoskeletal medical specialists. We operate in one reportable business segment, musculoskeletal products, which includes the design, manufacture and marketing of products in five major product categories: Large Joint Reconstructive, S.E.T., Spine & Bone Healing, Dental and Other Products. We have three geographic markets: United States, Europe and International. Our current product categories include:

Large Joint Reconstructive Products, which represented 56% of our net sales for the nine months ended February 28, 2013, and 60% of our net sales for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2012, include knees and hips. We also produce some of the associated instruments required by orthopedic surgeons to implant our reconstructive products, as well as bone cements and cement delivery systems. Orthopedic reconstructive implants are used to replace joints that have deteriorated as a result of disease (principally osteoarthritis) or injury. Reconstructive joint surgery involves the modification of the area surrounding the affected joint and the implantation of one or more manufactured components, and may involve the use of bone cement.

S.E.T. Products, which represented 19% of our net sales for the nine months ended February 28, 2013, and 12% of our net sales for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2012, include sports medicine, extremity, and trauma products. Our sports medicine products are used in minimally-invasive orthopedic surgical procedures. Extremity products include reconstructive implants that are used to replace joints, other than hips and knees, that have deteriorated as a result of disease or injury. Our primary reconstructive joint in this product category is the shoulder, but we produce other joints as well. Trauma devices are used for setting and stabilizing damaged bones to support and/or augment the body's natural healing process. Trauma products include internal fixation devices (such as nails, plates, screws, pins and wires designed to stabilize traumatic bone injuries) and external fixation devices (utilized to stabilize fractures when alternative methods of fixation are not suitable).

Spine & Bone Healing Products, which represented 10% of our net sales for the nine months ended February 28, 2013, and 11% of our net sales for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2012, include spinal fixation systems for cervical, thoracolumbar, deformity correction and spacer applications; implantable and non-invasive electrical stimulation devices for spinal applications; and osteobiologics, including bone substitute materials, as well as allograft services for spinal applications. Bone Healing products include electrical stimulation devices used for trauma indications, offering implantable and non-invasive options to stimulate bone growth, as well as orthopedic support products (also referred to as bracing products).

Dental Products, which represented 8% of our net sales for the nine months ended February 28, 2013, and 9% of our net sales for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2012, include dental reconstructive devices and associated instrumentation that are used for oral rehabilitation through the replacement of teeth and repair of hard and soft tissues. We also offer crown and bridge products.

Other Products, which represented 7% or our net sales for the nine months ended February 28, 2013, and 8% of our net sales for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2012, include microfixation products, autologous therapies, operating room supplies, casting materials, general surgical instruments, wound care products and other surgical products. We have operations in over 50 locations, distribute our products in approximately 90 countries throughout the world and manage our operations through three geographic markets mentioned above. We are the fourth largest competitor in the U.S. orthopedic reconstructive market and have maintained this position for over a decade. We supply products to over 60% of U.S. hospitals performing joint replacement surgery. In addition, we are a leading provider in manufacturing and marketing of dental reconstructive devices worldwide, electrical stimulation and craniomaxillofacial fields. We have a long history of innovation, engineering quality and successful new product launches.

#### Opportunities and Challenges

Our results of operations could be substantially affected not only by global economic conditions, but also by local operating and economic conditions, which can vary substantially by market. Unfavorable conditions can depress sales in a given market and may result in actions that adversely affect our margins, constrain our operating flexibility or result in charges which are unusual or non-recurring. Certain macroeconomic events, such as the

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current adverse conditions in the global economy, could have a more wide-ranging and prolonged impact on the general business environment, which could also adversely affect us.

In the United States, healthcare providers that purchase our products (e.g., hospitals, physicians, dentists and other health care providers) generally rely on payments from third-party payors (principally federal Medicare, state Medicaid and private health insurance plans) to cover all or a portion of the cost of our musculoskeletal products. In March 2010, comprehensive health care reform legislation was enacted through the Patient Protection and Affordable Health Care Act (H.R. 3590) and the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act (H.R. 4872). Among other initiatives, these bills impose a 2.3% excise tax on domestic sales of medical devices following December 31, 2012, which is estimated to contribute approximately \$20 billion to healthcare reform. Various healthcare reform proposals have also emerged at the state level. Except for the excise tax, which has impacted results of operations starting January 1, 2013, we cannot predict with certainty what healthcare initiatives, if any, will be implemented at the state level, or what the ultimate effect of federal health care reform or any future legislation or regulation will have on us. However, an expansion in government's role in the U.S. healthcare industry may lower reimbursements for our products, may result in incremental pricing pressure, reduce medical procedure volumes and thereby adversely affect our business and results of operations, possibly materially.

Outside the United States, reimbursement systems vary significantly from country to country. If adequate levels of reimbursement from third-party payors outside the United States are not obtained, international sales of our products may decline. Many foreign markets, including Canada and some European and Asian countries, have decreased reimbursement rates. Our ability to continue to sell certain products profitably in these markets may diminish if the government-managed healthcare systems continue to reduce reimbursement rates, which can decrease pricing and procedural volume.

# Seasonality

Our business is somewhat seasonal in nature, as many of our products are used in elective procedures, which typically decline during the summer months, particularly in European countries, and the winter holiday season.

# **Results of Operations**

For the Nine Months Ended February 28, 2013 Compared to the Nine Months Ended February 29, 2012

| (in millions, except percentages)                | Nine Months<br>Ended February<br>28, 2013 | Percentage of Net Sales | of | Nine Months<br>Ended February<br>29, 2012 | Percentage of<br>Net Sales | f  | Percentage<br>Increase/<br>(Decrease) |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----|---------------------------------------|---|
| Net sales                                        | \$2,269.0                                 | 100                     | %  | \$2,098.6                                 | 100                        | %  | 8                                     | % |
| Cost of sales                                    | 736.0                                     | 32                      |    | 669.9                                     | 32                         |    | 10                                    |   |
| Gross profit                                     | 1,533.0                                   | 68                      |    | 1,428.7                                   | 68                         |    | 7                                     |   |
| Selling, general and administrative expense      | 886.7                                     | 39                      |    | 800.9                                     | 38                         |    | 11                                    |   |
| Research and development expense                 | t 107.2                                   | 5                       |    | 93.2                                      | 4                          |    | 15                                    |   |
| Amortization                                     | 230.2                                     | 10                      |    | 250.0                                     | 12                         |    | (8                                    | ) |
| Goodwill and intangible assets impairment charge | 334.1                                     | 15                      |    | _                                         | _                          |    | *                                     |   |
| Operating income (loss)                          | (25.2)                                    | (1                      | )  | 284.6                                     | 14                         |    | *                                     |   |
| Interest expense                                 | 310.8                                     | 14                      |    | 363.4                                     | 17                         |    | (14                                   | ) |
| Other (income) expense                           | 172.4                                     | 8                       |    | 9.3                                       |                            |    | *                                     |   |
| Other expense, net                               | 483.2                                     | 21                      |    | 372.7                                     | 18                         |    | *                                     |   |
| Loss before income taxes                         | (508.4)                                   | (22                     | )  | (88.1)                                    | (4                         | )  | *                                     |   |
| Provision (benefit) from income taxes            | (106.2)                                   | (5                      | )  | (18.4)                                    | (1                         | )  | *                                     |   |
| Net loss                                         | \$(402.2)                                 | (18                     | )% | \$(69.7)                                  | (3                         | )% | *                                     |   |
|                                                  |                                           |                         |    |                                           |                            |    |                                       |   |

<sup>\*</sup> The percentage change is not as meaningful as the change in the dollar value. Sales

Net sales were \$2,269.0 million for the nine months ended February 28, 2013, and \$2,098.6 million for the nine months ended February 29, 2012. The primary driver for the increase in sales was the Trauma Acquisition. The following tables provide net sales by geography and product category:

Geography Sales Summary

| (in millions, except percentages) | Nine Months<br>Ended February<br>28, 2013 | Percentage of Net Sales | of | Nine Months<br>Ended February<br>29, 2012 | Percentage of<br>Net Sales |   | Percentage<br>Increase/<br>(Decrease) |   |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|
| United States                     | \$1,395.9                                 | 62                      | %  | \$1,273.8                                 | 61                         | % | 10                                    | % |
| Europe                            | 521.5                                     | 23                      |    | 520.3                                     | 25                         |   |                                       |   |
| International (1)                 | 351.6                                     | 15                      |    | 304.5                                     | 14                         |   | 15                                    |   |
| Total                             | \$2,269.0                                 | 100                     | %  | \$2,098.6                                 | 100                        | % | 8                                     | % |

<sup>(1)</sup>International primarily includes Canada, South America, Mexico and the Asia Pacific region.

# **Product Category Summary**

| (in millions, except percentages     | Nine Months<br>3)Ended February<br>28, 2013 | Percentage of Net Sales | of | Nine Months Ended<br>February 29, 2012 <sup>(1)</sup> | _   | e of | Percentage<br>Increase/<br>(Decrease) |   |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----|-------------------------------------------------------|-----|------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Large Joint Reconstructive           | \$1,261.1                                   | 56                      | %  | \$ 1,259.2                                            | 60  | %    | _                                     | % |
| Sports, Extremities, Trauma (S.E.T.) | 440.9                                       | 19                      |    | 263.4                                                 | 13  |      | 67                                    |   |
| Spine & Bone Healing                 | 224.3                                       | 10                      |    | 224.9                                                 | 11  |      |                                       |   |
| Dental                               | 188.5                                       | 8                       |    | 198.5                                                 | 9   |      | (5                                    | ) |
| Other                                | 154.2                                       | 7                       |    | 152.6                                                 | 7   |      | 1                                     |   |
| Total                                | \$2,269.0                                   | 100                     | %  | \$ 2,098.6                                            | 100 | %    | 8                                     | % |

<sup>(1)</sup> Certain amounts have been adjusted to conform to the current presentation. The current presentation aligns with how we presently manage and market our products.

We were affected by large unfavorable currency fluctuations during the first quarter of fiscal year 2013 as compared to the first quarter of fiscal year 2012.

# Large Joint Reconstructive

Net sales of large joint reconstructive products for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 were \$1,261.1 million, or 56% of consolidated net sales, compared to net sales of \$1,259.2 million, or 60% of consolidated net sales, during the nine months ended February 29, 2012. Unfavorable foreign currency translation negatively impacted our large joint reconstructive product sales during the nine month period by \$23.4 million. Pricing for knees and hips declined during the nine month period on a year-over-year basis in the low single digit range, which is generally consistent with pricing trends we have experienced over the last few years.

Knee product sales were flat worldwide and increased 1% in the United States during the nine months ended February 28, 2013, compared to the nine months ended February 29, 2012. Unfavorable foreign currency translation negatively impacted our knee sales. Key products during the nine month period ended February 28, 2013 included our Vanguard® SSK 360 Revision System, the Signature<sup>TM</sup> Personalized Patient Care System, E1® Vitamin E infused bearings and the OSS<sup>TM</sup> (Orthopaedic Salvage System). Procedure volume and mix growth during the nine month period was partially offset by price pressures.

Hip product sales were flat worldwide and increased 2% in the United States during the nine months ended February 28, 2013, compared to the nine months ended February 29, 2012. Unfavorable foreign currency translation negatively impacted our hip sales. We continued to see strong market demand for our Arcos® Modular Femoral Revision System and our new Taperloc® Complete Hip Stem during the nine month period ended February 28, 2013. In addition, the Microplasty® version of the Taperloc® Complete Hip Stem and the GTS (Global Tissue Sparing) short stem received strong market acceptance. Key acetabular products included the Ringloc®+ cup, E1® and ArCom XL® bearings, as well as our Active Articulation<sup>TM</sup> Systems that are available with E1® or ArCom XL® liners. In Europe, our Exceed ABT (Advanced Bearing Technologies) System received strong market demand during the nine month period ended February 28, 2013. Procedure volume and mix growth during the nine month period was partially offset by price pressures.

Sales of bone cement and other reconstructive products were flat worldwide and increased 4% in the United States during the nine months ended February 28, 2013, compared to the nine months ended February 29, 2012. Demand for our Cobalt<sup>TM</sup> MV (Medium Viscosity) and HV (High Viscosity) cements with Gentamicin contributed to our sales in this category. The Optipac® Pre-Packed Cement Mixing System continued to be well received in the European market during the nine months ended February 28, 2013. Demand for our StageOne<sup>TM</sup> Knee and Modular Hip Cement Spacer Molds continued to increase.

# S.E.T.

Worldwide net sales of S.E.T. products for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 were \$440.9 million, or 19% of consolidated net sales, representing a 67% increase compared to net sales of \$263.4 million, or 13% of consolidated

net sales, during the nine months ended February 29, 2012. S.E.T. sales, excluding the Trauma Acquisition, increased 10% worldwide and 12% in the U.S. Trauma Acquisition sales of \$150.9 million were excluded in order to provide period-over-period comparability. Unfavorable foreign currency translation negatively impacted our S.E.T. sales by \$5.8 million.

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Sports medicine sales increased 8% worldwide, with a 1% sales increase in the United States, during the nine months ended February 28, 2013, compared to the nine months ended February 29, 2012. The sales increase was primarily driven by strong demand for our JuggerKnot<sup>TM</sup> brand, which includes soft anchors to repair the shoulder, hand and wrist, and foot and ankle. Additional key products contributing to the sales growth were the TunneLoc® Tibial Fixation Device and the ToggleLoc<sup>TM</sup> Femoral Fixation Device, both with and without ZipLoop<sup>TM</sup> Technology and the Repicci II® Resurfacing Knee System.

Extremity product sales increased 18% worldwide, with a 26% sales increase in the United States, during the nine months ended February 28, 2013, compared to the nine months ended February 29, 2012. The increase was driven by strong market demand for our Comprehensive® product lines including our Primary, Reverse and S.R.S. (Segmental Revision System) Shoulder Systems.

Trauma product sales increased 250% worldwide and 242% in the United States, during the nine months ended February 28, 2013, compared to the nine months ended February 29, 2012, driven by \$150.9 million of sales related to the Trauma Acquisition. Trauma sales, excluding the Trauma Acquisition, decreased 1% worldwide and increased 3% in the U.S. Key products acquired as a result of the Trauma Acquisition include the DVR® Anatomic Volar Plating Systems, the A.L.P.S.<sup>TM</sup> Plating Systems, and the AFFIXUS® Hip Fracture Nails.

## Spine & Bone Healing

Worldwide net sales of spine & bone healing products for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 were \$224.3 million, or 10% of consolidated net sales, compared to net sales of \$224.9 million, or 11% of consolidated net sales, for the nine months ended February 29, 2012. Spine & Bone Healing sales were flat during the nine month period primarily due to increased royalty revenue, which was offset by mid-single-digit price erosion, soft volumes due to the general economy, a challenging reimbursement environment for some fusion procedures and a trend toward physician-owned distributorships.

Spine product sales increased 4% worldwide and 5% in the United States during the nine months ended February 28, 2013, compared to the nine months ended February 29, 2012. Price declines in spine hardware continued to be in the mid-single digit range. Spine product sales increased during the nine month period, primarily due to increased royalty revenue. New products and services that contributed to growth during the nine months ended February 28, 2013, included the PlatFORM<sup>TM</sup> CM, an all natural, osteoconductive material; and Cellentra<sup>TM</sup> VCBM (Viable Cell Bone Matrix), an allogenic bone graft substitute.

Sales of bone healing products decreased 12% both worldwide and in the United States during the nine months ended February 28, 2013, compared to the nine months ended February 29, 2012. The need for additional clinical and economic data to support reimbursement continued to challenge the non-invasive stimulation business. Dental

Worldwide net sales of dental products for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 were \$188.5 million, or 8% of consolidated net sales, representing a 5% decrease compared to net sales of \$198.5 million, or 9% of consolidated net sales, during the nine months ended February 29, 2012. Unfavorable foreign currency translation impacted our dental sales by \$4.6 million. Dental sales in the U.S. increased 5% during the nine months ended February 28, 2013. While the U.S. dental market has been stronger than the market in Europe, there was continued softness worldwide as challenging economic conditions persisted. Dental sales were negatively impacted by unfavorable media reports in Japan related to the dental implant industry.

#### Other

Worldwide net sales of other products for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 were \$154.2 million, or 7% of consolidated net sales, representing a 1% increase compared to net sales of \$152.6 million, also 7% of consolidated net sales, during the nine months ended February 29, 2012. Our microfixation product sales continued to be strong, driven by continued market acceptance of the iQ® Intelligent Delivery System, the TraumaOne<sup>TM</sup> Plating System and the SternaLock® Blu Primary Closure System, as well as the Pectus Bar product line. Our microfixation sales growth was partially offset by a decrease in sales of autologous therapies.

Gross Profit

Gross profit for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 increased to \$1,533.0 million, as compared to gross profit for the nine months ended February 29, 2012 of \$1,428.7 million, or 68% of consolidated net sales for both periods. Gross margins decreased primarily due to product rationalization charges in our global spine and

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trauma product lines and increased product liability reserves. Product rationalization is related to more focused product offerings for spine through innovative product development and technology acquisition and to product redundancies related to the Trauma Acquisition. Gross margins increased primarily as a result of lower operational restructuring costs, improved geographic and product mix and lower manufacturing and other costs of sales. This increase was partially offset by lower selling prices.

Selling, General and Administrative Expense

Selling, general and administrative expense during the nine months ended February 28, 2013 was \$886.7 million, as compared to \$800.9 million for the nine months ended February 29, 2012, or 39% and 38% of consolidated net sales, respectively. As a percentage of consolidated net sales, the expense increased due to investment in our sales force related to the Trauma Acquisition and higher stock-based compensation. This increase was partially offset by lower litigation and settlement costs and operational restructuring costs.

## Research and Development Expense

Research and development expense during the nine months ended February 28, 2013 was \$107.2 million or 5% of consolidated net sales, compared to \$93.2 million for the nine months ended February 29, 2012, or 4% of consolidated net sales. The increase in expense was primarily related to the S.E.T. product lines, which includes the Trauma Acquisition, and stock-based compensation. Our principal research and development efforts relate to primary and revision orthopedic reconstructive devices, spinal fixation products, dental reconstructive devices, sports medicine products, resorbable technology, biomaterial products and autologous therapies.

#### Amortization

Amortization expense for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 was \$230.2 million or 10% of consolidated net sales, compared to \$250.0 million for the nine months ended February 29, 2012, or 12% of consolidated net sales. This decrease is primarily due to the intangible asset impairment charge taken in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2012 related to our Dental Reconstructive and Spine & Bone Healing reporting units as well as the impairment charge taken in the third quarter of fiscal year 2013 related to our Dental Reconstructive reporting unit.

Goodwill and Intangible Assets Impairment Charge

During the third quarter of fiscal year 2013, we recorded a \$334.1 million goodwill and definite and indefinite-lived intangible assets impairment charge related to our Dental Reconstructive reporting unit, primarily due to declining industry market growth rates in certain European and Asia Pacific markets and corresponding unfavorable margin trends.

## Interest Expense

Interest expense was \$310.8 million for the nine months ended February 28, 2013, compared to interest expense of \$363.4 million for the nine months ended February 29, 2012. The decrease in interest expense was primarily due to lower average interest rates on our term loans and lower bond interest as a result of refinancing activities in fiscal year 2013.

#### Other (Income) Expense

Other (income) expense was expense of \$172.4 million for the nine months ended February 28, 2013, compared to expense of \$9.3 million for the nine months ended February 29, 2012. The expense for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 is primarily composed of the loss on retirement of bonds of \$155.2 million and the write off of deferred financing fees related to the tender/retirement of the senior notes due 2017 of \$17.1 million, while the nine months ended February 29, 2012 included an other-than-temporary impairment loss of \$19.3 million related to the Greek bonds.

### Provision (Benefit) from Income Taxes

The effective income tax rate was 20.9% for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 compared to 20.9% for the nine months ended February 29, 2012. Primary factors in determining the effective tax rate include the mix of various jurisdictions in which profits are projected to be earned and taxed, as well as assertions regarding the expected repatriation of earnings of our foreign operations. Our effective tax rate for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 was also impacted by a non-deductible goodwill impairment charge of \$233.0 million, which was

treated as a non-deductible permanent difference and contributed significantly to the effective tax rate being lower than U.S. statutory tax rates. Fluctuations in effective tax rates between comparable periods also reflect the discrete tax benefit or expense of items in continuing operations that represent tax effects not attributable to current-year ordinary income. Discrete items, consisting primarily of the tax benefit associated with the reduction of net deferred tax liabilities due to the impairment of intangible assets, as well as the prospective reduction of the United Kingdom statutory corporate tax rate enacted in July 2012 and finalization of the 2011 income tax returns had the effect of increasing the effective income tax rate by 6.7% in the nine months ended February 28, 2013. Our effective income tax rate for the nine months ended February 29, 2012 increased by 18.7% due to discrete items consisting primarily of the tax benefit associated with the reduction of net deferred tax liabilities due to the prospective reduction of corporate tax rates in Japan and the United Kingdom, restructuring-related adjustments and finalization of the 2010 income tax returns.

For the Year Ended May 31, 2012 Compared to the Year Ended May 31, 2011

| (in millions, except percentages)              | Year Ended<br>May 31, 2012 | Percentage of<br>Net Sales | Year Ended<br>May 31, 2011 | Percentage of<br>Net Sales | Percentage<br>Increase/<br>(Decrease) |   |
|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Net sales                                      | \$2,838.1                  | 100 %                      | \$2,732.2                  | 100 %                      | 4                                     | % |
| Cost of sales                                  | 894.4                      | 32                         | 838.7                      | 31                         | 7                                     |   |
| Gross profit                                   | 1,943.7                    | 68                         | 1,893.5                    | 69                         | 3                                     |   |
| Selling, general and administrative expense    | e <sub>1,053.3</sub>       | 37                         | 1,041.7                    | 38                         | 1                                     |   |
| Research and development expense               | 126.8                      | 4                          | 119.4                      | 4                          | 6                                     |   |
| Amortization                                   | 327.2                      | 12                         | 367.9                      | 13                         | (11)                                  |   |
| Goodwill & intangible assets impairment charge | 529.8                      | 19                         | 941.4                      | 34                         | *                                     |   |
| Operating loss                                 | (93.4)                     | (3)                        | (576.9)                    | (21)                       | *                                     |   |
| Interest expense                               | 479.8                      | 17                         | 498.9                      | 18                         | (4)                                   |   |
| Other (income) expense                         | 17.6                       | 1                          | (11.2)                     |                            | *                                     |   |
| Other expense, net                             | 497.4                      | 18                         | 487.7                      | 18                         | 2                                     |   |
| Loss before income taxes                       | (590.8)                    | (21)                       | (1,064.6                   | (39)                       | *                                     |   |
| Benefit from income taxes                      | (132.0)                    | (5)                        | (214.8)                    | (8)                        | *                                     |   |
| Net loss                                       | \$(458.8)                  | (16 )%                     | \$ (849.8)                 | (31)%                      | *                                     |   |
|                                                |                            |                            |                            |                            |                                       |   |

<sup>\*</sup>The percentage change is not as meaningful as the change in the dollar value.

Net sales were \$2,838.1 million for the year ended May 31, 2012, and \$2,732.2 million for the year ended May 31, 2011. The following tables provide net sales by geography and product category: Geography Sales Summary

| (in millions, except percentages) | Year Ended<br>May 31, 2012 | Percentage of<br>Net Sales |   | Year Ended<br>May 31, 2011 | Percentage of<br>Net Sales |   | Percentage<br>Increase/<br>(Decrease) |   |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|
| United States                     | \$1,713.3                  | 60                         | % | \$1,659.2                  | 61                         | % | 3                                     | % |
| Europe                            | 702.7                      | 25                         |   | 697.8                      | 26                         |   | 1                                     |   |
| International(1)                  | 422.1                      | 15                         |   | 375.2                      | 13                         |   | 13                                    |   |
| Total                             | \$2,838.1                  | 100                        | % | \$2,732.2                  | 100                        | % | 4                                     | % |

(1) International primarily includes Canada, South America, Mexico, and the Asia Pacific region.

## **Product Category Summary**

| (in millions, except percentages)    | Year Ended<br>May 31, 2012 | Percentage of<br>Net Sales |   | Year Ended<br>May 31, 2011 <sup>(1)</sup> | Percentage of<br>Net Sales |   | Percentage<br>Increase/<br>(Decrease) |   |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|
| Large Joint Reconstructive           |                            | 60                         | % | \$1,630.6                                 | 60                         | % | 4                                     | % |
| Sports, Extremities, Trauma (S.E.T.) | 354.4                      | 12                         |   | 312.3                                     | 11                         |   | 13                                    |   |
| Spinal & Bone Healing                | 314.0                      | 11                         |   | 327.4                                     | 12                         |   | (4)                                   |   |
| Dental                               | 267.7                      | 9                          |   | 269.5                                     | 10                         |   | (1)                                   |   |
| Other                                | 203.2                      | 8                          |   | 192.4                                     | 7                          |   | 6                                     |   |
| Total                                | \$2,838.1                  | 100                        | % | \$2,732.2                                 | 100                        | % | 4                                     | % |
|                                      |                            |                            |   |                                           |                            |   |                                       |   |

<sup>(1)</sup> New product categories were adopted in order to more closely represent the way we report sales and market products. Certain amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation.

## Large Joint Reconstructive

Net sales of large joint reconstructive products for the year ended May 31, 2012 were \$1,698.8 million, or 60% of net sales, representing a 4% increase compared to net sales of \$1,630.6 million, also 60% of net sales, during the year ended May 31, 2011.

Knee product sales increased 3% worldwide and increased 1% in the United States during the year ended May 31, 2012, compared to the year ended May 31, 2011. The worldwide knee sales growth was primarily due to increased sales in Europe and our International countries. Europe knee sales increased primarily due to sales growth of primary and revision components of our Vanguard® Knee, as well as demand for the Orthopaedic Salvage System. Knee sales grew in our International countries principally from increased demand for our Vanguard® Complete Knee System. Worldwide knee sales growth was partially offset by decreased partial knee sales. We believe partial knee sales have declined due to macroeconomic conditions impacting patients and competitive activities with partial knee product offerings in the market place the last several years.

Hip product sales increased 6% worldwide and in the United States during the year ended May 31, 2012, compared to the year ended May 31, 2011. We believe the sales increase was primarily driven by the strong market acceptance of the new Arcos® Modular Femoral Revision System, our Taperloc® Complete Hip Stem, E1® Antioxidant Infused Acetabular Liners and the new Active Articulation<sup>TM</sup> PIHip System. Our worldwide hip sales growth was impacted by the industry-wide erosion of metal-on-metal hip sales.

Sales of bone cement and other reconstructive products increased 5% worldwide and 8% in the United States during the year ended May 31, 2012, compared to the year ended May 31, 2011. Sales of Cobalt<sup>TM</sup> Bone Cement with Gentamicin, the Optipac<sup>TM</sup> Pre-packed Vacuum Mixing System (not available in the U.S.) and our StageOne<sup>TM</sup> Hip and Knee Cement Spacer Molds, particularly the StageOne<sup>TM</sup> Select Modular Hip Spacer Molds, contributed to our sales growth in the bone cement and other reconstructive product category.

S.E.T.

Worldwide net sales of S.E.T. products for the year ended May 31, 2012 were \$354.4 million, or 12% of net sales, representing a 13% increase compared to net sales of \$312.3 million, or 11% of net sales, during the year ended May 31, 2011.

Sports medicine sales increased 18% worldwide, with a 12% sales increase in the United States, during the year ended May 31, 2012, compared to the year ended May 31, 2011. The primary contributor of sales growth was the JuggerKnot<sup>TM</sup> Soft Anchor due to increased volumes from strong market acceptance. During the fourth fiscal quarter, we completed the commercial launch of the JuggerKnot<sup>TM</sup> Short Soft Anchor used for foot and ankle repair, which also contributed to the growth.

Extremity product sales increased 18% worldwide and 22% in the United States during the year ended May 31, 2012, compared to the year ended May 31, 2011. The Comprehensive® Primary and Reverse Shoulder

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Systems continued to drive strong sales growth for the extremity product category. During the fourth fiscal quarter we launched a couple of line extensions, including a small base plate for the reverse shoulder and E1<sup>®</sup> bearings which contributed to our extremity sales.

Trauma product sales decreased 2% worldwide, with a 4% sales decrease in the United States, during the year ended May 31, 2012, compared to the year ended May 31, 2011. External fixation sales declined due to a continued market shift from external fixation to internal fixation products and competitive pressures, partially offset by increased internal fixation sales. The increased internal fixation sales were primarily due to sales growth for the OptiLock® VL Distal Radius Plating System, the OptiLock® Humeral Plating System, and the Phoenix<sup>TM</sup> Ankle Arthrodesis Nail System.

## Spine & Bone Healing

Worldwide net sales of spine & bone healing products for the year ended May 31, 2012 were \$314.0 million, or 11% of net sales, representing a 4% decrease compared to net sales of \$327.4 million, or 12% of net sales, for the year ended May 31, 2011. We believe the spine market continued to be affected by mid-single-digit price erosion, soft volumes due to the general economy, a challenging reimbursement environment for some fusion procedures, and a trend toward physician-owned distributorships.

Spine product sales decreased 3% both worldwide and in the United States during the year ended May 31, 2012, compared to the year ended May 31, 2011.

Sales of bone healing products decreased 7% both worldwide and in the United States during the year ended May 31, 2012, compared to the year ended May 31, 2011.

#### Dental

Worldwide net sales of dental products for the year ended May 31, 2012 were \$267.7 million, or 9% of net sales, representing a 1% decrease compared to net sales of \$269.5 million, or 10% of net sales, during the year ended May 31, 2011. The decreased dental sales were primarily due to weakness in the European market due to the economic uncertainty in the regions where we currently have the largest market share, which were partially offset by sales growth in the U.S. driven, in part, by increased average selling prices.

#### Other

Worldwide net sales of other products for the year ended May 31, 2012 were \$203.2 million, or 8% of net sales, representing a 6% increase compared to net sales of \$192.4 million, or 7% of net sales, during the year ended May 31, 2011. Our microfixation product sales increased both worldwide and in the United States during fiscal year 2012, and were partially offset by a decrease in sales of autologous therapies.

## **Gross Profit**

Gross profit for the year ended May 31, 2012 increased to \$1,943.7 million, compared to gross profit for the year ended May 31, 2011 of \$1,893.5 million, or 68% and 69% of net sales, respectively. Gross profit as a percentage of net sales was slightly down compared to the year ended May 31, 2011 primarily due to a decrease in average selling prices, unfavorable manufacturing variances as production volumes were lower, higher instrument depreciation expense related to new product launches and costs related to the closure of the Swindon, United Kingdom plant that commenced during the second quarter of fiscal 2012, which were partially offset by our ability to leverage fixed costs. Selling, General and Administrative Expense

Selling, general and administrative expense for the year ended May 31, 2012 and May 31, 2011 was \$1,053.3 million and \$1,041.7 million, respectively, or 37% and 38% of net sales, respectively. The expense increased during the year ended May 31, 2012 primarily due to costs to implement the restructuring plan that commenced in the first quarter of fiscal 2012 and costs related to settlement of the FCPA investigation as compared to the year ended May 31, 2011, which were partially offset by a legal settlement related to the Heraeus litigation described in "Note 16 —Contingencies" to the consolidated financial statements contained elsewhere in this prospectus.

#### Research and Development Expense

Research and development expense during the year ended May 31, 2012 and May 31, 2011 was \$126.8 million and \$119.4 million, respectively, or 4% of net sales for both periods. The slight increase in research and development expense for the year ended May 31, 2012 primarily related to our ongoing commitment to increase investment in clinical research and regulatory affairs within our business. Our principal research and development efforts relate to primary and revision large joint reconstructive devices, S.E.T. products, spinal products, dental products, resorbable technologies, biomaterial products and autologous therapies.

## Amortization

Amortization expense for the year ended May 31, 2012 was \$327.2 million, or 12% of net sales, compared to \$367.9 million for the year ended May 31, 2011, or 13% of net sales. This decrease was primarily due to the intangible asset impairment charge taken in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2012 related to our spine & bone healing and dental reconstructive reporting units and the intangible asset impairment charge taken in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011 related to our Europe business, both described below.

## Goodwill and Intangible Assets Impairment Charge

During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2012, we recorded a \$529.8 million goodwill and definite and indefinite-lived intangible assets impairment charge primarily related to our spine & bone healing and dental reconstructive reporting units, due primarily to evidence of declining industry market growth rates in certain European and Asia Pacific markets and unfavorable margin trends resulting from changes in product mix in our dental reconstructive reporting unit and growth rate declines as compared to the original purchase accounting assumptions at the time of the Merger for our spine & bone healing reporting unit. During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011, we recorded a \$941.4 million goodwill and definite and indefinite-lived intangible assets impairment charge primarily related to our Europe business due to the continued market slowdown in Europe relative to our original purchase accounting assumptions at the time of the Merger due to the continued financial and credit challenges in some European countries, which continue to impact our sales growth.

## Interest Expense

Interest expense was \$479.8 million for the year ended May 31, 2012, compared to interest expense of \$498.9 million for the year ended May 31, 2011. The change in interest expense was primarily due to a lower average interest rate on our term loan facilities as our interest rate swaps continue to mature, moving more of our term loan facilities from fixed to floating rate debt.

## Other (Income) Expense

Other (income) expense was expense of \$17.6 million for the year ended May 31, 2012, compared to income of \$11.2 million for the year ended May 31, 2011. The decrease is primarily due to an other-than-temporary impairment that was recorded on the Greek bonds of \$20.1 million for the year ended May 31, 2012 and \$7.1 million of expense was due to revaluation of our foreign cash accounts.

## Benefit from Income Taxes

The effective income tax rate was 22.3% for the year ended May 31, 2012 compared to 20.2% for the year ended May 31, 2011. The primary factor in determining the effective tax rate is the mix of various jurisdictions in which profits are projected to be earned and taxed. The effective tax rate was also impacted by non-deductible goodwill impairment. In fiscal 2012 and fiscal 2011, \$291.9 million and \$422.8 million of goodwill impairment charges, respectively, were treated as non-deductible permanent differences and contributed significantly to the effective tax rate being lower than U.S. statutory tax rates. Other items impacting the effective tax rate for the year ended May 31, 2012 include decreases due to income inclusions related to U.S. anti-deferral provisions and updated assertions regarding the permanent reinvestment of earnings of foreign operations, offset by settlements relating to uncertain tax benefits and changes in statutory tax rates (particularly in the United Kingdom). The May 31, 2011 effective tax rate was decreased due to an increase in valuation allowance relating to state and foreign net operating loss carryforwards and an increase in liabilities for uncertain tax benefits, offset by reductions to the company's state effective tax rate (primarily due to New Jersey's change to single-sales factor) as well as the reduction in United Kingdom corporate tax rates.

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For the Year Ended May 31, 2011 Compared to the Year Ended May 31, 2010

| (in millions, except percentages)              | Year Ended<br>May 31, 2011 | Percentage of<br>Net Sales | Year Ended<br>May 31, 2010 | Percentage of<br>Net Sales | Percentage<br>Increase/<br>(Decrease) |   |
|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Net sales                                      | \$2,732.2                  | 100 %                      | \$2,698.0                  | 100 %                      | 1                                     | % |
| Cost of sales                                  | 838.7                      | 31                         | 819.9                      | 30                         | 2                                     |   |
| Gross profit                                   | 1,893.5                    | 69                         | 1,878.1                    | 70                         | 1                                     |   |
| Selling, general and administrative expense    | <sup>e</sup> 1,041.7       | 38                         | 1,042.3                    | 39                         | _                                     |   |
| Research and development expense               | 119.4                      | 4                          | 106.6                      | 4                          | 12                                    |   |
| Amortization                                   | 367.9                      | 13                         | 372.6                      | 14                         | (1)                                   |   |
| Goodwill & intangible assets impairment charge | 941.4                      | 34                         | _                          | _                          | *                                     |   |
| Operating income (loss)                        | (576.9)                    | (21)                       | 356.6                      | 13                         | *                                     |   |
| Interest expense                               | 498.9                      | 18                         | 516.4                      | 19                         | (3)                                   |   |
| Other (income) expense                         | (11.2)                     | _                          | (18.1)                     | (1)                        | (38)                                  |   |
| Other expense, net                             | 487.7                      | 18                         | 498.3                      | 18                         | (2)                                   |   |
| Loss before income taxes                       | (1,064.6)                  | (39)                       | (141.7)                    | (5)                        | *                                     |   |
| Benefit from income taxes                      | (214.8)                    | (8)                        | (94.1)                     | (3)                        | *                                     |   |
| Net loss                                       | \$(849.8)                  | (31)%                      | \$(47.6)                   | (2)%                       | *                                     |   |
|                                                |                            |                            |                            |                            |                                       |   |

<sup>\*</sup>The percentage change is not as meaningful as the change in the dollar value. Sales

Net sales were \$2,732.2 million for the year ended May 31, 2011, and \$2,698.0 million for the year ended May 31, 2010. The following tables provide net sales by geography and product category: Geography Sales Summary

| (in millions, except percentages) | Year Ended<br>May 31, 2011 | Percentage of<br>Net Sales | f | Year Ended<br>May 31, 2010 <sup>(1)</sup> | Percentage of Net Sales | f | Percentage<br>Increase/<br>(Decrease) |   |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|
| United States                     | \$1,659.2                  | 61                         | % | \$1,644.1                                 | 61                      | % | 1                                     | % |
| Europe                            | 697.8                      | 26                         |   | 724.5                                     | 27                      |   | (4)                                   |   |
| International <sup>(2)</sup>      | 375.2                      | 13                         |   | 329.4                                     | 12                      |   | 14                                    |   |
| Total                             | \$2,732.2                  | 100                        | % | \$2,698.0                                 | 100                     | % | 1                                     | % |
|                                   |                            |                            |   |                                           |                         |   |                                       |   |

Certain amounts have been adjusted to conform to the current presentation. Specifically, International net sales

<sup>(1)</sup> increased, and Europe net sales decreased, \$4.3 million for the year ended May 31, 2010. The current presentation aligns with how the Company presently manages and markets its products.

<sup>(2)</sup> International primarily includes Canada, South America, Mexico and the Asia Pacific region. Product Category Summary

| (in millions, except percentages)    | Year Ended<br>May 31, 2011 <sup>(1)</sup> | Percentage o<br>Net Sales | f | Year Ended<br>May 31, 2010 (1) | Percentage<br>Net Sales | of | Percentage<br>Increase/<br>(Decrease) |   |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------|----|---------------------------------------|---|
| Large Joint Reconstructive           | \$1,630.6                                 | 60                        | % | \$1,615.7                      | 60                      | %  | 1                                     | % |
| Sports, Extremities, Trauma (S.E.T.) | 312.3                                     | 11                        |   | 283.7                          | 11                      |    | 10                                    |   |
| Spine & Bone Healing                 | 327.4                                     | 12                        |   | 345.3                          | 13                      |    | (5)                                   |   |
| Dental                               | 269.5                                     | 10                        |   | 265.2                          | 10                      |    | 2                                     |   |
| Other                                | 192.4                                     | 7                         |   | 188.1                          | 6                       |    | 2                                     |   |
| Total                                | \$2,732.2                                 | 100                       | % | \$2,698.0                      | 100                     | %  | 1                                     | % |

<sup>(1)</sup> New product categories were adopted in order to more closely represent the way we currently report sales and market products. Certain amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation.

## Large Joint Reconstructive

Net sales of large joint reconstructive products for the year ended May 31, 2011 were \$1,630.6 million, or 60% of net sales, representing a 1% increase compared to net sales of \$1,615.7 million, also 60% of net sales, during the year ended May 31, 2010.

Our growth rates for knee and hip product sales were in the low single digits during the year ended May 31, 2011, compared to high single to low double-digit growth rates in prior periods. Certain events, such as the current adverse conditions in the global economy, including high unemployment rates, employed patients' concerns about taking medical leave during the slow economy, increased deductibles and co-pays and the expiration of COBRA subsidies have contributed to the decelerating growth rates. In addition, the litigious environment in the industry surrounding metal-on-metal hips, as well as our inability to market our Signature<sup>TM</sup> Personalized Patient Care System to new customers for most of the first three quarters of fiscal 2011, also impacted growth rates. In July 2010, we received a Warning Letter from the FDA regarding the Signature<sup>TM</sup> Personalized Patient Care system, alleging that we did not have appropriate clearance or approval to market the system in the United States. In September 2010, we met with the FDA and we agreed on a course of corrective action and an additional 510(k) application for our Signature<sup>TM</sup> Personalized Patient Care System was submitted to the FDA in September 2010. During the FDA's review of the 510(k), we ceased all promotional activities regarding the system as well as sales to new customers in the United States. The FDA granted the 510(k) clearance in a letter sent to Materialise NV, the manufacturer of the Signature<sup>TM</sup> system, on February 8, 2011, which resolved the warning letter sent to Biomet in July 2010.

Knee product sales increased 1% worldwide and were flat in the United States during the year ended May 31, 2011, compared to the year ended May 31, 2010. Increased knee sales, including sales growth of primary and revision components of the Vanguard® Knee, along with E1® Antioxidant Infused Tibial Bearings, were partially offset by decreased sales of our partial knee systems.

Hip product sales increased 1% worldwide and in the United States during the year ended May 31, 2011, compared to the year ended May 31, 2010. Strong market acceptance of the new Arcos® Modular Femoral Revision System and sales growth of E1® Antioxidant Infused Acetabular Liners were key contributors to hip sales growth, partially offset by decreased metal-on-metal hip sales.

S.E.T.

Worldwide net sales of S.E.T. products for the year ended May 31, 2011 were \$312.3 million, or 11% of net sales, representing a 10% increase compared to net sales of \$283.7 million, or 11% of net sales, during the year ended May 31, 2010.

The contributors of our double digit sales growth in sports medicine during the year ended May 31, 2011 primarily consisted of procedure specific devices, including the JuggerKnot<sup>TM</sup> Soft Anchor, the ComposiTCP<sup>TM</sup> Interference Screw, the MaxFire<sup>TM</sup> MarXmen<sup>TM</sup> Meniscal Repair Device, the ToggleLoc<sup>TM</sup> Femoral Fixation Device with ZipLoop<sup>TM</sup> Technology, and the ALLthread<sup>TM</sup> Knotless Suture Anchor.

Extremity product sales increased 20% worldwide, with a 30% sales increase in the United States, during the year ended May 31, 2011, compared to the year ended May 31, 2010. The Comprehensive® Primary, Reverse and Fracture Shoulder Systems continued to drive strong growth for the extremity product category.

#### Spine & Bone Healing

Worldwide net sales of spine & bone healing products for the year ended May 31, 2011 were \$327.4 million, or 12% of net sales, representing a 5% decrease compared to net sales of \$345.3 million, or 13% of net sales, for the year ended May 31, 2010. We believe the spine market continued to be affected by mid-single-digit price erosion, the slowdown in volumes due to the general economy, a challenging reimbursement environment for some fusion procedures, and the continued trend toward physician-owned distributorships.

#### Dental

Worldwide net sales of dental products for the year ended May 31, 2011 were \$269.5 million, or 10% of net sales, representing a 2% increase compared to net sales of \$265.2 million, also 10% of net sales, during the year ended May 31, 2010. The OSSEOTITE® product line, our flagship dental reconstructive implant system, was a key contributor to our fiscal year dental sales growth.

## Other

Worldwide net sales of other products for the year ended May 31, 2011 were \$192.4 million, or 7% of net sales, representing a 2% increase compared to net sales of \$188.1 million, or 6% of net sales, during the year ended May 31, 2010. Our microfixation product sales grew both worldwide and in the United States during fiscal year 2011, and were partially offset by a decrease in sales of autologous therapies.

## **Gross Profit**

Gross profit for the year ended May 31, 2011 increased to \$1,893.5 million compared to gross profit for the year ended May 31, 2010 of \$1,878.1 million, or 69% and 70% of net sales, respectively. Gross profit as a percentage of net sales was slightly down due to a decrease in average selling prices compared to the year ended May 31, 2010. Selling, General and Administrative Expense

Selling, general and administrative expense during the years ended May 31, 2011 and 2010 was \$1,041.7 million and \$1,042.3 million, respectively, or 38% and 39% of net sales, respectively. The expense was slightly down year over year due to continued cost containment strategies worldwide.

#### Research and Development Expense

Research and development expense during the years ended May 31, 2011 and 2010 was \$119.4 million and \$106.6 million, respectively, or 4% of net sales for both periods. This increase in research and development expenses for the year ended May 31, 2011 primarily related to our ongoing commitment to increase investment in clinical research and regulatory affairs within our business. Our principal research and development efforts relate to primary and revision orthopedic reconstructive devices, spinal fixation products, dental reconstructive devices, sports medicine products, resorbable technology, biomaterial products and autologous therapies. Expenses during the year ended May 31, 2011 have primarily been related to the following research and development projects: E1® Antioxidant Infused Technology Tibial bearings (Reconstructive-Knees), Vanguard® SSK 360 Revision System (Reconstructive-Knees), Arcos® Modular Revision Hip System (Reconstructive-Hips), Taperloc® Complete Hip System (Reconstructive-Hips) OrthoPak® and SpinalPak® stimulation platform technologies (Fixation-Stimulation) and iQ® Intelligent Delivery System (Fixation-Craniomaxillofacial).

#### Amortization

Amortization expense for the year ended May 31, 2011 was \$367.9 million or 13% of net sales, compared to \$372.6 million for the year ended May 31, 2010, or 14% of net sales. This decrease is primarily due to the accelerated method for amortizing customer relationship intangibles as the value for those relationships is greater at the beginning of their life cycle and the decrease in amortization in the fourth quarter due to the intangible impairment charge taken in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011 related to our Europe business and described below.

Goodwill and Intangible Assets Impairment Charge

During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011, we recorded a \$941.4 million goodwill and definite and indefinite-lived intangible assets impairment charge primarily related to our Europe business due to the continued market slowdown in Europe relative to our original purchase accounting assumptions at the time of the Merger due to the continued financial and credit challenges in some European countries, which continue to impact our sales growth. Interest Expense

Interest expense was \$498.9 million for the year ended May 31, 2011, compared to interest expense of \$516.4 million for the year ended May 31, 2010. The decrease in interest expense was primarily due to a lower average interest rate on our outstanding floating rate debt.

Other (Income) Expense

Other (income) expense was income of \$11.2 million for the year ended May 31, 2011, compared to income of \$18.1 million for the year ended May 31, 2010. The decrease is primarily due to a decrease in currency transaction gains of \$5.6 million.

Benefit from Income Taxes

Our effective income tax rate decreased to 20.2% for the year ended May 31, 2011 compared to 66.4% for the year ended May 31, 2010. The fiscal 2011 tax rate is lower than statutory tax rates due to amounts deducted for financial reporting purposes that are not deductible for tax purposes. In fiscal 2011, \$422.8 million of the \$941.4 million impairment charge taken on the European business unit was a non-deductible permanent difference. This rate also decreased due to an increase in valuation allowance relating to state and foreign net operating loss carryforwards and an increase in uncertain tax benefits, offset by reductions to our state effective tax rate (primarily due to New Jersey's change to single-sales factor) as well as the reduction in United Kingdom corporate tax rates. The Company's effective tax rate in fiscal 2010 was higher than statutory rates primarily due to the Company's mix of profits and losses in certain foreign and domestic jurisdictions, specifically a higher pre-tax loss in the United States as a percent of the total worldwide loss before income taxes.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

For the Nine Months Ended February 28, 2013 and February 29, 2012

The following is a summary of the cash flows by activity for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 and February 29, 2012:

| (in millions)                           | Nine Months Ended<br>February 28, 2013 | Nine Months End<br>February 29, 2012 |   |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| Net cash from (used in):                |                                        |                                      |   |
| Operating activities                    | \$273.8                                | \$291.3                              |   |
| Investing activities                    | (433.8                                 | ) (81.7                              | ) |
| Financing activities                    | (130.9                                 | ) (28.9                              | ) |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash | 15.9                                   | (12.5                                | ) |
| Change in cash and cash equivalents     | \$(275.0                               | ) \$168.2                            |   |

For the Nine Months Ended February 28, 2013 Compared to the Nine Months Ended February 29, 2012 Our cash and cash equivalents were \$217.4 million as of February 28, 2013 compared to \$496.0 million as of February 29, 2012. We generally maintain our cash and cash equivalents and investments in money market funds, corporate bonds and debt instruments. Cash and cash equivalents held outside of the United States were \$178.3 million as of February 28, 2013. If we were to repatriate this cash back to the United States, additional tax of up to 35%, the maximum federal tax rate, could be incurred. In addition, we require a certain amount of cash to support on-going operations outside the United States.

Operating Cash Flows

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$273.8 million for the nine months ended February 28, 2013, compared to \$291.3 million for the nine months ended February 29, 2012. Operating cash flows for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 were unfavorably impacted by increased inventory levels due to additional inventory needed to support new product introductions and the Trauma Acquisition and increased accounts receivable due to increased sales and seasonality, partially offset by lower cash paid for interest. Cash generated by operating activities continued to be a source of funds for deleveraging and investing in our growth.

## **Investing Cash Flows**

Net cash used in investing activities was \$433.8 million for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 and \$81.7 million for the nine months ended February 29, 2012. The investing cash flow decrease was primarily due to the Trauma Acquisition purchase price of \$280.0 million and an increase in capital expenditures of \$27.0 million during the nine months ended February 28, 2013. Additionally, during the nine months ended February 29, 2012 we received proceeds from the sales/maturities of investments of \$42.0 million primarily related to the sale of a time deposit. Financing Cash Flows

Net cash used in financing activities was \$130.9 million for the nine months ended February 28, 2013, compared to cash used in financing activities of \$28.9 million for the nine months ended February 29, 2012. The difference was primarily related to the refinancing activities. We received proceeds of \$3,396.2 million related to the offerings of our 6.500% senior notes due 2020 and 6.500% senior subordinated notes due 2020 and term loans and tendered or retired \$3,423.0 million of senior notes due 2017 and term loans. Additionally, related to the refinancing activities we incurred \$77.8 million of fees. The refinancing activities are explained in Note 7, Debt, to the condensed consolidated financial statements contained elsewhere in this prospectus.

## For the Years Ended May 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010

The following is a summary of the cash flows by activity for the years ended May 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010:

| (in millions)                           | Year Ended<br>May 31, 2012 | Year Ended<br>May 31, 2011 | Year Ended<br>May 31, 2010 |   |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Net cash from (used in):                |                            |                            |                            |   |
| Operating activities                    | \$377.3                    | \$380.1                    | \$321.5                    |   |
| Investing activities                    | (144.0)                    | (205.0)                    | (182.0                     | ) |
| Financing activities                    | (38.1)                     | (51.4)                     | (159.9                     | ) |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash | (30.6)                     | 15.0                       | (6.1                       | ) |
| Change in cash and cash equivalents     | \$164.6                    | \$138.7                    | \$(26.5                    | ) |

Our cash and cash equivalents were \$492.4 million as of May 31, 2012 compared to \$327.8 million as of May 31, 2011. We generally maintain our cash and cash equivalents and investments in money market funds, corporate bonds and debt instruments. Cash and cash equivalents held outside of the United States were \$302.3 million as of May 31, 2012. If we were to repatriate this cash back to the United States, additional tax of up to 35%, the maximum federal tax rate, could be incurred. In addition, we require a certain amount of cash to support on-going operations outside the United States.

Our cash and cash equivalents were \$327.8 million as of May 31, 2011 compared to \$189.1 million as of May 31, 2010. We maintain our cash and cash equivalents and investments in money market funds, time deposits, corporate bonds and debt instruments. We are exposed to interest rate risk on certain debt instruments.

## Operating Cash Flows

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$377.3 million for the year ended May 31, 2012, compared to cash flows provided of \$380.1 million for the year ended May 31, 2011. Cash generated by operating activities continued to be a source of funds for deleveraging and investing in our growth. The decrease in cash provided by operating activities of \$2.8 million was primarily due to an increase in cash paid for taxes due to net operating losses being fully utilized in the United States and an increase in accounts receivable due to increased sales with an increase in days sales outstanding, which was offset by favorability in inventory and accounts payable.

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$380.1 million for the year ended May 31, 2011, compared to cash flows provided of \$321.5 million for the year ended May 31, 2010. Cash generated by operating activities continued to be a source of funds for deleveraging and investing in our growth. The increase in cash provided by operating activities of \$58.6 million was primarily due to working capital improvement initiatives and the prior year being negatively impacted by \$53.0 million related to a previously disclosed litigation settlement. Net cash provided by operating activities for the year ended May 31, 2011 included a net loss of \$849.8 million, offset by non-cash amounts of \$1,222.1 million (primarily goodwill and intangible asset impairment charge, depreciation and amortization, and partially offset by deferred income taxes), and cash provided by working capital of \$7.8 million. Net cash provided by operating activities for the year ended May 31, 2010 included a net loss of \$47.6 million, offset by non-cash amounts of \$460.4 million (primarily depreciation and amortization and stock based compensation, partially offset by deferred income taxes), and cash used in working capital of \$91.3 million.

## **Investing Cash Flows**

Net cash used in investing activities was \$144.0 million for the year ended May 31, 2012 and \$205.0 million for the year ended May 31, 2011. The decrease in cash used in investing activities year-over-year was primarily related to the investment in time deposits. During the fiscal year ended May 31, 2011 we invested in \$78.7 million in time deposits and received proceeds of \$44.3 million also related to the time deposits. During the fiscal year ended May 31, 2012 we received \$33.4 million in proceeds related to the time deposits, but did not make any additional investments. Net cash used in investing activities was \$205.0 million for the year ended May 31, 2011 and \$182.0 million for the year ended May 31, 2010. Cash generated by operating activities continued to be a source of funds for deleveraging and investing in our growth. Net cash used in investing activities for the years ended May 31, 2011 and 2010 primarily related to capital expenditures of \$174.0 million and \$186.4 million, respectively, and purchases of investments of \$78.7 million and \$13.3 million, respectively, partially offset by proceeds from the sale/maturity of investments of \$59.3 million and \$24.9 million, respectively.

## Financing Cash Flows

Net cash used in financing activities was \$38.1 million for the year ended May 31, 2012, compared to \$51.4 million for the year ended May 31, 2011. The decrease in cash used in financing activities year-over-year was primarily related to a discretionary repurchase of \$10.0 million par value of senior cash pay notes for \$11.2 million in the fiscal year ended May 31, 2011.

Net cash used in financing activities was \$51.4 million for the year ended May 31, 2011, compared to \$159.9 million for the year ended May 31, 2010. Net cash used in financing activities for the year ended May 31, 2011 primarily related to required payments under the senior secured credit facilities of \$34.8 million and a discretionary repurchase of \$10.0 million par value of senior cash pay notes for \$11.2 million. Net cash used in financing activities for the year ended May 31, 2010 primarily related to required payments under the senior secured credit facilities of \$35.8 million, discretionary payments under the revolving credit facilities of \$68.9 million, and discretionary payments under the asset-based revolving credit facilities of \$65.2 million, partially offset by proceeds under the revolving credit facilities of \$20.4 million.

#### **Balance Sheet Metrics**

Cash flows from operations are impacted by profitability and changes in operating working capital. Management monitors operating working capital with particular focus on certain metrics, including days sales outstanding ("DSO") and inventory turns. The following is a summary of our DSO and inventory turns for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 and the fiscal years ended May 31, 2012 and 2011.

|                                       | February 28, 2013 | May 31, 2012 | May 31, 2011 |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Days Sales Outstanding <sup>(1)</sup> | 63.9              | 62.5         | 62.3         |
| Inventory Turns <sup>(2)</sup>        | 1.60              | 1.59         | 1.54         |

<sup>(1)</sup> DSO is calculated by dividing the year-over-year average accounts receivable balance by the last twelve months net sales multiplied by 365 days.

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(2) Inventory turns are calculated by dividing the last twelve months cost of sales by the year-over-year average net inventory balance.

We use DSO as a measure that places emphasis on how quickly we collect our accounts receivable balances from customers. The increase in DSOs is due to seasonality and increased sales in the last three quarters related to the Trauma Acquisition. We use inventory turns as a measure that places emphasis on how quickly we turn over our inventory. Inventory turns were slightly faster at February 28, 2013 due to the product rationalization, partially offset by integration of Trauma Acquisition inventory. These measures may not be computed the same as similarly titled measures used by other companies.

Our higher DSO when comparing May 31, 2012 to May 31, 2011 is the result of a global slowdown in customer payments, specifically in Europe. We were unable to continue factoring receivables in Spain as we have reached our limit on our current factoring facility, which is causing our DSO to increase. The favorability in inventory turns when comparing May 31, 2012 to May 31, 2011 was primarily driven by continued improvements in our global supply chain and field inventory management.

#### Non-GAAP Disclosures

We use certain non-GAAP financial measures to evaluate our performance using information that differs from what is required under GAAP. These non-GAAP financial measures may not be comparable to similar measures reported by other companies and should be considered in addition to, and not as a substitute for, or superior to, other measures prepared in accordance with GAAP.

## Senior Secured Leverage Ratio

The senior secured leverage ratio provides a measure of our financial ability to meet our debt service obligations. The ratio level determines the interest rate charged on our cash flow revolving credit facilities, and letters of credit fees. In addition to determining the current interest rate on our cash flow revolving credit facilities, the ratio is also used as a benchmark in our credit agreements to determine maximum levels of additional indebtedness we may incur. We believe the directional trend of this ratio provides valuable insight to understanding our operational performance and financial position with respect to our debt obligations

| February 28, 2013 and May 31, 2012                                |                   |              |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| (in millions, except ratios)                                      | February 28, 2013 | May 31, 2012 |
| USD Term Loan                                                     | \$2,226.7         | \$2,234.7    |
| EUR Term Loan                                                     | 1,085.0           | 1,039.6      |
| Consolidated Senior Secured Debt                                  | 3,311.7           | 3,274.3      |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents                                         | 217.4             | 492.4        |
| Consolidated Senior Secured Debt Net of Cash and Cash Equivalents | \$3,094.3         | \$2,781.9    |
| LTM Adjusted EBITDA                                               | \$1,079.1         | \$1,031.1    |
| Senior Secured Leverage Ratio <sup>(1)</sup>                      | 2.87              | 2.70         |

Our senior secured leverage ratio is defined by our credit agreement as total consolidated senior secured debt net of (1)cash and cash equivalents, as defined by our credit agreement, divided by the total of the last twelve months, or "LTM," Adjusted EBITDA.

(2) The LTM Adjusted EBITDA for February 28, 2013 includes nine months of Adjusted EBITDA during fiscal year 2013 of \$801.4 million, plus the last three months of Adjusted EBITDA from fiscal year 2012 of \$277.7 million. The increase in the senior secured leverage ratio at February 28, 2013 as compared to May 31, 2012 is primarily due to the decrease in cash and cash equivalents, as defined by our credit agreement, and the increase in the debt, partially offset by the increase in LTM Adjusted EBITDA. The cash decrease and the debt increase were driven by the refinancing activities that are explained in Note 7, Debt, to the condensed consolidated financial statements contained elsewhere in this prospectus as well as the impact of the Trauma Acquisition.

| For the Years Ended May 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010                       |              |              |              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| (in millions, except ratios)                                          | May 31, 2012 | May 31, 2011 | May 31, 2010 |
| USD Term Loan B                                                       | \$2,234.7    | \$2,258.1    | \$2,281.5    |
| EUR Term Loan B                                                       | 1,039.6      | 1,206.3      | 1,047.3      |
| Consolidated Senior Secured Debt                                      | 3,274.3      | 3,464.4      | 3,328.8      |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents <sup>(1)</sup>                              | 492.4        | 360.9        | 189.1        |
| Consolidated Senior Secured Debt Net of Cash and Cash Equivalents (1) | \$2,781.9    | \$3,103.5    | \$3,139.7    |
| LTM Adjusted EBITDA                                                   | \$1,031.1    | \$1,010.4    | \$1,000.0    |
| "Run Rate" Cost Savings                                               | _            | _            | 12.6         |
| LTM Adjusted EBITDA, plus cost savings                                | \$1,031.1    | \$1,010.4    | \$1,012.6    |
| Senior Secured Leverage Ratio <sup>(3)</sup>                          | 2.7          | 3.1          | 3.1          |
|                                                                       |              |              |              |

<sup>(1)</sup> Cash and cash equivalents as defined by the credit agreement includes \$33.1 million of time deposits at May 31, 2011.

Our senior secured leverage ratio is defined by our credit agreement as total consolidated senior secured debt net of (3)cash and cash equivalents, as defined by our credit agreement, divided by the total of the last twelve months, or "LTM," Adjusted EBITDA, plus cost savings.

The decrease in the senior secured leverage ratio at May 31, 2012 as compared to May 31, 2011 is primarily due to the weakening of the euro against the U.S. dollar, debt service payments and an increased Adjusted EBITDA in fiscal year 2012.

The decrease in the senior secured leverage ratio at May 31, 2011 as compared to May 31, 2010 is primarily due to debt service payments and an increase in cash and cash equivalents, partially offset by the strengthening of the euro against the U.S. dollar.

### Adjusted EBITDA

We use Adjusted EBITDA, among other measures, to evaluate the performance of our core operations, establish operational goals and forecasts that are used in allocating resources and to evaluate our performance period-over-period, including for incentive program purposes. The term "as adjusted," a non-GAAP financial measure, refers to financial performance measures that exclude certain income statement line items, such as interest, taxes, depreciation or amortization, other (income) expense and/or exclude certain expenses as defined by our credit agreement, such as restructuring charges, non-cash impairment charges, integration and facilities opening costs or other business optimization expenses, new systems design and implementation costs, certain start-up costs and costs related to consolidation of facilities, certain non-cash charges, advisory fees paid to the private equity owners, certain severance charges, purchase accounting costs, stock-based compensation, litigation costs, acquisition costs and other related charges.

<sup>(2)</sup> As defined by the Credit Agreement dated September 25, 2007.

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For the Nine Months Ended February 28, 2013 and February 29, 2012

Adjusted EBITDA for the nine months ended February 28, 2013 and February 29, 2012 and the three months ended May 31, 2012 is calculated as follows:

| (in millions)                                                                                                                                                                                   | Nine Months<br>Ended<br>February 28, 2013 | Nine Months Ended<br>February 29, 2012 | Three Months<br>Ended<br>May 31, 2012 <sup>(1)</sup> |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|---|
| Operating income (loss)                                                                                                                                                                         | \$(25.2)                                  | \$284.6                                | \$(378.0                                             | ) |
| Depreciation and amortization                                                                                                                                                                   | 364.8                                     | 388.0                                  | 121.4                                                |   |
| Inventory step-up related to the Trauma Acquisition <sup>(2)</sup>                                                                                                                              | 3.3                                       | _                                      | _                                                    |   |
| Stock-based compensation expense <sup>(3)</sup>                                                                                                                                                 | 32.3                                      | 12.2                                   | 3.8                                                  |   |
| Litigation settlements and reserves and other legal fees <sup>(4)</sup>                                                                                                                         | 32.4                                      | 21.3                                   | (12.7                                                | ) |
| Trauma Acquisition <sup>(2)</sup>                                                                                                                                                               | 10.3                                      | _                                      | 4.6                                                  |   |
| Operational restructuring and consulting expenses related to operational initiatives (severance, building impairments, abnormal manufacturing variances and other related costs) <sup>(5)</sup> | 18.5                                      | 39.8                                   | 6.0                                                  |   |
| Product rationalization charges <sup>(6)</sup>                                                                                                                                                  | 22.7                                      | _                                      | _                                                    |   |
| Sponsor fee <sup>(7)</sup>                                                                                                                                                                      | 8.2                                       | 7.5                                    | 2.8                                                  |   |
| Goodwill and intangible assets impairment charge <sup>(8)</sup>                                                                                                                                 | 334.1                                     | _                                      | 529.8                                                |   |
| Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(9)</sup>                                                                                                                                                                  | \$801.4                                   | \$753.4                                | \$277.7                                              |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                           |                                        |                                                      |   |

<sup>(1)</sup> The three months ended May 31, 2012 shows the activity from March 1, 2012 to May 31, 2012.

We exclude acquisition-related expenses for the Trauma Acquisition from non-GAAP financial measures that are

- Stock-based compensation expense is excluded from non-GAAP financial measures primarily because it is a
- (3) non-cash expense. We believe that excluding this item is useful to investors in that it facilitates comparisons to competitors' operating results.
- We exclude certain litigation-related expenses and settlements from non-GAAP financial measures that are not (4) reflective of our ongoing operational performance. We believe this information is useful to investors in that it provides period-over-period comparability.
  - Restructuring charges relate principally to employee severance and facility consolidation costs resulting from the closure of facilities and other workforce reductions attributable to our efforts to reduce costs. Operational restructuring charges also include abnormal manufacturing variances related to temporary redundant overhead
- (5) costs within our plant network as we continue to rationalize and move production to our larger operating locations in order to increase manufacturing efficiency. We exclude these costs from non-GAAP financial measures primarily because they are not reflective of the ongoing operating results and they are not used by management to assess ongoing operational performance. We believe the exclusion of this information in the applicable non-GAAP financial measure is useful to investors in that it provides period-over-period comparability.
- We exclude expenses for product rationalization charges from non-GAAP financial measures that are not reflective (6) of our ongoing operational performance. We further believe this information is useful to investors in that it provides period-over-period comparability.
- (7) Upon completion of the Merger, we entered into a management services agreement with certain affiliates of the Sponsors, pursuant to which such affiliates of the Sponsors or their successors, assigns, affiliates, officers, employees, and/or representatives and third parties (collectively, the "Managers") provide management, advisory, and consulting services to us. Pursuant to such agreement, the Managers received a transaction fee equal to 1% of total enterprise value of the Transactions for the services rendered by such entities related to the Transactions upon

<sup>(2)</sup> not reflective of our ongoing operational performance. We further believe this information is useful to investors in that it provides period-over-period comparability.

entering into the agreement, and the Sponsors receive an annual monitoring fee equal to 1% of our annual Adjusted EBITDA (as defined by our credit agreement) as compensation for the services rendered and reimbursement for out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Managers in connection with the agreement and the Transactions. We exclude these costs from non-GAAP financial measures primarily because they are not reflective of the ongoing operating results and they are not used by management to assess ongoing operational performance. We further believe this information is useful to investors in that it provides period-over-period comparability.

During fiscal 2013, we recorded a \$334.1 million goodwill and definite and indefinite-lived intangible asset impairment charge associated with our Dental Reconstructive reporting unit. Also, during fiscal 2012, we recorded a \$529.8 million goodwill and definite and indefinite-lived intangible asset impairment charge primarily associated with our dental reconstructive and spine & bone healing reporting units. We exclude this non-cash charge from non-GAAP financial measures because it is not reflective of our ongoing operational performance or liquidity. We believe the exclusion of this information in the applicable non-GAAP financial measure is useful to investors in that it provides period-over-period comparability.

(9) As defined in our credit agreement.

Adjusted EBITDA growth has historically generally been in line with the growth in net sales and has continued the trend for the three and nine months ended February 28, 2013 as compared to the three and nine months ended February 29, 2012.

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For the Years Ended May 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 Adjusted EBITDA for the fiscal years ended May 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 is calculated as follows:

| (in millions)                                                           | Year Ended   | Year Ended   | Year Ended   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| (III IIIIIIOIIS)                                                        | May 31, 2012 | May 31, 2011 | May 31, 2010 |
| Operating income (loss)                                                 | \$(93.4)     | \$(576.9)    | \$356.6      |
| Depreciation                                                            | 182.2        | 181.1        | 175.0        |
| Amortization                                                            | 327.2        | 367.9        | 372.6        |
| Special items adjustments:                                              |              |              |              |
| Stock-based compensation expense <sup>(1)</sup>                         | 16.0         | 12.7         | 22.4         |
| Litigation settlements and reserves and other legal fees <sup>(2)</sup> | 8.6          | 12.5         | 10.7         |
| DePuy trauma acquisition <sup>(3)</sup>                                 | 4.6          |              |              |
| Operational restructuring and consulting expenses related to            |              |              |              |
| operational initiatives (severance, building impairments, abnormal      | 45.8         | 61.6         | 43.3         |
| manufacturing variances and other related costs)(4)                     |              |              |              |
| Sponsor fee <sup>(5)</sup>                                              | 10.3         | 10.1         | 10.1         |
| Greece bad debt expense (6)                                             |              |              |              |
| Goodwill and intangible assets impairment charge <sup>(7)</sup>         | 529.8        | 941.4        | 9.3          |
| Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(8)</sup>                                          | \$1,031.1    | \$1,010.4    | \$1,000.0    |
|                                                                         |              |              |              |

Stock-based compensation expense is excluded from non-GAAP financial measures primarily because it is a (1)non-cash expense. We believe that excluding this item is useful to investors in that it facilitates comparisons to competitors' operating results.

We exclude certain litigation-related expenses and settlements from non-GAAP financial measures that are not (2) reflective of our ongoing operational performance. We believe this information is useful to investors in that it provides period-over-period comparability.

- We exclude acquisition-related expenses for the DePuy trauma acquisition from non-GAAP financial measures
- (3) that are not reflective of the Company's ongoing operational performance. The Company further believes this information is useful to investors in that it provides period-over-period comparability.
  - Restructuring charges relate principally to employee severance and facility consolidation costs resulting from the closure of facilities and other workforce reductions attributable to our efforts to reduce costs. Operational restructuring charges also include abnormal manufacturing variances related to temporary redundant overhead
- (4) costs within our plant network as we continue to rationalize and move production to our larger operating locations in order to increase manufacturing efficiency. We exclude these costs from non-GAAP financial measures primarily because they are not reflective of the ongoing operating results and they are not used by management to assess ongoing operational performance. We believe the exclusion of this information in the applicable non-GAAP financial measure is useful to investors in that it provides period-over-period comparability.
  - Upon completion of the Merger, we entered into a management services agreement with certain affiliates of the Sponsors, pursuant to which such affiliates of the Sponsors or their successors, assigns, affiliates, officers, employees, and/or representatives and third parties (collectively, the "Managers") provide management, advisory, and consulting services to us. Pursuant to such agreement, the Managers received a transaction fee equal to 1% of
- (5) total enterprise value of the Transactions for the services rendered by such entities related to the Transactions upon entering into the agreement, and the Sponsors receive an annual monitoring fee equal to 1% of our annual Adjusted EBITDA (as defined by our credit agreement) as compensation for the services rendered and reimbursement for out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Managers in connection with the agreement and the Transactions. We exclude these costs from non-GAAP financial measures primarily because they are not reflective of the ongoing operating results and they are not used by management to assess ongoing operational performance.
- (6) This charge is related to the proposal the Greek government announced on June 15, 2010 to settle their outstanding debts from 2007 through 2009 primarily by issuing zero-coupon bonds. We exclude this charge from non-GAAP

measures primarily because it is not reflective of ongoing operating results.

- During fiscal 2012, we recorded at \$529.8 million goodwill and definite and indefinite-lived intangible asset impairment charge primarily associated with our dental reconstructive and spine & bone healing reporting units and in fiscal 2011, we recorded a \$941.4 million goodwill and definite and indefinite-lived intangible asset
- (7) impairment charge primarily associated with our Europe reporting unit. We exclude this non-cash charge from non-GAAP financial measures because it is not reflective of our ongoing operational performance or liquidity. We believe the exclusion of this information in the applicable non-GAAP financial measure is useful to investors in that it provides period-over-period comparability
- (8) As defined in our credit agreement.

Adjusted EBITDA growth has historically generally been in line with the growth in net sales. The fall through from net sales to Adjusted EBITDA has slowed due to a decline in gross margin percentage.

Credit Facilities and Notes

Senior Secured Credit Facilities

On September 25, 2007, we entered into a credit agreement and related security and other agreements providing for (a) a \$2,340.0 million U.S. dollar-denominated term loan facility and a €875.0 million (approximately \$1,207.4 million at September 25, 2007) euro-denominated term loan facility and (b) \$400.0 million cash flow revolving credit facilities with Bank of America, N.A. as administrative agent and collateral agent. We refer to our term loan facilities and our cash flow revolving credit facilities collectively as the "senior secured credit facilities."

Our senior secured credit facilities contain a number of covenants that, among other things are subject to certain exceptions, will restrict our ability and the ability of our restricted subsidiaries to: (1) incur additional indebtedness; (2) pay dividends on our capital stock or redeem, repurchase or retire our capital stock or indebtedness; (3) make investments, loans, advances and acquisitions; (4) create restrictions on the payment of dividends or other amounts to us from our restricted subsidiaries; (5) engage in transactions with our affiliates; (6) sell assets, including capital stock of our subsidiaries; (7) consolidate or merge; (8) create liens; and (9) enter into sale and lease-back transactions. The credit agreement governing our senior secured credit facilities does not require us to comply with any financial ratio maintenance covenants. As of February 28, 2013, we were in compliance with our covenants and intend to maintain compliance.

The credit agreement governing our senior secured credit facilities also contains certain customary affirmative covenants and events of default.

On August 2, 2012, we entered into an amendment and restatement agreement that amended our existing senior

secured credit facilities. The amendment (i) extended the maturity of approximately \$1,007.2 million of our U.S. dollar-denominated term loans and approximately €631.3 million of our euro-denominated term loans under the credit facility to July 25, 2017, (ii) refinanced and replaced the previous alternative currency revolving credit commitments under the credit facility with a new class of alternative currency revolving credit commitments in an aggregate amount of \$165.0 million and (iii) refinanced and replaced the previous U.S. dollar revolving credit commitments under the credit facility with a new class of U.S. dollar-denominated revolving credit commitments in an aggregate amount of \$165.0 million. The new revolving credit commitments will mature on April 25, 2017, except that, if as of December 23, 2014, there is an outstanding aggregate principal amount of non-extended U.S. dollar and euro term loans in excess of \$200.0 million, then such revolving credit commitments will mature on December 24, 2014. The joinder agreement was entered into pursuant to our senior secured credit facility, as amended by the amendment and restatement agreement dated August 2, 2012. By entering into the joinder agreement, the joining lenders party thereto have agreed to extend the maturity of (i) approximately \$392.7 million of Biomet's U.S. dollar-denominated term loans and (ii) approximately €32.9 million of Biomet's euro-denominated term loans, to July 25, 2017. The term loans extended pursuant to the joinder agreement are on terms identical to the terms loans that were extended pursuant to the prior Amendment. The remaining term loans of the lenders under the senior secured credit facilities who did not elect to extend such loans either pursuant to the August 2 amendment and restatement agreement or the subsequent joinder agreement will continue to mature on March 25, 2015.

In addition, on December 27, 2012, we completed a \$730.0 million add-on to our extended U.S. dollar-denominated term loan. The proceeds from the add-on were used to refinance the non-extended U.S. dollar-denominated term B loan, which was net of fees associated with the add-on closing. The terms of the add-on are consistent with the terms in the August 2 amendment.

Asset-based Revolving Credit Facility

On November 14, 2012, we entered into an asset-based credit agreement and related security and other agreements for a senior secured asset-based revolving credit facility with Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent and collateral agent. The Credit Agreement provides senior secured financing of up to \$500.0 million, subject to borrowing base limitations. Under the Credit Agreement there is (i) a U.S. subfacility in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$400 million and (ii) a Dutch subfacility in an aggregate principal amount of up to the Euro equivalent of \$100.0 million. We and our wholly-owned domestic subsidiaries are the borrowers under the U.S. subfacility and Biomet GSCC, a Dutch subsidiary, is the borrower under the Dutch subfacility.

The U.S. borrowing base at any time will equal the sum of 85% of eligible accounts receivable and 85% of the net orderly liquidation value of eligible inventory (not to exceed 65% of the borrowing base), less certain reserves and subject to certain limitations on eligible consignment inventory and accounts receivable owed by non-U.S. persons.

The asset-based credit agreement includes a \$100 million U.S. sublimit for letters of credit under the U.S. subfacility and the euro equivalent of \$25.0 million sublimit for letters of credit under the Dutch subfacility.

Under the U.S. subfacility there is also a swingline sublimit for same-day borrowings of up to the lesser of (i) \$50.0 million and (ii) the aggregate principal amount of the commitments under the U.S. sub-facility. At the closing of the transactions, we borrowed approximately \$80.0 million under the U.S. subfacility to repay obligations under our existing asset-based credit agreement entered into on September 25, 2007. As of February 28, 2013 there were no borrowings outstanding under our asset-based credit facility.

Borrowings under the asset-based credit agreement bear interest at a rate per annum dependent upon the average availability of the applicable subfacility as set forth in the following pricing grid:

| Avaraga                              | Adjusted Eurocurrency Rate |           |  |  |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------|--|--|
| Average                              | for Loans and              | Base Rate |  |  |
| Availability                         | Letter of Credit Fees      |           |  |  |
| ≥66/ <sub>3</sub> %                  | 1.75%                      | 0.75%     |  |  |
| $<66^{2}/_{3}\%$ but $\ge 33/_{3}\%$ | 2.00%                      | 1.00%     |  |  |
| <33 1/3%                             | 2.25%                      | 1.25%     |  |  |

In addition, the we are required to pay a commitment fee of (i) 0.25% per annum if the amount of outstanding loans, unreimbursed letter of credit drawings and undrawn letters of credit under the senior secured asset-based revolving credit facility exceed 50% of the commitment amount, and (ii) if otherwise, 0.375% per annum, on the average daily unused portion of the senior secured asset-based revolving credit facility, payable quarterly in arrears.

The senior secured asset-based revolving credit facility will mature on July 25, 2017; provided, however, that if as of December 23, 2014, there is an outstanding aggregate principal amount of non-extended U.S. dollar and euro term loans in excess of \$200 million under our cash flow credit agreement, then the loans under the Credit Agreement will mature on December 24, 2014.

Like our senior secured credit facilities described above, our asset-based revolving credit facility contains a number of covenants that restrict Parent, us and our restricted subsidiaries. The credit agreement governing our asset-based revolving credit facility also contains certain customary affirmative covenants and events of default. As of February 28, 2013, we were in compliance with our covenants and intend to maintain compliance.

#### Notes

We issued an aggregate of \$2,348.0 million of original notes on September 25, 2007 and an aggregate of \$217.0 million of original notes on October 16, 2007 (which were issued at a premium above par of \$6.0 million). The notes are our unsecured obligations, with \$1,550.0 million being our senior obligations (consisting of \$775.0 million of senior cash pay notes and \$775.0 million of senior PIK toggle notes) and \$1,015.0 million being our senior subordinated obligations. All of the notes were issued by Biomet and are guaranteed by each of its existing and future wholly-owned domestic subsidiaries that guarantee our obligations under our senior secured credit facilities. Interest is payable in cash.

On August 8, 2012 Biomet completed its offering of \$1.0 billion aggregate principal amount of senior notes. We used the net proceeds of this offering to fund a tender offer for any and all of our outstanding senior toggle notes, including related fees and expenses, and to purchase, redeem, defease or otherwise acquire or retire our outstanding indebtedness. On October 2, we completed our offering of \$825.0 million aggregate principal amount of additional senior notes and \$800.0 million aggregate principal amount of senior subordinated notes. We used the net proceeds of those offerings, together with cash on hand and other sources, to purchase any and all of our 10% Senior Cash Pay Notes and \$940.0 million principal amount of our outstanding 11 % Senior Subordinated Notes. On November 1, 2012, we purchased and redeemed all remaining outstanding 11 % Senior Subordinated Notes using cash on hand and asset-based revolver proceeds.

The indentures, among other things, limit our and our restricted subsidiaries' ability to incur additional indebtedness or issue certain preferred stock, pay dividends and make other restricted payments, make certain investments, sell assets, create liens, consolidate, merge or sell all or substantially all of our assets, enter into transactions with affiliates and designate subsidiaries as unrestricted subsidiaries. These covenants are subject to important exceptions during any period of time for which (i) the respective notes have received investment grade ratings from certain specified rating agencies and (ii) no default has occurred and is continuing under the indentures

that govern the respective notes. As of February 28, 2013, we were in compliance with our covenants and intend to maintain compliance.

Non-U.S. Facility

As of February 28, 2013, we had a loan in Spain referred to as the non-U.S. facility. During the month of November 2011, ABN AMRO Bank terminated the European revolver facility due to the limited use of the facility. As of February 28, 2013, we had \$2.6 million in outstanding borrowings under our non-U.S. facility.

Capital Expenditures and Investments

We maintain our cash and investments in money market funds, certificates of deposit, equity securities and Greek bonds. We are exposed to interest rate risk on our corporate bonds and debt instruments. We see the growth prospects in our markets and intend to invest in an effort to improve our worldwide market position. We expect to spend in excess of \$500.0 million over the next two fiscal years for capital expenditures (including instrumentation issued to the field) and research and development costs in an effort to develop products and technologies that further enhance musculoskeletal procedures. Funding of these and other activities is expected to come from currently available funds, cash flows generated from operations, and currently available credit lines.

## **Contractual Obligations**

Summarized in the table below are our long-term obligations and commitments as of February 28, 2013. We have issued notes, entered into senior secured credit facilities, including term loan facilities and cash flow revolving credit facilities, and an asset-based revolving facility, all of which are primarily classified as long-term obligations. There were no borrowings outstanding under our asset-based revolving facility as of February 28 2013. As of February 28, 2013, required principal payments of \$33.4 million were due within the next twelve months. Our term loan facilities require payments each year in an amount equal to (x) 0.25% of the product of (i) the aggregate principal amount of all euro-denominated term loans and dollar-denominated term loans outstanding under the original credit agreement on the closing date multiplied by (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the aggregate principal amount of euro-denominated term B loans and dollar-denominated term B loans outstanding on August 2, 2012 (after giving effect to certain conversions to occur on or after August 2, 2012 pursuant to the amended and restated credit agreement) and the denominator of which is the aggregate principal amount of all outstanding term loans on August 2, 2012 and (y) 0.25% of the aggregate principal amount of all outstanding euro-denominated term B-1 loans and dollar-denominated term B-1, in each case in equal calendar quarterly installments until maturity of the loan and after giving effect to the application of any prepayments. As of February 28, 2013, required principal payments of \$33.4 million were due within the next twelve months.

Our revolving borrowing base available under all debt facilities at February 28, 2013 was \$795.5 million, which is net of the borrowing base limitations relating to the asset-based revolving credit facility.

| (in millions)                                      | Total     | 2013    | 2014<br>and<br>2015 | 2016<br>and<br>2017 | 2018<br>and<br>Thereafter |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------|---------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Contractual obligations <sup>(1)</sup>             |           |         |                     |                     |                           |
| Projected future pension benefit payments          | \$60.9    | \$4.9   | \$10.9              | \$11.7              | \$33.4                    |
| Long-term debt (including current maturities)      | 5,978.4   | 9.4     | 383.6               | 59.8                | 5,525.6                   |
| Interest payments <sup>(2)</sup>                   | 2,336.9   | 385.3   | 654.7               | 634.2               | 662.7                     |
| Material purchase commitments                      | 125.7     | 41.2    | 48.3                | 26.3                | 9.9                       |
| Outsourcing contract obligation                    | 6.0       | 5.5     | 0.5                 |                     |                           |
| DePuy trauma acquisition purchase price commitment | 280.0     | 280.0   | _                   | _                   | _                         |
| Total contractual obligations                      | \$8,787.9 | \$726.3 | \$1,098.0           | \$732.0             | \$6,231.6                 |
|                                                    |           |         |                     |                     |                           |

<sup>(1)</sup> The total amounts of capital lease obligations and operating lease obligations are not significant.

(2) Amounts include the effect of interest rate swaps currently in place.

In addition, due to the uncertainty with respect to the timing of future cash flows associated with our unrecognized tax benefits at May 31, 2012, we are unable to make reasonably reliable estimates of the period of

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cash settlement with the respective taxing authorities. Therefore, \$63.0 million of unrecognized tax benefits have been excluded from the contractual obligations table above.

See "Description of Other Indebtedness" and Note 6 to our audited financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus for more information on our debt offering and amendment of our existing secured senior cash flow credit facility.

We believe that our cash, other liquid assets and operating cash flow, together with available borrowings and potential access to credit and capital markets, will be sufficient to meet our operating expenses, research and development costs, capital expenditures and to service our debt requirements as they become due. However, our ongoing ability to meet our substantial debt service and other obligations will be dependent upon our future performance, which will be subject to business, financial, economic, regulatory and other factors. We will not be able to control many of these factors, such as economic conditions and regulatory changes in the markets where we operate and pressure from competitors. We cannot be certain that our cash flow will be sufficient to allow us to pay principal and interest on our debt, support our operations and meet our other obligations. If we do not have sufficient liquidity, we may be required to refinance all or part of our existing debt, sell assets or borrow more money. We cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so on terms acceptable to us, if at all. In addition, the terms of existing or future debt agreements may restrict us from pursuing any of these alternatives. See "Risk Factors—Risks Related to Our Indebtedness and the Notes." Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We do not currently have any off-balance sheet arrangements that have or are reasonably likely to have a material current or future effect on our financial condition, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures or capital resources.

## Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations are based upon our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The preparation of these financial statements requires management to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. In management's opinion, our critical accounting policies include revenue recognition, excess and obsolete inventory, goodwill and intangible assets, legal proceedings and other loss contingencies, and income taxes. For further information, including our significant accounting policies, refer to the audited consolidated financial statements and our unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements and, in each case, the notes thereto included elsewhere in this prospectus.

## Revenue Recognition

We sell product through four principal channels: (1) direct to healthcare institutions, referred to as direct channel accounts, (2) through stocking distributors and healthcare dealers, (3) indirectly through insurance companies and (4) directly to dental practices and dental laboratories. Sales through the direct and distributor/dealer channels account for a majority of net sales. Through these channels, inventory is consigned to sales agents or customers so that products are available when needed for surgical procedures. Revenue is not recognized upon the placement of inventory into consignment as we retain title and maintain the inventory on the balance sheet; however, it is recognized upon implantation and receipt of proper purchase order and/or purchase requisition documentation. Pricing for products is predetermined by contracts with customers, agents acting on behalf of customer groups or by government regulatory bodies, depending on the market. Price discounts under group purchasing contracts are linked to volume of implant purchases by customer healthcare institutions within a specified group. At negotiated thresholds within a contract buying period, price discounts may increase.

At certain locations we record a contractual allowance that is offset against revenue for each sale to a non-contracted payor so that revenue is recorded at the estimated determinable price at the time of the sale. Those non-contracted payors and insurance companies in some cases do not have contracted rates for products sold, but may have pricing available for certain products through their respective web sites. We will invoice at its list price and establish the contractual allowance to estimate what the non-contracted payor will settle the claim for based on the information available as noted above. At certain locations, revenue is recognized on sales to stocking distributors, healthcare dealers, dental practices and dental laboratories when title to product passes to them, generally upon shipment. Certain

subsidiaries allow customers to return product in the event that we terminate the relationship.

Under those circumstances, we record an estimated sales return in the period in which constructive notice of termination is given to a distributor. Product returns were not significant for any period presented.

We also maintain a separate allowance for doubtful accounts for estimated losses based on our assessment of the collectability of specific customer accounts and the aging of the accounts receivable. We analyze accounts receivable and historical bad debts, customer concentrations, customer solvency, current economic and geographic trends, and changes in customer payment terms and practices when evaluating the adequacy of our current and future allowance. In circumstances where we are aware of a specific customer's inability to meet its financial obligations, a specific allowance for bad debt is estimated and recorded, which reduces the recognized receivable to the estimated amount we believe will ultimately be collected. We monitor and analyze the accuracy of the allowance for doubtful accounts estimate by reviewing past collectability and adjust it for future expectations to determine the adequacy of our current and future allowance. Our reserve levels have generally been sufficient to cover credit losses.

**Excess and Obsolete Inventory** 

In our industry, inventory is routinely placed at hospitals to provide the healthcare provider with the appropriate product when needed. Because product usage tends to follow a bell curve, larger and smaller sizes of inventory are provided, but infrequently used. In addition, the musculoskeletal market is highly competitive, with new products, raw materials and procedures being introduced continually, which may make those products currently on the market obsolete. We make estimates regarding the future use of these products, which are used to adjust inventory to the lower of cost or market. If actual product life cycles, product demand or market conditions are less favorable than those projected by management, additional inventory write-downs may be required which would affect future operating results.

Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

We operate in one reportable segment and evaluate goodwill for impairment at the reporting unit level. We have six identified reporting units for the purpose of testing goodwill for impairment. The reporting units are based on our current administrative organizational structure and the availability of discrete financial information. During the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2012, we recorded a \$529.8 million goodwill and definite and indefinite-lived intangible asset impairment charge primarily associated with our spine & bone healing and dental reconstructive reporting units. As of February 29, 2012, we concluded that certain indicators were present that suggested impairment may exist for our dental reconstructive reporting unit's goodwill and intangible assets. The indicators of impairment in

may exist for our dental reconstructive reporting unit's goodwill and intangible assets. The indicators of impairment in our dental reconstructive reporting unit included evidence of declining industry market growth rates in certain European and Asia Pacific markets and unfavorable margin trends resulting from change in product mix. The impact of these recent items resulted in management initiating an interim preliminary impairment test as of February 29, 2012. However, the preliminary result of this interim test of impairment for the dental reconstructive reporting unit's goodwill and intangibles was inconclusive during the third quarter of fiscal year 2012. We finalized impairment test during the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2012. During the annual impairment test, described below, our spine and bone healing reporting unit failed step one. The indicators were primarily due to growth rate declines as compared to prior

During the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2011, we recorded a \$941.4 million goodwill and definite and indefinite-lived intangible asset impairment charge primarily associated with our Europe reporting unit. As of February 28, 2011, we concluded that certain indicators were present that suggested impairment may exist for our Europe reporting unit's goodwill and intangibles. The indicators of potential impairment in our Europe reporting unit included:

recent reductions in revenue growth rates for the reporting unit's knee and hip products;

recent market pressure resulting in reduced average selling prices of the reporting unit's products;

evidence of declining industry market growth rates for many countries; and

certain European governments actively pursuing healthcare spend restructuring programs.

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assumptions.

The impact of these recent items resulted in management initiating an interim preliminary impairment test as of February 28, 2011. However, the preliminary result of this interim test of impairment for the Europe reporting unit's goodwill and intangibles was inconclusive during the third quarter of fiscal year 2011. We finalized the impairment tests during the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2011.

We used only the income approach, specifically the discounted cash flow method, to determine the fair value of the dental reconstructive, spine & bone healing and Europe reporting units and the associated amount of the impairment charges. This approach calculates fair value by estimating the after-tax cash flows attributable to a reporting unit and then discounting these after-tax cash flows to a present value using a risk-adjusted discount rate. This methodology is consistent with how we estimate the fair value of our reporting units during our annual goodwill and indefinite lived intangible asset impairment tests. In applying the income approach to calculate the fair value of the dental reconstructive, spine & bone healing and Europe reporting units, we used assumptions about future revenue contributions and cost structures. In addition, the application of the income approach for both goodwill and intangibles requires judgment in determining a risk-adjusted discount rate at the reporting unit level. We based this determination on estimates of the weighted-average costs of capital of market participants. We performed a peer company analysis and considered the industry the weighted-average return on debt and equity from a market participant perspective. To calculate the amount of the impairment charge related to the dental reconstructive, spine & bone healing and Europe reporting units, we allocated the reporting unit's fair value to all of its assets and liabilities, including certain unrecognized intangible assets, in order to determine the implied fair value of goodwill. This allocation process required judgment and the use of additional valuation assumptions in deriving the individual fair values of our dental reconstructive, spine & bone healing and Europe reporting unit's assets and liabilities as if the reporting units had been acquired in a business combination.

We also performed our annual assessment for impairment as of March 31, 2012 for all six reporting units. We utilized discount rates ranging from 9.2% to 13.5%. Based on the discount rate used in our most recent test for impairment, if the discount rate increased by 1% the fair value of the consolidated company could be lower by approximately \$1.3 billion and a decrease in the discount rate of 1% results in an increase in fair value of \$1.8 billion. The step one test also includes assumptions derived from competitor market capitalization and beta values as well as the twenty year Treasury bill rate as of March 31, 2012. The only reporting unit that failed step one and was required to complete a step two analysis was the spine & bone healing reporting unit.

The estimates and assumptions underlying the fair value calculations used in our annual impairment tests are uncertain by their nature and can vary significantly from actual results. Factors that management must estimate include, but are not limited to, industry and market conditions, sales volume and pricing, raw material costs, capital expenditures, working capital changes, cost of capital, royalty rates and tax rates. These factors are especially difficult to predict when global financial markets are volatile. The estimates and assumptions used in our impairment tests are consistent with those we use in our internal planning. These estimates and assumptions may change from period to period. If we use different estimates and assumptions in the future, future impairment charges may occur and could be material. We have identified a total of four reporting units with a material amount of goodwill that are at a higher risk of potential failure of step one of the goodwill impairment test in the future. These reporting units include our U.S. Reconstructive reporting unit (\$2,973.4 million of goodwill), our International reporting unit (\$523.5 million of goodwill), our dental reconstructive reporting unit (\$66.3 million of goodwill) and our Europe reporting unit (\$299.4 million). The level of excess fair value over carrying value for these higher risk reporting units were each less than 10% for the latest step one impairment test.

We recorded a goodwill and intangible asset impairment charge of \$334.1 million in the third quarter of fiscal year 2013 that was related to our Dental Reconstructive reporting unit, due to evidence of continued declining industry market growth rates in certain European and Asia Pacific markets and corresponding unfavorable margin trends. Other Loss Contingencies

We accrue anticipated costs of settlement, damages, and loss of product liability claims based on historical experience or to the extent specific losses are probable and estimable. If the estimate of a probable loss is in a range and no amount within the range is more likely, we accrue the minimum amount of the range. Such estimates and any subsequent changes in estimates may result in adjustments to our operating results in the future. We have self-