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## **UNITED STATES**

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

#### **FORM 10-K**

(Mark One)

b Annual report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013

or

Transition report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Commission File No. 001-12561

## **BELDEN INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware36-3601505(State or Other Jurisdiction of(IRS Employer

Incorporation or Organization) Identification No.)

1 North Brentwood Boulevard

15th Floor

St. Louis, Missouri 63105

(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

(314) 854-8000

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Name of Each Exchange

Title of Each Class
Common Stock, \$.01 par value
Preferred Stock Purchase Rights
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

on Which Registered The New York Stock Exchange The New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark if the Registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes b No ".

Indicate by check mark if the Registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes "No b.

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  $\flat$  No  $\ddot{}$ .

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of Registrant s knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K. b

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 12b2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer b Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer Smaller reporting company Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No b.

At June 30, 2013, the aggregate market value of Common Stock of Belden Inc. held by non-affiliates was \$1,885,395,596 based on the closing price (\$49.93) of such stock on such date.

There were 43,474,784 shares of registrant s Common Stock outstanding on February 18, 2014.

## DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The registrant intends to file a definitive proxy statement for its annual meeting of stockholders within 120 days of the end of the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013 (the Proxy Statement ). Portions of such proxy statement are incorporated by reference into Part III.

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#### **PART I**

#### Item 1. Business

#### General

Belden Inc. (the Company, Belden, we, us, or our) is an innovative signal transmission solutions provider built around four global business platforms Broadcast Solutions, Enterprise Connectivity Solutions, Industrial Connectivity Solutions, and Industrial IT Solutions. Belden s comprehensive portfolio of signal transmission solutions provides industry leading secure and reliable transmission of data, sound and video for mission critical applications.

Belden is a Delaware corporation incorporated in 1988. In 2013, we re-organized the Company around four global business platforms: Broadcast, Enterprise Connectivity, Industrial Connectivity, and Industrial IT. Previously, we were organized around geographic regions. The re-organization was executed as a result of our transformation from a regional cable company into a global provider of comprehensive signal transmission solutions. We believe the new organization will allow us to better capitalize on market opportunities and meet customer demands. We have determined each of the global business platforms represents a reportable segment. Financial information about our segments appears in Note 5 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

In 2013, we acquired Softel Limited (Softel), a key technology supplier to the media sector with a portfolio of technologies well aligned with broadcast industry trends and growing demand.

In 2012, we acquired Miranda Technologies Inc. (Miranda), a leading provider of hardware and software solutions for the broadcast infrastructure industry, and PPC Broadband, Inc. (PPC), a leading manufacturer and developer of advanced connectivity technologies for the broadband market. In 2012, we also sold our Thermax and Raydex cable business and certain net assets of our Chinese cable business which conducted business primarily in the consumer electronics end market.

In 2011, we acquired ICM Corp. (ICM), Poliron Cabos Electricos Especiais Ltda (Poliron) and Byres Security, Inc. (Byres Security).

For more information regarding these transactions, see Notes 3, 4, and 9 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

In February 2014, we submitted a binding offer to purchase Grass Valley for approximately \$220 million. Grass Valley is a leading provider of innovative technologies for the broadcast industry, including production switchers, cameras, servers, and editing solutions. The binding offer is subject to consultation with Grass Valley s foreign labor works council, after which we plan to enter into a definitive agreement. We expect to close the transaction in the first quarter of 2014, and it is subject to regulatory approvals, the completion of audited financial statements, and other customary closing conditions.

As used herein, unless an operating segment is identified or the context otherwise requires, Belden, the Company, and we refer to Belden Inc. and its subsidiaries as a whole.

## **Segments**

We operate our business under the following segments:

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	Percentage	<b>Percentage of Consolidated Revenues</b>		
	2013	2012	2011	
Broadcast Solutions	32.1%	19.4%	16.7%	
Enterprise Connectivity Solutions	23.8%	27.0%	29.1%	
Industrial Connectivity Solutions	32.9%	36.4%	35.3%	
Industrial IT Solutions	11.2%	11.9%	12.3%	
All Other	0.0%	5.3%	6.6%	

#### **Broadcast**

The Broadcast Solutions (Broadcast) segment provides production, distribution, and connectivity systems for television broadcast, cable, satellite, and IPTV industries. We target end-use customers in markets such as outside broadcast, sport venues, broadcast studios, and cable, broadband, satellite, and telecommunications service providers. Our products are used in a variety of applications, including live production signal management, program playout for broadcasters, monitoring for pay-TV operators, and broadband connectivity. Broadcast products and solutions include camera mounted fiber solutions, interfaces and routers, broadcast and audio-visual cable solutions, monitoring systems, playout systems, outside plant connectivity products, and other cable and connectivity products.

Our hardware and software solutions for the broadcast infrastructure industry span the full breadth of television operations, including production, playout and delivery. For the broadband distribution industry, we manufacture flexible, copper-clad coaxial cable and associated connector products for the high-speed transmission of data, sound, and video (broadband) that are used for the drop section of cable television (CATV) systems and satellite direct broadcast systems. Our connectivity solutions include several major product categories: coax connector products that allow for connections from the provider network to the subscribers devices; hardline connectors that allow service providers to distribute their services within a city, a town, or a neighborhood; entry devices that serve to manage and remove network signal noise that could impair performance for the subscriber; and traps and filtering devices that allow service providers to control the signals that are transmitted to the subscriber. The Broadcast segment also manufactures a variety of multiconductor and coaxial cable and connector products, which distribute audio and video signals for use in broadcast television including digital television and high definition television, broadcast radio, preand post-production facilities, recording studios, and public facilities such as casinos, arenas, and stadiums. Our audio/video cables are also used in connection with microphones, musical instruments, audio mixing consoles, effects equipment, speakers, paging systems, and consumer audio products. We also provide specialized cables for security applications such as video surveillance systems, airport baggage screening, building access control, motion detection, public address systems, and advanced fire alarm systems.

Broadcast products are sold through a variety of channels, including: broadcast specialty distributors; audio systems installers; directly to music OEMs and the major television networks including ABC, CBS, Fox, and NBC; directly to broadband service providers, including Comcast, DirectTV, and Time Warner; directly to specialty system integrators; and other distributors.

## **Enterprise**

The Enterprise Connectivity Solutions (Enterprise) segment provides infrastructure and connectivity solutions for enterprise customers. We target end-use customers in markets such as data hosting, healthcare, education, financial, and government, and our products are used in applications such as data centers, local area networks, access control and building automation. Enterprise products include solutions such as fiber and copper connectivity products; fiber optic and copper cable products; and wiring racks, panels, and enclosures. Our cable products include high-performance copper cables including 10-gigabit Ethernet technologies and fiber optic cables. Enterprise products also include interconnecting hardware, intelligent patching devices, and cable management solutions for complete end-to-end network structured wiring systems. The Enterprise product portfolio is designed to support the increased use of wireless communications and cloud-based data centers by our customers.

Our systems are installed through a network of highly trained system integrators and are supplied through authorized distributors.

## **Industrial Connectivity**

The Industrial Connectivity Solutions (Industrial Connectivity) segment provides infrastructure components and connectivity systems for a wide range of industrial automation applications. We target end-use customers in markets such as automotive production, machine building, power generation, and oil and gas. Our products are used in applications such as network and fieldbus infrastructure; sensor and actuator connectivity; and power, control, and data transmission. Industrial Connectivity products include solutions such as industrial and input/output (I/O) connectors, industrial cables, IP and networking cables, I/O modules, distribution boxes, customer specific wiring solutions, and load-moment indicators for the mobile crane market.

Our industrial cable products are used in discrete manufacturing and process operations involving the connection of computers, programmable controllers, robots, operator interfaces, motor drives, sensors, printers, and other devices. Many industrial environments, such as petrochemical and other harsh-environment operations, require cables with exterior armor or jacketing that can endure physical abuse and exposure to chemicals, extreme temperatures, and outside elements. Other applications require conductors, insulating, and jacketing materials that can withstand repeated flexing. In addition to cable product configurations for these applications, we supply heat-shrinkable tubing and wire management products to protect and organize wire and cable assemblies. Our industrial connector products are used for sensors and actuators, cord-sets, distribution boxes, and fieldbus communications. These products are used both as components of manufacturing equipment and in the installation and networking of such equipment.

Industrial Connectivity products are sold directly to industrial equipment OEMs and through a network of industrial distributors, value-added resellers, and system integrators.

### **Industrial IT**

The Industrial IT segment provides mission-critical networking systems that provide the end-users with the highest confidence of reliability, availability and security. We target end-use customers in markets such as energy, automotive, transportation systems, and automation suppliers, and our products are used in such applications as network infrastructure, wireless, and security. Industrial IT products include security devices, Ethernet switches and related equipment, routers and gateways, network management software, and wireless systems. Our industrial Ethernet switches and related equipment can be both rail-mounted and rack-mounted, and are used for factory automation, power generation and distribution, process automation, and large-scale infrastructure projects such as bridges, wind farms, and airport runways. Rail-mounted switches are designed to withstand harsh conditions including electronic interference and mechanical stresses. The Industrial IT product portfolio supports the continued deployment of industrial Ethernet technology throughout industrial manufacturing processes.

Industrial IT products are sold directly to end-use customers, directly to OEMs, and through distributors.

#### All Other

The All Other segment represents the financial results of our cable operations that primarily conducted business in the consumer electronics end market, which we sold in December 2012.

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#### **Customers**

We sell to distributors, OEMs, installers, and end-users. Sales to the distributor Anixter International Inc. represented approximately 14% of our consolidated revenues in 2013. No other customer accounted for more than 10% of our revenues in 2013.

We have supply agreements with distributors and OEM customers. In general, our customers are not contractually obligated to buy our products exclusively, in minimum amounts, or for a significant period of time. The loss of one or more large customers or distributors could result in lower total revenues and profits. However, we believe that our relationships with our customers and distributors are good and that they choose Belden products, among other reasons, as a result of our reputation, the breadth of our product portfolio, the quality and performance characteristics of our products, and our customer service and technical support.

There are potential risks in our relationships with distributors. Changes in the inventory levels of our products owned and held by our distributors can result in significant variability in our revenues. Adjustments to inventory levels may be accelerated through consolidation among distributors. In addition, if the costs of materials used in our products fall and competitive conditions make it necessary for us to reduce our list prices, we may be required, according to the terms of contracts with certain of our distributors, to reimburse them for a portion of the price they paid for our products in their inventory. Further, certain distributors are allowed to return certain inventory in exchange for an order of equal or greater value. We have recorded reserves for the estimated impact of these inventory policies.

#### **International Operations**

In addition to manufacturing facilities in the United States (U.S.), we have manufacturing facilities in Brazil, Canada, China, Mexico, and St. Kitts, as well as in various countries in Europe. During 2013, approximately 50% of Belden s sales were to customers outside the U.S. Our primary channels to international markets include both distributors and direct sales to end users and OEMs.

The effect of changes in the relative value of currencies impacts our results of operations. However, our revenues and costs are typically in the same currency, reducing our overall currency risk.

A risk associated with our European manufacturing operations is the higher relative expense and length of time required to reduce manufacturing employment. In addition, some of our foreign operations are subject to economic and political risks inherent in maintaining operations abroad, such as economic and political destabilization, international conflicts, restrictive actions by foreign governments, and unfavorable foreign tax laws.

Financial information for Belden by geographic area is shown in Note 5 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

## Competition

We face substantial competition in our major markets. The number and size of our competitors vary depending on the product line and segment. Some multinational competitors have greater financial, engineering, manufacturing, and marketing resources than we have. There are also many regional competitors that have more limited product offerings.

The broadcast, enterprise, and industrial markets in which we operate can be generally categorized as highly competitive with many players. In order to maximize our competitive advantages, we manage our product portfolio to capitalize on secular trends and high-growth applications in those markets.

The principal competitive factors in all our product markets are technical features, quality, availability, price, customer support, and distribution coverage. The relative importance of each of these factors varies depending on the customer. Some products are manufactured to meet published industry specifications and are less differentiated on the basis of product characteristics. We believe that Belden stands out in many of its markets on the basis of our reputation, the breadth of our product portfolio, the quality and performance characteristics of our products, our customer service, and our technical support.

Although we believe that we have certain technological and other advantages over our competitors, realizing and maintaining such advantages requires continued investment in engineering, research and development, capital equipment, marketing, customer service, and technical support. There can be no assurance that we will be successful in maintaining such advantages.

## **Research and Development**

We conduct research and development on an ongoing basis, including new and existing product development, testing and analysis, and process and equipment development and testing. See the Consolidated Statements of Operations for amounts incurred for research and development.

Many of the markets we serve are characterized by advances in information processing and communications capabilities, including advances driven by the expansion of digital technology, which require increased transmission speeds and greater bandwidth. Our markets are also subject to increasing requirements for mobility, information security, and transmission reliability. The relative costs and merits of copper-based and fiber optic solutions could change in the future as various competing technologies address the market opportunities. We believe that our future success will depend in part upon our ability to enhance existing products and to develop and manufacture new products that meet or anticipate such changes in our served markets.

Fiber optic technology presents a potential substitute for certain of the copper-based products that comprise a portion of our revenues. Fiber optic cables have certain advantages over copper-based cables in applications where large amounts of information must travel significant distances and where high levels of information security are required. While the cost to interface electronic and optical light signals and to terminate and connect optical fiber remains high, we expect that in future years the cost difference will diminish. We sell fiber optic infrastructure, and many customers specify these products in combination with copper-based infrastructure.

The final stage of most networks remains almost exclusively copper-based, and we expect that it will continue to be copper for the foreseeable future. However, if a significant decrease in the cost of fiber optic systems relative to the cost of copper-based systems were to occur, such systems could become superior on a price/performance basis to copper systems. Part of our research and development efforts focus on expanding our fiber-optic based product portfolio.

In the industrial automation market, there is a growing trend toward adoption of industrial Ethernet technology, bringing to the factory floor the advantages of digital communication and the ability to network devices made by different manufacturers and then link them to enterprise systems. Adoption of this technology is at a more advanced stage among European manufacturers than those in the U.S. and Asia, but we believe that the trend will globalize.

In the broadcast market, the trend towards increasingly complex broadcast production, management, and distribution environments continues to evolve. Our end-use customers need to add efficiency and improve workflow through systems and infrastructure. Our broadcast products allow content producers, broadcasters, and service providers to manage the increasingly complex broadcast signals throughout their operations.

In order to support the demand for additional bandwidth and to improve service integrity, broadband service providers are investing in their networks to enhance delivery capabilities to customers for the foreseeable future. Additional bandwidth requirements as a result

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of increased traffic expose weak points in the network, which are often connectivity related, causing broadband service operators to improve and upgrade residential networks with higher performing connectivity products.

#### **Patents and Trademarks**

We have a policy of seeking patents when appropriate on inventions concerning new products, product improvements, and advances in equipment and processes as part of our ongoing research, development, and manufacturing activities. We own many patents and registered trademarks worldwide that are used by our operating segments, with pending applications for numerous others. While we consider our patents and trademarks to be valuable assets, we do not believe that our competitive position is dependent on patent or trademark protection or that our operations are dependent on any individual patent or trademark. Our most prominent trademarks are: Belden®, Alpha Wire , Mohawk®, West Penn Wire , Hirschman®, Lumberg Automation , Telecast , SignalTightGarrettCom®, Poliron , Tofino®, Miranda , and PP®.

#### **Raw Materials**

The principal raw material used in many of our cable products is copper. Other materials we purchase in large quantities include fluorinated ethylene-propylene (FEP), polyvinyl chloride (PVC), polyethylene, aluminum-clad steel and copper-clad steel conductors, aluminum, brass, other metals, optical fiber, printed circuit boards, and electronic components. With respect to all major raw materials used by us, we generally have either alternative sources of supply or access to alternative materials. Supplies of these materials are generally adequate and are expected to remain so for the foreseeable future.

Over the past three years, the prices of metals, particularly copper, have been highly volatile. The chart below illustrates the high and low spot prices per pound of copper over the last three years.

	2013	2012	2011
Copper spot prices per pound			
High	\$3.78	\$3.97	\$4.62
Low	\$3.03	\$3.28	\$ 3.05

Prices for materials such as PVC and other plastics derived from petrochemical feedstocks have also fluctuated. Since Belden utilizes the first in, first out (FIFO) inventory costing methodology, the impact of copper and other raw material cost changes on our cost of goods sold is delayed by approximately two months based on our inventory turns.

While we generally are able to adjust our pricing for fluctuations in commodity prices, we can experience short-term favorable or unfavorable variances. When the cost of raw materials increases, we are generally able to recover these costs through higher pricing of our finished products. The majority of our products are sold through distribution, and we manage the pricing of these products through published price lists, which we update from time to time, with new prices typically taking effect a few weeks after they are announced. Some OEM customer contracts have provisions for passing through raw material cost changes, generally with a lag of a few weeks to three months.

## **Backlog**

Our business is characterized generally by short-term order and shipment schedules. Our backlog consists of product orders for which we have received a customer purchase order or purchase commitment and which have not yet been shipped. Orders are subject to cancellation or rescheduling by the customer. As of December 31, 2013, our backlog of

orders believed to be firm was \$150.4 million. The majority of the backlog at December 31, 2013 is scheduled to be shipped in 2014.

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#### **Environmental Matters**

We are subject to numerous federal, state, provincial, local and foreign laws and regulations relating to the storage, handling, emission, and discharge of materials into the environment, including the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, the Clean Water Act, the Clean Air Act, the Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act, and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. We believe that our existing environmental control procedures and accrued liabilities are adequate, and we have no current plans for substantial capital expenditures in this area.

We do not currently anticipate any material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition, cash flow, or competitive position as a result of compliance with federal, state, provincial, local or foreign environmental laws or regulations, including clean-up costs. However, some risk of environmental liability and other costs is inherent in the nature of our business, and there can be no assurance that material environmental costs will not arise. Moreover, it is possible that future developments, such as increasingly strict requirements of environmental laws and enforcement policies thereunder, could lead to material costs of environmental compliance and clean-up.

## **Employees**

As of December 31, 2013, we had approximately 7,200 employees worldwide. We also utilized approximately 400 workers under contract manufacturing arrangements. Approximately 1,700 employees are covered by collective bargaining agreements at various locations around the world. We believe our relationship with our employees is generally good.

#### **Acquisitions**

A key part of our business strategy includes acquiring companies to support our growth and product portfolio. Our acquisition strategy is based upon targeting leading companies that offer innovative products and strong brands. We utilize a disciplined approach to acquisitions based on product and market opportunities. When we identify acquisition candidates, we conduct rigorous financial analysis to make certain that they meet both our strategic plans and our goals for return on invested capital.

In February 2014, we submitted a binding offer to purchase Grass Valley for approximately \$220 million. For additional information regarding this potential acquisition, see Note 25 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

#### **Available Information**

We file annual, quarterly, and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). These reports, proxy statements, and other information contain additional information about us. You may read and copy these materials at the SEC s Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for more information about the operation of the Public Reference Room. The SEC also maintains a web site that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information about issuers who file electronically with the SEC. The Internet address of the site is <a href="https://www.sec.gov">www.sec.gov</a>.

Belden maintains an Internet web site at <a href="www.belden.com">www.belden.com</a> where our Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K, proxy statements, and all amendments to those reports and statements are available without charge, as soon as reasonably practicable following the time they are filed with or furnished to the SEC.

We will provide upon written request and without charge a printed copy of our Annual Report on Form 10-K. To obtain such a copy, please write to the Corporate Secretary, Belden Inc., 1 North Brentwood Boulevard, 15<sup>th</sup> Floor, St. Louis, MO 63105.

#### **Executive Officers**

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to the persons who were Belden executive officers as of February 27, 2014. All executive officers are elected to terms that expire at the organizational meeting of the Board of Directors following the Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

Name	Age	Position
John S. Stroup	47	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director
Steven Biegacki	55	Senior Vice President, Global Sales and Marketing
Kevin L. Bloomfield	62	Senior Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel
Henk Derksen	45	Senior Vice President, Finance, and Chief Financial Officer
Christoph Gusenleitner	49	Executive Vice President, Industrial Connectivity Solutions
John S. Norman	53	Vice President, Finance, Acquisition Due Diligence and Integration
Glenn Pennycook	51	Executive Vice President, Enterprise Connectivity Solutions
Dhrupad Trivedi	47	Executive Vice President, Industrial IT Solutions
Doug Zink	38	Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer

John S. Stroup was appointed President, Chief Executive Officer and member of the Board in October 2005. From 2000 to the date of his appointment with the Company, he was employed by Danaher Corporation, a manufacturer of professional instrumentation, industrial technologies, and tools and components. At Danaher, he initially served as Vice President, Business Development. He was promoted to President of a division of Danaher s Motion Group and later to Group Executive of the Motion Group. Earlier, he was Vice President of Marketing and General Manager with Scientific Technologies Inc. He has a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Northwestern University and an M.B.A. from the University of California at Berkeley Haas School of Business.

Steven Biegacki was appointed Vice President, Global Sales and Marketing (title subsequently changed as reflected in the above table) in March 2008. Prior to joining the Company, he was Vice President, Marketing for Rockwell Automation. At Rockwell, he initially served as DeviceNet Program Manager, was promoted to Business Manager, Automation Networks in 1997, Vice President, Integrated Architecture Commercial Marketing in 1999, and Vice President, Components and Power Control Commercial Marketing in 2005. Previously, he was an Automation Systems Architecture Marketing Manager for Allen-Bradley Company. He has a B.S. in Electrical Engineering Technology from ETI Technical College in Cleveland, Ohio.

Kevin L. Bloomfield has been Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel of the Company (title subsequently changed as reflected in the above table) since July 2004. From August 1993 until July 2004, Mr. Bloomfield was Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel of Belden 1993 Inc. He was Senior Counsel for Cooper Industries from February 1987 to July 1993, and had been in Cooper s Law Department from 1981 to 1993. He has a B.A. in Economics and a J.D. from the University of Cincinnati and an M.B.A. from The Ohio State University.

Henk Derksen has been Senior Vice President, Finance, and Chief Financial Officer since January 2012. Prior to that, he served as Vice President, Corporate Finance from July 2011 to December 2011 and Treasurer and Vice President, Financial Planning and Analysis of the Company from January 2010 to July 2011. In August of 2003, he became Vice President, Finance for the Company s EMEA division, after joining the Company at the end of 2000. Prior to joining the Company, he was Vice President and Controller of

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Plukon Poultry, a food processing company from 1998 to 2000, and has 5 years experience in public accounting with Price Waterhouse and Baker Tilly. Mr. Derksen has a M.A. in Accounting from the University of Arnhem in the Netherlands and holds a doctoral degree in Business Economics in addition to an Executive Master of Finance & Control from Tias Business School in the Netherlands.

Christoph Gusenleitner has been Executive Vice President, Industrial Connectivity Solutions since April 2013. Prior to that, he served as Executive Vice President, EMEA Operations and Global Connectivity Products since joining Belden in April 2010. Prior to joining the Company, he was a partner at Bain & Company in its industrial goods and services practice in Munich. Prior to that, he was General Manager of KaVo Dental GmbH and Kaltenbach & Voigt GmbH in Biberach, Germany. KaVo is an affiliate of Danaher Corporation. During his four-year tenure at KaVo, Mr. Gusenleitner led the strategic planning process for the global Danaher Dental Equipment platform and led three business units and 18 sales subsidiaries in EMEA. He has a degree in electrical engineering from the University of Technology in Vienna, Austria and a Master of Science in Industrial Automation from Carnegie Mellon University.

John S. Norman has been Vice President, Finance, Acquisition Due Diligence and Integration since February 2014. Prior to that, he served as Vice President, Finance, Broadcast Solutions from September 2013 to January 2014; Vice President, Controller, and Chief Accounting Officer from July 2011 to August 2013; and Vice President, Finance for the Company s EMEA division from January 2010 to June 2011. In February 2009, he was named Vice President of Belden, after joining Belden in May 2005 as Controller, and named Chief Accounting Officer in November 2005. Prior to joining the Company, he was vice president and controller of Graphic Packaging International Corporation, a paperboard packaging manufacturing company, from 1999 to 2003, and has 17 years experience in public accounting with PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP. Mr. Norman has a B.S. in Accounting from the University of Missouri and is a Certified Public Accountant.

Glenn Pennycook has been Executive Vice President, Enterprise Connectivity Solutions since May 2013. Prior to that, he was President of the Enterprise Solutions Division, after joining Belden in November 2008. Prior to joining the Company, he spent 5 years with Pregis Corporation as Director of Operations for Protective Packaging Europe, and was promoted to Managing Director for Western Europe in 2005. He has a degree in Chemical Engineering from McMaster University, Hamilton Ontario, Canada.

Dhrupad Trivedi has been Executive Vice President, Industrial IT Solutions since April 2013. Prior to that, he was responsible for the Corporate Development and Strategy function since joining Belden in January 2010. Earlier, he was President, Trapeze Networks. Prior to joining the Company, he was responsible for General Management and Corporate Development roles at JDS Uniphase. He has 18 years of experience in the Networking and Communications industry. Dhrupad has an MBA from Duke University and a Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering from University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

Doug Zink has been Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer since September 2013. Prior to that, he has served as the Company s Vice President, Internal Audit; Corporate Controller; and Director of Financial Reporting, after joining Belden in May 2007. Prior to joining the Company, he was a Financial Reporting Manager at TLC Vision Corporation, an eye care service company, from 2004 to 2007, and has five years of experience in public accounting with KPMG LLP and Arthur Andersen LLP. He holds Bachelor s and Master s Degrees in Accounting from Texas Christian University and is a Certified Public Accountant.

#### Item 1A. Risk Factors

We make forward-looking statements in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, in other materials we file with the SEC or otherwise release to the public, and on our website. In addition, our senior management might make forward-looking

statements orally to investors, analysts, the media, and others. Statements concerning our future operations, prospects, strategies, financial condition, future economic performance (including growth and earnings) and demand for our products and services, and other statements of our plans, beliefs, or expectations, including the statements contained in Item 7, Management s Discussion and Analysis of

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Financial Condition and Results of Operations, that are not historical facts, are forward-looking statements. In some cases these statements are identifiable through the use of words such as anticipate, believe, estimate, expect, in plan, project, target, can, could, may, should, will, would, and similar expressions. The forward-look make are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to various assumptions, risks, and other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those suggested by these forward-looking statements. These factors include, among others, those set forth below and in the other documents that we file with the SEC.

We expressly disclaim any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by law. Following is a discussion of some of the more significant risks that could materially impact our business. There may be additional risks that impact our business that we currently do not recognize as, or that are not currently, material to our business.

A challenging global economic environment or a downturn in the markets we serve could adversely affect our operating results and stock price in a material manner.

A challenging global economic environment could cause substantial reductions in our revenue and results of operations as a result of weaker demand by the end users of our products and price erosion. Price erosion may occur through competitors becoming more aggressive in pricing practices. A challenging global economy could also make it difficult for our customers, our vendors, and us to accurately forecast and plan future business activities. Our customers could also face issues gaining timely access to sufficient credit, which could have an adverse effect on our results if such events cause reductions in revenues, delays in collection or write-offs of receivables. Further, the demand for many of our products is economically sensitive and will vary with general economic activity, trends in nonresidential construction, investment in manufacturing facilities and automation, demand for information and broadcast technology equipment, and other economic factors.

Global economic uncertainty could result in a significant decline in the value of foreign currencies relative to the U.S. dollar, which could result in a significant adverse effect on our revenues and results of operations; could make it extremely difficult for our customers and us to accurately forecast and plan future business activities; and could cause our customers to slow or reduce spending on our products and services. Economic uncertainty could also arise from fiscal policy changes in the countries in which we operate.

#### Our strategic plan includes further acquisitions.

Our strategic plan includes further acquisitions, and the extent to which appropriate acquisitions are made will affect our overall growth, operating results, financial condition, and cash flows. Our ability to acquire businesses successfully will decline if we are unable to identify appropriate acquisition targets consistent with our strategic plan, the competition among potential buyers increases, or the cost of acquiring suitable businesses becomes too expensive. As a result, we may be unable to make acquisitions or be forced to pay more or agree to less advantageous acquisition terms for the companies that we are able to acquire.

In February 2014, we submitted a binding offer to purchase Grass Valley for approximately \$220 million. The binding offer is subject to consultation with Grass Valley s foreign labor works council, after which we plan to enter into a definitive agreement. While we expect to close the transaction in the first quarter of 2014, it remains subject to regulatory approvals, the completion of audited financial statements, and other customary closing conditions, and as such, there can be no assurance that this acquisition or other future acquisitions will occur, or that those that do occur will be successful.

We may have difficulty integrating the operations of acquired businesses, which could negatively affect our results of operations and profitability.

We may have difficulty integrating acquired businesses and future acquisitions might not meet our performance expectations. Some of the integration challenges we might face include differences in corporate culture and management styles, additional or conflicting

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governmental regulations, preparation of the acquired operations for compliance with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, financial reporting that is not in compliance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, disparate company policies and practices, customer relationship issues, and retention of key personnel. In addition, management may be required to devote a considerable amount of time to the integration process, which could decrease the amount of time we have to manage the other businesses. We may not be able to integrate operations successfully or cost-effectively, which could have a negative effect on our results of operations or our profitability. The process of integrating operations could also cause some interruption of, or the loss of momentum in, the activities of acquired businesses.

Because we do business in many countries, our results of operations are subject to political, economic, and other uncertainties and are affected by changes in currency exchange rates.

In addition to manufacturing facilities in the U.S., we have manufacturing facilities in Brazil, Canada, China, Mexico, St. Kitts, and several European countries. We rely on suppliers in many countries, including China. Our foreign operations are subject to economic and political risks inherent in maintaining operations abroad such as economic and political destabilization, land use risks, international conflicts, restrictive actions by foreign governments, and adverse foreign tax laws. A risk associated with our European manufacturing operations is the higher relative expense and length of time required to adjust manufacturing employment capacity. We also face political risks in the U.S., including tax or regulatory risks or potential adverse impacts from legislative impasses over, or significant changes in, fiscal or monetary policy.

Approximately 50% of our sales are outside the U.S. Other than the U.S. dollar, the principal currencies to which we are exposed through our manufacturing operations, sales, and related cash holdings are the euro, the Canadian dollar, the Hong Kong dollar, the Chinese yuan, the Mexican peso, the Australian dollar, the British pound, and the Brazilian real. Generally, we have revenues and costs in the same currency, thereby reducing our overall currency risk, although the realignment of our manufacturing capacity among our global facilities may alter this balance. When the U.S. dollar strengthens against other currencies, the results of our non-U.S. operations are translated at a lower exchange rate and thus into lower reported earnings.

# If we are unable to retain senior management and key employees, our business operations could be adversely affected.

Our success has been largely dependent on the skills, experience, and efforts of our senior management and key employees. The loss of any of our senior management or other key employees, including due to acquisitions or restructuring activities, could have an adverse effect on us. We may not be able to find qualified replacements for these individuals and the integration of potential replacements may be disruptive to our business. More broadly, a key determinant of our success is our ability to attract, develop and retain talented associates. While this is one of our strategic priorities, we may not be able to succeed in this regard.

## We may be unable to achieve our strategic priorities in emerging markets.

Emerging markets are a significant focus of our strategic plan. The developing nature of these markets presents a number of risks. We may be unable to attract, develop, and retain appropriate talent to manage our businesses in emerging markets. Deterioration of social, political, labor, or economic conditions in a specific country or region may adversely affect our operations or financial results. Among the risks in emerging market countries are bureaucratic intrusions and delays, contract compliance failures, engrained business partners that do not comply with local or U.S. law, such as the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, fluctuating currencies and interest rates, limitations on the amount and nature of investments, restrictions on permissible forms and structures of investment, unreliable legal and financial

infrastructure, regime disruption and political unrest, uncontrolled inflation and commodity prices, fierce local competition by companies with better political connections, and corruption. In addition, the costs of compliance with local laws and regulations in emerging markets may negatively impact our competitive position as compared to locally owned manufacturers.

#### Our future success depends in part on our ability to develop and introduce new products.

Our markets are characterized by the introduction of products with increasing technological capabilities, including fiber optic and wireless signal transmission solutions that compete with the copper cable solutions that comprise a significant portion of our revenues. The relative costs and merits of copper cable solutions, fiber optic cable solutions, and wireless solutions, as well as alternatives to our non-cable product offerings, could change in the future as various competing technologies address the market opportunities. We believe that our future success will depend in part upon our ability to enhance existing products and to develop and manufacture new products that meet or anticipate such changes, which will require continued investment in engineering, research and development, capital equipment, marketing, customer service, and technical support. We have long been successful in introducing successive generations of more capable products, but if we were to fail to keep pace with technology or with the products of competitors, we might lose market share and harm our reputation and position as a technology leader in our markets. Competing technologies could cause the obsolescence of many of our products. See the discussion above in Part I, Item 1, under *Research and Development*.

## Legal compliance issues could adversely affect our business.

We have a strong legal compliance and ethics program, including a code of business conduct and ethics, policies on anti-bribery, export controls and other legal compliance areas, and periodic training to relevant associates on these matters. While we believe that this program should reduce the likelihood of a legal compliance violation, such a violation could still occur, disrupting our business through fines, penalties, diversion of internal resources, and negative publicity.

# We may experience significant variability in our quarterly and annual effective tax rate which would affect our reported net income.

We have a complex tax profile due to the global nature of our operations, which encompass multiple taxing jurisdictions. Variability in the mix and profitability of domestic and international activities, identification and resolution of various tax uncertainties, changes in tax laws and rates, and the extent to which we are able to realize net operating loss and other carryforwards included in deferred tax assets and avoid potential adverse outcomes included in deferred tax liabilities, among other matters, may significantly affect our effective income tax rate in the future.

Our effective income tax rate is the result of the income tax rates in the various countries in which we do business. Our mix of income and losses in these jurisdictions affects our effective tax rate. For example, relatively more income in higher tax rate jurisdictions would increase our effective tax rate and thus lower our net income. Similarly, if we generate losses in tax jurisdictions for which no benefits are available, our effective income tax rate will increase. Our effective income tax rate may also be impacted by the recognition of discrete income tax items, such as required adjustments to our liabilities for uncertain tax positions or our deferred tax asset valuation allowance. A significant increase in our effective income tax rate could have a material adverse impact on our earnings.

Of our \$613.3 million cash and cash equivalents balance as of December 31, 2013, \$226.2 million was held outside of the U.S. in our foreign operations. If we were to repatriate the foreign cash to the U.S., we would be required to accrue and pay U.S. taxes in accordance with applicable U.S. tax rules and regulations.

## Changes in the price and availability of raw materials we use could be detrimental to our profitability.

Copper is a significant component of the cost of most of our cable products. Over the past few years, the prices of metals, particularly

copper, have been highly volatile. Prices of other materials we use, such as polyvinylchloride (PVC) and other plastics derived from petrochemical feedstocks, have also been volatile. Generally, we have recovered much of the higher cost of raw materials through higher pricing of our finished products. The majority of our products are sold through distribution, and we manage the pricing of these products through published price lists which we update from time to time, with new prices typically taking effect a few weeks after they are announced. Some OEM contracts have provisions for passing through raw material cost changes, generally with a lag of a few weeks to three months. If we are unable to raise prices sufficiently to recover our material costs, our earnings will be reduced. If we raise our prices but competitors raise their prices less, we may lose sales, and our earnings will be reduced. If the price of copper were to decline, we may be compelled to reduce prices to remain competitive, which could have a negative effect on revenues, and we may be required, according to the terms of contracts with certain of our distributors, to reimburse them for a portion of the price they paid for our products in their inventory. While we generally believe the supply of raw materials (copper, plastics, and other materials) is adequate, we have experienced instances of limited supply of certain raw materials, resulting in extended lead times and higher prices. If a supply interruption or shortage of materials were to occur (including due to labor or political disputes), this could have a negative effect on revenues and earnings.

## The global broadcast, enterprise, and industrial markets are highly competitive.

We face competition from other manufacturers for each of our global business platforms and in each of our geographic regions. These companies compete on price, reputation and quality, product technology and characteristics, and terms. Some multinational competitors have greater engineering, financial, manufacturing, and marketing resources than we have. Actions that may be taken by competitors, including pricing, business alliances, new product introductions, market penetration, and other actions, could have a negative effect on our revenues and profitability. Moreover, during economic downturns, some competitors that are highly leveraged both financially and operationally could become more aggressive in their pricing of products.

#### We may be unable to implement our strategic plan successfully.

Our strategic plan is designed to improve revenues and profitability, reduce costs, and improve working capital management. To achieve these goals, our strategic priorities are reliant on our Belden Business System, which includes continuing deployment of our Market Delivery System (MDS) so as to capture market share through end-user engagement, channel management, outbound marketing, and careful vertical market selection; improving our recruitment and development of talented associates; developing strong global business platforms; acquiring businesses that fit our strategic plan; and becoming a leading Lean company. Lean refers to a business management system that strives to create value for customers and deliver that value to the right place, at the right time, and in the right quantities while reducing or eliminating waste from all processes. We have a disciplined process for deploying this strategic plan through our associates. There is a risk that we may not be successful in executing these measures to achieve the expected results for a variety of reasons, including market developments, economic conditions, shortcomings in establishing appropriate action plans, or challenges with executing multiple initiatives simultaneously. For example, our MDS initiative may not succeed or we may lose market share due to challenges in choosing the right products to market or the right customers for these products, integrating products of acquired companies into our sales and marketing strategy, or strategically bidding against OEM partners. We may not be able to acquire businesses that fit our strategic plan on acceptable business terms, and we may not achieve our other strategic priorities.

We rely on several key distributors in marketing our products.

The majority of our sales are through distributors. These distributors purchase and carry the products of our competitors along with our products. Our largest distributor, Anixter International Inc., accounted for 14% of our revenue in 2013. If we were to lose a key distributor, our revenue and profits would likely be reduced, at least temporarily.

In the past, distributors have consolidated. Further consolidation of our distributors, particularly where the survivor relies more heavily on our competitors, could adversely impact our revenues and earnings. It could also result in consolidation of distributor inventory, which would temporarily depress our revenues. In addition, changes in the inventory levels of our products purchased and held by our distributors can result in significant variability in our revenues. We have also experienced financial failure of distributors from time to time, resulting in our inability to collect accounts receivable in full. A global economic downturn could cause financial difficulties (including bankruptcy) for our distributors and other customers, which would adversely affect our results of operations.

## Volatility of credit markets could adversely affect our business.

Uncertainty in U.S. and global financial and equity markets could make it more expensive for us to conduct our operations and more difficult for our customers to buy our products. Additionally, market volatility or uncertainty may cause us to be unable to pursue or complete acquisitions. Our ability to implement our business strategy and grow our business, particularly through acquisitions, may depend on our ability to raise capital by selling equity or debt securities or obtaining additional debt financing. Market conditions may prevent us from obtaining financing when we need it or on terms acceptable to us.

## Potential problems with our information systems could interfere with our business and operations.

We rely on our information systems and those of third parties for processing customer orders, shipping products, billing our customers, tracking inventory, supporting accounting functions and financial statement preparation, paying our employees, and otherwise running our business. Any disruption, whether from hackers or other sources, in our information systems or those of the third parties upon whom we rely could have a significant impact on our business. In addition, we may need to enhance our information systems to provide additional capabilities and functionality. The implementation of new information systems and enhancements is frequently disruptive to the underlying business of an enterprise. Any disruptions affecting our ability to accurately report our financial performance on a timely basis could adversely affect our business in a number of respects. If we are unable to successfully implement potential future information systems enhancements, our financial position, results of operations, and cash flows could be negatively impacted.

We, and others on our behalf, store personally identifiable information with respect to employees, vendors, customers and others. While we have implemented safeguards to protect the privacy of this information, it is possible that hackers or others might obtain this information. If that occurs, in addition to having to take potentially costly remedial action, we also may be subject to fines, penalties and reputational damage.

# If our goodwill or other intangible assets become impaired, we would be required to recognize charges that would reduce our income.

Under accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S., goodwill and certain other intangible assets are not amortized but must be reviewed for possible impairment annually or more often in certain circumstances if events indicate that the asset values may not be recoverable. We have incurred significant charges for the impairment of goodwill and other intangible assets in the past, and we may be required to do so again in future periods if the underlying value of our business declines. Such a charge would reduce our income without any change to our underlying cash flows.

We might have difficulty protecting our intellectual property from use by competitors, or competitors might accuse us of violating their intellectual property rights.

Disagreements about patents and other intellectual property rights occur in the markets we serve. Third parties have asserted and may in the future assert claims of infringement of intellectual property rights against us or against our customers or channel partners for which we may be liable. Furthermore, a successful claimant could secure a judgment that requires us to pay substantial damages or

prevents us from distributing certain products or performing certain services. We may encounter difficulty enforcing our own intellectual property rights against third parties, which could result in price erosion or loss of market share.

Some of our employees are members of collective bargaining groups, and we might be subject to labor actions that would interrupt our business.

Some of our employees, primarily outside the U.S., are members of collective bargaining groups. We believe that our relations with employees are generally good. However, if there were a dispute with one of these bargaining groups, the affected operations could be interrupted resulting in lost revenues, lost profit contribution, and customer dissatisfaction.

We are subject to current environmental and other laws and regulations, including the risks associated with possible climate change legislation.

We are subject to the environmental laws and regulations in each jurisdiction where we do business. We may be held responsible for remedial investigations and clean-up costs of certain sites damaged by the discharge of hazardous substances, including sites that have never been owned or operated by us but with respect to which we have been identified as a potentially responsible party under federal and state environmental laws. Changes in environmental and other laws and regulations in both domestic and foreign jurisdictions and changes in enforcement policies thereunder could adversely affect our operations due to increased costs of compliance and potential liability for noncompliance.

Greenhouse gas emissions and their possible impact on climate change are the subject of increasing public scrutiny. Executive action related to climate change may be pursued by the President of the United States, and legislation related to greenhouse gas emissions is repeatedly introduced by Congress. Future regulation of greenhouse gas also could occur pursuant to future U.S. treaty obligations or regulatory changes under existing environmental laws. In addition, our foreign operations could be subject to climate change regulation promulgated by the European Union or the countries in which we have facilities or otherwise conduct business. Additional climate change regulation may adversely affect our costs by increasing energy costs and raw material prices and requiring equipment modification or replacement.

There may be additional risks that impact our business that we currently do not recognize as, or that are not currently, material to our business.

## **Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments**

None.

## **Item 2. Properties**

Belden owns and leases manufacturing, warehousing, sales and administrative space in locations around the world. We also have a corporate office that we lease in St. Louis, Missouri. The leases are of varying terms, expiring from 2014 through 2024.

The table below summarizes the geographic locations of our manufacturing facilities utilized by our segments as of December 31, 2013.

	Broadcast	Enterprise Connectivity	Industrial Connectivity	Industrial IT	Utilized by Multiple	
	<b>Solutions</b>	Solutions	Solutions		Segments	Total
Brazil			1			1
Canada	1		1			2
China	1				1	2
Denmark	1	1				2
Germany				1		1
Hungary					1	1
Italy		1				1
Mexico	1				2	3
Netherlands			1			1
St. Kitts	1					1
United States	5	1	3	2	3	14
Total	10	3	6	3	7	29

In addition to the manufacturing facilities summarized above, our segments also utilize approximately 21 warehouses worldwide. As of December 31, 2013, we owned or leased a total of approximately 6 million square feet of facility space worldwide. We believe that our production facilities are suitable for their present and intended purposes and adequate for our current level of operations.

## **Item 3. Legal Proceedings**

We are a former owner of a property located in Kingston, Canada. The Ontario, Canada Ministry of the Environment is seeking to require current and former owners of the Kingston property to delineate and remediate soil and groundwater contamination at the site, which we believe was caused by Nortel (a former owner of the site). We are in the process of assessing whether we have any liability for the site, as well as the scope of contamination, cost of remediation, allocation of costs among the parties, and the other parties—financial viability. Based on our current information, we do not believe this matter should have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, operating results, or cash flows. However, since the outcome of this matter is uncertain, we cannot give absolute assurance regarding its future resolution, or that such matter may not become material in the future.

We are also a party to various legal proceedings and administrative actions that are incidental to our operations. In our opinion, the proceedings and actions in which we are involved should not, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, operating results, or cash flows. However, since the trends and outcome of this litigation are inherently uncertain, we cannot give absolute assurance regarding the future resolution of such litigation, or that such litigation may not become material in the future.

## **Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures**

Not applicable.

#### **PART II**

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

Our common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol BDC.

As of February 18, 2014, there were 357 record holders of common stock of Belden Inc.

We declared a dividend of \$0.05 per share in each quarter of 2013 and 2012. We anticipate that comparable cash dividends will continue to be paid quarterly in the foreseeable future.

#### **Common Stock Prices and Dividends**

	2013 (By Quarter)			
	1	2	3	4
Dividends per common share	\$ 0.05	\$ 0.05	\$ 0.05	\$ 0.05
Common stock prices:				
High	\$ 53.24	\$ 55.69	\$66.13	\$72.07
Low	\$45.00	\$45.06	\$ 50.10	\$62.50
		2012 (By	Quarter)	
	1	2012 (By 2	Quarter)	4
Dividends per common share	1 \$ 0.05	` •	- /	4 \$ 0.05
Dividends per common share Common stock prices:	1 \$ 0.05	2	3	-
•	1 \$ 0.05 \$41.43	2	3	-

In July 2011, our Board of Directors authorized a share repurchase program, which allows us to purchase up to \$150.0 million of our common stock through open market repurchases, negotiated transactions, or other means, in accordance with applicable securities laws and other restrictions. In November 2012, our Board of Directors authorized an extension of the share repurchase program, which allows us to purchase up to an additional \$200.0 million of our common stock. This program is funded by cash on hand and free cash flow. The program does not have an expiration date and may be suspended at any time at the discretion of the Company.

From inception of the program to December 31, 2013, we have repurchased 5.4 million shares of our common stock under the program for an aggregate cost of \$218.8 million and an average price of \$40.37. For the year ended December 31, 2013, we repurchased 1.7 million shares of our common stock under the program for an aggregate cost of \$93.8 million and an average price of \$54.76. Set forth below is information regarding our stock repurchases for the three months ended December 31, 2013.

Approximate

Total Number of Shares

Repurchased

Total Number Average Price as Part of Value of Shares that May

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	of Shares	Paid	Publicly Announced Plans or	Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or
Period:	Repurchased	per Share	Programs	Programs
September 30, 2013 through November 3, 2013	262,511	\$ 60.71	262,511	\$ 131,250,000
November 4, 2013 through December 1, 2013	202,000	,		131,250,000
December 2, 2013 through December 31, 2013				131,250,000
Total	262,511	\$ 60.71	262,511	\$ 131,250,000

# **Stock Performance Graph**

The following graph compares the cumulative total shareholder return on Belden s common stock over the five-year period ended December 31, 2013, with the cumulative total return during such period of the Standard and Poor s 500 Stock Index and the Dow Jones Electronic & Electrical Equipment Index. The comparison assumes \$100 was invested on December 31, 2008, in Belden s common stock and in each of the foregoing indices and assumes reinvestment of dividends. The stock performance shown on the graph below represents historical stock performance and is not necessarily indicative of future stock price performance.

(1) This chart and the accompanying data are furnished, not filed, with the SEC.

# **Total Return To Shareholders**

# (Includes reinvestment of dividends)

	ANNUAL RETURN PERCENTAGE					
	Years Ended December 31,					
Company Name / Index	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	
Belden Inc.	6.2%	69.2%	-9.1%	35.9%	57.1%	
S&P 500 Index	26.5%	15.1%	2.1%	16.0%	32.4%	
Dow Jones Electronic & Electrical Equipment Index	47.7%	31.9%	-9.5%	22.6%	35.3%	

# INDEXED RETURNS Years Ended December 31,

	Base Period	l				
Company Name / Index	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Belden Inc.	\$ 100.00	\$ 106.19	\$ 179.62	\$ 163.30	\$ 221.93	\$ 348.73
S&P 500 Index	100.00	126.46	145.51	148.59	172.37	228.19
Dow Jones Electronic & Electrical Equipment						
Index	100.00	147.68	194.75	176.19	216.06	292.43

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Item 6. Selected Financial Data

	Years Ended December 31,				
	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
		(In thousands	s, except per sh	nare amounts)	
Statement of operations data:					
Revenues	\$ 2,069,193	\$1,840,739	\$ 1,882,187	\$ 1,543,386	\$1,304,088
Operating income	201,262	108,497	165,206	116,639	31,065
Income (loss) from continuing operations	104,734	43,236	101,308	61,276	(10,221)
Basic income (loss) per share from					
continuing operations	2.39	0.96	2.15	1.31	(0.22)
Diluted income (loss) per share from					
continuing operations	2.34	0.94	2.11	1.28	(0.22)
Balance sheet data:					
Total assets	2,751,753	2,584,583	1,788,120	1,696,484	1,620,578
Long-term debt	1,364,536	1,135,527	550,926	551,155	543,942
Long-term debt, including current					
maturities	1,367,036	1,151,205	550,926	551,155	590,210
Stockholders equity	836,541	811,860	694,549	638,515	551,048
Other data:					
Basic weighted average common shares					
outstanding	43,871	45,097	47,109	46,805	46,594
Diluted weighted average common shares					
outstanding	44,737	45,942	48,104	47,783	46,594
Dividends per common share	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.20

In 2013, we re-organized the Company around four global business platforms: Broadcast, Enterprise Connectivity, Industrial Connectivity, and Industrial IT. See Note 5 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. In 2013, we also acquired Softel in our fiscal first quarter. During 2013, we recognized severance and other restructuring costs, including accelerated depreciation expense, of \$19.8 million, primarily related to plant consolidation activities in our Broadcast segment, and purchase accounting effects related to acquisitions, including the adjustment of acquired inventory to fair value, of \$6.6 million.

In 2012, we acquired Miranda in our fiscal third quarter and PPC in our fiscal fourth quarter. We sold certain assets of our Chinese cable operations that conducted business primarily in the consumer electronics end market at the end of our fiscal fourth quarter. We sold our Thermax and Raydex cable business in 2012, which has been treated as a discontinued operation. During 2012, we also recognized a loss on debt extinguishment of \$52.5 million, asset impairment and loss on sale of assets of \$33.7 million, purchase accounting effects related to acquisitions, including the adjustment of acquired inventory to fair value, of \$18.8 million, and severance and other restructuring costs of \$17.9 million.

In 2011, we acquired ICM, Poliron, and Byres Security. During 2011, we also recognized severance expense of \$4.9 million and asset impairment charges of \$2.5 million.

In 2010, we acquired GarrettCom and the Communications Products business of Thomas & Betts. During 2010, we also recognized expenses from the effects of purchase accounting of \$6.5 million, severance expense of \$1.1 million,

and asset impairment charges of \$16.6 million.

In 2009, we streamlined our manufacturing, sales and administrative functions worldwide in an effort to reduce costs and mitigate the weakening demand experienced throughout the global economy. During 2009, we recognized severance and employee relocation expenses of \$29.6 million, asset impairment charges of \$27.8 million, loss on sale of assets of \$17.2 million, accelerated depreciation expense of \$2.6 million, and other charges related to our global restructuring actions of \$24.1 million.

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

#### Overview

We are an innovative signal transmission solutions company built around four global business platforms Broadcast Solutions, Enterprise Connectivity Solutions, Industrial Connectivity Solutions, and Industrial IT Solutions. Our comprehensive portfolio of signal transmission solutions provides industry leading secure and reliable transmission of data, sound and video for mission critical applications.

We strive to create shareholder value by:

Delivering highly engineered signal transmission solutions for mission-critical applications in a diverse set of global markets;

Maintaining a balanced product portfolio across end markets, applications, and geographies that allows for a disciplined approach to growth;

Capturing additional market share by using our Market Delivery System to improve channel and end-user relationships and to concentrate sales efforts on customers in higher growth geographies and vertical end-markets;

Managing our product portfolio to provide innovative and complete end-to-end solutions for our customers in applications for which we have operational expertise and can drive customer loyalty;

Acquiring leading companies, with innovative product portfolios and opportunities for synergies, that fit within our strategic framework;

Continuously improving our people, processes, and systems through scalable, flexible, and sustainable business systems for talent management, Lean enterprise, and acquisition cultivation and integration; and

Protecting and enhancing the value of the Belden brands.

We believe our business system, balance across markets and geographies, systematic go-to-market approach, extensive portfolio of innovative solutions, commitment to Lean principles, and improving margins present a unique value proposition that increases shareholder value.

To accomplish these goals, we use a set of tools and processes that are designed to continuously improve business performance in the critical areas of quality, delivery, cost, and innovation. We consider revenue growth, operating margin, free cash flows, and return on invested capital to be our key operating performance indicators. We also seek to acquire businesses that we believe can help us achieve these objectives. The extent to which appropriate acquisitions are made and integrated can affect our overall growth, operating results, financial condition, and cash flows.

We generated approximately 50% of our sales outside of the U.S. in 2013. As a global business, our operations are affected by worldwide, regional, and industry economic and political factors. We continue to operate in a highly competitive business environment in our served markets and geographies. Our market and geographic diversity limits the impact of any one market or the economy of any single country on our consolidated operating results. Our individual businesses monitor key competitors and customers, including to the extent possible their sales, to gauge relative performance and the outlook for the future. In addition, we use indices for general economic trends to predict our outlook for the future given the broad range of products manufactured and end markets served.

We use the U.S. dollar as our reporting currency, although a substantial portion of our assets, liabilities, operating results, and cash flows reside in or are derived from countries other than the U.S. These assets, liabilities, operating results, and cash flows are translated from local currencies into the U.S. dollar using exchange rates effective during the applicable period. We have generally accepted the exposure to currency exchange rate movements without using derivative financial instruments to manage this risk. Both positive and negative movements in currency exchange rates relative to the U.S. dollar will continue to affect the reported amount of assets, liabilities, operating results, and cash flows in our Consolidated Financial Statements.

# **Significant Trends and Events in 2013**

The following trends and events during 2013 had varying effects on our financial condition, results of operations, and cash flows.

# Change in Segments

In 2013, we re-organized the Company around four global business platforms: Broadcast, Enterprise Connectivity, Industrial Connectivity, and Industrial IT. The re-organization was executed as a result of our transformation into a global provider of comprehensive signal transmission solutions. We have determined that each of the global business platforms represents a reportable segment. We have revised the prior period segment information to conform to the change in the composition of our reportable segments.

# Commodity Prices

Our operating results can be affected by changes in prices of commodities, primarily copper, silver, and compounds, which are components in some of the products we sell. Generally, as the costs of raw materials increase due to higher commodity prices, we raise selling prices to customers to cover the increase in costs, resulting in higher sales revenue but a lower gross profit percentage. Conversely, a decrease in commodity prices would result in lower sales revenue but a higher gross profit percentage. Selling prices of our products are affected by many factors, including end market demand, capacity utilization, overall economic conditions, and commodity prices. Importantly, however, there is no exact measure of the effect of changing commodity prices, as there are thousands of transactions in any given quarter, each of which has various factors involved in the individual pricing decisions. Therefore, all references to the effect of copper prices or other commodity prices are estimates.

# Channel Inventory

Our operating results also can be affected by the levels of Belden products purchased and held as inventory by our channel partners and customers. Our channel partners and customers purchase and hold our products in their inventory in order to meet the service and on-time delivery requirements of their customers. Generally, as our channel partners and customers change the level of Belden products owned and held in their inventory, it impacts our revenues. Comparisons of our results between periods can be impacted by changes in the levels of channel inventory.

# Market Growth and Market Share

The broadcast, enterprise, and industrial markets in which we operate can generally be characterized as highly competitive and highly fragmented, with many players. Based on available data for our served markets, we estimate that our market share ranges from approximately 15% - 20%. A substantial acquisition in one of our served markets would be necessary to meaningfully change our estimated market share percentage. We monitor available data regarding market growth, including independent market research reports, publicly available indices, and the financial results of our direct and indirect peer companies, in order to estimate the extent to which our served markets grew or contracted during a particular period. We expect that our unit sales volume will increase or decrease consistently with the market growth rate. Our strategic goal is to utilize our Market Delivery System to target faster growing geographies, applications, and trends within our end markets, in order to achieve growth that is higher than the general market growth rate. To the extent that we exceed the market growth rates, we consider it to be the result of capturing market share.

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### Acquisitions and Divestiture

We completed the acquisitions of Miranda Technologies Inc. (Miranda) in July 2012, PPC Broadband, Inc. (PPC) in December 2012, and Softel Limited (Softel) in January 2013. The results of Miranda, PPC, and Softel have been included in our Consolidated Financial Statements from their respective acquisition dates and are reported within the Broadcast segment. We sold our cable operations that primarily conducted business in the consumer electronics end market on December 31, 2012.

#### Restructuring Activities

As a result of the recently completed acquisition of PPC, we consolidated certain operating facilities. In 2013, we recognized \$14.9 million of severance and other restructuring costs, such as relocation and equipment transfer costs, and \$4.9 million of accelerated depreciation expense, primarily as a result of facility consolidation in New York and other acquisition integration activities. We expect to incur minimal additional severance and other restructuring costs in 2014 as a result of these activities. These activities were contemplated as part of the decision to acquire PPC, and we expect the results of these activities to generate annualized cost savings of approximately \$8-10 million beginning in 2014.

In 2012, in response to uncertain economic conditions, we implemented certain restructuring actions and recognized severance and other restructuring costs of \$17.9 million. The actions included reducing headcount and renegotiating procurement related contracts in order to reduce our cost structure. We expected the results of these activities to generate annualized cost savings of approximately \$20 million beginning in 2013, and we believe we have substantially achieved these cost savings.

We continuously review our business strategies. In order to remain competitive, our goal is to improve productivity on an annual basis. To the extent that market growth rates are low, we may need to restructure aspects of our business in order to meet our annual productivity targets. This could result in additional restructuring costs in future periods. The magnitude of restructuring costs in the future could be influenced by statutory requirements in the countries in which we operate and our internal policies with regard to providing severance benefits in the absence of statutory requirements.

# **Results of Operations**

# Consolidated Income from Continuing Operations before Taxes

				Percentage	Change
	2013	2012	2011	2013 vs. 2012 2	012 vs. 2011
		(In thousan	ds, except per	rcentages)	
Revenues	\$ 2,069,193	\$ 1,840,739	\$1,882,187	12.4%	-2.2%
Gross profit	704,429	566,597	541,521	24.3%	4.6%
Selling, general and administrative					
expenses	378,009	345,926	319,034	9.3%	8.4%
Research and development	83,277	65,410	54,752	27.3%	19.5%
Operating income	201,262	108,497	165,206	85.5%	-34.3%
Income from continuing operations					
before taxes	127,049	5,042	118,099	2,419.8%	-95.7%

# 2013 Compared to 2012

Revenues increased in 2013 from 2012 primarily due to acquisitions, which contributed \$329.7 million of the increase.

Revenues were also impacted by the following factors:

An increase in unit sales volume, including changes in channel inventory, resulted in approximately an \$8.0 million increase in revenues. Our balanced portfolio across end markets and geographies allowed us to generate an increase in volume, despite challenging economic conditions in various markets and geographies throughout the year. For example, we believe market share gains in industrial end markets partially mitigated the impact of uncertain economic conditions in enterprise end markets, including weak spending on non-residential construction and information technology projects.

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Favorable currency translation resulted in a \$3.6 million increase in revenues.

The disposal of our cable operations that primarily conducted business in the consumer electronics end market in 2012 resulted in a decrease in revenues of \$97.8 million.

Lower copper costs resulted in an estimated revenue decrease of approximately \$15 million.

Gross profit for 2013 included \$7.1 million of severance and other restructuring costs, \$6.6 million of cost of sales arising from the adjustment of inventory to fair value related to our acquisition of PPC, and \$4.9 million of accelerated depreciation expense. The severance and other restructuring costs and accelerated depreciation expense primarily resulted from our decision to consolidate manufacturing facilities as we integrate PPC. Gross profit for 2012 included \$16.0 million of purchase accounting effects of acquisitions, including increased cost of sales arising from the adjustment of inventory to fair value related to our acquisitions of Miranda and PPC, and \$6.5 million of severance and other restructuring costs. The \$3.9 million decrease in these costs from 2012 to 2013 contributed to the increase in gross profit from 2012 to 2013.

Excluding the costs described above, our gross profit increased by \$133.9 million from 2012 to 2013. The most significant factor was the impact of our acquisitions of Miranda and PPC, which contributed approximately \$132.4 million of gross profit. The remainder of the increase was due to the increase in revenues and improved product mix, partially offset by the disposal of our cable operations that primarily conducted business in the consumer electronics end market in 2012.

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased in 2013 from 2012. Selling, general and administrative expenses for 2013 included \$6.5 million of severance and other restructuring costs, compared to \$10.0 million of severance and other restructuring costs for 2012. Excluding the impact of the severance and other restructuring costs, the increase in selling, general and administrative expenses was primarily due to the impact of our acquisitions completed in 2012, which contributed \$52.6 million of the increase. Excluding the impact of the costs discussed above and the selling, general and administrative costs of the companies acquired in 2012, our selling, general and administrative expenses decreased by approximately \$17.0 million due to improved productivity and our previously completed restructuring activities.

The increase in research and development costs in 2013 from 2012 was primarily due to our recent technology intensive acquisitions, which contributed approximately \$19.0 million of the increase. Excluding the impact of the research and development costs of the companies acquired in 2012, our research and development costs decreased by approximately \$1.0 million due to improved productivity and our previously completed restructuring activities.

Amortization of intangibles increased by \$28.0 million due to the impact of our acquisitions completed in 2012.

Operating income for 2013 included \$50.8 million of amortization of intangibles, \$14.9 million of severance and other restructuring costs, \$6.6 million of cost of sales arising from the adjustment of inventory to fair value related to our acquisition of PPC, and \$4.9 million of accelerated depreciation expense. Operating income for 2012 included \$33.7 million of asset impairment and loss on sale of assets, \$22.8 million of amortization of intangibles, \$17.9 million of severance and other restructuring costs, and \$18.8 million of expenses due to the effects of purchase accounting, primarily for cost of sales arising from the adjustment of inventory to fair value related to our acquisitions of Miranda and PPC. The \$16.0 million decrease in these costs from 2012 to 2013 contributed to the increase in operating income.

Excluding the costs described above, operating income increased by \$76.7 million from 2012 to 2013. The most significant factor was

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the impact of our acquisitions of Miranda and PPC, which contributed approximately \$60.9 million of operating income. The remainder of the increase was due to an improved business portfolio, improved end-market mix, improved productivity as a result of the successful execution of our Lean Enterprise strategies and our previously completed restructuring activities, and leverage on the increase in revenues.

Interest expense increased in 2013 from 2012 due to our increase in total debt incurred to finance our 2012 acquisitions. Our effective interest rate on outstanding borrowings as of December 31, 2013 was 5.1%. Interest expense for 2013 includes \$1.7 million of interest expense associated with an uncertain tax positions.

Income from continuing operations before taxes increased in 2013 from 2012 due to the increases in operating income discussed above. In addition, 2012 included a loss on debt extinguishment of \$52.5 million in income (loss) from continuing operations before taxes, compared to \$1.6 million in 2013. In 2012, we completed a tender offer and repurchased all of our senior subordinated notes due 2017 and \$194.8 million of our senior subordinated notes due 2019, which resulted in the loss on extinguishment of debt of \$52.5 million.

2012 Compared to 2011

Revenues decreased in 2012 compared to 2011 primarily for the following reasons:

A decrease in unit sales volume primarily due to weak demand and inventory reductions by our channel partners and customers resulted in a decrease in revenues of approximately \$50 million.

Lower copper costs resulted in an estimated decrease in revenues of approximately \$50 million.

Unfavorable currency translation resulted in a decrease in revenues of approximately \$35 million. The unfavorable currency translation was primarily due to the euro and Brazilian real weakening against the U.S. dollar

These decreases were partially offset by acquisitions during 2012 and 2011, which contributed an approximate \$94 million increase in revenues.

Gross profit in 2012 included \$22.5 million of costs, which are described further above. Gross profit in 2011 included \$2.9 million of severance and other restructuring costs. Excluding the impact of these costs, gross profit increased by \$44.7 million from 2011 to 2012. The most significant factor was the impact of our acquisitions completed in 2012 and 2011, which contributed approximately \$55.2 million of gross profit. The remainder of the change was due to the decline in revenues discussed above, partially offset by improved productivity due to our Lean Enterprise initiatives and previously completed restructuring activities and favorable product mix.

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased in 2012 from 2011. Selling, general and administrative expenses for 2012 included \$10.0 million of severance and other restructuring costs, compared to \$2.0 million of severance and other restructuring costs for 2011. Excluding the impact of the severance and other restructuring costs, the increase in selling, general and administrative expenses was primarily due to the impact of our acquisitions completed in 2012, which contributed \$22.3 million of the increase. Excluding the impact of the costs discussed above and the selling, general and administrative costs of the companies acquired in 2012, our selling, general and administrative expenses decreased by approximately \$3.4 million due to improved productivity and our previously

completed restructuring activities.

The increase in research and development costs in 2012 from 2011 was primarily due to our recent technology intensive acquisitions, which contributed approximately \$9.7 million of the increase. The remainder of the increase is due to investments in new product development.

Operating income in 2012 included \$93.2 million of costs, which are described above. Operating income in 2011 included \$13.1 million of amortization of intangibles, \$4.9 million of severance and other restructuring costs, and \$2.5 million of asset impairment. Excluding the impact of these costs, operating income increased by \$16.0 million from 2011 to 2012. The most significant factor was

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the impact of our acquisitions completed in 2012 and 2011, which contributed approximately \$18.3 million of operating income. The remainder of the change was due to the decline in revenues discussed above, partially offset by improved productivity due to our Lean Enterprise initiatives and previously completed restructuring activities and favorable product mix.

Income from continuing operations before taxes decreased in 2012 compared to 2011 due to the decrease in operating income discussed above, as well as the loss on debt extinguishment of \$52.5 million described above.

#### **Income Taxes**

	2013	2012	2011			
	(In thousands, except percentages)					
Income from continuing operations before taxes	\$ 127,049	\$ 5,042	\$ 118,099			
Income tax expense (benefit)	22,315	(38,194)	16,791			
Effective tax rate	17.6%	-757.5%	14.2%			

2013 Compared to 2012

We recognized income tax expense of \$22.3 million in 2013, representing an effective tax rate for 2013 of 17.6%. Our income tax expense in 2013 included several significant discrete items. We recognized \$4.8 million of tax expense for uncertain tax position liabilities, primarily related to a foreign tax audit. Income tax expense for 2013 also included a net \$4.2 million tax benefit due to the impact of tax law changes, primarily for tax law changes in the U.S. regarding the portion of our foreign income that is taxable in the U.S. In 2012, as a result of recognizing two significant discrete items, we recognized income tax benefit of \$38.2 million. The significant discrete items from 2012 are discussed further below.

Our income tax expense was impacted by several other factors. The statutory tax rates associated with our foreign earnings generally are lower than the statutory U.S. tax rate of 35%. This had the greatest impact on our income from continuing operations before taxes that is generated in Germany, Canada, and the Netherlands, which have statutory tax rates of approximately 28%, 26%, and 25%, respectively. Foreign tax rate differences reduced our income tax expense by approximately \$15.4 million and \$14.0 million for 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Our income tax expense also was impacted by domestic permanent differences and tax credits. In 2013, our income tax expense included a benefit of \$8.5 million from domestic permanent differences and tax credits, compared to expense in 2012 of \$4.9 million. The change from 2012 to 2013 was caused primarily by changes in certain tax laws in the U.S. that decreased the portion of our foreign income that was taxable in the U.S. in 2013 compared to 2012. In general, our significant domestic permanent differences and tax credits stem from foreign income that is taxable in the U.S., deductions available for domestic manufacturing activities, credits for taxes paid in foreign jurisdictions on income that is also taxable in the U.S., and credits for research and development activities.

As of December 31, 2013, we maintained a valuation allowance on our deferred tax assets of \$10.2 million. The most significant component of the valuation allowance was \$7.1 million of deferred tax assets for certain U.S. state net operating losses and tax credits. While we have positive evidence in the form of projected sources of income, we determined that these assets were not realizable as of December 31, 2013 due to a history of net operating losses and tax credits expiring without being utilized in certain states and because the current forecast of income is not sufficient to utilize all of these state net operating losses and tax credits prior to expiration.

# 2012 Compared to 2011

We recognized an income tax benefit of \$38.2 million in 2012, compared to income tax expense of \$16.8 million in 2011. Our income tax benefit in 2012 included two significant discrete items. First, we recorded a \$21.0 million tax benefit related to the settlement of a tax sharing agreement with Cooper Industries. Second, we recorded a \$9.5 million tax benefit due to the net changes in deferred tax asset valuation allowances, primarily in foreign jurisdictions. See further discussion below. Income tax expense for 2011 also included two significant discrete items, an \$8.0 million tax benefit due to the net changes in deferred tax asset valuation allowances, primarily in foreign jurisdictions, and a \$1.3 million tax benefit due to the reduction of our reserve for uncertain tax positions, primarily due to the settlement of a foreign tax audit.

Our income tax expense was impacted by several other factors. The statutory tax rates associated with our foreign earnings generally are lower than the statutory U.S. tax rate of 35%. This had the greatest impact on our income from continuing operations before taxes that is generated in Germany, Canada, and the Netherlands, which have statutory tax rates of approximately 28%, 26%, and 25%, respectively. Foreign tax rate differences reduced our income tax expense by approximately \$14.0 million and \$8.0 million for 2012 and 2011, respectively.

Our income tax expense also was impacted by domestic permanent differences and tax credits. In 2012 our income tax expense was negatively impacted by \$4.9 million from domestic permanent differences and tax credits, compared to a benefit in 2011 of \$8.1 million. The change from 2011 to 2012 was caused primarily by an expiration of certain tax laws in the U.S. that increased the portion of our foreign income that was taxable in the U.S. in 2012 compared to 2011. In general, our significant domestic permanent differences and tax credits stem from foreign income that is taxable in the U.S., deductions available for domestic manufacturing activities, credits for taxes paid in foreign jurisdictions on income that is also taxable in the U.S., and credits for research and development activities.

In 2012, we recorded a net income tax benefit of \$9.5 million due to changes in valuation allowances in foreign and domestic jurisdictions. The most significant change was a reduction of the valuation allowance related to deferred tax assets for net operating losses in the Netherlands of \$11.7 million. We reduced the valuation allowance in the Netherlands because the weight of evidence regarding the future realizability of the deferred tax assets had become predominately positive and realization of the deferred tax assets was more likely than not. The positive evidence considered in our assessment of the realizability of the deferred tax assets included: 1) the generation by the business of income in 2011 and 2012, with a significant increase year-over-year, due in part to operational changes in the business that improved profitability, such as headcount and other cost reductions, improvements in logistics and procurement processes, and on-going productivity initiatives; 2) the implementation of tax planning strategies surrounding acquisition financing that will generate increased future income in the Netherlands; and 3) the implementation of other tax planning strategies surrounding intercompany activities that will generate additional income in the Netherlands in future years. The negative evidence considered included historical losses in the Netherlands in 2010 and certain prior years.

During 2012, we also reduced valuation allowances related to deferred tax assets for net operating losses in the U.S. of \$1.2 million and Canada of \$0.5 million, and we recorded valuation allowances of \$3.9 million related to deferred tax assets for net operating losses in Asia, primarily China and Hong Kong. These changes to our valuation allowances were made based on our assessments of the realizability of those deferred tax assets, giving consideration to all available evidence, including all future sources of income in the applicable jurisdictions.

As of December 31, 2012, we maintained a valuation allowance on our deferred tax assets of \$7.5 million. The most significant component of the valuation allowance was \$4.7 million of deferred tax assets for certain U.S. state net operating losses and tax credits. While we have positive evidence in the form of projected sources of income, we

determined that these assets were not realizable as of December 31, 2012 due to a history of net operating losses and tax credits expiring without being utilized and because the current forecast of income was not sufficient to utilize all of these net operating losses and tax credits prior to expiration.

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Our income tax expense and effective tax rate in future periods may be impacted by many factors, including our geographic mix of income and changes in tax laws. See further discussion in Part 1, Item 1A, Risk Factors, under We may experience significant variability in our quarterly and annual effective tax rate which would affect our reported net income.

# **Broadcast Solutions**

	2013	2012 (In thousan	2011 ds, except per	2013 vs. 2012	ge Change 2012 vs. 2011
Revenues	\$ 663,900	\$356,320	\$314,733	86.3%	13.2%
Operating income (loss)	15,099	(11,657)	21,523	229.5%	-154.2%
as a percent of revenues	2.3%	-3.3%	6.8%		

Broadcast revenues increased in 2013 from 2012 primarily due to acquisitions, which contributed \$329.7 million to the increase in revenues. The increase in revenues was partially offset by a decrease in unit sales volume, including the impact of changes in channel inventory, of approximately \$19.1 million. The decrease in volume was due in part to the favorable impact of the Olympics and the U.S. presidential election cycle in 2012. Lower copper costs resulted in an estimated revenue decrease of approximately \$3 million.

Operating income for 2013 included \$46.0 million of amortization of intangibles, \$12.1 million of severance and other restructuring costs, \$6.6 million of cost of sales arising from the adjustment of inventory to fair value related to our acquisition of PPC, and \$4.9 million of accelerated depreciation expense. Operating loss for 2012 included \$16.8 million of amortization of intangibles, \$4.9 million of severance and other restructuring costs, and \$16.5 million of expenses due to the effects of purchase accounting, primarily for cost of sales arising from the adjustment of inventory to fair value related to our acquisitions of Miranda and PPC.

Excluding the costs described above, operating income increased by \$58.2 million from 2012 to 2013. The most significant factor was the impact of our acquisitions of Miranda and PPC, which contributed approximately \$60.9 million of operating income. The increase in operating income due to acquisitions was partially offset by a decrease in operating income due to the decline in sales volume.

Broadcast revenues increased in 2012 from 2011 primarily due to acquisitions, which contributed \$89.6 million to the increase in revenues. The increase in revenues was partially offset by a decrease in unit sales volume, including the impact of changes in channel inventory, of approximately \$44.2 million. Lower copper costs and unfavorable currency translation resulted in an estimated revenue decrease of approximately \$2 million and \$1.8 million, respectively.

Operating loss in 2012 included \$38.2 million of costs, which are described above. Operating income in 2011 included \$4.4 million of amortization of intangibles. Excluding the impact of these costs, operating income increased by \$0.6 million from 2011 to 2012. The most significant factor was the impact of our acquisitions completed in 2012 and 2011, which contributed approximately \$18.7 million of operating income. The impact of our acquisitions was offset by the decline in sales volume discussed above and unfavorable product mix.

# **Enterprise Connectivity Solutions**

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				Percentag	e Change			
	2013	2012	2011	2013 vs. 20122	012 vs. 2011			
		(In thousands, except percentages)						
Revenues	\$493,129	\$ 496,857	\$ 546,800	-0.8%	-9.1%			
Operating income	48,753	40,056	41,750	21.7%	-4.1%			
as a percent of revenues	9.9%	8.1%	7.6%	)				

Enterprise Connectivity revenues decreased in 2013 from 2012 due to lower copper costs, which resulted in an estimated decrease in revenues of approximately \$5 million. The decrease was partially offset by an increase in unit sales volume of approximately \$1.1 million. An increase in channel inventory partially mitigated a decrease in volume due to challenging economic conditions, including weak spending on non-residential construction and information technology projects. Favorable currency translation resulted in a revenue increase of approximately \$0.2 million.

Operating income increased in 2013 from 2012. Operating income in 2012 included \$3.2 million of severance and other restructuring costs and \$1.5 million of asset impairment. There were no significant severance and other restructuring costs or asset impairment in 2013. The \$4.7 million decrease in these costs above contributed to the increase in operating income in 2013 from 2012. The remainder of the increase in operating income was due to the timing of favorable input costs and leverage on the increase in unit sales volume noted above.

Enterprise Connectivity revenues decreased in 2012 from 2011 primarily due to a \$21.4 million decrease in unit sales volume resulting from inventory reductions by our channel partners. In addition, lower copper costs and unfavorable currency translation resulted in an estimated decrease in revenues of approximately \$19 million and \$9.5 million, respectively.

Operating income decreased in 2012 from 2011 due to the impact of the \$4.7 million of costs noted above, including severance and other restructuring costs and asset impairment. There were no significant severance and other restructuring costs or asset impairment in 2011. Excluding the impact of these costs, operating income increased due to favorable input costs and improved productivity due to our Lean Enterprise initiatives, partially offset by the impact of the decrease in revenues.

#### **Industrial Connectivity Solutions**

				Percentage	Change			
	2013	2012	2011	2013 vs. 201220	12 vs. 2011			
		(In thousands, except percentages)						
Revenues	\$ 680,643	\$670,112	\$665,035	1.6%	0.8%			
Operating income	92,562	72,366	69,200	27.9%	4.6%			
as a percent of revenues	13.6%	10.8%	10 4%	'n				

Industrial Connectivity revenues increased in 2013 from 2012 due to an increase in unit sales volume, including changes in channel inventory, of approximately \$19.1 million. We believe sales volume benefited from gains in market share due to the execution of our Market Delivery System. Lower copper costs partially offset the increase in revenues by an estimated \$7 million. Unfavorable currency translation resulted in a decrease in revenues of approximately \$1.6 million.

Operating income in 2012 included \$9.2 million of severance and other restructuring costs and \$2.4 million of asset impairment. There were no significant severance and other restructuring costs or asset impairment in 2013. The decrease in these costs contributed to the increase in operating income in 2013 from 2012. The remainder of the increase in operating income from 2012 to 2013 was primarily due to improved productivity due to our Lean Enterprise initiatives and leveraging the increase in revenues discussed above.

Industrial Connectivity revenues increased in 2012 from 2011 due to an increase in unit sales volume, net of the effects of inventory reductions by our channel partners, of approximately \$28.5 million. Revenues also increased by approximately \$9.6 million due to acquisitions. Lower copper costs and unfavorable currency translation partially

offset the increase in revenues by an estimated \$21 million and \$12.0 million, respectively.

Operating income in 2012 included the \$11.6 million of costs noted above, including severance and other restructuring costs and asset impairment. In 2011, operating income included approximately \$3.0 million of such costs, primarily for severance and other restructuring activities. Excluding the impact of these costs, operating income increased primarily due to leveraging the increase in revenues discussed above. In addition, operating income increased due to improved productivity and favorable product mix.

# **Industrial IT Solutions**

				Percentag	ge Change			
	2013	2012	2011	2013 vs. 20122	2012 vs. 2011			
		(In thousands, except percentages)						
Revenues	\$ 231,521	\$ 219,679	\$ 231,374	5.4%	-5.1%			
Operating income	38,440	32,807	31,992	17.2%	2.5%			
as a percent of revenues	16.6%	14.9%	13.8%	)				

Industrial IT revenues increased in 2013 from 2012 due to an increase in unit sales volume, including changes in channel inventory, of approximately \$6.9 million. We believe sales volume benefited from gains in market share due to the execution of our Market Delivery System. Revenues also increased by approximately \$4.9 million due to favorable currency translation.

Operating income increased in 2013 from 2012 primarily due to leveraging the increase in revenues discussed above and improved productivity due to our Lean Enterprise initiatives. Operating income in 2013 included \$1.7 million of severance and other restructuring costs, compared to \$0.5 million in 2012.

Industrial IT revenues decreased in 2012 from 2011 due to unfavorable currency translation of approximately \$10.0 million. In addition, a decrease in unit sales volume, including the effects of inventory reductions by our channel partners, resulted in a \$2.6 million decrease in revenues. Acquisitions contributed approximately \$0.9 million of revenues.

Operating income increased from 2011 to 2012 due to the benefits of favorable product mix and improved productivity due to our Lean Enterprise initiatives, which more than offset the impact of decreases in revenues.

#### All Other

				Percenta	ge Change			
	2013	2012	2011	2013 vs. 2012	2012 vs. 2011			
		(In thousands, except percentages)						
Revenues	\$	\$ 97,771	\$ 124,245	-100.0%	-21.3%			
Operating income (loss)	1,278	(32,640)	(6,168)	103.9%	-429.2%			
as a percent of revenues	n/a	-33.4%	-5.0%					

All Other includes the results of our cable operations that conducted business primarily in the consumer electronics end market in China, which we sold in 2012. In 2013, we recorded \$1.3 million of operating income due to a favorable resolution with the buyer of those assets regarding the closing date working capital. In 2012, operating loss includes asset impairment and loss on sale of assets of approximately \$29.8 million.

# **Discontinued Operations**

In 2012, we sold our Thermax and Raydex cable business for \$265.6 million and recognized a pre-tax gain of \$211.6 million (\$124.7 million after-tax). At the time the transaction closed, we received \$265.6 million in cash, subject to a working capital adjustment. In 2013, we recognized a \$1.4 million loss from discontinued operations for income tax expense related to this disposed business.

In 2010, we completed the sale of Trapeze Networks, Inc. (Trapeze) for \$152.1 million and recognized a pre-tax gain of \$88.3 million (\$44.8 million after-tax). At the time the transaction closed, we received \$136.9 million in cash, and the remaining \$15.2 million was placed in escrow as partial security for our indemnity obligations under the sale agreement. As of December 31, 2013, we have

collected a partial settlement of \$4.2 million from the escrow, and we remain in negotiations with the buyer of Trapeze regarding the status of the escrow and certain claims raised by the buyer. Based on the current status of the negotiations, the amount of the escrow receivable on our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet is \$3.8 million, which is our best estimate of the remaining amount to be collected.

During 2005, we completed the sale of our discontinued communications cable operation in Phoenix, Arizona. In connection with this sale and related tax deductions, we established a reserve for uncertain tax positions. The statute of limitations associated with the tax positions expired during our fiscal third quarter of 2012. In 2012, we recognized a net gain of \$14.1 million due to the reversal of the uncertain tax positions, which is included in our gain from disposal of discontinued operations. In 2012, we recognized a gain of \$4.0 million (\$2.6 million net of tax) due to the reversal of the accrued interest and penalties, which is included in our income (loss) from discontinued operations.

See Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for more information about these matters.

#### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Significant factors affecting our cash liquidity include (1) cash provided by operating activities, (2) disposals of businesses and tangible assets, (3) cash used for acquisitions, restructuring actions, capital expenditures, share repurchases, dividends, and senior subordinated note repurchases, and (4) our available credit facilities and other borrowing arrangements. We expect our operating activities to generate cash in 2014 and believe our sources of liquidity are sufficient to fund current working capital requirements, capital expenditures, contributions to our retirement plans, share repurchases, senior subordinated note repurchases, quarterly dividend payments, and our short-term operating strategies. However, we may require external financing were we to complete a significant acquisition. Our ability to continue to fund our future needs from business operations could be affected by many factors, including, but not limited to: economic conditions worldwide, customer demand, competitive market forces, customer acceptance of our product mix, and commodities pricing.

The following table is derived from our Consolidated Cash Flow Statements:

	Years Ended December 31,		
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	2013	2012	
	(In tho	usands)	
Net cash provided by (used for):			
Operating activities	\$ 164,601	\$ 139,388	
Investing activities	(43,284)	(591,940)	
Financing activities	92,763	464,762	
Effects of currency exchange rate changes on cash and			
cash equivalents	4,129	333	
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	218,209	12,543	
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	395,095	382,552	
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Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$613,304	\$ 395,095	

Net cash provided by operating activities totaled \$164.6 million in 2013 compared to \$139.4 million in 2012. The significant increase in income from continuing operations contributed to the increase in cash provided by operating activities. The impact from an increase in income from continuing operations was partially offset by an increase in the usage of cash due to changes in operating assets and liabilities. In 2013, changes in operating assets and liabilities were a use of cash of \$42.9 million, compared to \$27.6 million in 2012.

The most significant use of cash for operating activities in 2013 related to taxes. Accrued taxes were a use of cash of \$89.4 million in 2013, compared to \$10.8 million in 2012. The primary reason for the increase in cash used for taxes in 2013 was the planned payments of two significant tax items. First, in 2013, we paid \$41.8 million of our estimated tax liability related to the 2012 sale of the Thermax and Raydex cable business. We recognized a \$211.6 million pre-tax gain on the sale of this business in 2012. Second, in 2013, we paid \$30.0 million to settle a tax sharing agreement dispute with Cooper Industries. We reached the settlement and recognized a \$21.0 million tax benefit in 2012.

Net cash used for investing activities totaled \$43.3 million in 2013 compared to \$591.9 million in 2012. Investing activities in 2013 included capital expenditures of \$40.2 million, payments for acquisitions, net of cash acquired, of \$10.0 million, the receipt of proceeds from previously disposed businesses of \$3.7 million, and the receipt of \$3.2 million of proceeds from the sale of tangible assets, primarily real estate in the Broadcast and Enterprise Connectivity segments. The most significant investing activities in 2012 were payments, net of cash acquired, for the acquisitions of Miranda and PPC totaling \$860.4 million. Other investing activities in 2012 included the receipt of proceeds from the disposal of our Thermax and Raydex cable business and consumer electronics assets of \$299.8 million, capital expenditures of \$41.0 million, and the receipt of \$9.6 million of proceeds from the sale of tangible assets.

Net cash provided by financing activities in 2013 totaled \$92.8 million compared to \$464.8 million in 2012. The most significant financing activities in 2013 were the issuance of \$388.2 million of 5.5% senior subordinated notes due 2023, the raising of \$249.4 million of proceeds under a new term loan due 2020, and the repayments of \$434.7 million of borrowings outstanding under the revolving credit component and Canadian term loan of our senior secured credit facility. Financing activities in 2013 also included payments under our share repurchase program of \$93.8 million and payments of debt issuance costs of \$17.4 million. The most significant financing activities in 2012 were borrowings of \$1,150.0 million, debt repayments of \$593.9 million, payments under our share repurchase program of \$75.0 million, and payments of debt issuance costs of \$15.4 million.

Our cash and cash equivalents balance was \$613.3 million as of December 31, 2013. Of this amount, \$226.2 million was held outside of the U.S. in our foreign operations. Substantially all of the foreign cash and cash equivalents are readily convertible into U.S. dollars or other foreign currencies. Our strategic plan does not require the repatriation of foreign cash in order to fund our operations in the U.S., and it is our current intention to permanently reinvest the foreign cash and cash equivalents outside of the U.S. If we were to repatriate the foreign cash to the U.S., we may be required to accrue and pay U.S. taxes in accordance with applicable U.S. tax rules and regulations as a result of the repatriation.

Our outstanding debt obligations as of December 31, 2013 consisted of \$700.0 million aggregate principal of 5.5% senior subordinated notes due 2022, \$413.0 million aggregate principal of 5.5% senior subordinated notes due 2023, \$248.8 million of term loan borrowings due 2020, and \$5.2 million aggregate principal of 9.25% senior subordinated notes due 2019. Additional discussion regarding our various borrowing arrangements is included in Note 12 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. As of December 31, 2013, there were no outstanding borrowings under our revolver, and we had \$325.0 million in available borrowing capacity.

Contractual obligations outstanding at December 31, 2013, have the following scheduled maturities:

	Total	Less than 1 Year	1-3 Years In thousands	4-5 Years	More than 5 Years
Long-term debt obligations (1)(2)	\$1,367,036	\$ 2,500	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 1,354,536
Interest payments on long-term debt obligations	592,827	69,754	139,264	138,939	244,870
Operating lease obligations (3)	74,168	17,664	23,448	11,933	21,123
Purchase obligations (4)	10,270	10,270			
Other commitments (5)	18,639	7,211	7,359	4,069	
Pension and other postemployment obligations	109,991	11,562	23,503	21,719	53,207
Total	\$2,172,931	\$118,961	\$ 198,574	\$ 181,660	\$1,673,736

- (1) As described in Note 12 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.
- (2) Amounts do not include accrued and unpaid interest. Accrued and unpaid interest related to long-term debt obligations is reflected on a separate line in the table.
- (3) As described in Note 20 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.
- (4) Includes agreements to purchase goods or services that are enforceable and legally binding on us and that specify all significant terms, including fixed or minimum quantities to be purchased; fixed, minimum, or variable price provisions; and the approximate timing of the transaction.
- (5) Does not include accounts payable reflected in the financial statements. Includes obligations for uncertain tax positions (see Note 14 to the Consolidated Financial Statements).

Our commercial commitments expire or mature as follows:

	Total	Less than 1 Year	1-3 Years	3-5 Years	More than 5 Years
		(In thousands)			
Standby financial letters of credit	\$ 6,817	\$ 6,807	\$ 10	\$	\$
Bank guarantees	4,845	4,845			
Surety bonds	1,715	1,715			
Total	\$ 13,377	\$ 13,367	\$ 10	\$	\$

Standby financial letters of credit, bank guarantees, and surety bonds are generally issued to secure obligations we have for a variety of commercial reasons such as workers compensation self-insurance programs in several states and the importation and exportation of product. We expect to replace most of these when they expire or mature.

# **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

We have no off-balance sheet arrangements that have or are reasonably likely to have a current or future effect on our financial condition, results of operations, or cash flows that are or would be considered material to investors.

### **Current-Year Adoption of Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

Discussion regarding our adoption of accounting pronouncements is included in Note 2 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

### **Critical Accounting Estimates**

Our consolidated financial statements are prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. (GAAP). In connection with the preparation of our financial statements, we are required to make assumptions and estimates about future events, and apply judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses, and the related disclosures. We base our assumptions, estimates, and judgments on historical experience, current trends, and other factors that management believes to be

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relevant at the time our consolidated financial statements are prepared. On a regular basis, we review the accounting policies, assumptions, estimates, and judgments to ensure that our financial statements are presented fairly and in accordance with GAAP. However, because future events and their effects cannot be determined with certainty, actual results could differ from our assumptions and estimates, and such differences could be material.

Our significant accounting policies are discussed in Note 2 of our Consolidated Financial Statements. We believe that the following accounting estimates are the most critical to aid in fully understanding and evaluating our reported financial results, and they require our most difficult, subjective, or complex judgments, resulting from the need to make estimates about the effect of matters that are inherently uncertain.

# Revenue Recognition

We recognize revenue when all of the following circumstances are satisfied: (1) persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, (2) price is fixed or determinable, (3) collectability is reasonably assured, and (4) delivery has occurred. Delivery occurs in the period in which the customer takes title and assumes the risks and rewards of ownership of the products specified in the customer's purchase order or sales agreement. At times, we enter into arrangements that involve the delivery of multiple elements. For these arrangements, when the elements can be separated, the revenue is allocated to each deliverable based on that element's relative selling price and recognized based on the period of delivery for each element. Generally, we determine relative selling price using our best estimate of selling price, as we do not have vendor specific objective evidence or third party evidence of fair value for such arrangements.

At the time of sale, we establish an estimated reserve for trade, promotion, and other special price reductions such as contract pricing, discounts to meet competitor pricing, and on-time payment discounts. We also reserve for, among other things, correction of billing errors, incorrect shipments, and settlement of customer disputes. Customers are allowed to return inventory if and when certain conditions regarding the physical state of the inventory and our approval of the return are met. Certain distribution customers are allowed to return inventory at original cost, in an amount not to exceed three percent of the prior year s purchases, in exchange for an order of equal or greater value. Until we can process these reductions, corrections, and returns (together, the Adjustments) through individual customer records, we estimate the amount of outstanding Adjustments and recognize them by reducing revenues and accounts receivable. We determine our estimate based on our historical Adjustments as a percentage of revenues and the average time period between the original sale and the issuance of the Adjustments. We also adjust inventory and cost of sales for the estimated level of returns.

We base these estimates on historical and anticipated sales demand, trends in product pricing, and historical and anticipated Adjustments patterns. We make revisions to these estimates in the period in which the facts that give rise to each revision become known. Future market conditions and product transitions might require us to take actions to further reduce prices and increase customer return authorizations. We do not believe there is a reasonable likelihood that there will be a material change in the future estimates or assumptions we use to measure the Adjustments. However, if actual results are not consistent with our estimates or assumptions, we may be exposed to losses or gains that could be material. A 10% change in our sales reserve for such Adjustments as of December 31, 2013 would have affected net income by less than \$1 million in 2013.

#### **Income Taxes**

We recognize deferred tax assets resulting from tax credit carryforwards, net operating loss carryforwards, and deductible temporary differences between taxable income on our income tax returns and income before taxes under GAAP. Deferred tax assets generally represent future tax benefits to be received when these carryforwards can be

applied against future taxable income or when expenses previously reported in our Consolidated Financial Statements become deductible for income tax purposes. A deferred tax asset valuation allowance is required when some portion or all of the deferred tax assets may not be realized. We are required

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to estimate taxable income in future years or develop tax strategies that would enable tax asset realization in each taxing jurisdiction and use judgment to determine whether to record a deferred tax asset valuation allowance for part or all of a deferred tax asset.

We consider the weight of all available evidence, both positive and negative, in assessing the realizability of the deferred tax assets associated with net operating losses. We consider the reversals of existing taxable temporary differences as well as projections of future taxable income. We consider the future reversals of existing taxable temporary differences to the extent they were of the same character as the temporary differences giving rise to the deferred tax assets. We also consider whether the future reversals of existing taxable temporary differences will occur in the same period and jurisdiction as the temporary differences giving rise to the deferred tax assets. The assumptions utilized to estimate our future taxable income are consistent with those assumptions utilized for purposes of testing goodwill for impairment.

We have significant tax credit carryforwards in the U.S. on which we have not recorded a valuation allowance. The utilization of these credits is dependent upon the recognition of both U.S. taxable income as well as income characterized as foreign source under the U.S. tax laws. We expect to generate enough taxable income in the future to utilize these tax credits. Furthermore, in 2014 we expect to continue implementation of tax planning strategies that will help generate additional foreign source income in the carryforward period. In addition, we have significant research and development related tax credit carryforwards in Canada on which we have not recorded a valuation allowance. The utilization of these credits is dependent upon the recognition of Canadian taxable income, and we expect to generate enough taxable income in the future to utilize these tax credits.

Significant judgment is required in evaluating our uncertain tax positions. We establish accruals for uncertain tax positions when we believe that the full amount of the associated tax benefit may not be realized. In the future, if we prevail in matters for which accruals have been established previously or pay amounts in excess of reserves, there could be a material effect on our income tax provisions in the period in which such determination is made. In addition, our foreign subsidiaries—undistributed income is considered to be indefinitely reinvested and, accordingly, we do not record a provision for U.S. federal and state income taxes on this foreign income. If this income was not considered to be indefinitely reinvested, it would be subject to U.S. federal and state income taxes and could materially affect our income tax provision.

# Goodwill and Indefinite-Lived Intangible Assets

We test our goodwill and other indefinite-lived intangible assets not subject to amortization for impairment on an annual basis during the fourth quarter or when indicators of impairment exist. We base our estimates on assumptions we believe to be reasonable, but which are not predictable with precision and therefore are inherently uncertain. Actual future results could differ from these estimates.

We test goodwill annually for impairment at the reporting unit level. A reporting unit is an operating segment, or a business unit one level below an operating segment if discrete financial information for that business is prepared and regularly reviewed by segment management. However, components within an operating segment are aggregated as a single reporting unit if they have similar economic characteristics. We determined that each of our reportable segments (Broadcast, Enterprise, Industrial Connectivity, and Industrial IT) represents an operating segment. Within those operating segments, we have identified reporting units based on whether there is discrete financial information prepared that is regularly reviewed by segment management. As a result of this evaluation, we have identified three reporting units within Broadcast, one reporting unit within Enterprise, four reporting units within Industrial Connectivity, and one reporting unit within Industrial IT for purposes of goodwill impairment testing. As a result of our change in segments in 2013, we were required to reassign the carrying amount of goodwill to our new reporting

units based on the relative fair value assigned as of the effective date of the change in segments. There was no goodwill impairment at the time of the change in segments.

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The accounting guidance related to goodwill impairment testing allows for the performance of an optional qualitative assessment of whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying value. Such an evaluation is made based on the weight of all available evidence and the significance of all identified events and circumstances that may influence the fair value of a reporting unit. If it is more likely than not that the fair value is less than the carrying value, then a quantitative assessment is required for the reporting unit, as described in the paragraph below.

For our annual impairment test in 2013, we performed a quantitative assessment for each of our reporting units. Under a quantitative assessment, we compare the fair value of each reporting unit to its carrying value. We determine the fair value using an income approach. Under the income approach, we calculate the fair value of a reporting unit based on the present value of estimated future cash flows using growth rates and discount rates that are consistent with current market conditions in our industry. For example, in our 2013 quantitative goodwill impairment analyses performed, the discount rates for our reporting units ranged from 9.6% to 12.7% and the long-term growth rates ranged from 3% to 6%. If the fair value of the reporting unit exceeds the carrying value of the net assets including goodwill assigned to that unit, goodwill is not impaired. If the carrying value of the reporting unit s net assets including goodwill exceeds the fair value of the reporting unit, then we determine the implied fair value of the reporting unit s goodwill. If the carrying value of a reporting unit s goodwill exceeds its implied fair value, then an impairment of goodwill has occurred and we recognize an impairment loss for the difference between the carrying amount and the implied fair value of goodwill as a component of operating income. In addition to the income approach, we calculate the fair value of our reporting units under a market approach. The market approach measures the fair value of a reporting unit through analysis of financial multiples (revenues or EBITDA) of comparable businesses. Consideration is given to the financial conditions and operating performance of the reporting unit being valued relative to those publicly-traded companies operating in the same or similar lines of business.

We determined that none of our goodwill was impaired during 2013. The fair values of our reporting units were substantially in excess of the carrying values as of our most recent impairment testing date. The assumptions used to estimate fair values were based on the past performance of the reporting unit as well as the projections incorporated in our strategic plan. Significant assumptions included sales growth, profitability, and related cash flows, along with cash flows associated with taxes and capital spending. The discount rate used to estimate fair value was risk adjusted in consideration of the economic conditions in effect at the time of the impairment test. We also considered assumptions that market participants may use. By their nature, these assumptions involve risks and uncertainties, with the primary factor that could have an adverse effect being our assumptions relating to growing revenues consistent with our strategic plan.

We test our indefinite-lived intangible assets, which consist primarily of trademarks, for impairment on an annual basis during the fourth quarter. The accounting guidance related to impairment testing for such intangible assets allows for the performance of an optional qualitative assessment, similar to that described above for goodwill. We did not perform any qualitative assessments as part of our indefinite-lived intangible asset impairment testing for 2013. Rather, we performed a quantitative assessment for each of our trademarks in 2013. Under the quantitative assessments, we determined the fair value of each trademark using a relief from royalty methodology and compared the fair value to the carrying value. We determined that none of our trademarks were impaired during 2013. Significant assumptions to determine fair value included sales growth, royalty rates, and discount rates.

We do not believe there is a reasonable likelihood that there will be a material change in the future estimates or assumptions we used to test for impairment losses on goodwill and other intangible assets. However, if actual results are significantly different from our estimates or assumptions, we may have to recognize an impairment charge that could be material.

# Pension and Other Postretirement Benefits

Our pension and other postretirement benefit costs and obligations are dependent on the various actuarial assumptions used in

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calculating such amounts. These assumptions relate to discount rates, salary growth, long-term return on plan assets, health care cost trend rates, and other factors. We base the discount rate assumptions on current investment yields on high-quality corporate long-term bonds. The salary growth assumptions reflect our long-term actual experience and future or near-term outlook. Long-term return on plan assets is determined based on historical portfolio results and management s expectation of the future economic environment. Our health care cost trend assumptions are developed based on historical cost data, the near-term outlook, and an assessment of likely long-term trends. Our key assumptions are described in further detail in Note 15 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. Actual results that differ from our assumptions are accumulated and, if in excess of the lesser of 10% of the projected benefit obligation or the fair market value of plan assets, amortized over the estimated future working life of the plan participants.

As a sensitivity measure, the effect of a 50 basis point decline in the assumed discount rate would have resulted in an increase in 2013 net periodic benefit cost of approximately \$0.8 million and an increase in the projected benefit obligations as of December 31, 2013 of approximately \$18.0 million. A 50 basis point decline in the expected return on plan assets would have resulted in an increase in 2013 net periodic benefit cost of approximately \$0.8 million.

# **Business Combination Accounting**

We allocate the purchase price of an acquired business to its identifiable assets and liabilities based on estimated fair values. The excess of the purchase price over the amount allocated to the assets and liabilities, if any, is recorded to goodwill. We use all available information to estimate fair values. We typically engage third party valuation specialists to assist in the fair value determination of inventories, tangible long-lived assets, and intangible assets other than goodwill. The carrying values of acquired receivables and accounts payable have historically approximated their fair values as of the business combination date. As necessary, we may engage third party specialists to assist in the estimation of fair value for certain liabilities. We adjust the preliminary purchase price allocation, as necessary, typically up to one year after the acquisition closing date as we obtain more information regarding asset valuations and liabilities assumed.

Our purchase price allocation methodology contains uncertainties because it requires management to make assumptions and to apply judgment to estimate the fair value of acquired assets and liabilities. Management estimates the fair value of assets and liabilities based upon quoted market prices, the carrying value of the acquired assets and widely accepted valuation techniques, including discounted cash flows and market multiple analyses. Unanticipated events or circumstances may occur which could affect the accuracy of our fair value estimates, including assumptions regarding industry economic factors and business strategies.

If actual results are materially different than the assumptions we used to determine fair value of the assets and liabilities acquired through a business combination, it is possible that adjustments to the carrying values of such assets and liabilities will have an impact on our net earnings. As of December 31, 2013, the measurement period for the purchase price allocation of all prior acquisitions is complete.

See Note 3 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for the acquisition-related information associated with significant acquisitions completed in the last three fiscal years.

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

Market risks relating to our operations result primarily from currency exchange rates, certain commodity prices, interest rates, and credit extended to customers. Each of these risks is discussed below.

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#### Currency Exchange Rate Risk

We are exposed to foreign currency risks that arise from normal business operations. These risks include the translation of local currency balances of foreign subsidiaries and transactions denominated in currencies other than a location s functional currency.

Our investments in certain foreign subsidiaries are recorded in currencies other than the U.S. dollar. As these foreign currency denominated investments are translated at the end of each period during consolidation using period-end exchange rates, fluctuations of exchange rates between the foreign currency and the U.S. dollar increase or decrease the value of those investments. These fluctuations and the results of operations for foreign subsidiaries, where the functional currency is not the U.S. dollar, are translated into U.S. dollars using the average exchange rates during the year, while the assets and liabilities are translated using period end exchange rates. The assets and liabilities-related translation adjustments are recorded as a separate component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) in our Consolidated Balance Sheets. We generally view our investments in international subsidiaries with functional currencies other than the U.S. dollar as long-term. As a result, we do not generally use derivatives to manage these net investments.

Transactions denominated in currencies other than a location s functional currency may produce receivables or payables that are fixed in terms of the amount of foreign currency that will be received or paid. A change in exchange rates between the functional currency and the currency in which a transaction is denominated increases or decreases the expected amount of functional currency cash flows upon settlement of the transaction. That increase or decrease in expected functional currency cash flows is a foreign exchange transaction gain or loss that is included in our operating income in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Generally, the currency in which we sell our products is the same as the currency in which we incur the costs to manufacture our products, resulting in a natural hedge. Our currency exchange rate management strategy primarily involves the use of natural techniques, where possible, such as the offsetting or netting of like-currency cash flows. We did not have any foreign currency derivatives outstanding as of December 31, 2013.

Our exposure to currency rate fluctuations primarily relates to exchange rate movements between the U.S. dollar and the euro, Canadian dollar, Hong Kong dollar, Chinese yuan, Mexican peso, Australian dollar, British pound, and Brazilian real.

#### Commodity Price Risk

Certain raw materials used by us are subject to price volatility caused by supply conditions, political and economic variables, and other unpredictable factors. The primary purpose of our commodity price management activities is to manage the volatility associated with purchases of commodities in the normal course of business. We do not speculate on commodity prices.

We are exposed to price risk related to our purchase of copper used in our products, although we are generally able to raise selling prices to customers to cover the increase in copper costs. Our copper price management strategy involves the use of natural techniques, where possible, such as purchasing copper for future delivery at fixed prices. We do not generally use commodity price derivatives and did not have any outstanding at December 31, 2013 or 2012.

The following table presents unconditional commodity purchase obligations outstanding as of December 31, 2013. The unconditional purchase obligations will settle during 2014.

	Aı	rchase nount ousands, exc	Fair Value xcept average pr		
Unconditional copper purchase obligations:					
Commitment volume in pounds		1,624			
Weighted average price per pound	\$	3.30			
Commitment amounts	\$	5,362	\$	5,586	
Unconditional aluminum purchase obligations:					
Commitment volume in pounds		350			
Weighted average price per pound	\$	0.97			
Commitment amounts	\$	340	\$	330	
Total unconditional purchase obligations	\$	5,702	\$	5,916	

We are also exposed to price risk related to our purchase of selected commodities derived from petrochemical feedstocks used in our products. We generally purchase these commodities based upon market prices established with the vendors as part of the purchase process. Pricing of these commodities is volatile as they tend to fluctuate with the price of oil. Historically, we have not used commodity financial instruments to hedge prices for commodities derived from petrochemical feedstocks.

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

We have occasionally managed our debt portfolio by using interest rate derivative instruments, such as swap agreements, to achieve an overall desired position of fixed and floating rates. We were not a party to any interest rate derivative instruments as of or for the years ended December 31, 2013 or 2012. See Note 13 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

The following table provides information about our financial instruments that are sensitive to changes in interest rates. The table presents principal amounts by expected maturity dates and fair values as of December 31, 2013.

	Principal A	mount by Expe	cted	Maturity		Fair
	2014	Thereafter		Total		Value
	(]	In thousands, ex	cept	t interest r	ates)	1
Variable-rate term loan due 2020	\$ 2,500	\$ 246,275	\$	248,775	\$	248,775
Average interest rate	3.25%	3.25%				
Fixed-rate senior subordinated notes due 2022	\$	\$ 700,000	\$	700,000	\$	688,191

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Average interest rate	5.50%			
Fixed-rate senior subordinated notes due 2023 Average interest rate	\$ \$ 413,040 5.50%	\$ 413,040	\$	404,779
Fixed-rate senior subordinated notes due 2019 Average interest rate	\$ \$ 5,221 9.25%	\$ 5,221	\$	5,645
Total		\$ 1,367,036	<b>\$</b> 1	1,347,390

#### Concentrations of Credit Risk

Financial instruments that potentially subject us to significant concentrations of credit risk consist of cash and cash equivalents and accounts receivable. We are exposed to credit losses in the event of nonperformance by counterparties to these financial instruments. We place cash and cash equivalents with various high-quality financial institutions throughout the world, and exposure is limited at any one financial institution. Although we do not obtain collateral or other security to support these financial instruments, we evaluate the credit standing of the counterparty financial institutions. As of December 31, 2013, we had \$48.3 million in accounts receivable outstanding from Anixter International Inc. This represented approximately 16% of our total accounts receivable outstanding at December 31, 2013. Anixter generally pays all outstanding receivables within thirty to sixty days of invoice receipt.

#### **Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data**

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Stockholders

Belden Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Belden Inc. (the Company) as of December 31, 2013 and 2012, and the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders—equity, comprehensive income and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2013. Our audits also included the financial statement schedule listed in the Index at Item 15(a). These financial statements and schedule are the responsibility of the Company—s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and schedule based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Belden Inc. at December 31, 2013 and 2012, and the consolidated results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2013, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Also, in our opinion, the related financial statement schedule, when considered in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), Belden Inc. s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2013, based on criteria established in *Internal Control Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (1992 framework), and our report dated February 27, 2014, expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

St. Louis, Missouri

February 27, 2014

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## Belden Inc.

## **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

Current assets
Current assets:   Cash and cash equivalents   \$ 613,304   \$ 395,095     Receivables, net   304,204   300,864     Inventories, net   207,980   215,282     Deferred income taxes   28,767   19,885     Other current assets   1,195,498   25,8456     Total current assets   1,195,498   959,582     Property, plant and equipment, less accumulated depreciation   300,835   307,048     Goodwill   773,048   778,708     Intangible assets, less accumulated amortization   376,976   428,273     Deferred income taxes   26,034   46,970     Other long-lived assets   79,362   64,002     \$ 2,751,753   \$ 2,584,583     Current liabilities:   2,751,753   16,272     Current maturities of long-term debt   199,169   166,272     Current maturities of discontinued operations   86,860     Total current liabilities   401,566   452,482     Long-term debt   1,364,336   1,135,527     Postretirement benefits   105,924   144,320     Other long-term liabilities   401,562   414,320     Other long-term liabilities   401,564   414,320     Other long-term liabilities   401,504   414,320     Other long-term liabilities   401,504   414,320     Other long-term liabilities   401,564   414,320     Other long-term liabilities   401,504   401,504     Other long-term liabilities   401,504
Current assets:         Cash and cash equivalents         \$ 613,304         \$ 395,095           Receivables, net         304,204         300,864           Inventories, net         207,980         215,282           Deferred income taxes         28,767         19,885           Other current assets         1,195,498         28,456           Total current assets         1,195,498         959,582           Property, plant and equipment, less accumulated depreciation         300,835         307,048           Goodwill         773,048         778,708           Intangible assets, less accumulated amortization         376,976         428,273           Deferred income taxes         26,034         46,970           Other long-lived assets         26,034         46,970           Other long-lived assets         FQUITY         2,584,583           Current liabilities         40,902         40,902           Current liabilities         199,169         166,272           Accrued liabilities         199,169         166,272           Current liabilities of discontinued operations         86,860           Total current liabilities of discontinued operations         80,860           Total current liabilities         401,566         452,482
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Preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share 2,000 shares authorized; no shares
outstanding
Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share 200,000 shares authorized; 50,335
shares issued; 43,455 and 44,168 shares outstanding at 2013 and 2012,
respectively 503 503
Additional paid-in capital 585,753 598,180
Retained earnings 556,214 461,756
Accumulated other comprehensive loss (29,181) (30,565)
Treasury stock, at cost 6,880 and 6,167 shares at 2013 and 2012, respectively (276,748) (218,014)

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Total stockholders equity 836,541 811,860

\$ 2,751,753 \$ 2,584,583

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# Belden Inc. Consolidated Statements of Operations

	Years Ended December 31,						
	2013 2012 2						
	(In	thousands	s, exc	ept per sha	re ai	mounts)	
Revenues	\$ 2,	069,193	\$ 1	,840,739	\$	1,882,187	
Cost of sales	(1,	364,764)	(1	,274,142)	(	1,340,666)	
Gross profit		704,429		566,597		541,521	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(	(378,009)		(345,926)		(319,034)	
Research and development		(83,277)		(65,410)		(54,752)	
Amortization of intangibles		(50,803)		(22,792)		(13,149)	
Income from equity method investment		8,922		9,704		13,169	
Asset impairment and loss on sale of assets				(33,676)		(2,549)	
Operating income		201,262		108,497		165,206	
Interest expense		(73,095)		(52,038)		(48,118)	
Interest income		494		1,033		1,011	
Loss on debt extinguishment		(1,612)		(52,450)			
Income from continuing operations before taxes		127,049		5,042		118,099	
Income tax benefit (expense)		(22,315)		38,194		(16,791)	
Income from continuing operations		104,734		43,236		101,308	
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax		(1,421)		16,774		13,037	
Gain from disposal of discontinued operations, net of tax		, ,		134,480		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
Net income	\$	103,313	\$	194,490	\$	114,345	
Weighted average number of common shares and equivalents:							
Basic		43,871		45,097		47,109	
Diluted		44,737		45,942		48,104	
Basic income (loss) per share:							
Continuing operations	\$	2.39	\$	0.96	\$	2.15	
Discontinued operations		(0.03)		0.37		0.28	
Disposal of discontinued operations				2.98			
Net income	\$	2.36	\$	4.31	\$	2.43	
Diluted income (loss) per share:							
Continuing operations	\$	2.34	\$	0.94	\$	2.11	
Discontinued operations		(0.03)		0.36		0.27	
Disposal of discontinued operations				2.93			

Net income \$ 2.31 \$ 4.23 \$ 2.38

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Belden Inc.

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

	Years Ended December 31,			
	2013	2012	2011	
	(1	In thousands	)	
Net income	\$ 103,313	\$ 194,490	\$ 114,345	
Foreign currency translation, net of tax of \$2.2 million, \$0.0 million, and \$0.0 million, respectively	(20,720)	(1,414)	(4,632)	
Foreign currency hedging instruments, net of tax of \$0.0 million, \$1.6 million, and \$0.0 million, respectively	(20,720)	2,467	(4,032)	
Adjustments to pension and postretirement liability, net of tax of \$14.0 million, \$3.2 million, and \$4.8 million, respectively	22,104	(8,909)	(9,158)	
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	1,384	(7,856)	(13,790)	
Comprehensive income	\$ 104,697	\$ 186,634	\$ 100,555	

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## Belden Inc.

## **Consolidated Cash Flow Statements**

	Years 2013	Years Ended Decemb 2013 2012 (In thousands)			
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Net income	\$ 103,313	\$ 194,490	\$ 114,345		
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:					
Depreciation and amortization	94,451	59,355	50,174		
Share-based compensation	14,854	12,374	11,241		
Deferred income tax expense (benefit)	5,457	(42,750)	2,294		
Provision for inventory obsolescence	4,623	5,085	1,160		
Pension funding less than pension expense	2,833	593	3,812		
Loss on debt extinguishment	1,612	52,450			
Asset impairment and loss on sale of assets		33,676	2,549		
Gain on sale of businesses and tangible assets		(134,480)			
Income from equity method investment	(8,922)	(9,704)	(13,169)		
Tax benefit related to share-based compensation	(10,734)	(4,119)	(1,790)		
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of the effects of currency exchange rate changes and acquired businesses:					
Receivables	(18,132)	5,628	4,680		
Inventories	2,249	31,706	(22,873)		
Accounts payable	12,994	(55,166)	9,281		
Accrued liabilities	31,690	(681)	12,317		
Accrued taxes	(89,427)	(10,760)	(55)		
Other assets	4,542	968	12,219		
Other liabilities	13,198	723	(1,622)		
Net cash provided by operating activities	164,601	139,388	184,563		
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Capital expenditures	(40,209)	(41,010)	(40,053)		
Cash used to acquire businesses, net of cash acquired	(9,979)	(860,353)	(60,519)		
Proceeds from disposal of business	3,735	299,848			
Proceeds from disposal of tangible assets	3,169	9,575	1,213		
Net cash used for investing activities	(43,284)	(591,940)	(99,359)		
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Borrowings under credit arrangements	637,595	1,149,966			
Payments under borrowing arrangements	(434,743)	(593,864)			
Tax benefit related to share-based compensation	10,734	4,119	1,790		
Proceeds from settlement of derivatives		4,024			
Proceeds from exercise of stock options, net of withholding tax payments	(3,019)		4,599		

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Cash dividends paid	(6,678)	(11,441)	(9,410)
Debt issuance costs paid	(17,376)	(15,414)	(3,296)
Payments under share repurchase program	(93,750)	(75,000)	(50,000)
Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities	92,763	464,762	(56,317)
Effect of foreign currency exchange rate changes on cash and cash			
equivalents	4,129	333	(4,988)
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Increase in cash and cash equivalents	218,209	12,543	23,899
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	395,095	382,552	358,653
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 613,304	\$ 395,095	\$ 382,552

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Belden Inc.

Consolidated Stockholders Equity Statements

								cumulated Other	
	Commo	n Stock	Paid-In	Retained	Treasu	iry Stock		prehensive Income	•
	Shares	Amount	Capital	Earnings (In th	Shares ousands)	Amount		(Loss)	Total
Balance at December 31, 2010	50,335	\$ 503	\$ 595,519	\$ 171,568	(2.200)	\$ (120,156	) ¢	(8,919)	\$ 638,515
	30,333	\$ 303	φ <i>393,319</i>		(3,290)	\$ (120,130	<i>)</i> •	(0,919)	
Net income Foreign currency translation Adjustments to				114,345				(4,632)	114,345 (4,632)
pension and postretirement liability, net of \$4.8								(0.4.70)	(0.4.70)
million tax								(9,158)	(9,158)
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax									(13,790)
Exercise of stock options, net of tax withholding			(2.214)		264	( 07(			2.062
forfeitures Conversion of restricted stock units into common stock, net of tax withholding			(2,214)		264	6,076			3,862
forfeitures			(4,852)		151	2,988			(1,864)
Share repurchase program					(1,635)	(50,000	)		(50,000)
Share-based compensation Dividends (\$0.20 per			13,031						13,031
share)				(9,550)					(9,550)
Balance at December 31, 2011	50,335	\$ 503	\$ 601,484	\$ 276,363	(4,510)	\$ (161,092	) \$	(22,709)	\$ 694,549
Net income				194,490					194,490
Foreign currency translation								1,053	1,053
								(8,909)	(8,909)

Adjustments to pension and postretirement liability, net of \$3.2 million tax

Other comprehensive								
loss, net of tax								(7,856)
Exercise of stock								
options, net of tax								
withholding			(0.604)		2.42	0.404		
forfeitures			(8,694)		243	9,431		737
Conversion of								
restricted stock units								
into common stock,								
net of tax withholding			(11 102)		170	0.647		(0.456)
forfeitures			(11,103)		172	8,647		(2,456)
Share repurchase					(2.072)	(75,000)		(75,000)
program					(2,072)	(75,000)		(75,000)
Share-based			16 402					16 402
compensation			16,493					16,493
Dividends (\$0.20 per				(0.007)				(0.007)
share)				(9,097)				(9,097)
Balance at								
December 31, 2012	50,335	\$ 503	\$ 598,180	\$ 461,756	(6.167)	\$ (218,014)	\$ (20.565)	\$811,860
December 31, 2012	30,333	φ 303	φ 390,100		(0,107)	\$ (216,014)	\$ (30,303)	
Net income				103,313				103,313
Foreign currency								
translation, net of \$2.2								
million tax							(20,720)	(20,720)
Adjustments to								
pension and								
postretirement								
liability, net of \$14.0							22.10.1	22.10.1
million tax							22,104	22,104
0.1								
Other comprehensive								1 204
income, net of tax								1,384
Exercise of stock								
options, net of tax								
withholding			(21,002)		070	20.010		(104)
forfeitures			(31,003)		879	30,819		(184)
Conversion of restricted stock units								
into common stock, net of tax withholding								
forfeitures			(7,012)		120	4 107		(2.915)
			(7,012)		120	4,197		(2,815)
Share repurchase					(1,712)	(93,750)		(93,750)
program			25,588		(1,/12)	(33,730)		25,588
			25,500					25,500

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Share-based compensation									
Dividends (\$0.20 per share)				(8,855)				(8,855)	)
Balance at December 31, 2013	50,335	\$ 503	\$ 585,753	\$ 556,214	(6,880)	\$ (276,748)	\$ (29,181)	\$ 836,541	

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#### **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

#### **Note 1: Basis of Presentation**

#### **Business Description**

Belden Inc. (the Company, Belden, we, us, or our) is an innovative signal transmission solutions provider built around four global business platforms Broadcast Solutions, Enterprise Connectivity Solutions, Industrial Connectivity Solutions, and Industrial IT Solutions. Belden s comprehensive portfolio of signal transmission solutions provides industry leading secure and reliable transmission of data, sound and video for mission critical applications.

#### **Consolidation**

The accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements include Belden Inc. and all of its subsidiaries. We eliminate all significant affiliate accounts and transactions in consolidation.

## Foreign Currency

For international operations with functional currencies other than the United States (U.S.) dollar, we translate assets and liabilities at current exchange rates; we translate income and expenses using average exchange rates. We report the resulting translation adjustments, as well as gains and losses from certain affiliate transactions, in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), a separate component of stockholders equity. We include exchange gains and losses on transactions in operating income.

We determine the functional currency of our foreign subsidiaries based upon the currency of the primary economic environment in which each subsidiary operates. Typically, that is determined by the currency in which the subsidiary primarily generates and expends cash. We have concluded that the local currency is the functional currency for all of our material subsidiaries.

#### Reporting Periods

Our fiscal year and fiscal fourth quarter both end on December 31. Our fiscal first quarter ends on the Sunday falling closest to 91 days after December 31. Our fiscal second and third quarters each have 91 days.

#### Use of Estimates in the Preparation of the Financial Statements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, and operating results and the disclosure of contingencies. Actual results could differ from those estimates. We make significant estimates with respect to the collectability of receivables, the valuation of inventory, the realization of deferred tax assets, the valuation of goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets, the valuation of contingent liabilities, the calculation of share-based compensation, the calculation of pension and other postretirement benefits expense, and the valuation of acquired businesses.

#### Reclassifications

We have made certain reclassifications to the 2012 and 2011 Consolidated Financial Statements with no impact to reported net income in order to conform to the 2013 presentation.

## **Note 2: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

#### Fair Value Measurement

Accounting guidance for fair value measurements specifies a hierarchy of valuation techniques based upon whether the inputs to those valuation techniques reflect assumptions other market participants would use based upon market data obtained from independent sources or reflect our own assumptions of market participant valuation. The hierarchy is broken down into three levels based on the reliability of the inputs as follows:

Level 1 Quoted prices in active markets that are unadjusted and accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities;

Level 2 Quoted prices for identical assets and liabilities in markets that are not active, quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, or financial instruments for which significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly; and

Level 3 Prices or valuations that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable.

As of December 31, 2013 and 2012, we utilized Level 1 inputs to determine the fair value of cash equivalents. During 2012, we utilized Level 2 inputs to determine the fair value of certain long-lived assets (see Notes 9 and 10) and derivatives and hedging instruments (see Note 13). We did not have any transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 fair value measurements during 2013.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

We classify cash on hand and deposits in banks, including commercial paper, money market accounts, and other investments with an original maturity of three months or less, that we hold from time to time, as cash and cash equivalents. We periodically have cash equivalents consisting of short-term money market funds and other investments. The primary objective of our investment activities is to preserve our capital for the purpose of funding operations. We do not enter into investments for trading or speculative purposes. The fair values of these cash equivalents as of December 31, 2013 and 2012 were \$361.2 million and \$134.6 million, respectively, and are based on quoted market prices in active markets.

#### Accounts Receivable

We classify amounts owed to us and due within twelve months, arising from the sale of goods or services in the normal course of business, as current receivables. We classify receivables due after twelve months as other long-lived assets.

At the time of sale, we establish an estimated reserve for trade, promotion, and other special price reductions such as contract pricing, discounts to meet competitor pricing, and on-time payment discounts. We also adjust receivable balances for, among other things, correction of billing errors, incorrect shipments, and settlement of customer disputes. Customers are allowed to return inventory if and when certain conditions regarding the physical state of the inventory and our approval of the return are met. Certain distribution customers are allowed to return inventory at

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original cost, in an amount not to exceed three percent of the prior year s purchases, in exchange for an order of equal or greater value. Until we can process these reductions, corrections, and returns (together, the Adjustments) through individual customer records, we estimate the amount of outstanding Adjustments and recognize them by reducing revenues and accounts receivable. We also adjust inventory and cost of sales for the estimated level of returns. We base these estimates on historical and anticipated sales demand, trends in product pricing, and historical and anticipated Adjustments patterns. We make revisions to these estimates in the period in which the facts that give rise to each revision become known. Future market conditions might require us to take actions to further reduce prices and increase customer return authorizations. Unprocessed Adjustments recognized against our gross accounts receivable balance at December 31, 2013 and 2012 totaled \$18.2 million and \$16.1 million, respectively.

We evaluate the collectability of accounts receivable based on the specific identification method. A considerable amount of judgment is required in assessing the realizability of accounts receivable, including the current creditworthiness of each customer and related aging of the past due balances. We perform ongoing credit evaluations of our customers—financial condition. Through these evaluations, we may become aware of a situation where a customer may not be able to meet its financial obligations due to deterioration of its financial viability, credit ratings, or bankruptcy. We record a specific reserve for bad debts against amounts due to reduce the receivable to its estimated collectible balance. We recognized bad debt expense of \$0.2 million, \$1.9 million, and \$1.1 million in 2013, 2012, and 2011, respectively. The allowance for doubtful accounts at December 31, 2013 and 2012 totaled \$3.4 million and \$4.2 million, respectively.

## **Inventories and Related Reserves**

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market. We determine the cost of all raw materials, work-in-process, and finished goods inventories by the first in, first out method. Cost components of inventories include direct labor, applicable production overhead, and amounts paid to suppliers of materials and products as well as freight costs and, when applicable, duty costs to import the materials and products.

We evaluate the realizability of our inventory on a product-by-product basis in light of historical and anticipated sales demand, technological changes, product life cycle, component cost trends, product pricing, and inventory condition. In circumstances where inventory levels are in excess of anticipated market demand, where inventory is deemed technologically obsolete or not saleable due to condition, or where inventory cost exceeds net realizable value, we record a charge to cost of sales and reduce the inventory to its net realizable value. The allowances for excess and obsolete inventories at December 31, 2013 and 2012 totaled \$21.3 million and \$24.0 million, respectively.

#### Property, Plant and Equipment

We record property, plant and equipment at cost. We calculate depreciation on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the related assets ranging from 10 to 40 years for buildings, 5 to 12 years for machinery and equipment, and 5 to 10 years for computer equipment and software. Construction in process reflects amounts incurred for the configuration and build-out of property, plant and equipment and for property, plant and equipment not yet placed into service. We charge maintenance and repairs both planned major activities and less-costly, ongoing activities to expense as incurred. We capitalize interest costs associated with the construction of capital assets and amortize the costs over the assets—useful lives. Depreciation expense is included in costs of sales, selling, general and administrative expenses, and research and development expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Operations based on the specific categorization and use of the underlying assets being depreciated.

We review property, plant and equipment to determine whether an event or change in circumstances indicates the carrying values of the assets may not be recoverable. We base our evaluation on such impairment indicators as the nature of the assets, the future economic benefit of the assets, and any historical or future profitability measurements, as well as other external market conditions or factors that may be present. If such impairment indicators are present or other factors exist that indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable, we determine whether impairment has occurred through the use of an undiscounted cash flow analysis. If impairment has occurred, we recognize a loss for the difference between the carrying amount and the fair value of the asset (see Note 9).

For purposes of impairment testing of long-lived assets, we have identified asset groups at the lowest level for which identifiable cash flows are largely independent of the cash flows of other assets and liabilities. Generally, our asset groups are based on an individual plant or operating facility level. In some circumstances, however, a combination of plants or operating facilities may be considered the asset group due to interdependence of operational activities and

cash flows.

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#### Goodwill and Intangible Assets

Our intangible assets consist of (a) definite-lived assets subject to amortization such as developed technology, customer relationships, certain in-process research and development, certain trademarks, and backlog, and (b) indefinite-lived assets not subject to amortization such as goodwill, certain in-process research and development, and certain trademarks. We calculate amortization of the definite-lived intangible assets on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the related assets ranging from less than one year for backlog to in excess of 25 years for certain of our customer relationships.

We test our goodwill and other indefinite-lived intangible assets not subject to amortization for impairment on an annual basis during the fourth quarter or when indicators of impairment exist. We base our estimates on assumptions we believe to be reasonable, but which are not predictable with precision and therefore are inherently uncertain. Actual future results could differ from these estimates.

The accounting guidance related to goodwill impairment testing allows for the performance of an optional qualitative assessment of whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying value. Such an evaluation is made based on the weight of all available evidence and the significance of all identified events and circumstances that may influence the fair value of a reporting unit. If it is more likely than not that the fair value is less than the carrying value, then a quantitative assessment is required for the reporting unit, as described in the paragraph below.

For our annual impairment test in 2013, we performed a quantitative assessment for each of our reporting units. Under a quantitative assessment for goodwill impairment, we determine the fair value using the income approach as reconciled to our aggregate market capitalization. Under the income approach, we calculate the fair value of a reporting unit based on the present value of estimated future cash flows. If the fair value of the reporting unit exceeds the carrying value of the net assets including goodwill assigned to that unit, goodwill is not impaired. If the carrying value of the reporting unit s net assets including goodwill exceeds the fair value of the reporting unit, then we determine the implied fair value of the reporting unit s goodwill exceeds its implied fair value, then an impairment of goodwill has occurred and we recognize an impairment loss for the difference between the carrying amount and the implied fair value of goodwill as a component of operating income. In addition to the income approach, we calculate the fair value of our reporting units under a market approach. The market approach measures the fair value of a reporting unit through analysis of financial multiples (revenues or EBITDA) of comparable businesses. Consideration is given to the financial conditions and operating performance of the reporting unit being valued relative to those publicly-traded companies operating in the same or similar lines of business.

We did not recognize any goodwill impairment in 2013, 2012, or 2011. See Note 10 for further discussion.

We also evaluate indefinite lived intangible assets for impairment annually or at other times if events have occurred or circumstances exist that indicate the carrying values of those assets may no longer be recoverable. We compare the fair value of the asset with its carrying amount. If the carrying amount of the asset exceeds its fair value, we recognize an impairment loss in an amount equal to that excess. We did not recognize impairment charges for our indefinite lived intangible assets in 2013 or 2011. During 2012, we recognized an impairment charge of \$5.2 million on trademarks related to our Chinese consumer electronics end market which we disposed of in 2012. See Note 10 for further discussion.

We review intangible assets subject to amortization whenever an event or change in circumstances indicates the carrying values of the assets may not be recoverable. We test intangible assets subject to amortization for impairment

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and estimate their fair values using the same assumptions and techniques we employ on property, plant and equipment. We did not recognize any impairment charges for amortizable intangible assets in 2013 or in 2011. During 2012, we recognized an impairment charge of \$6.8 million on customer relationships related to our Chinese consumer electronics end market which we disposed of in 2012.

#### Pension and Other Postretirement Benefits

Our pension and other postretirement benefit costs and obligations are dependent on the various actuarial assumptions used in calculating such amounts. These assumptions relate to discount rates, salary growth, long-term return on plan assets, health care cost trend rates, and other factors. We base the discount rate assumptions on current investment yields on high-quality corporate long-term bonds. The salary growth assumptions reflect our long-term actual experience and future or near-term outlook. We determine the long-term return on plan assets based on historical portfolio results and management s expectation of the future economic environment. Our health care cost trend assumptions are developed based on historical cost data, the near-term outlook, and an assessment of likely long-term trends. Actual results that differ from our assumptions are accumulated and, if in excess of the lesser of 10% of the projected benefit obligation or the fair market value of plan assets, amortized over the estimated future working life of the plan participants.

## **Accrued Sales Rebates**

We grant incentive rebates to participating customers as part of our sales programs. The rebates are determined based on certain targeted sales volumes. Rebates are paid quarterly or annually in either cash or receivables credits. Until we can process these rebates through individual customer records, we estimate the amount of outstanding rebates and recognize them as accrued liabilities and reductions in our gross revenues. We base our estimates on both historical and anticipated sales demand and rebate program participation. We charge revisions to these estimates back to accrued liabilities and revenues in the period in which the facts that give rise to each revision become known. Future market conditions and product transitions might require us to take actions to increase sales rebates offered, possibly resulting in an incremental increase in accrued liabilities and an incremental reduction in revenues at the time the rebate is offered. Accrued sales rebates at December 31, 2013 and 2012 totaled \$34.3 million and \$28.0 million, respectively.

## **Contingent Liabilities**

We have established liabilities for environmental and legal contingencies that are probable of occurrence and reasonably estimable, the amounts of which are currently not material. A significant amount of judgment and use of estimates is required to quantify our ultimate exposure in these matters. We review the valuation of these liabilities on a quarterly basis, and we adjust the balances to account for changes in circumstances for ongoing and emerging issues.

We accrue environmental remediation costs based on estimates of known environmental remediation exposures developed in consultation with our environmental consultants and legal counsel, the amounts of which are not currently material. We expense environmental compliance costs, which include maintenance and operating costs with respect to ongoing monitoring programs, as incurred. We generally depreciate capitalized environmental costs over a 15-year life. We evaluate the range of potential costs to remediate environmental sites. The ultimate cost of site clean-up is difficult to predict given the uncertainties of our involvement in certain sites, uncertainties regarding the extent of the required clean-up, the availability of alternative clean-up methods, variations in the interpretation of applicable laws and regulations, the possibility of insurance recoveries with respect to certain sites, and other factors.

We are, from time to time, subject to routine litigation incidental to our business. These lawsuits primarily involve claims for damages arising out of the use of our products, allegations of patent or trademark infringement, and litigation and administrative proceedings involving employment matters and commercial disputes. Assessments regarding the ultimate cost of lawsuits require judgments concerning matters such as the anticipated outcome of negotiations, the number and cost of pending and future claims, and the impact of evidentiary requirements. Based on facts currently available, we believe the disposition of the claims that are pending or asserted will not have a materially adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations or cash flow.

#### **Business Combination Accounting**

We allocate the purchase price of an acquired business to its identifiable assets and liabilities based on estimated fair values. The excess of the purchase price over the amount allocated to the assets and liabilities, if any, is recorded to goodwill. We use all available information to estimate fair values. We typically engage third party valuation specialists to assist in the fair value determination of inventories, tangible long-lived assets, and intangible assets other than goodwill. The carrying values of acquired receivables and accounts payable have historically approximated their fair values as of the business combination date. As necessary, we may engage third party specialists to assist in the estimation of fair value for certain liabilities. We adjust the preliminary purchase price allocation, as necessary, up to one year after the acquisition closing date as we obtain more information regarding asset valuations and liabilities assumed.

## Revenue Recognition

We recognize revenue when all of the following circumstances are satisfied: (1) persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, (2) price is fixed or determinable, (3) collectability is reasonably assured, and (4) delivery has occurred. Delivery occurs in the period in which the customer takes title and assumes the risks and rewards of ownership of the products specified in the customer s purchase order or sales agreement. At times, we enter into arrangements that involve the delivery of multiple elements. For these arrangements, when the elements can be separated, the revenue is allocated to each deliverable based on that element s relative selling price and recognized based on the period of delivery for each element. Generally, we determine relative selling price using our best estimate of selling price, as we do not have vendor specific objective evidence or third party evidence of fair value for such arrangements.

We record revenue net of estimated rebates, price allowances, invoicing adjustments, and product returns. We record revisions to these estimates in the period in which the facts that give rise to each revision become known.

#### Cost of Sales

Cost of sales includes our total cost of inventory sold during the period, including material, labor, production overhead costs, variable manufacturing costs, and fixed manufacturing costs. Production overhead costs include operating supplies, applicable utility expenses, maintenance costs, and scrap. Variable manufacturing costs include inbound, interplant, and outbound freight, inventory shrinkage, and charges for excess and obsolete inventory. Fixed manufacturing costs include the costs associated with our purchasing, receiving, inspection, warehousing, distribution centers, production and inventory control, and manufacturing management.

## **Shipping and Handling Costs**

We recognize fees earned on the shipment of product to customers as revenues and recognize costs incurred on the shipment of product to customers as a cost of sales.

#### Selling, General, and Administrative Expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses include expenses not directly related to the production of inventory. They include all expenses related to selling and marketing our products, as well as the salary and benefit costs of associates performing the selling and marketing functions. Selling, general, and administrative expenses also include salary and benefit costs, purchased services, and other costs related to our executive and administrative functions.

## Research and Development Costs

Research and development costs are expensed as incurred.

#### **Advertising Costs**

Advertising costs are expensed as incurred. Advertising costs were \$17.8 million, \$16.3 million, and \$15.9 million for 2013, 2012, and 2011, respectively.

## **Share-Based Compensation**

We compensate certain employees and non-employee directors with various forms of share-based payment awards and recognize compensation costs for these awards based on their fair values. We estimate the fair values of certain awards on the grant date using the Black-Scholes-Merton option-pricing formula, which incorporates certain assumptions regarding the expected term of an award and expected stock price volatility. We develop the expected term assumption based on the vesting period and contractual term of an award, our historical exercise and cancellation experience, our stock price history, plan provisions that require exercise or cancellation of awards after employees terminate, and the extent to which currently available information indicates that the future is reasonably expected to differ from past experience. We develop the expected volatility assumption based on historical price data for our common stock. After calculating the aggregate fair value of an award, we use an estimated forfeiture rate to discount the amount of share-based compensation cost to be recognized in our operating results over the service period of the award. We develop the forfeiture assumption based on our historical pre-vesting cancellation experience.

#### **Income Taxes**

Income taxes are provided based on earnings reported for financial statement purposes. The provision for income taxes differs from the amounts currently payable to taxing authorities because of the recognition of revenues and expenses in different periods for income tax purposes than for financial statement purposes. Income taxes are provided as if operations in all countries, including the U.S., were stand-alone businesses filing separate tax returns. We have determined that all undistributed earnings from our international subsidiaries will not be remitted to the U.S. in the foreseeable future and, therefore, no additional provision for U.S. taxes has been made on foreign earnings.

We recognize deferred tax assets resulting from tax credit carryforwards, net operating loss carryforwards, and deductible temporary differences between taxable income on our income tax returns and pretax income on our financial statements. Deferred tax assets generally represent future tax benefits to be received when these carryforwards can be applied against future taxable income or when expenses previously reported in our Consolidated Financial Statements become deductible for income tax purposes. A deferred tax asset valuation allowance is required when some portion or all of the deferred tax assets may not be realized.

Our effective tax rate is based on expected income, statutory tax rates, and tax planning opportunities available to us in the various jurisdictions in which we operate. Significant judgment is required in determining our effective tax rate and in evaluating our tax positions. We establish accruals for uncertain tax positions when we believe that the full amount of the associated tax benefit may not be realized. To the extent we were to prevail in matters for which accruals have been established or would be required to pay amounts in excess of reserves, there could be a material effect on our income tax provisions in the period in which such determination is made.

## **Derivatives and Hedging Activities**

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We are exposed to various market risks, including fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates. From time to time, we manage a portion of this risk through the use of derivative financial instruments to reduce our exposure to foreign currency risk. We do not hold or issue any derivative instrument for trading or speculative purposes.

We report all derivative financial instruments on the balance sheet at fair value. Foreign currency derivative instruments may be designated as a hedge of our net investment in certain foreign operations. If a derivative is designated as a net investment hedge, the effective portion of the gain or loss on the derivative is reported in accumulated other comprehensive income as part of the cumulative translation component of equity. Any ineffectiveness is recognized in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations. We had no outstanding derivatives as of December 31, 2013 and 2012.

## Current-Year Adoption of Accounting Pronouncements

On January 1, 2013, we adopted new accounting guidance issued by the FASB with regard to the presentation and disclosure of changes in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss). The adoption of this guidance did not have a material impact on our financial statements.

## Pending Adoption of Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In July 2013, the FASB issued guidance which requires the presentation of unrecognized tax benefits net of deferred tax assets for net operating loss carryforwards, similar tax losses, or tax credit carryforwards in cases where these carryforwards and losses are available at the balance sheet date. When carryforwards or losses are not available at the balance sheet date, an entity must present the liability separately, rather than on a net basis with deferred tax assets. The new guidance is effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2013. We do not expect the adoption of this guidance to have a material impact on our financial statements.

### **Note 3: Acquisitions**

#### Softel Limited

We acquired Softel Limited (Softel) for \$9.1 million, net of cash acquired, on January 25, 2013. Softel is a key technology supplier to the media sector with a portfolio of technologies well aligned with industry trends and growing demand. Softel is located in the United Kingdom. The results of Softel have been included in our Consolidated Financial Statements from January 25, 2013, and are reported within the Broadcast segment. The Softel acquisition was not material to our financial position or results of operations reported as of and for the year ended December 31, 2013.

#### PPC Broadband, Inc.

We acquired 100% of the outstanding shares of PPC Broadband, Inc. (PPC) in exchange for cash of \$522.4 million on December 10, 2012. PPC is a leading manufacturer and developer of advanced connectivity technologies for the broadband market and expands our solution offerings in the broadband end-market. PPC is headquartered in Syracuse, New York. PPC s strong brands and technology enhance our portfolio of broadband products. The results of PPC have been included in our Consolidated Financial Statements from December 10, 2012, and are reported within the Broadcast segment. The following table summarizes the estimated fair value of the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed as of December 10, 2012 (in thousands).

Cash	\$ 6,874
Receivables	26,612
Inventories	45,465

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Other current assets	868
Property, plant and equipment	26,856
Goodwill	277,091
Intangible assets	164,500
Other non-current assets	1,308
Total assets	\$ 549,574
Accounts payable	\$ 22,499
Accrued liabilities	4,104
Other long-term liabilities	579
Total liabilities	\$ 27,182
Net assets	\$ 522,392

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A single estimate of fair value results from a complex series of judgments about future events and uncertainties and relies heavily on estimates and assumptions. The judgments we have used in estimating the fair values assigned to each class of acquired assets and assumed liabilities could materially affect the results of our operations.

The fair value of acquired receivables is \$26.6 million, with a gross contractual amount of \$27.7 million. We do not expect to collect \$1.1 million of the acquired receivables.

For purposes of the above allocation, we have estimated a fair value adjustment for inventories based on the estimated selling price of the work-in-process and finished goods acquired at the closing date less the sum of the costs to complete the work-in-process, the costs of disposal, and a reasonable profit allowance for our post acquisition selling efforts. We based our estimate of the fair value for the acquired property, plant, and equipment on a valuation study performed by a third party valuation firm. We used various valuation methods including discounted cash flows to estimate the fair value of the identifiable intangible assets.

Goodwill and other intangible assets reflected above were determined to meet the criterion for recognition apart from tangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed. The goodwill is primarily attributable to expected synergies and the assembled workforce. The expected synergies for the PPC acquisition primarily consist of cost savings from the ability to consolidate existing and acquired operating facilities and other support functions. Our tax basis in the acquired goodwill is \$277.1 million. The goodwill balance we recorded is deductible for tax purposes up to the amount of the tax basis. Intangible assets related to the PPC acquisition consisted of the following:

	Estimated Fair Value (In thousands)		Amortization Period (In years)
Intangible assets subject to amortization:		,	• • •
Developed technologies	\$	76,000	5.0
Customer relationships		55,000	20.0
Backlog		1,500	0.5
Total intangible assets subject to amortization		132,500	
Intangible assets not subject to amortization:			
Goodwill		277,091	
In-process research and development		5,000	
Trademarks		27,000	
Total intangible assets not subject to amortization		309,091	
Total intangible assets	\$	441,591	

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Weighted average amortization period

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Trademarks have been determined by us to have indefinite lives and are not being amortized, based on our expectation that the trademarked products will generate cash flows for us for an indefinite period. We expect to maintain use of trademarks on existing products and introduce new products in the future that will also display the trademarks, thus extending their lives indefinitely. In-process research and development assets are considered indefinite-lived intangible assets until the completion or abandonment of the associated research and development efforts. Upon completion of the development process, we will make a determination of the useful life of the asset and begin amortizing the assets over that period. If the project is abandoned, we will write-off the asset at such time.

The amortizable intangible assets reflected in the table above were determined by us to have finite lives. The useful life for the developed technologies intangible asset was based on the estimated time that the technology provides us with a competitive advantage and thus approximates the period of consumption of the intangible asset. The useful life for the customer relationship intangible asset was based on our forecasts of customer turnover. The useful life of the backlog intangible asset was based on our estimate of when the ordered items would ship.

#### Miranda Technologies Inc.

We acquired 97.37% of the shares of Miranda Technologies Inc. (Miranda) for cash of \$364.8 million on July 27, 2012, and we acquired the remaining 2.63% of shares of Miranda for cash of \$9.9 million on July 30, 2012. Miranda is a leading provider of hardware and software solutions for the broadcast infrastructure industry and expands our solution offerings in the broadcast end-market. Miranda is headquartered in Montreal, Quebec, Canada. Miranda s strong brands and technology enhance our portfolio of broadcast products. The results of Miranda have been included in our Consolidated Financial Statements from July 27, 2012, and are reported within the Broadcast segment. The impact of the noncontrolling interest from July 27, 2012 to July 30, 2012 was not material to our financial position or results of operations. The following table summarizes the estimated fair value of the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed as of July 27, 2012 (in thousands).

Cash	\$ 33,324
Receivables	27,592
Inventories	31,109
Other current assets	1,924
Property, plant and equipment	23,930
Goodwill	161,206
Intangible assets	159,991
Total assets	\$ 439,076
Accounts payable	\$ 23,917
Accrued liabilities	5,730
Current deferred tax liabilities	844
Other long-term liabilities	8,699
Non-current deferred tax liabilities	25,207
Total liabilities	\$ 64,397
Net assets	\$ 374,679

A single estimate of fair value results from a complex series of judgments about future events and uncertainties and relies heavily on estimates and assumptions. The judgments we have used in estimating the fair values assigned to each class of acquired assets and assumed liabilities could materially affect the results of our operations.

The fair value of acquired receivables is \$27.6 million, with a gross contractual amount of \$28.3 million. We do not expect to collect \$0.7 million of the acquired receivables.

For purposes of the above allocation, we have estimated a fair value adjustment for inventories based on the estimated selling price of the work-in-process and finished goods acquired at the closing date less the sum of the costs to complete the work-in-process, the costs of disposal, and a reasonable profit allowance for our post acquisition selling efforts. We based our estimate of the fair value for the acquired property, plant, and equipment on a valuation study performed by a third party valuation firm. We used various valuation methods including discounted cash flows to estimate the fair value of the identifiable intangible assets.

Goodwill and other intangible assets reflected above were determined to meet the criterion for recognition apart from tangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed. The goodwill is primarily attributable to expected synergies and the assembled workforce. The primary expected synergy for the Miranda acquisition is due to expanded access to the broadcast market, which we expect will generate significant opportunities to sell our existing product lines to Miranda s existing customers. None of the goodwill related to the Miranda acquisition is deductible for tax purposes. Intangible assets related to the acquisition consisted of the following:

	Estimated Fair Value (In thousands)		Amortization Period (In years)
Intangible assets subject to amortization:			
Developed technologies	\$	69,132	4.0
Customer relationships		44,442	20.0
Backlog		3,950	1.0
Total intangible assets subject to amortization		117,524	
Intangible assets not subject to amortization:			
Goodwill		161,206	
Trademarks		35,554	
In-process research and development		6,913	
Total intangible assets not subject to amortization		203,673	
Total intangible assets	\$	321,197	

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Weighted average amortization period

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Trademarks have been determined by us to have indefinite lives and are not being amortized, based on our expectation that the trademarked products will generate cash flows for us for an indefinite period. We expect to maintain use of trademarks on existing products and introduce new products in the future that will also display the trademarks, thus extending their lives indefinitely. In-process research and development assets are considered indefinite-lived intangible assets until the completion or abandonment of the associated research and development efforts. Upon completion of the development process, we will make a determination of the useful life of the asset and begin amortizing the assets over that period. If the project is abandoned, we will write-off the asset at such time.

The amortizable intangible assets reflected in the table above were determined by us to have finite lives. The useful life for the developed technologies intangible asset was based on the estimated time that the technology provides us with a competitive advantage and thus approximates the period of consumption of the intangible asset. The useful life for the customer relationship intangible asset was based on our forecasts of customer turnover. The useful life of the backlog intangible asset was based on our estimate of when the ordered items would ship.

### Pro forma PPC and Miranda

The following table illustrates the unaudited pro forma effect on operating results as if the Miranda and PPC acquisitions had been completed as of January 1, 2011.

	Years Ended December 31,				
	2012			2011	
	(In thousands, except per share da				
		(Unau	dited	)	
Revenues	\$	2,163,302	\$	2,280,189	
Income from continuing operations		78,827		108,117	
Diluted income per share from continuing					
operations	\$	1.72	\$	2.25	

For purposes of the unaudited pro forma disclosures, the year ended December 31, 2011 includes nonrecurring expenses from the effects of purchase accounting, including inventory cost step-up of \$19.2 million, amortization of sales backlog intangible assets of

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\$6.7 million, and Belden s transaction costs of \$3.5 million. For both years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, the pro forma information above also reflects interest expense from the term loan borrowed to finance the acquisition of Miranda and from the borrowings under our senior secured credit facility to finance the acquisition of PPC.

The above unaudited pro forma financial information is presented for informational purposes only and does not purport to represent what our results of operations would have been had we completed the acquisitions on the date assumed, nor is it necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected in future periods. Pro forma adjustments exclude cost savings from any synergies resulting from the acquisitions.

### ICM Corp.

We acquired 100% of the outstanding shares of ICM Corp. (ICM) for cash of \$21.8 million on January 7, 2011. ICM is a broadcast connectivity product manufacturer, and its strong brands and technology enhance our portfolio of broadcast products. The results of ICM have been included in our Consolidated Financial Statements from the acquisition date and are reported within the Broadcast segment.

## Poliron Cabos Electricos Especiais Ltda

We acquired Poliron Cabos Electricos Especiais Ltda (Poliron) for cash of \$28.7 million on April 1, 2011. Poliron is an industrial cable manufacturer located in Sao Paulo, Brazil. The acquisition of Poliron expands our presence in emerging markets. The results of Poliron have been included in our Consolidated Financial Statements from the acquisition date and are reported within the Industrial Connectivity segment.

### Byres Security, Inc.

We acquired Byres Security, Inc. (Byres Security) for cash of \$7.2 million on August 31, 2011. Byres Security is an industrial network security company located in Vancouver, Canada. The acquisition of Byres Security expands our industrial networking product capabilities. The results of Byres Security have been included in our Consolidated Financial Statements from the acquisition date and are reported within the Industrial IT segment.

The acquisitions of ICM, Poliron, and Byres Security are not material to our financial position or results of operations reported as of and for the year ended December 31, 2011. During the year ended December 31, 2011, we recorded \$27.8 million and \$21.3 million of goodwill and intangible assets, respectively, due to the ICM, Poliron, and Byres Security acquisitions.

## **Note 4: Discontinued Operations**

In 2012, we sold our Thermax and Raydex cable business for \$265.6 million in cash and recognized a pre-tax gain of \$211.6 million (\$124.7 million after-tax). At the time the transaction closed, we received \$265.6 million in cash, subject to a working capital adjustment. In 2013, we recognized a \$1.4 million loss from discontinued operations for income tax expense related to this disposed business. As of December 31, 2012, we had a net current liability of discontinued operations on our consolidated balance sheet of \$86.9 million related to our tax obligations from the gain on disposal of Thermax and Raydex.

In 2010, we completed the sale of Trapeze Networks, Inc. (Trapeze) for \$152.1 million and recognized a pre-tax gain of \$88.3 million (\$44.8 million after-tax). At the time the transaction closed, we received \$136.9 million in cash, and the remaining \$15.2 million was placed in escrow as partial security for our indemnity obligations under the sale agreement. In 2012, based on the status of negotiations with the buyer regarding the amounts in escrow, we

recognized a loss of \$7.0 million (\$4.3 million net of tax) due to a reduction of the carrying value of our escrow receivable. The loss is included in our gain (loss) from disposal of discontinued operations. As of December 31, 2013, we have collected a partial settlement of \$4.2 million from the escrow, and we remain in negotiations with the buyer of Trapeze regarding the status of the escrow and certain claims raised by the buyer. Based on the current status of the negotiations, the amount of the escrow receivable on our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet is \$3.8 million, which is our best estimate of the remaining amount to be collected.

During 2005, we completed the sale of our discontinued communications cable operation in Phoenix, Arizona. In connection with this sale and related tax deductions, we established a reserve for uncertain tax positions. The statute of limitations associated with the tax positions expired during our fiscal third quarter of 2012. In 2012, we recognized a net gain of \$14.1 million due to the reversal of the uncertain tax positions, which is included in our gain from disposal of discontinued operations. In 2012, we recognized a gain of \$4.0 million (\$2.6 million net of tax) due to the reversal of the accrued interest and penalties, which is included in our income (loss) from discontinued operations.

Operating results from discontinued operations for 2012 and 2011 included the following revenues and income (loss) before taxes:

	2		e (Loss) fore		ome (Loss) before
	Revenues	Taxes		Revenues	Taxes
Thermax and Raydex	\$ 95,668	\$	(1 <b>n tno</b> 21,479	(usands) \$ 99,766	\$ 21,792
Trapeze	,		•	,	(196)
Phoenix Communications			3,980		(949)
Total	\$ 95,668	\$	25,459	\$ 99,766	\$ 20,647

**Note 5: Operating Segments and Geographic Information** 

In 2013, we re-organized the Company around four global business platforms: Broadcast, Enterprise Connectivity, Industrial Connectivity, and Industrial IT. Previously, we were organized around geographic regions. The re-organization was executed as a result of our transformation into a global provider of comprehensive signal transmission solutions. We believe the new organization will allow us to better capitalize on market opportunities and meet customer demands. We have determined that each of the global business platforms represents a reportable segment. We have revised the prior period segment information to conform to the change in the composition of our reportable segments. The All Other segment represents the financial results of our cable operations that primarily conducted business in the consumer electronics end market, which we sold in December 2012.

The segments design, manufacture, and market a portfolio of signal transmission solutions for mission critical applications used in a variety of end markets, including broadcast, enterprise, and industrial. We sell the products manufactured by our segments principally through distributors or directly to systems integrators, original equipment manufacturers (OEMs), end-users, and installers.

We evaluate segment performance based on operating income, working capital, and organic growth. Operating income of the segments includes all the ongoing costs of operations, but excludes interest and income taxes. Transactions between the segments are conducted on an arms-length basis. We allocate corporate expenses to the segments for purposes of measuring segment operating income. Corporate expenses are allocated on the basis of each segment s relative operating income prior to the allocation, adjusted for certain items including asset impairment, severance and other restructuring costs, purchase accounting effects related to acquisitions, accelerated depreciation, amortization of intangible assets, and other costs.

Our measure of segment assets does not include cash, goodwill, intangible assets, deferred tax assets, or corporate assets. All goodwill is allocated to reporting units of our segments for purposes of impairment testing.

The results of our equity method investment in Xuzhou Hirschmann Electronics Co. Ltd. (the Hirschmann JV) are analyzed separately from the results of our operating segments, and they are not included in the corporate expense allocation.

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# **Operating Segment Information**

<b>Broadcast Solutions</b>	Years Ended December 31, 2013 2012 201				
Enternal customer accompany	,	In thousands)			
External customer revenues	\$ 663,900	\$ 356,320	\$314,733		
Affiliate revenues	933	691	616		
Total revenues	664,833	357,011	315,349		
Depreciation and amortization	(64,420)	(23,184)	(8,318)		
Asset impairment and loss on sale of assets			(366)		
Operating income (loss)	15,099	(11,657)	21,523		
Total assets	294,454	272,520	101,351		
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	10,526	8,844	4,735		
<b>Enterprise Connectivity Solutions</b>	Years 1	Ended Decemb	oer 31,		
	2013	2012	2011		
	(	In thousands)			
External customer revenues	\$493,129	\$496,857	\$ 546,800		
Affiliate revenues	9,823	6,467	5,660		
Total revenues	502,952	503,324	552,460		
Depreciation and amortization	(12,988)	(16,057)	(15,840)		
Asset impairment and loss on sale of assets	(,,,)	(1,468)	(607)		
Operating income	48,753	40,056	41,750		
Total assets	223,073	234,882	240,589		
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	11,749	13,013	11,181		
<b>Industrial Connectivity Solutions</b>	Years l	Ended Deceml	oer 31,		
·	2013	2012	2011		
	(	In thousands)			
External customer revenues	\$ 680,643	\$670,112	\$ 665,035		
Affiliate revenues	1,901	1,129	1,322		
Total revenues	682,544	671,241	666,357		
Depreciation and amortization	(11,408)	(10,970)	(13,890)		
Asset impairment and loss on sale of assets	( , , ,	(2,435)	(1,067)		
Operating income	92,562	72,366	69,200		
Total assets	259,400	263,293	301,535		
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	14,496	13,077	8,979		
Industrial IT Solutions	Years l	Ended Deceml	oer 31,		
	2013	2012	2011		
		In thousands)			
External customer revenues	\$ 231,521	\$219,679	\$231,374		
Affiliate revenues	208	286	47		

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Total revenues	231,729	219,965	231,421
Depreciation and amortization	(5,635)	(4,848)	(4,543)
Asset impairment and loss on sale of assets			(509)
Operating income	38,440	32,807	31,992
Total assets	56,658	54,428	56,432
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	2,020	4,597	2,674

All Other	Years Ended December 31,					
	2013	2012	2011			
		(In thousands)				
External customer revenues	\$	\$ 97,771	\$ 124,245			
Affiliate revenues						
Total revenues		97,771	124,245			
Depreciation and amortization		(2,828)	(5,521)			
Asset impairment and loss on sale of assets		(29,773)				
Operating income (loss)	1,278	(32,640)	(6,168)			
Total assets			76,604			
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment		348	881			
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment		370	001			
Total Segments	Years	Ended December				
	Years 2013					
	2013	Ended December	er 31,			
	2013	Ended December 2012	er 31,			
<b>Total Segments</b>	2013	Ended December 2012 (In thousands)	er 31, 2011			
Total Segments  External customer revenues	<b>2013</b> \$ 2,069,193	Ended December 2012 (In thousands) \$ 1,840,739	er 31, 2011 \$1,882,187			
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Total Segments  External customer revenues Affiliate revenues	<b>2013</b> \$ 2,069,193 12,865	Ended December 2012 (In thousands) \$ 1,840,739 8,573	er 31, 2011 \$ 1,882,187 7,645			
Total Segments  External customer revenues Affiliate revenues  Total revenues  Depreciation and amortization Asset impairment and loss on sale of assets	2013 \$ 2,069,193 12,865 2,082,058	Ended December 2012 (In thousands) \$ 1,840,739 8,573	er 31, 2011 \$ 1,882,187 7,645 1,889,832			
Total Segments  External customer revenues Affiliate revenues  Total revenues Depreciation and amortization	2013 \$ 2,069,193 12,865 2,082,058	Ended December 2012 (In thousands) \$ 1,840,739	\$ 1,882,187 7,645 1,889,832 (48,113)			

Total segment operating income differs from net income reported in the Consolidated Financial Statements as follows:

38,791

39,879

28,450

Acquisition of property, plant and equipment

	Years Ended December 31,			
	2013	2012	2011	
	(	In thousands)		
Total segment operating income	\$ 196,132	\$ 100,932	\$ 158,297	
Income from equity method investment	8,922	9,704	13,169	
Eliminations	(3,792)	(2,139)	(6,260)	
Total operating income	201,262	108,497	165,206	
Interest expense	(73,095)	(52,038)	(48,118)	
Interest income	494	1,033	1,011	
Loss on debt extinguishment	(1,612)	(52,450)		
Income tax benefit (expense)	(22,315)	38,194	(16,791)	
Income from continuing operations	104,734	43,236	101,308	
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax	(1,421)	16,774	13,037	
Gain from disposal of discontinued operations, net of				
tax		134,480		
Net income	\$ 103,313	\$ 194,490	\$ 114,345	

Below are reconciliations of other segment measures to the consolidated totals.

	Years Ended December 31,					1,
	2013			2012		2011
			(In t	thousands)		
Total segment assets	\$	833,585	\$	825,123	\$	776,511
Cash and cash equivalents		613,304		395,095		382,552
Goodwill		773,048		778,708		336,591
Intangible assets, less accumulated depreciation		376,976		428,273		139,515
Deferred income taxes		54,801		66,855		30,697
Income tax receivable		12,169		8,432		
Corporate assets		87,870		82,097		61,770
Discontinued operations assets						60,484
Total assets	\$ 2	2,751,753	\$ 2	2,584,583	\$ 1	,788,120
Total segment acquisition of property, plant and						
equipment	\$	38,791	\$	39,879	\$	28,450
Corporate acquisition of property, plant and	Ψ	30,771	Ψ	37,017	Ψ	20,130
equipment		1,418		336		10,483
Discontinued operations acquisition of property,		1,110		330		10,103
plant and equipment				795		1,120
plant and equipment				775		1,120
Total acquisition of property, plant and						
equipment	\$	40,209	\$	41,010	\$	40,053
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	Ф	(0.4.451)	Φ.	(55 005)	Ф	(40.112)
Total segment depreciation and amortization	\$	(94,451)	\$	(57,887)	\$	(48,113)
Discontinued operations depreciation and				(1.460)		(2.0(1)
amortization				(1,468)		(2,061)
	Φ.	(0.4.451)	<b>.</b>	(50.055)	Φ.	(50.45.1)
Total depreciation and amortization	\$	(94,451)	\$	(59,355)	\$	(50,174)

# **Geographic Information**

The Company attributes foreign sales based on the location of the customer purchasing the product. The table below summarizes net sales and long-lived assets for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011 for the following countries: the U.S., Canada, Germany and China. No other individual foreign country s net sales or long-lived assets are material to the Company.

				All					
United States	Canada	China	Germany	Other	Total				
	(In thousands, except percentages)								

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Year ended December 31, 2013									
Revenues	\$ 1	,032,190	\$ 1	195,387	\$ 126,461	\$ 108,745	\$ 606,410	\$ 2	2,069,193
Percent of total revenues		50%		9%	6%	5%	30%		100%
Long-lived assets	\$	170,813	\$	27,458	\$ 76,949	\$ 45,702	\$ 59,275	\$	380,197
Year ended December 31, 2012									
Revenues	\$	825,437	\$ 1	196,761	\$ 193,082	\$ 105,377	\$ 520,082	\$	1,840,739
Percent of total revenues		45%		11%	10%	6%	28%		100%
Long-lived assets	\$	164,619	\$	31,610	\$ 72,556	\$ 42,411	\$ 59,854	\$	371,050
Year ended December 31, 2011									
Revenues	\$	832,681	\$ 1	192,184	\$ 246,866	\$ 117,088	\$ 493,368	\$	1,882,187
Percent of total revenues		44%		10%	13%	6%	27%		100%
Long-lived assets Major Customer	\$	137,597	\$	9,196	\$ 98,211	\$ 46,729	\$ 52,212	\$	343,945

Revenues generated from sales to the distributor Anixter International Inc., primarily in the Industrial Connectivity and Enterprise segments, were \$289.9 million (14% of revenues), \$300.4 million (16% of revenues), and \$288.3 million (15% of revenues) for 2013, 2012, and 2011, respectively. At December 31, 2013, we had \$48.3 million in accounts receivable outstanding from Anixter International Inc. This represented approximately 16% of our total accounts receivable outstanding at December 31, 2013.

# **Note 6: Equity Method Investment**

We have a 50% ownership interest in Xuzhou Hirschmann Electronics Co., Ltd. (the Hirschmann JV), which we acquired in connection with our 2007 acquisition of Hirschmann Automation and Control GmbH. The Hirschmann JV is an entity located in China that supplies load-moment indicators to the industrial crane market. We account for this investment using the equity method of accounting. The results of our equity method investment in the Hirschmann JV are analyzed separately from the results of our operating segments, and they are not included in the corporate expense allocation.

Summary financial information for the Hirschmann JV is as follows:

	December 31,				
	2013	2012		2011	
		(In t			
Current assets	\$49,408	\$	46,042	\$63,879	
Noncurrent assets	3,801		4,107	4,020	
Current liabilities	21,524		13,132	26,914	
Noncurrent liabilities	447		207	205	

	Yea	Years Ended December 31,				
	2013		2012	2011		
		(In thousands)				
Revenues	\$41,257	\$	56,564	\$69,431		
Gross profit	27,332		29,067	34,100		
Operating income	19,821		22,317	27,771		
Net income	17,844		19,408	26,338		
Net income attributable to Belden	8,922		9,704	13,169		

The carrying value recorded in other long-lived assets on our Consolidated Balance Sheets of our investment in the Hirschmann JV as of December 31, 2013 and 2012 is \$38.3 million and \$35.4 million, respectively. The difference between this carrying value and our share of the Hirschmann JV s net assets is primarily attributable to goodwill.

We had sales of \$3.6 million, \$5.7 million, and \$19.4 million to the Hirschmann JV in 2013, 2012, and 2011, respectively. We received \$8.1 million, \$12.5 million, and \$10.9 million in dividends from the Hirschmann JV in 2013, 2012, and 2011, respectively. We had receivables from the Hirschmann JV as of December 31, 2013 and 2012 of \$0.3 million and \$2.4 million, respectively.

## **Note 7: Income Per Share**

The following table presents the basis of the income per share computation:

	Years Ended December 31,				
	2013	2012	2011		
	(	In thousands)	)		
Numerator for basic and diluted income per share:					
Income from continuing operations	\$ 104,734	\$ 43,236	\$ 101,308		
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax	(1,421)	16,774	13,037		
Gain from disposal of discontinued operations, net of					
tax		134,480			
Net income	\$ 103,313	\$ 194,490	\$ 114,345		
Denominator:					
Weighted average shares outstanding, basic	43,871	45,097	47,109		
Effect of dilutive common stock equivalents	866	845	995		
Weighted average shares outstanding, diluted	44,737	45,942	48,104		

For the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011, diluted weighted average shares outstanding do not include outstanding equity awards of 0.2 million, 0.9 million, and 0.8 million, respectively, because to do so would have been anti-dilutive.

For purposes of calculating basic earnings per share, unvested restricted stock units are not included in the calculation of basic weighted average shares outstanding until all necessary conditions have been satisfied and issuance of the shares underlying the restricted stock units is no longer contingent. Necessary conditions are not satisfied until the vesting date, at which time holders of our restricted stock units receive shares of our common stock.

For purposes of calculating diluted earnings per share, unvested restricted stock units are included to the extent that they are dilutive. In determining whether unvested restricted stock units are dilutive, each issuance of restricted stock units is considered separately.

Once a restricted stock unit has vested, it is included in the calculation of both basic and diluted weighted average shares outstanding.

#### **Note 8: Inventories**

The major classes of inventories were as follows:

December 31, 2013 2012 (In thousands)

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Raw materials	\$ 85,379	\$ 92,072
Work-in-process	34,671	34,391
Finished goods	107,091	110,280
Perishable tooling and supplies	2,156	2,493
Gross inventories	229,297	239,236
Excess and obsolete reserves	(21,317)	(23,954)
Net inventories	\$ 207,980	\$215,282

## Note 9: Property, Plant and Equipment

The carrying values of property, plant and equipment were as follows:

	December 31,		
	2013	2012	
	(In thou	isands)	
Land and land improvements	\$ 34,846	\$ 35,010	
Buildings and leasehold improvements	124,688	136,751	
Machinery and equipment	441,933	438,928	
Computer equipment and software	89,919	92,946	
Construction in process	36,388	27,135	
Gross property, plant and equipment	727,774	730,770	
Accumulated depreciation	(426,939)	(423,722)	
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Net property, plant and equipment	\$ 300,835	\$ 307,048	

# **Disposals**

During 2013, we sold certain real estate of the Broadcast segment for \$1.0 million and recognized a \$0.3 million loss on the sale. We also sold certain real estate of the Enterprise Connectivity segment for \$2.1 million. There was no gain or loss on the sale.

During 2012, we sold certain net assets of our cable operations within the All Other segment for \$40.0 million that primarily conduct business in the consumer electronics end market in China (the Disposal Group). We had previously evaluated a number of strategic alternatives related to the Disposal Group, and we determined that the characteristics of the end market in which they conduct business were not in line with our strategic plan. The cash flows related to the Disposal Group were not separately identifiable and independent of the other cash flows of our Chinese cable operations, and therefore, we have not reported the operating results of the Disposal Group as discontinued operations. We recognized an asset impairment and loss on sale of the Disposal Group in 2012 of \$29.8 million. In 2013, we recorded a \$1.3 million gain on the sale due to a favorable resolution with the buyer of those assets regarding the closing date working capital. See further discussion below.

During 2012, we also sold certain real estate of the Enterprise Connectivity and Industrial Connectivity segments for \$0.8 million and \$8.6 million, respectively. There was no gain or loss recognized on the sale.

During 2011, we sold certain real estate that supported multiple segments for \$1.1 million. There was no gain or loss recognized on the sale.

## **Impairment**

In 2013, we did not recognize any impairment losses.

In 2012, we recognized a \$29.8 million asset impairment and loss on sale of certain net assets of our cable operations that primarily conducted business in the consumer electronics end market in China. The loss is included in the

operating results of the All Other segment. Of the total loss, \$10.6 million, \$6.8 million, and \$5.2 million related to impairment of property, plant and equipment, customer relationships, and trademarks, respectively. We estimated the fair market value of these assets based upon the purchase price per the terms of the sale agreement. The remainder of the loss was due to the accrual of estimated costs to sell, including such items as investment banker fees, legal fees, and other closing costs.

In 2012, we recognized impairment losses on property, plant and equipment of \$2.4 million and \$1.5 million in the operating results of our Industrial Connectivity and Enterprise Connectivity segments, respectively. Of the total impairment loss, approximately \$1.5 million related to real estate retained by us from a German cable business we sold in 2009 and leased to the purchasers, \$1.4 million related to manufacturing equipment, and \$1.0 million related to other property, plant and equipment. We estimated the fair value of these assets based upon bids received from third parties to potentially buy the assets, quoted prices in active markets or quoted prices for similar assets.

In 2011, we recognized an impairment loss of \$2.5 million in connection with our decision to alter our approach with respect to certain enterprise resource planning technology system assets and to abandon the use of these assets. The impairment loss was recognized in our corporate expenses, which are allocated to our segments as discussed in Note 5.

# **Depreciation Expense**

We recognized depreciation expense in income from continuing operations of \$43.6 million, \$35.1 million, and \$35.0 million in 2013, 2012, and 2011, respectively.

# **Note 10: Intangible Assets**

The carrying values of intangible assets were as follows:

	<b>December 31, 2013</b>				<b>December 31, 2012</b>			
	Gross			Net	Gross			Net
	Carrying Amount	Am	cumulated nortization thousands)	Carrying Amount	Carrying Amount	Am	cumulated ortization thousands)	Amount
Goodwill	\$773,048	\$		\$ 773,048	\$778,708	\$		\$778,708
Definite-lived intangible assets subject to amortization:								
Customer relationships	\$ 198,522	\$	(35,981)	\$ 162,541	\$ 195,021	\$	(25,632)	\$ 169,389
Developed technology	174,106		(68,233)	105,873	170,747		(32,713)	138,034
Trademarks	7,151		(1,033)	6,118	401		(176)	225
Backlog	8,434		(8,421)	13	9,252		(5,997)	3,255
In-process research and development	6,549		(1,124)	5,425				
Total intangible assets subject to amortization	394,762		(114,792)	279,970	375,421		(64,518)	310,903
Indefinite-lived intangible assets not subject to amortization								
Trademarks	92,010			92,010	103,347			103,347
In-process research and development	4,996			4,996	14,023			14,023
Total intangible assets not subject to amortization	97,006			97,006	117,370			117,370
Intangible assets	\$491,768	\$	(114,792)	\$ 376,976	\$492,791	\$	(64,518)	\$ 428,273

# Segment Allocation of Goodwill and Trademarks

The changes in the carrying amount of goodwill assigned to reporting units in our reportable segments are as follows:

	Prior Segments Asia			Current Segments Industrial Industrial				
	Americas	<b>EMEA</b>	Pacific	Broadcast (In thou	-	Connectivity		Consolidated
Balance at December 31, 2011 Acquisitions and purchase accounting	\$ 249,319	\$ 69,470	\$ 17,802	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 336,591
adjustments	439,696							439,696
Translation impact	1,563	858						2,421
Balance at December 31, 2012	\$ 690,578	\$ 70,328	\$ 17,802	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 778,708
Reassignment of goodwill	(690,578)	(70,328)	(17,802)	473,029	50,136	188,201	67,342	
Acquisitions and purchase accounting adjustments				4,986				4,986
Translation impact				(11,640)		(226)	1,220	(10,646)
Balance at December 31, 2013	\$	\$	\$	\$ 466,375	\$ 50,136	\$ 187,975	\$ 68,562	\$ 773,048

In 2013, as a result of our change in segments, we reassigned the carrying amount of goodwill to our new reporting units in our new segments based on relative fair value. There was no goodwill impairment at the time of our change in segments.

The changes in the carrying amount of indefinite-lived trademarks are as follows:

			<b>Industrial</b>	Industrial	All	
	<b>Broadcast</b>	<b>Enterprise</b>	Connectivity	IT	Other	Consolidated
Balance at December 31, 2011	\$ 12,187	\$ 1,284	\$ 12,545	\$ 9,396	\$ 5,223	\$ 40,635

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Impairment						(5,	239)	(5,239)
Acquisitions and purchase accounting								
adjustments	6	57,554						67,554
Translation impact		569	15	(266)	63		16	397
Balance at December 31, 2012	\$ 8	30,310	\$ 1,299	\$ 12,279	\$ 9,459	\$		\$ 103,347
Reclassify to definite-lived	(	(5,424)	(1,353)					(6,777)
Acquisitions and purchase accounting								
adjustments	(	(4,918)						(4,918)
Translation impact		159	54	(86)	231			358
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Balance at December 31, 2013	\$ 7	0,127	\$	\$ 12,193	\$ 9,690	\$		\$ 92,010

### **Impairment**

The annual measurement date for our goodwill and trademarks impairment test is our fiscal November month-end. For our 2013 goodwill impairment test, we performed a quantitative assessment for each of our reporting units and determined the estimated fair values of our reporting units by calculating the present values of their estimated future cash flows. We determined that the fair values of our reporting units were substantially in excess of the carrying values; therefore, we did not recognize any goodwill impairment in 2013. We also did not recognize any goodwill impairment in 2012 or 2011 based on the results of our annual goodwill impairment testing.

Similar to the quantitative goodwill impairment test, we determined the estimated fair values of our trademarks by calculating the present values of the estimated cash flows attributable to the respective trademarks. We did not recognize any trademark impairment charges in 2013 or 2011. In 2012, we recognized a \$5.2 million and \$6.8 million impairment loss on trademarks and customer relationships, respectively, related to our Chinese cable operations within the All Other segment which we disposed of during 2012. The total asset impairment and loss on sale of the consumer electronics assets in 2012 was \$29.8 million. See Note 9.

# **Amortization Expense**

We recognized amortization expense in income from continuing operations of \$50.8 million, \$22.8 million, and \$13.1 million in 2013, 2012, and 2011, respectively. We expect to recognize annual amortization expense of \$47.3 million in 2014, \$46.4 million in 2015, \$39.2 million in 2016, \$27.4 million in 2017, and \$12.0 million in 2018.

## **Note 11: Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities**

The carrying values of accounts payable and accrued liabilities were as follows:

	December 31,		
	2013	2012	
	(In tho	usands)	
Accounts payable	\$ 199,897	\$ 183,672	
Wages, severance and related taxes	50,540	47,998	
Employee benefits	17,697	18,550	
Accrued rebates	34,317	28,002	
Accrued interest	22,479	15,162	
Current deferred revenue	31,371	12,220	
Other (individual items less than 5% of total current			
liabilities)	42,765	44,340	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 399,066	\$ 349,944	

The majority of our accounts payable balance is due to trade creditors. Our accounts payable balance as of December 31, 2013 and 2012 included \$16.1 million and \$21.3 million, respectively, of amounts due to banks under a commercial acceptance draft program. All accounts payable outstanding under the commercial acceptance draft program are expected to be settled within one year.

During 2013, we recorded severance and other restructuring costs of \$14.9 million. The majority of these costs were recorded in our Broadcast segment, which recognized \$12.1 million of severance and other restructuring costs for the year ended December 31, 2013. The other restructuring costs included relocation, equipment transfer, and other costs. These costs were incurred primarily as a result of facility consolidation in New York for recently acquired locations and other acquisition integration activities. These activities were contemplated as part of the decision to acquire PPC. The Industrial IT segment also recognized \$1.7 million of severance expense in the year ended December 31, 2013.

Of the total severance and other restructuring costs recognized in the year ended December 31, 2013, \$7.1 million, \$6.5 million, and \$1.3 million were included in cost of sales, selling, general and administrative expenses, and research and development, respectively.

We do not expect to recognize any additional significant severance or other restructuring costs related to these restructuring actions, and the majority of the costs related to these actions were paid in 2013. As of December 31, 2013, our accrued liabilities balance included \$1.0 million of accrued severance related to these actions, which is expected to be paid in 2014.

During 2012, we implemented certain restructuring actions in response to the uncertain global economic environment. For the year ended December 31, 2012, we recognized severance and other restructuring costs in our Broadcast, Enterprise Connectivity, Industrial Connectivity, and Industrial IT segments of \$4.9 million, \$3.2 million, \$9.2 million, and \$0.5 million, respectively. The actions included reducing headcount and renegotiating procurement related contracts in order to reduce our cost structure. Of the total costs recognized, approximately \$5.2 million consisted of contract termination costs related to our supply chain.

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Of the total severance and other restructuring costs recognized, \$6.5 million, \$10.0 million, and \$1.4 million were included in cost of sales, selling, general and administrative expenses, and research and development, respectively.

We continue to review our business strategies and evaluate further restructuring actions. This could result in additional restructuring costs in future periods.

## **Note 12: Long-Term Debt and Other Borrowing Arrangements**

The carrying values of our long-term debt and other borrowing arrangements were as follows:

	December 31,		
	2013	2012	
	(In thou	ısands)	
Senior secured credit facility:			
Variable rate term loan due 2017	\$	\$ 247,714	
Revolving credit agreement due 2016		198,270	
Total senior secured credit facility		445,984	
Revolving credit agreement due 2018			
Variable rate term loan due 2020	248,775		
Senior subordinated notes:			
5.5% Senior subordinated notes due 2022	700,000	700,000	
5.5% Senior subordinated notes due 2023	413,040		
9.25% Senior subordinated notes due 2019	5,221	5,221	
Total senior subordinated notes	1,118,261	705,221	
Total debt and other borrowing arrangements	1,367,036	1,151,205	
Less current maturities of Term Loan	(2,500)	(15,678)	
Long-term debt	\$ 1,364,536	\$ 1,135,527	

### Senior Secured Facility

In 2013, we refinanced our Senior Secured Facility. At the time of the refinancing, there were no outstanding borrowings under the revolver component of the Senior Secured Facility, and we repaid the \$240.0 million outstanding balance on the variable rate term loan due 2017. We recorded a loss on extinguishment of debt of \$1.6 million, representing the write-off of certain unamortized debt issuance costs related to these instruments.

In 2012, we borrowed the variable rate term loan due 2017 in order to fund a portion of the purchase price for the acquisition of Miranda (see Note 3), and we paid \$1.7 million of fees associated with the borrowings. As of December 31, 2012, we had 150.0 million euros (\$198.3 million) of borrowings outstanding under the revolving credit component of the Senior Secured Facility, which were used to fund a portion of the purchase price for the acquisition of PPC (see Note 3). We repaid these borrowings during 2013.

In 2011, we paid \$3.3 million of fees associated with the revolver component of the Senior Secured Facility.

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## Variable Rate Term Loan due 2020

In 2013, we borrowed \$250.0 million under a new Term Loan Credit Agreement (the Term Loan). The Term Loan is secured on a second lien basis by the assets securing the Revoling Credit Agreement due 2018 discussed below and on a first lien basis by the stock of certain of our subsidiaries. The borrowings under the Term Loan are scheduled to mature in 2020 and require quarterly amortization payments. Interest under the Term Loan is variable, based upon the three-month LIBOR plus an applicable spread. The interest rate as of December 31, 2013 was 3.25%. We utilized the proceeds from the Term Loan to repay the amounts outstanding under our Senior Secured Facility, as discussed above. We paid approximately \$4.1 million of fees associated with the Term Loan, which are being amortized over the life of the Term Loan using the effective interest method.

# Revolving Credit Agreement due 2018

In 2013, we entered into a revolving credit agreement that provides a \$400 million multi-currency asset-based revolving credit facility (the Revolver). The borrowing base under the Revolver includes eligible accounts receivable, inventory, and property, plant, and equipment of certain of our subsidiaries in the U.S., Canada, Germany, the Netherlands, and the UK. As of December 31, 2013, our borrowing base was \$325 million. The Revolver matures in 2018. Interest on outstanding borrowings is variable, based upon LIBOR or other similar indices in foreign jurisdictions, plus a spread that ranges from 1.25% - 1.75%, depending upon our leverage position. We pay a commitment fee on our available borrowing capacity of 0.375%. In the event we borrow more than 90% of our borrowing base, we are subject to a fixed charge coverage ratio covenant.

We paid approximately \$5.4 million of fees associated with the Revolver, which are being amortized over the life of the Revolver.

## Senior Subordinated Notes

In March 2013, we issued 300.0 million (\$388.2 million at issuance) aggregate principal amount of 5.5% senior subordinated notes due 2023. The carrying value of the notes as of December 31, 2013 is \$413.0 million. The notes are guaranteed on a senior subordinated basis by certain of our subsidiaries. The notes rank equal in right of payment with our senior subordinated notes due 2022 and 2019 and with any future subordinated debt, and they are subordinated to all of our senior debt and the senior debt of our subsidiary guarantors, including our Term Loan. Interest is payable semiannually on April 15 and October 15 of each year. We paid \$7.8 million of fees associated with the issuance of the notes, which are being amortized over the life of the notes using the effective interest method. We used the net proceeds from the transaction to repay amounts outstanding under the revolving credit component of our Senior Secured Facility and for general corporate purposes.

In 2012, we issued \$700.0 million aggregate principal amount of 5.5% senior subordinated notes due 2022. The notes are guaranteed on a senior subordinated basis by certain of our subsidiaries. The notes rank equal in right of payment with our senior subordinated notes due 2019 and 2023 and with any future subordinated debt, and they are subordinated to all of our senior debt and the senior debt of our subsidiary guarantors, including our Term Loan. Interest is payable semiannually on March 1 and September 1 of each year, beginning March 1, 2013. We paid \$13.7 million of fees associated with the issuance of the notes, which are being amortized over the life of the notes using the effective interest method. We used the net proceeds from the transaction to fund the repurchase of certain of our senior subordinated notes due 2017 and 2019, as discussed below, and for general corporate purposes.

During 2012, we repurchased all \$350.0 million of our senior subordinated notes due 2017 for cash consideration of \$363.1 million, and \$194.8 million of our senior subordinated notes due 2019 for cash consideration of \$226.7

million. We recorded a loss on extinguishment of debt of \$52.5 million, including the write-off of unamortized debt issuance costs related to these instruments.

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As of December 31, 2013, \$5.2 million aggregate principal amount of our senior subordinated notes due 2019 remain outstanding. The senior subordinated notes due 2019 have a coupon interest rate of 9.25% and an effective interest rate of 9.75%. The interest on the 2019 notes is payable semiannually on June 15 and December 15. The notes are guaranteed on a senior subordinated basis by certain of our subsidiaries. The notes rank equal in right of payment with our senior subordinated notes due 2022 and 2023 and with any future senior subordinated debt, and are subordinated to all of our senior debt and the senior debt of our subsidiary guarantors, including our Term Loan.

The senior subordinated notes due 2019, 2022, and 2023 are redeemable after June 15, 2014, September 1, 2017, and April 15, 2018, respectively, at the following redemption prices as a percentage of the face amount of the notes:

Senior Subordinated Notes due							
2019		2022		2023	}		
Year	Percentage	Year	Percentage	Year	Percentage		
2014	104.625%	2017	102.750%	2018	102.750%		
2015	103.083%	2018	101.833%	2019	101.833%		
2016	101.542%	2019	100.917%	2020	100.917%		
2017 and thereafter	100.000%	2020 and thereafter	100.000%	2021 and thereafter	100.000%		
Fair Value of Long-	Term Debt						

The fair value of our senior subordinated notes as of December 31, 2013 was approximately \$1,098.6 million based on quoted prices of the debt instruments in inactive markets (Level 2 valuation). This amount represents the fair values of our senior subordinated notes with a carrying value of \$1,118.3 million as of December 31, 2013. We believe the fair value of our Term Loan approximates book value.

#### **Maturities**

Maturities on outstanding long-term debt and other borrowings during each of the five years subsequent to December 31, 2013 are as follows (in thousands):

2014	\$ 2,500
2015	2,500
2016	2,500
2017	2,500
2018	2,500
Thereafter	1,354,536
	\$ 1,367,036

## **Note 13: Derivatives and Hedging Activities**

We are exposed to various market risks, including fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates. From time to time, we manage a portion of this risk through the use of derivative financial instruments to reduce our exposure to foreign currency risk. We do not hold or issue any derivative instrument for trading or speculative purposes.

During 2012, we entered into foreign currency forward contracts that were formally designated and qualified as net investment hedges of our operations in certain European subsidiaries. To the extent that the hedge relationships were effective, the gains or losses on the forward contracts were reported in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) as part of the cumulative translation component of equity. We utilized the forward-rate method of assessing hedge ineffectiveness. Any ineffectiveness was recognized in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

The forward contracts exposed us to credit risk to the extent that the counterparties to our forward contracts would have been unable to meet the terms of the agreements. We sought to mitigate such risks by limiting the counterparties to major financial institutions and by executing our agreements across multiple counterparties. Additionally, our forward contracts were short-term in duration.

We recognized \$4.0 million pre-tax gain in AOCI during 2012. There was no ineffectiveness and no amount reclassified from AOCI into earnings for 2012. There were no outstanding derivatives as of December 31, 2013 or 2012.

All cash flows associated with derivatives are classified as financing cash flows in the Consolidated Cash Flow Statements. We collected \$4.0 million in proceeds upon the settlement of foreign currency forward contracts during 2012.

**Note 14: Income Taxes** 

	Years ended December 31,				
	2013	2012	2011		
	(	In thousands)	)		
Income (loss) from continuing operations before taxes:					
United States operations	\$ 31,678	\$ (22,533)	\$ 27,324		
Foreign operations	95,371	27,575	90,775		
Income from continuing operations before taxes	\$ 127,049	\$ 5,042	\$118,099		
Income tax expense (benefit):					
Currently payable					
United States federal	\$ (4,493)	\$ (6,944)	\$ (4,741)		
United States state and local	(26)	(2,519)	1,303		
Foreign	21,377	14,020	18,572		
	16,858	4,557	15,134		
Deferred					
United States federal	3,575	(22,661)	(1,276)		
United States state and local	1,593	(424)	(799)		
Foreign	289	(19,666)	3,732		
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	5,457	(42,751)	1,657		
Income tax expense (benefit)	\$ 22,315	\$ (38,194)	\$ 16,791		

In addition to the above income tax expense (benefit) associated with continuing operations, we also recorded income tax expense associated with discontinued operations of \$1.4 million, \$78.7 million, and \$7.6 million in 2013, 2012, and 2011, respectively.

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In 2013, our income tax expense was reduced by \$2.5 million due to a tax holiday for our operations in St. Kitts. The tax holiday in St. Kitts is scheduled to expire in 2022.

	Years Ended December 31,			
	2013	2012	2011	
Effective income tax rate reconciliation from continuing				
operations:				
United States federal statutory rate	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%	
State and local income taxes	1.5%	(10.7%)	0.8%	
Impact of change in deferred tax asset valuation				
allowance	(0.6%)	(187.8%)	(6.8%)	
Impact of change in tax contingencies	3.8%	3.3%	(1.1%)	
Impact of change in United States tax legislation	(3.3%)	0.0%	0.0%	
Foreign income tax rate differences	(12.1%)	(278.1%)	(6.8%)	
Federal and state impact of Cooper liability settlement	0.0%	(416.5%)	0.0%	
Domestic permanent differences & tax credits	(6.7%)	97.3%	(6.9%)	
	17.6%	(757.5%)	14.2%	

With respect to the effective income tax rate reconciliation for 2012, the individual percentages reflected are significant due to the dollar value of such items relative to the \$5.0 million of consolidated pre-tax income in 2012. The most significant factors impacting the rate and the total income tax benefit of \$38.2 million in 2012 include the Cooper Industries tax agreement settlement and the reduction of the deferred tax asset valuation allowance, both of which are discussed further below.

Deferred income taxes have been established for differences in the basis of assets and liabilities for financial statement and tax reporting purposes. For 2012 and prior, these amounts included adjustments for a tax sharing agreement with Cooper Industries (Cooper). This agreement required us to pay Cooper the majority of the tax benefits resulting from basis adjustments arising from the initial public offering of our stock on October 6, 1993. The effect of the Cooper tax agreement was to put us in the same financial position we would have been in had there been no increase in the tax basis of our intangible assets (except for a retained 10% benefit). The retained 10% benefit had no impact on our consolidated income tax expense for 2011 and 2010, and we did not pay any taxes to Cooper in accordance with the tax agreement during those years. In 2011, Cooper sued us in Texas state court for amounts allegedly owed by us under the tax sharing agreement. As a result of a final settlement reached with Cooper in 2012, the tax sharing agreement has been terminated. We paid a final settlement amount of \$30 million in 2013 and recorded a tax benefit of \$21.0 million in our 2012 tax provision.

In 2012, we recorded a \$9.5 million tax benefit due to a net reduction in valuation allowances associated with our ability to realize deferred tax assets related to net operating losses and tax credits in various jurisdictions. We evaluated and assessed the expected utilization of net operating losses, future book and taxable income, available tax planning strategies, and our overall deferred tax position to determine the appropriate amount and timing of valuation allowance adjustments. As a result of changes in our business, available tax planning strategies, and future taxable income projections, we determined that the weight of evidence regarding the future realizability of the deferred tax assets had become predominately positive and realization of the deferred tax assets was more likely than not.

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	December 31,			
	2013	2012		
	(In thou	(In thousands)		
Components of deferred income tax balances:				
Deferred income tax liabilities:				
Plant, equipment, and intangibles	\$ (97,229)	\$ (89,433)		
Deferred income tax assets:				
Postretirement, pensions, and stock compensation	27,592	44,814		
Reserves and accruals	33,788	22,042		
Net operating loss and tax credit carryforwards	88,307	84,716		
Valuation allowances	(10,165)	(7,498)		
	139,522	144,074		
Net deferred income tax asset	\$ 42,293	\$ 54,641		

The decrease in net deferred income tax assets during 2013 stems primarily from a reduction of deferred tax assets associated with our pension and postretirement liabilities. The increase in our valuation allowance during 2013 primarily relates to valuation allowances on net operating loss carryforwards recorded for our acquisition of Miranda.

As of December 31, 2013, we had \$220.6 million of net operating loss carryforwards and \$53.0 million of tax credit carryforwards. Unless otherwise utilized, net operating loss carryforwards will expire as follows: \$28.4 million in 2014, \$44.4 million in 2015, \$35.9 million between 2016 and 2018, and \$68.3 million between 2019 and 2033. Net operating losses with an indefinite carryforward period total \$43.6 million. Of the \$220.6 million in net operating loss carryforwards, we have determined, based on the weight of all available evidence, both positive and negative, that we will utilize \$145.9 million of these net operating loss carryforwards within their respective expiration periods.

Unless otherwise utilized, tax credit carryforwards of \$50.5 million will expire as follows: \$31.0 million between 2018 and 2022 and \$19.5 million between 2026 and 2033. Tax credit carryforwards with an indefinite carryforward period total \$2.5 million. We have determined, based on the weight of all available evidence, both positive and negative, that we will utilize all of these tax credit carryforwards within their respective expiration periods.

The following tables summarize our net operating loss carryforwards and tax credit carryforwards as of December 31, 2013 by jurisdiction:

	Net Operating Loss Carryforwards (In thousands)		
United States - various states	\$	120,233	
Netherlands		54,900	
Australia		18,359	
Germany		16,781	
Other		10,313	
Total	Carr	220,586 x Credit ryforwards housands)	
United States	\$	34,172	
Canada		18,850	
Total	\$	53,022	

In general, it is our practice and intention to reinvest the earnings of our non-U.S. subsidiaries in those operations. As a result, as of December 31, 2013, we have not made a provision for U.S. or additional foreign withholding taxes on approximately \$478.3 million of the undistributed earnings of foreign subsidiaries that are essentially permanent in duration. Generally, such amounts become subject to U.S. taxation upon the remittance of dividends and under certain other circumstances. It is not practical to estimate the amount of the deferred tax liability related to investments in these foreign subsidiaries that would be payable if we were not indefinitely reinvested.

In 2013, we recognized a net \$1.3 million increase to reserves for uncertain tax positions. A reconciliation of the beginning and ending gross amount of unrecognized tax benefits is as follows:

	2013 2012 (In thousands)	
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 17,377	\$ 23,199
Additions based on tax positions related to the current year	1,932	1,001
Additions for tax positions of prior years	3,761	8,928
Reductions for tax positions of prior years - Settlement	(2,490)	(640)
Reduction for tax positions of prior years - Statute of		
limitations	(1,941)	(15,111)
Balance at end of year	\$ 18,639	\$ 17,377

The majority of the additions for tax positions of prior years relates to income tax audits in foreign jurisdictions. The balance of \$18.6 million at December 31, 2013, reflects tax positions that, if recognized, would impact our effective tax rate.

As of December 31, 2013, we believe it is reasonably possible that \$7.2 million of unrecognized tax benefits will change within the next twelve months primarily attributable to the expiration of several statutes of limitations and completion of tax audits in various jurisdictions.

Our practice is to recognize interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions in interest expense and operating expenses, respectively. During 2013, 2012, and 2011, we recognized approximately \$1.7 million, \$0.1 million, and \$1.0 million, respectively, in interest expense. We have approximately \$2.8 million and \$1.4 million accrued for the payment of interest and penalties as of December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Our federal, state, and foreign income tax returns for the tax years 2007 and later remain subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service and by various state and foreign tax authorities.

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## **Note 15: Pension and Other Postretirement Benefits**

We sponsor defined benefit pension plans and defined contribution plans that cover substantially all employees in Canada, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom, the U.S., and certain employees in Germany. We closed the U.S. defined benefit pension plan to new entrants effective January 1, 2010. Employees who were not active participants in the U.S. defined benefit pension plan on December 31, 2009, are not eligible to participate in the plan. Annual contributions to retirement plans equal or exceed the minimum funding requirements of applicable local regulations. The assets of the funded pension plans we sponsor are maintained in various trusts and are invested primarily in equity and fixed income securities.

Benefits provided to employees under defined contribution plans include cash contributions by the Company based on either hours worked by the employee or a percentage of the employee s compensation. Defined contribution expense for 2013, 2012, and 2011 was \$13.2 million, \$10.9 million, and \$9.0 million, respectively. The increase in expense from 2013 to 2012 was primarily due to the impact of our acquisitions of Miranda and PPC in 2012.

We sponsor unfunded postretirement medical and life insurance benefit plans for certain of our employees in Canada and the U.S. The medical benefit portion of the U.S. plan is only for employees who retired prior to 1989 as well as certain other employees who were near retirement and elected to receive certain benefits.

The following tables provide a reconciliation of the changes in the plans benefit obligations and fair value of assets as well as a statement of the funded status and balance sheet reporting for these plans.

Pension Benefits		Benefits	S Other Benefits	
Years Ended December 31,	2013	2012	2013	2012
		(In thousands)		
Change in benefit obligation:				
Benefit obligation, beginning of year	\$ (263,876)	\$ (240,002)	\$ (51,772)	\$ (49,118)
Service cost	(5,554)	(5,423)	(125)	(116)
Interest cost	(9,310)	(10,510)	(1,910)	(2,077)
Participant contributions	(105)	(146)	(11)	(11)
Plan amendments	(56)			
Actuarial gain (loss)	8,147	(21,785)	2,096	(1,950)
Other				(204)
Foreign currency exchange rate changes	(1,826)	(2,542)	2,681	(886)
Benefits paid	14,157	16,532	2,427	2,590
Benefit obligation, end of year	\$ (258,423)	\$ (263,876)	\$ (46,614)	\$ (51,772)

	Pension	Benefits	Other Benefits		
Years Ended December 31,	2013	2012 (In thou	2013	2012	
Change in plan assets:		(III tilou	sailus)		
Fair value of plan assets, beginning of year	\$ 173,154	\$ 160,806	\$	\$	
Actual return on plan assets	29,416	16,449			
Employer contributions	10,035	10,448	2,416	2,579	
Plan participant contributions	105	146	11	11	
Foreign currency exchange rate changes	(186)	1,837			
Benefits paid	(14,157)	(16,532)	(2,427)	(2,590)	
Fair value of plan assets, end of year	\$ 198,367	\$ 173,154	\$	\$	
Funded status, end of year	\$ (60,056)	\$ (90,722)	\$ (46,614)	\$ (51,772)	
Amounts recongized in the balance sheets:	, ,	, , ,	, , ,	, ,	
Prepaid benefit cost	\$ 5,797	\$ 8,728	\$	\$	
Accrued benefit liability (current)	(3,878)	(3,900)	(2,665)	(3,002)	
Accrued benefit liability (noncurrent)	(61,975)	(95,550)	(43,949)	(48,770)	
Net funded status	\$ (60,056)	\$ (90,722)	\$ (46,614)	\$ (51,772)	

The accumulated benefit obligation for all defined benefit pension plans was \$254.5 million and \$258.9 million at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

The projected benefit obligation, accumulated benefit obligation, and fair value of plan assets for the pension plans with an accumulated benefit obligation in excess of plan assets were \$77.0 million, \$75.1 million, and \$11.1 million, respectively, as of December 31, 2013 and \$219.4 million, \$214.7 million, and \$120.0 million, respectively, as of December 31, 2012. The projected benefit obligation, accumulated benefit obligation, and fair value of plan assets for pension plans with an accumulated benefit obligation less than plan assets were \$181.4 million, \$179.4 million, and \$187.2 million, respectively, as of December 31, 2013, and were \$44.5 million, \$44.2 million, and \$53.2 million, respectively, as of December 31, 2012.

The following table provides the components of net periodic benefit costs for the plans.

	<b>Pension Benefits</b>			Other Benefits			
Years Ended December 31,	2013	2012	2011	2013	2012	2011	
			(In thousa	nds)			
Components of net periodic benefit cost:							
Service cost	\$ 5,554	\$ 5,423	\$ 5,863	\$ 125	\$ 116	\$ 92	
Interest cost	9,310	10,510	11,687	1,910	2,077	2,199	
Expected return on plan assets	(11,066)	(11,112)	(11,170)				
Amortization of prior service credit	(54)	(55)	(63)	(108)	(111)	(116)	
Net loss recognition	6,388	5,974	6,030	932	842	386	
Net periodic benefit cost	\$ 10,132	\$ 10,740	\$ 12,347	\$ 2,859	\$ 2,924	\$ 2,561	

The following table presents the assumptions used in determining the benefit obligations and the net periodic benefit cost amounts.

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	<b>Pension Benefits</b>		Other Benefits	
Years Ended December 31,	2013	2012	2013	2012
Weighted average assumptions for benefit obligations at year				
end:				
Discount rate	4.1%	3.7%	4.4%	4.3%
Salary increase	3.9%	3.9%	N/A	N/A
Weighted average assumptions for net periodic cost for the year:				
Discount rate	3.7%	4.5%	4.3%	4.3%
Salary increase	3.9%	3.9%	N/A	N/A
Expected return on assets	6.7%	6.9%	N/A	N/A
Assumed health care cost trend rates:				
Health care cost trend rate assumed for next year	N/A	N/A	7.3%	7.6%
Rate that the cost trend rate gradually declines to	N/A	N/A	5.0%	5.0%
Year that the rate reaches the rate it is assumed to remain at	N/A	N/A	2020	2020

Assumed health care cost trend rates have a significant effect on the amounts reported for the health care plan. A one percentage-point change in the assumed health care cost trend rates would have the following effects on 2013 expense and year-end liabilities.

	1% Increase	1%	Decrease	
	(In thousands)			
Effect on total of service and interest cost components	\$ 222	\$	(183)	
Effect on postretirement benefit obligation	\$5,101	\$	(4,208)	

Plan assets are invested using a total return investment approach whereby a mix of equity securities and fixed income securities are used to preserve asset values, diversify risk, and achieve our target investment return benchmark. Investment strategies and asset allocations are based on consideration of the plan liabilities, the plan s funded status, and our financial condition. Investment performance and asset allocation are measured and monitored on an ongoing basis.

Plan assets are managed in a balanced portfolio comprised of two major components: an equity portion and a fixed income portion. The expected role of equity investments is to maximize the long-term real growth of assets, while the role of fixed income investments is to generate current income, provide for more stable periodic returns, and provide some protection against a prolonged decline in the market value of equity investments.

Absent regulatory or statutory limitations, the target asset allocation for the investment of the assets for our ongoing pension plans is 30-40% in fixed income securities and 60-70% in equity securities and for our pension plans where the majority of the participants are in payment or terminated vested status is 75-80% in fixed income securities and 20-25% in equity securities. Equity securities include U.S. and international equity, primarily invested through investment funds. Fixed income securities include government securities and investment grade corporate bonds, primarily invested through investment funds and group insurance contracts. We develop our expected long-term rate of return assumptions based on the historical rates of returns for equity and fixed income securities of the type in which our plans invest.

The expected long-term rate of return on plan assets reflects the average rate of earnings expected on the invested assets and future assets to be invested to provide for the benefits included in the projected benefit obligation. We use

historic plan asset returns combined with current market conditions to estimate the rate of return. The expected rate of return on plan assets is a long-term assumption based on an analysis of historical and forward looking returns considering the plan s actual and target asset mix.

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The following table presents the fair values of the pension plan assets by asset category.

	<b>December 31, 2013</b>				<b>December 31, 2012</b>						
	Q	uoted P	rices			<b>Quoted Prices</b>					
		in Active Markets Identic Assets	e forSi al Ol	_	nobserva Inputs	<b>F</b> air Market	in Ao Mar t fo Iden Ass	ctive kets or tical sets	Si; Ol	_	Significant 10bservable Inputs
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Asset Category:		(222 0					(				
Equity securities <sup>(a)</sup>											
Large-cap fund	\$ 75,306	\$	\$	75,306	\$	\$ 62,151	\$		\$	62,151	\$
Mid-cap fund	13,511			13,511		11,581				11,581	
Small-cap fund	19,473			19,473		15,955				15,955	
Debt securities(b)											
Government bond fund	25,520			25,520		24,385				24,385	
Corporate bond fund	21,679			21,679		21,819				21,819	
Fixed income fund(c)	42,847			42,847		37,231				37,231	
Cash & equivalents	31	3	1			32		32			
Total	\$ 198,367	\$ 3	1 \$	198,336	\$	\$ 173,154	\$	32	\$	173,122	\$

- (a) This category includes investments in actively managed and indexed investment funds that invest in a diversified pool of equity securities of companies located in the U.S., Canada, Western Europe and other developed countries throughout the world. The funds are valued using the net asset value method in which an average of the market prices for the underlying investments is used to value the fund.
- (b) This category includes investments in investment funds that invest in U.S. treasuries, other national, state and local government bonds, and corporate bonds of highly rated companies from diversified industries. The funds are valued using the net asset value method in which an average of the market prices for the underlying investments is used to value the fund.
- (c) This category includes guaranteed insurance contracts.

The plans do not invest in individual securities. All investments are through well diversified investment funds. As a result, there are no significant concentrations of risk within the plan assets.

The following table reflects the benefits as of December 31, 2013 expected to be paid in each of the next five years and in the aggregate for the five years thereafter from our pension and other postretirement plans as well as Medicare subsidy receipts. Because our other postretirement plans are unfunded, the anticipated benefits with respect to these plans will come from our own assets. Because our pension plans are primarily funded plans, the anticipated benefits with respect to these plans will come primarily from the trusts established for these plans.

	Pension Plans	Other Plans (In thousands)	Su	dicare bsidy ceipts
2014	\$ 15,505	\$ 2,823	\$	91
2015	15,752	2,840		85
2016	17,239	2,779		78
2017	17,273	2,701		71
2018	16,796	2,653		64
2019-2023	90,585	12,890		225
Total	\$ 173,150	\$ 26,686	\$	614

We anticipate contributing \$8.6 million and \$3.0 million to our pension and other postretirement plans, respectively, during 2014.

The pre-tax amounts in accumulated other comprehensive loss that have not yet been recognized as components of net periodic benefit cost at December 31, 2013, the changes in these amounts during the year ended December 31, 2013, and the expected amortization of these amounts as components of net periodic benefit cost for the year ended December 31, 2014 are as follows.

	Pension Benefits (In thou	Other Benefits sands)
Components of accumulated other comprehensive loss:		
Net actuarial loss	\$ 46,468	\$ 9,622
Net prior service credit	(107)	(259)
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	\$ 46,361	\$ 9,363
	Pension	Other
	<b>Benefits</b>	<b>Benefits</b>
	(In thou	sands)
Changes in accumulated other comprehensive loss:		
Net actuarial loss, beginning of year	\$ 79,370	\$ 13,116
Amortization cost	(6,388)	(932)
Actuarial gain	(8,147)	(2,096)
Asset gain	(18,350)	
Currency impact	(17)	(466)
Net actuarial loss, end of year	\$ 46,468	\$ 9,622
Prior service credit, beginning of year	\$ (224)	\$ (389)
Amortization credit	54	108

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Plan amendment	56	
Currency impact	7	22
Prior service credit, end of year	\$ (107)	\$ (259)

	Pension Benefits (In tho	Other Benefits usands)
Expected 2014 amortization:		
Amortization of prior service credit	\$ (47)	\$ (104)
Amortization of net loss	4,166	606
	\$4,119	\$ 502

Note 16: Comprehensive Income and Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

The following table summarizes total comprehensive income:

	Years ended December 31,				
	2013	2012	2011		
	(	In thousands)			
Net income	\$ 103,313	\$ 194,490	\$ 114,345		
Foreign currency translation loss, net of \$2.2 million,	(20 - 20)				
\$0.0 million, and \$0.0 million tax, respectively	(20,720)	(1,414)	(4,632)		
Foreign currency hedging instruments, net of \$0.0					
million, \$1.6 million, and \$0.0 million tax, respectively		2,467			
Adjustments to pension and postretirement liability, net of \$14.0 million, \$3.2 million, and \$4.8 million tax,					
respectively	22,104	(8,909)	(9,158)		
Total comprehensive income	\$ 104,697	\$ 186,634	\$ 100,555		

The accumulated balances related to each component of other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax, are as follows:

	Tra	n Currency anslation mponent	Pension and Other Postretirement Benefit Plans (In thousands)		Other C	umulated omprehensive ome (Loss)
Balance at December 31, 2011	\$	27,463	\$	(50,172)	\$	(22,709)
Other comprehensive income		,	·		·	
(loss) before reclassifications		1,053		(13,144)		(12,091)
Amounts reclassified from						
accumulated other						
comprehensive income (loss)				4,235		4,235
Net current period other						
comprehensive income (loss)		1,053		(8,909)		(7,856)

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Balance at December 31, 2012	\$ 28,516	\$ (59,081)	\$ (30,565)
Other comprehensive income			
(loss) before reclassifications	(20,720)	17,570	(3,150)
Amounts reclassified from			
accumulated other			
comprehensive income (loss)		4,534	4,534
Net current period other			
comprehensive income (loss)	(20,720)	22,104	1,384
Balance at December 31, 2013	\$ 7,796	\$ (36,977)	\$ (29,181)

The following table summarizes the effects of reclassifications from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss):

	Amount Reclassified from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss) (In thousands)		Affected Line Item in the Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income
Amortization of pension and other postretirement benefit plan items:			
Actuarial losses	\$	7,320	(1)
Prior service credit		(162)	(1)
Total before tax Tax benefit		7,158 (2,624)	
Total net of tax	\$	4,534	

(1) The amortization of these accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) components are included in the computation of net periodic benefit costs (see Note 15).

## **Note 17: Share-Based Compensation**

Compensation cost charged against income, primarily SG&A expense, and the income tax benefit recognized for our share-based compensation arrangements is included below:

	Years I	Ended Decen	ıber 31,			
	2013	2013 2012 2011				
	(	In thousands	s)			
Total share-based compensation cost	\$ 14,854	\$ 12,374	\$ 11,241			
Income tax benefit	5,777	4,812	4,372			

We currently have outstanding stock appreciation rights (SARs), stock options, restricted stock units with service vesting conditions, and restricted stock units with performance vesting conditions. We grant SARs and stock options with an exercise price equal to the closing market price of our common stock on the grant date. Generally, SARs and stock options may be converted into shares of our common stock in equal amounts on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date and expire 10 years from the grant date. Certain awards provide for accelerated vesting in certain circumstances, including a change in control of the Company. Restricted stock units with service conditions generally vest 3-5 years from the grant date. Restricted stock units issued based on the attainment of the performance conditions generally vest 50% on the second anniversary of their grant date and 50% on the third anniversary.

We recognize compensation cost for all awards based on their fair values. The fair values for SARs and stock options are estimated on the grant date using the Black-Scholes-Merton option-pricing formula which incorporates the assumptions noted in the following table. Expected volatility is based on historical volatility, and expected term is based on historical exercise patterns of option holders. The fair value of restricted stock units is the closing market price of our common stock on the date of grant. Compensation costs for awards with service conditions are amortized to expense using the straight-line method. Compensation costs for awards with performance conditions are amortized to expense using the graded attribution method.

	Years Ended December 31,				
	2013	2012	2011		
	(In thousands,	, except weigh	ted average		
	fair valu	e and assump	tions)		
Weighted-average fair value of SARs and options					
granted	\$ 24.63	\$ 19.53	\$ 17.64		
Total intrinsic value of SARs converted and options					
exercised	47,058	8,898	6,183		
Cash received for options exercised	14,030	2,372	4,599		
Tax benefit related to share-based compensation	10,734	4,119	1,790		
Weighted-average fair value of restricted stock shares					
and units granted	50.38	35.85	35.91		
Total fair value of restricted stock shares and units					
vested	9,032	9,017	4,370		
Expected volatility	53.94%	54.26%	52.00%		
Expected term (in years)	6.1	6.1	6.1		
Risk-free rate	1.04%	1.11%	2.49%		
Dividend yield	0.40%	0.50%	0.56%		

		SARs and Stock Options Weighted-			Restricted S	nares	and Units		
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	Number	]	Price	Term		Value	Number	7	Value
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				t	erms	s)			
Outstanding at January 1, 2013	3,139	\$	30.40				386	\$	26.67
Granted	342		50.02				275		50.38
Exercised or converted	(1,705)		27.77				(176)		24.12
Forfeited or expired	(108)		42.01				(43)		38.19
Outstanding at December 31, 2013	1,668	\$	36.37	7.2	\$	56,827	442	\$	41.32
Vested or expected to vest at									
December 31, 2013	1,631	\$	36.22	7.1	\$	55,833			
Exercisable or convertible at									
December 31, 2013	891		30.48	6.1		35,599			

At December 31, 2013, the total unrecognized compensation cost related to all nonvested awards was \$18.5 million. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.8 years.

Historically, we have issued treasury shares, if available, to satisfy award conversions and exercises.

# Note 18: Stockholder Rights Plan

Under our Stockholder Rights Plan, each share of our common stock generally has attached to it one preferred share purchase right. Each right, when exercisable, entitles the holder to purchase 1/1000th of a share of our Junior Participating Preferred Stock Series A at a purchase price of \$150.00 (subject to adjustment). Each 1/1000th of a share of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock will be substantially equivalent to one share of our common stock and will be entitled to one vote, voting together with the shares of common stock.

The rights will become exercisable only if, without the prior approval of the Board of Directors, a person or group of persons acquires or announces the intention to acquire 20% or more of our common stock. If we are acquired through a merger or other business combination transaction, each right will entitle the holder to purchase \$300.00 worth of the surviving company s common stock for \$150.00 (subject to adjustment). In addition, if a person or group of persons acquires 20% or more of our common stock, each right not owned by the 20% or greater shareholder would permit the holder to purchase \$300.00 worth of our common stock for \$150.00 (subject to adjustment). The rights are redeemable, at our option, at \$.01 per right at any time prior to an announcement of a beneficial owner of 20% or more of our common stock then outstanding. The rights expire on December 9, 2016.

#### **Note 19: Share Repurchases**

In July 2011, our Board of Directors authorized a share repurchase program, which allows us to purchase up to \$150.0 million of our common stock through open market repurchases, negotiated transactions, or other means, in accordance with applicable securities laws and other restrictions. In November 2012, our Board of Directors authorized an extension of the share repurchase program, which allows us to purchase up to an additional \$200.0 million of our common stock. This program is funded by cash on hand and free cash flow. The program does not have an expiration date and may be suspended at any time at the discretion of the Company.

From inception of the program to December 31, 2013, we have repurchased 5.4 million shares of our common stock under the program for an aggregate cost of \$218.8 million and an average price of \$40.37. For the year ended December 31, 2013, we repurchased 1.7 million shares of our common stock under the program for an aggregate cost of \$93.8 million and an average price of \$54.76.

#### **Note 20: Operating Leases**

Operating lease expense incurred primarily for manufacturing and office space, machinery, and equipment was \$26.5 million, \$23.6 million, and \$19.7 million in 2013, 2012, and 2011, respectively.

Minimum annual lease payments for noncancelable operating leases in effect at December 31, 2013 are as follows (in thousands):

2014	\$ 17,664
2015	12,942
2016	10,506
2017	6,995
2018	4,938
Thereafter	21,123
	\$74,168

Certain of our operating leases include step rent provisions and rent escalations. We include these step rent provisions and rent escalations in our minimum lease payments obligations and recognize them as a component of rental expense on a straight-line basis over the minimum lease term.

## Note 21: Market Concentrations and Risks

#### Concentrations of Credit

We sell our products to many customers in several markets across multiple geographic areas. The ten largest customers, of which six are distributors, constitute in aggregate approximately 36%, 34%, and 34% of revenues in 2013, 2012, and 2011, respectively.

#### **Unconditional Commodity Purchase Obligations**

At December 31, 2013, we were committed to purchase approximately 1.6 million pounds of copper at an aggregate fixed cost of \$5.4 million. At December 31, 2013, this fixed cost was \$0.2 million less than the market cost that would be incurred on a spot purchase of the same amount of copper. The aggregate market cost was based on the current market price of copper obtained from the New York Mercantile Exchange.

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In addition, at December 31, 2013, we were committed to purchase 0.4 million pounds of aluminum at an aggregate fixed cost of \$0.3 million. At December 31, 2013, this fixed cost approximated the market cost that would be incurred on a spot purchase of the same amount of aluminum. These commitments will mature in 2014.

#### Labor

Approximately 23% of our labor force is covered by collective bargaining agreements at various locations around the world. Approximately 21% of our labor force is covered by collective bargaining agreements that we expect to renegotiate during 2014.

## Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Our financial instruments consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables, trade payables, and debt instruments. The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables, and trade payables at December 31, 2013 are considered representative of their respective fair values. The carrying amount of our debt instruments at December 31, 2013 was \$1,367.0 million. The fair value of our senior subordinated notes at December 31, 2013 and 2012 was approximately \$1,098.6 million and \$725.2 million, respectively, based on quoted prices of the debt instruments in inactive markets (Level 2 valuation). This amount represents the fair values of our senior subordinated notes with a carrying value of \$1,118.3 million and \$705.2 million as of December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. We believe the fair value of our Term Loan approximates book value.

#### **Note 22: Contingent Liabilities**

#### General

Various claims are asserted against us in the ordinary course of business including those pertaining to income tax examinations, product liability, customer, employment, vendor, and patent matters. Based on facts currently available, management believes that the disposition of the claims that are pending or asserted will not have a materially adverse effect on our financial position, operating results, or cash flow.

## Letters of Credit, Guarantees and Bonds

At December 31, 2013, we were party to unused standby letters of credit, bank guarantees, and surety bonds totaling \$6.8 million, \$4.8 million, and \$1.7 million, respectively. These commitments are generally issued to secure obligations we have for a variety of commercial reasons, such as workers compensation self-insurance programs in several states and the importation and exportation of product.

#### **Note 23: Supplemental Cash Flow Information**

Supplemental cash flow information is as follows:

	Years	<b>Ended Decemb</b>	er 31,
	2013	2012	2011
		(In thousands)	
Income tax refunds received	\$ 11,165	\$ 8,382	\$ 8,432
Income taxes paid	(79,778)	(34,854)	(18,759)

Interest paid, net of amount capitalized (60,340) (41,854) (43,980)

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1st

2nd

3rd

(In thousands, except days and per share amounts)

4<sup>th</sup>

Year

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# **Note 24: Quarterly Operating Results (Unaudited)**

Number of days in quarter		90		91	-	91	-	93		365
Revenues	\$5	07,473	\$ 5	29,491	\$5	22,478	\$ 5	09,751	\$2	,069,193
Gross profit	1	67,353		79,196		82,841	1	75,039		704,429
Operating income		44,240		53,913		53,935		49,174		201,262
Income from continuing operations		22,245		29,492		29,068		23,929		104,734
Loss from discontinued operations, net of tax								(1,421)		(1,421)
Net income		22,245		29,492		29,068		22,508		103,313
Basic income (loss) per share										
Continuing operations	\$	0.50	\$	0.67	\$	0.67	\$	0.55	\$	2.39
Discontinued operations								(0.03)		(0.03)
Net income	\$	0.50	\$	0.67	\$	0.67	\$	0.52	\$	2.36
Diluted income (loss) per share										
Continuing operations	\$	0.49	\$	0.66	\$	0.65	\$	0.54	\$	2.34
Discontinued operations								(0.03)		(0.03)
Net income	\$	0.49	\$	0.66	\$	0.65	\$	0.51	\$	2.31
2012		1 <sup>st</sup>		2 <sup>nd</sup>		3 <sup>rd</sup>		4 <sup>th</sup>		Year
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Number of days in quarter	<b>.</b>	92		91	-	91	•	92		366
Revenues		92 39,600	\$4	91 58,218	\$4	91 65,234	\$4	92 77,687		366 ,840,739
Revenues Gross profit	1	92 39,600 32,799	\$ 4 1	91 58,218 44,648	\$ 4 1	91 65,234 38,813	\$ 4 1	92 77,687 50,337		366 ,840,739 566,597
Revenues Gross profit Operating income (loss)	1	92 39,600 32,799 37,126	\$ 4 1	91 -58,218 -44,648 -53,037	\$4 1	91 65,234 38,813 13,269)	\$ 4 1	92 77,687 50,337 31,603		366 ,840,739 566,597 108,497
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Included in the first, second, third, and fourth quarters of 2013 are severance and other restructuring costs, including accelerated depreciation expense, of \$0.8 million, \$7.7 million, \$5.9 million, and \$5.4 million, respectively. The first quarter of 2013 also includes \$6.6 million of purchase accounting effects related to acquisitions, primarily the adjustment of acquired inventory to fair value. The fourth quarter of 2013 includes a loss on debt extinguishment of \$1.6 million.

Included in the third quarter of 2012 are asset impairment charges, severance and other restructuring costs, and losses on the extinguishment of debt of \$30.0 million, \$17.4 million, and \$50.6 million, respectively. Included in the fourth quarter of 2012 are asset impairment and loss on sale charges, severance costs, and losses on the extinguishment of debt of \$3.7 million, \$0.5 million, and \$1.9 million, respectively.

#### **Note 25: Subsequent Events**

In February 2014, we submitted a binding offer to purchase Grass Valley for approximately \$220 million. Grass Valley is a leading provider of innovative technologies for the broadcast industry, including production switchers, cameras, servers, and editing solutions. The binding offer is subject to consultation with Grass Valley s foreign labor works council, after which we plan to enter into a definitive agreement. We expect to close the transaction in the first quarter of 2014, and it is subject to regulatory approvals, the completion of audited financial statements, and other customary closing conditions.

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

None.

#### Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

### Conclusion Regarding the Effectiveness of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

As of the end of the period covered by this report, we conducted an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of the principal executive officer and principal financial officer, of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act)). Based on this evaluation, the principal executive officer and principal financial officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of the end of the period covered by this report.

There was no change in our internal control over financial reporting during our most recently completed fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

#### Management s Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

The management of Belden is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f).

Belden management conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2013. In conducting its evaluation, Belden management used the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) in *Internal Control Integrated Framework* (1992 framework). Based on that evaluation, Belden management believes our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2013.

Our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2013 has been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report that follows.

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Shareholders

Belden Inc.

We have audited Belden Inc. s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2013, based on criteria established in *Internal Control Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (1992 framework) (the COSO criteria). Belden Inc. s management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting included in the accompanying Management s Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the company s internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

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

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

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

In our opinion, Belden Inc. maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2013, based on the COSO criteria.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheets of Belden Inc. as of December 31, 2013 and 2012, and the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders equity, comprehensive income and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2013, of Belden Inc. and our report dated February 27, 2014, expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

St. Louis, Missouri

February 27, 2014

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#### Item 9B. Other Information

None.

#### **PART III**

#### Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance

Information regarding directors is incorporated herein by reference to Item I Election of Nine Directors, as described in the Proxy Statement. Information regarding executive officers is set forth in Part I herein under the heading Executive Officers. The additional information required by this Item is incorporated herein by reference to Corporate Governance (opening paragraph and table), Corporate Governance Audit Committee, Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance, Corporate Governance Corporate Governance Documents and Stockholder Proposals for the 2015 Annual Meeting, as described in the Proxy Statement.

### **Item 11. Executive Compensation**

Incorporated herein by reference to Executive Compensation, Director Compensation, Corporate Governance Related Party Transactions and Compensation Committee Interlocks and Corporate Governance Board Leadership Structure and Role in Risk Oversight as described in the Proxy Statement.

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

Incorporated herein by reference to Equity Compensation Plan Information on December 31, 2013 and Stock Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management as described in the Proxy Statement.

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

Incorporated herein by reference to Corporate Governance Related Party Transactions and Compensation Committee Interlocks and Corporate Governance (paragraph following the table) as described in the Proxy Statement.

#### **Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services**

Incorporated herein by reference to Item II Ratification of the Appointment of Ernst & Young as the Company s Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm Fees to Independent Registered Public Accountants for 2013 and 2012 and Item II Ratification of the Appointment of Ernst & Young as the Company s Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm Audit Committee s Pre-Approval Policies and Procedures as described in the Proxy Statement.

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## **PART IV**

#### Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules

#### (a) Documents filed as part of this Report:

#### 1. Financial Statements

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012

Consolidated Statements of Operations for Each of the Three Years in the Period Ended December 31, 2013

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for Each of the Three Years in the Period Ended December 31, 2013

Consolidated Cash Flow Statements for Each of the Three Years in the Period Ended December 31, 2013

Consolidated Stockholders Equity Statements for Each of the Three Years in the Period Ended December 31, 2013

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

# 2. Financial Statement Schedule Schedule II Valuation and Qualifying Accounts

	Beginning Balance	Costs and penses	Divestit Acquisi	tions	Charge Offs thousands	coveries	ency ement		ding ance
Accounts Receivable									
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts:									
2013	\$ 4,163	\$ 733	\$	448	\$(1,391)	\$ (520)	\$ (43)	\$ 3	3,390
2012	2,640	2,852	1,	203	(1,594)	(935)	(3)	4	1,163
2011	2,720	2,036		653	(1,828)	(939)	(2)	2	2,640
Inventories									
Excess and Obsolete									
Allowances:									
2013	\$ 23,954	\$ 5,632	\$		\$ (7,211)	\$ (1,009)	\$ (49)	\$21	,317

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2012	17,735	5,381	5,597	(	(3,679)	(1,077)	(3)	23,954
2011	21,767	1,906	889		(5,671)	(1,148)	(8)	17,735
Deferred Income Tax Asset								
Valuation Allowance:								
2013	\$ 7,498	\$ 496	\$ 3,064	\$		\$ (899)	\$ 6	\$ 10,165
2012	23,663	3,659	(4,562)		(736)	(14,160)	(366)	7,498
2011	31,495	2,608	350			(10,587)	(203)	23,663

All other financial statement schedules not included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K are omitted because they are not applicable.

# 3. Exhibits

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10.6*	Form of Stock Appreciation Rights Award	February 29, 2008 Form 10-K, Exhibit 10.16; February 27, 2009 Form 10-K, Exhibit 10.16
10.7*	Form of Performance Stock Units Award	February 29, 2008 Form 10-K, Exhibit 10.17; February 27, 2009 Form 10-K, Exhibit 10.17
10.8*	Form of Restricted Stock Units Award	February 29, 2008 Form 10-K, Exhibit 10.18; February 27, 2009 Form 10-K, Exhibit 10.18

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Executive Employment Agreement with Doug Zink

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November 6, 2013 Form 10-Q, Exhibit 10.1

April 5, 2012 Form 8-K, Exhibit 10.1

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10.12*	BWC Supplemental Excess Defined Contribution Plan, with First, Second and Third Amendments	March 22, 2002 Form 10-K of Belden 1993 Inc., Exhibits 10.16 and 10.17; March 14, 2003 Form 10-K of Belden 1993 Inc., Exhibit 10.24; November 15, 2004 Form 10-Q, Exhibit 10.51
10.13*	Trust Agreement, with First Amendment	November 15, 2004 Form 10-Q, Exhibits 10.52 and 10.53
10.14*	Trust Agreement, with First Amendment	November 15, 2004 Form 10-Q, Exhibits 10.54 and 10.55
10.15*	Amended and Restated Executive Employment Agreement with John Stroup, with First Amendment	April 7, 2008 Form 8-K, Exhibit 10.1, December 17, 2008 Form 8-K, Exhibit 10.1
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Separation Agreement between Belden Inc. and

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10.29	Purchase and Sale Agreement by and among Belden Inc., Carlisle Interconnect Technologies, Inc. and Carlisle Companies Incorporated	December 21, 2012 Form 8-K, Exhibit 2.1
10.30	ABL Credit Agreement	October 9, 2013 Form 8-K, Exhibit 10.1
10.31	Term Loan Credit Agreement	October 9, 2013 Form 8-K, Exhibit 10.2
12.1	Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges	Filed herewith
14.1	Code of Ethics	May 31, 2012 Form 8-K, Exhibit 14.1
21.1	List of Subsidiaries of Belden Inc.	Filed herewith
23.1	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP	Filed herewith
24.1	Powers of Attorney from Members of the Board of Directors	Filed herewith
31.1	Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of the Chief Executive Officer	Filed herewith
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\* Management contract or compensatory plan

Copies of the above Exhibits are available to shareholders at a charge of \$0.25 per page, minimum order of \$10.00. Direct requests to:

Belden Inc., Attention: Secretary

1 North Brentwood Boulevard, 15th Floor

St. Louis, Missouri 63105

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# **Signatures**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

#### BELDEN INC.

By /s/ JOHN S. STROUP John S. Stroup

Date: February 27, 2014 President, Chief Executive Officer and

#### Director

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

/s/ JOHN S. STROUP	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director	February 27, 2014
John S. Stroup	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director	2014
/s/ HENK DERKSEN	Senior Vice President, Finance, and Chief Financial Officer	February 27, 2014
Henk Derksen	Officer	2014
/s/ DOUGLAS R. ZINK	Wise Provident and Chief Assessment of Officer	February 27,
Douglas R. Zink	Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer	2014
/s/ BRYAN C. CRESSEY*	Chairman of the December 1 Directors	February 27,
Bryan C. Cressey	Chairman of the Board and Director	2014
/s/ DAVID ALDRICH*		
David Aldrich	Director	2014
/s/ LANCE C. BALK*	D'	February 27,
Lance C. Balk	Director	2014
/s/ JUDY L. BROWN*	Discourse	February 27,
Judy L. Brown	Director	2014
/s/ GLENN KALNASY*	Director	

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10.29	Purchase and Sale Agreement by and among Belden Inc., Carlisle Interconnect Technologies, Inc. and Carlisle Companies Incorporated	December 21, 2012 Form 8-K, Exhibit 2.1
10.30	ABL Credit Agreement	October 9, 2013 Form 8-K, Exhibit 10.1
10.31	Term Loan Credit Agreement	October 9, 2013 Form 8-K, Exhibit 10.2
12.1	Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges	Filed herewith
14.1	Code of Ethics	May 31, 2012 Form 8-K, Exhibit 14.1
21.1	List of Subsidiaries of Belden Inc.	Filed herewith
23.1	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP	Filed herewith
24.1	Powers of Attorney from Members of the Board of Directors	Filed herewith
31.1	Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of the Chief Executive Officer	Filed herewith
31.2	Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of the Chief Financial Officer	Filed herewith
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Exhibit 101	.SCH XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema	
Exhibit 101	.CAL XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation	
Exhibit 101	.DEF XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition	
Exhibit 101	.LAB XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label	
Exhibit 101	.PRE XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation	