

Cabot Announces Third Quarter 2009 Operating Results

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Operating Profits Up \$46 million Over Second Quarter

BOSTON, July 29 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Cabot Corporation (NYSE: CBT) today announced results for its third quarter of fiscal 2009.

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Quarterly Highlights

- Volumes in all key businesses improved sequentially with emerging markets showing strongest signs of recovery.
- Higher carbon black unit margins contributed to sequential performance improvement.
- Restructuring and cost saving actions are ahead of plan and benefited results.
- Strategic commitment to emerging market expansion continues with the completion of 150,000 metric tons of carbon black capacity in Tianjin, China.
- Cash position remains strong, with a quarter end cash balance of \$177 million after debt reduction of \$46 million and dividend payments of \$12 million.

(In millions, except per share amounts)

	2009			2008		
		-				
	Third	First	Third	First		
	Quarter	9 months	Quarter	9 months		
Net sales	\$511	\$1,633	\$840	\$2,337		
Net (loss)/ income	\$(12)	\$(66)	\$27	\$74		
Diluted (loss)/ earnings per						
share from continuing						
operations	\$(0.19)	\$(1.04)	\$0.43	\$1.16		
Less: Certain items per share	(0.25)	(0.90)	(0.09)	(0.11)		
Adjusted earnings per share	\$0.06	\$(0.14)	\$0.52	\$1.27		

For the third quarter of fiscal 2009, the Company reported a net loss of \$12 million (a loss of \$0.19 per common share from continuing operations). Adjusted EPS was income of \$0.06 per common share, excluding \$0.25 per common share of certain items principally related to restructuring charges.

Commenting on the results, Patrick Prevost, Cabot's President and CEO, stated, "For the first time since the beginning of the downturn, we are seeing operating performance recover in a significant way. The profitability of our business segments improved by \$51 million sequentially, excluding restructuring charges. We are encouraged by volume increases throughout the quarter, particularly in emerging markets where we remain committed to expanding our already strong competitive position. Carbon black margins improved due to aggressive commercial efforts and the reduced impact of older, high cost inventories. Our restructuring and cost saving actions are ahead of plan and benefited results during the quarter. Apart from carbon black, our Specialty Fluids Segment had a very strong quarter driven by favorable prices and increased activity in the North Sea and Kazakhstan. Progress continued in our New Business Segment with improved revenue and cash flow versus the prior year. "

Financial Detail

Segment Results

Core Segment- When compared to the second quarter of fiscal 2009, Rubber Blacks profitability increased by \$28 million due to higher volumes and

unit margins and lower operating expenses from restructuring and cost saving actions. Volumes increased by 8% sequentially, as improvements in emerging markets (China up 34%; Asia Pacific, excluding China, up 25%; South America up 6%) more than offset declines in more developed markets (North America and Europe each down 7%). When compared to the third quarter of fiscal 2008, profitability decreased by \$32 million due to 24% lower volumes from weaker global demand in the tire and automotive markets and lower unit margins from older, high cost inventories. This decline was partially offset by lower operating expenses from restructuring and cost saving actions.

When compared to the second quarter of fiscal 2009, profitability in the Supermetals Business increased by \$10 million due to higher volumes, particularly in Asia, and lower manufacturing expenses from cost saving actions and higher plant utilization. When compared to the third quarter of fiscal 2008 profitability increased by \$5 million. Higher product prices and lower selling and administrative expenses from cost saving actions more than offset lower volumes due to weaker demand in the electronics market. The Supermetals Business continues to focus on cash generation and during the third quarter of fiscal 2009 generated \$6 million in cash principally from positive operating results.

Performance Segment- When compared to the second quarter of fiscal 2009, profitability in the Performance Segment increased by \$11 million. The increase was driven principally by higher volumes, particularly in emerging markets and the electronics and infrastructure market sectors. Sequentially, volumes increased by 12% in Performance Products and by 26% in Fumed Metal Oxides. When compared to the third quarter of fiscal 2008, profitability decreased by \$22 million. The decrease was largely the result of lower volumes from weakness in the automotive, construction and electronics markets and was partially offset by lower operating expenses from restructuring and cost saving actions. Volumes were down 29% in Performance Products and 26% in Fumed Metal Oxides year over year.

Specialty Fluids Segment- When compared to the second quarter of fiscal 2009, profitability in the Specialty Fluids Segment increased by \$5 million due to significantly higher revenues from favorable pricing and increased activity in the North Sea and Kazakhstan. When compared to the third quarter of fiscal 2008, profitability increased by \$4 million principally due to favorable prices and lower operating expenses from cost saving actions.

New Business Segment- Year to date cash flow for the New Business Segment improved by \$35 million when compared to the same period of fiscal 2008. The increase is principally due to revenue growth and benefits from cost saving actions. When compared to the second quarter of fiscal 2009, current quarter revenues declined by \$2 million due to the timing of revenue in the Aerogel Business, partially offset by higher volumes and favorable product mix in the Inkjet Colorants Business.

Cash Performance- During the third quarter of fiscal 2009, operations generated \$36 million of cash, including a \$10 million decrease in working capital. The Company ended the quarter with a cash balance of \$177 million, after dividend payments of \$12 million and a \$46 million reduction of debt, and \$197 million of unused credit available under committed facilities. Capital expenditures were \$27 million in the quarter.

Taxes- During the third quarter of fiscal 2009, the Company recorded a tax provision of \$7 million. As anticipated, this included a \$9 million reversal of tax benefits primarily attributable to the timing of losses in certain locations. There remain \$6 million of previously recorded tax benefits that will reverse in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2009.

Outlook

Commenting on the outlook for the Company, Prevost said, "We are encouraged by the growth in our sales volumes and believe the non-discretionary nature of our customers' end products will continue to provide support for the recovery. Although we remain cautious about the speed of the recovery, we have positioned the Company well to capitalize on demand improvements in our key end markets. We have completed the doubling of capacity at our carbon black plant in Tianjin, China, giving us the largest and lowest cost carbon black facility in the highest growth region in the world. Our restructuring activities remain on track to deliver in excess of \$80 million in fixed cost savings on a fiscal 2010 run rate basis and approximately 30% of these savings will be realized in fiscal 2009. Additionally, our estimate of the restructuring costs has been reduced by \$25 million. These actions are consistent with our global strategy and will strengthen our competitive positions in our key business segments."

Earnings Call

The Company will host a conference call with industry analysts at 2:00 p.m. Eastern time on July 30, 2009. The call can be accessed through Cabot's investor relations website at <u>http://investor.cabot-corp.com</u>.

Cabot Corporation, headquartered in Boston, Massachusetts, is a global performance materials company. Cabot's major products are carbon black, fumed silica, inkjet colorants, aerogel, capacitor materials, and cesium formate drilling fluids. The Company's website is: <u>http://www.cabot-corp.com</u>.

Forward-Looking Statements- This earnings release contains forward-looking statements based on management's current expectations, estimates and projections. All statements that address expectations or projections about the future (including our expectations concerning the annualized fixed cost savings, and the costs associated with, we expect from our restructuring initiative and demand for our products), strategy for growth, market position, and expected financial results are forward-looking statements. Some of the forward-looking statements may be identified by words like "expects," "anticipates," "plans," "intends," "projects," "indicates," and similar expressions. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Many factors, including those discussed more fully elsewhere in this release and in documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by Cabot, particularly its latest annual report on Form 10-K, could cause results to differ materially from those stated. These factors include, but are not limited to changes in raw material costs; costs associated with the research and development of new products, including regulatory approval and market acceptance; competitive pressures; successful integration of structural changes, including restructuring plans, and joint ventures; the laws, regulations, policies and economic conditions, including inflation, interest and foreign currency exchange rates, of countries in which the company does business; and severe weather events that cause business interruptions, including plant and power outages, or disruptions in supplier or customer operations.

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures- The preceding discussion of our results and the accompanying financial tables report adjusted EPS and also include information on our reportable segment sales and segment (or business) operating profit before taxes ("PBT"). Adjusted EPS and segment PBT are non-GAAP financial measures and are not intended to replace EPS and income (loss) from continuing operations before taxes, equity in net income of affiliated companies and minority interest, respectively, the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures. Both EPS and adjusted EPS are calculated on a diluted share basis. In calculating adjusted EPS and segment PBT, we exclude certain items, meaning items that are significant and unusual or infrequent and not believed to reflect the true underlying business performance, and, therefore, are not allocated to a segment's results or included in adjusted EPS. Further, in calculating segment PBT we include equity in net income of affiliated companies, royalties paid by equity affiliates, minority interest and allocated corporate costs but exclude interest expense, foreign currency translation gains and losses,

interest income, dividend income and unallocated corporate costs. Our chief operating decision-maker uses adjusted EPS to evaluate the underlying earnings power of the Company. Segment PBT is used to evaluate changes in the operating results of each segment before non-operating factors and before certain items and to allocate resources to the segments. We believe that these non-GAAP measures also assist our investors in evaluating the changes in our results and the Company's performance. A reconciliation of adjusted EPS to EPS is shown in the table titled Certain Items and Reconciliation of Adjusted EPS, and a reconciliation of total segment PBT to income (loss) from operations before taxes, equity in net income of affiliated companies and minority interest is shown in the table titled Summary Results by Segments. The certain items that are excluded from our calculation of adjusted EPS and segment PBT are detailed in the table titled Certain Items and Reconciliation of Adjusted EPS.

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CABOT CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

Periods ended June 30	Periods	ended	June 30
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Dollars in millions, except per share Three Months Nine Months

amounts (unaudited)	2009	2008	2009	2008
Net sales and other operating revenues \$511 \$840 \$1,633 \$2,337				
Cost of sales	443	703	1,478	1,966
Gross profits	68	137	155	371
Selling and administrative expenses Research and technical expenses	50 16	67 20	160 53	190 55
Income (loss) from operations	2	50	(58)	126
Other income and expense				
Interest and dividend income Interest expense Other income (expense)	- (6) 2	- (9) (2)		3 (28) (5)
Total other income and expense	 (4)	(11)	(34)	(30)
(Loss) income from operations before				
income taxes (Provision) benefit for income taxes	(2) (7)	39 (8)		96 (13)
Equity in net income of affiliated				
companies, net of tax	-	2	2	6
Minority interest in net income, net of				
tax	(3)	(6)	1 -	(15)
(Loss) income from continuing				
operations	(12)	27	(66)	74
Loss from discontinued operations, net of				
tax (A)	-	-	-	-
Net (loss) income	 \$(12)	 \$27 	 \$(66) 	 \$74

common stock

Continuing operations Discontinued operations (A)	(0.	01)	43 \$(1.0 - (0.01	
Net (loss) income per share				5) \$1.16
Weighted average common shares				
outstanding				
Diluted	63	3 63	63	63
(A) Amounts relate to legal settlements in connection with our				
discontinued operations.				
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CABOT CORPORATION SUMMARY RESULTS BY SEGMENTS				
Periods ended June 30				
Dollars in millions, except per share Three Months Nine Months				
amounts (unaudited)			2009	
SALES				
Core Segment	\$310	\$537	\$1,049	\$1,511
Rubber blacks		499		1,364
Supermetals	38	38	T00	147
Performance Segment	149	247		
Performance products Fumed metal oxides	98 51	175 72	293 145	
New Business Segment	14	14	48	37
Inkjet colorants	10	11	32	
Aerogel(A) Superior MicroPowders	2 2	2 1	11 5	5 2
Specialty Fluids Segment	19 	17 	45 	49
Segment sales	492	815	1,580	2,292
Unallocated and other (A), (B)	19	25	53	45
Net sales and other operating revenues	\$511	\$840	\$1,633	
SEGMENT PROFIT				
Core Segment	\$14	\$41	\$17	\$89
Rubber blacks Supermetals	11 3	43 (2)	18 (1)	87 2
papermetars	د	(4)	(±)	4
Performance Segment	10	32	12	95
New Business Segment	(4)	(9)	(8)	(30)
Specialty Fluids Segment	9	5	17	18
Total Segment Profit (C)	29	69	38	172
Interest expense	(6)	(9)	(23)	(28)

Certain items (D) Unallocated corporate costs (E) General unallocated expense (F)	(19) (7) 1	(8) (8) (3)	(67) (22) (16)	(10) (25) (7)
Less: Equity in net income of				
affiliated companies, net of tax	-	(2)	(2)	(6)
(Loss) income from continuing				
operations before income taxes,				
equity in net income of affiliated				
companies and minority interest (2) 39 (92) 96				
(Provision) benefit for income taxes (7) (8) 23 (13)				
Equity in net income of affiliated				
companies, net of tax	-	2	2	б
Minority interest in net income, net				
of tax	(3)	(6)	1	(15)
(Loss) income from continuing				
operations	\$(12)	\$27	\$(66)	\$74
Loss from discontinued operations,				
net of tax (G)	-	-	-	-
Net (loss) income	\$(12) 	\$27 	\$(66)	\$74
Diluted (loss) earnings per share				
of common stock				
Continuing operations	\$(0.19)	\$0.43	\$(1.04)	\$1.16
Discontinued operations (G)	(0.01)	-	(0.01)	-
Net (loss) income per share	\$(0.20)	 \$0.43	\$(1.05)	\$1.16
Weighted average common shares				
outstanding				
Diluted	63	63	63	63
Note: During the third quarter of fiscal 2008, management cha	inged the			
way it manages the Company's businesses. Accordingly, the s	segment			
results for all periods presented have been revised to reflect the	nese			
changes.				

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included in Unallocated and other in prior periods, has been reclassified to Segment sales for all periods presented above.

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allocation method of its corporate costs to its segments. Under this new method, costs that are not controlled by the segments and which primarily benefit corporate interests are not allocated to the segments. Prior periods have been recast to conform to the new allocation method.

(F) General unallocated expense includes foreign currency transaction

gains (losses), interest income, and dividend income.

(G) Amounts relate to legal settlements in connection with our

discontinued operations.

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CABOT CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL POSITION

Delleur in millione commt shows and new		September 30,
Dollars in millions, except share and per	2009	
share amounts	(unaudited)	(audited)
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$177	\$129
Short-term marketable securities	1	1
Accounts and notes receivable, net of		
reserve for doubtful accounts of \$7 and \$5	417	646
Inventories:		
Raw materials	121	193
Work in process	53	58
Finished goods	141	246
Other	31	26
Total inventories	346	523
Prepaid expenses and other current		
assets	45	72
Deferred income taxes	35	30
Assets held for sale	-	7
Total current assets	1,021	1,408

Investments:

Equity affiliates	57	53
Long-term marketable securities and cost investments	1	1
Total investments	58	54
Property, plant and equipment Accumulated depreciation and amortization	2,928 (1,913)	2,921 (1,839)
Net property, plant and equipment	1,015	1,082
Other assets:		
Goodwill Intangible assets, net of accumulated	35	34
amortization of \$11 and \$11	3	3
Assets held for rent	46	45
Deferred income taxes	196	173
Other assets	97	59
Total other assets	377	314

\$2,471 \$2,858 ======

Total assets

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CABOT CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL POSITION

Dollars in millions, except share and per share amounts	2009	September 30, 2008 (audited)
Current liabilities:		
Notes payable to banks	\$19	\$91
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	316	426
Income taxes payable	23	38
Deferred income taxes	4	7
Current portion of long-term debt	5	39
Total current liabilities	367	601
Long-term debt	551	586
Deferred income taxes	10	18
Other liabilities	286	294
Minority interest	98	110
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock:		
Authorized: 2,000,000 shares of \$1 par val	ue	
Issued: None and none	-	-
Outstanding: None and none		
Common stock:		

Authorized: 200,000,000 shares of \$1 par Issued: 64,109,606 and 65,403,100 share Outstanding: 64,015,510 and 65,277,715 Less cost of 94,096 and 125,385 shares	es 64 shares	65
	(3)	(4)
Additional paid-in capital	13	21
Retained earnings	1,042	1,143
Deferred employee benefits	(26)	(30)
Notes receivable for restricted stock	-	(21)
Accumulated other comprehensive income	69	75
Total stockholders' equity	1,159	1,249
common treasury stock Additional paid-in capital Retained earnings Deferred employee benefits Notes receivable for restricted stock Accumulated other comprehensive income	(3) 13 1,042 (26) - 69	1,143 (30) (21) 75

Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$2,471 \$2,858

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CABOT CORPORATION

Fiscal 2008

In millions, except

per share amounts

(unaudited)	Dec. Q.	Mar. Q.	June Q.	Sept. Q.	FY
Sales					
Core Segment	\$463	\$511	\$537	\$553	\$2,064
Rubber blacks	410	454	499	505	1,868
Supermetals	53	57	38	48	196
Performance Segment	211	236	247	237	931
Performance products	141	164	175	165	645
Fumed metal oxides	70	72	72	72	286
New Business Segment	10	14	14	20	58
Inkjet colorants	8	11	11	13	43
Aerogel (A)	1	2	2	5	10
Superior MicroPowders	1	1	1	2	5
Specialty Fluids Segment	16	16	17	19	68
Specialty Fluids Segment	16	16	17		19

Segment Sales 700 777 815 829 3,121

Unallocated and other

(A), (B) 11 9 25 25 70

Net sales and other

operating revenues \$711 \$786 \$840 \$854 \$3,191 _____

\$19	\$29	\$41	\$18	\$107
16	28	43	21	108
3	1	(2)	(3)	(1)
31	32	32	24	119
(12)	(9)	(9)	(5)	(35)
8	5	5	6	24
	16 3 31 (12)	16 28 3 1 31 32 (12) (9)	16 28 43 3 1 (2) 31 32 32 (12) (9) (9)	16 28 43 21 3 1 (2) (3) 31 32 32 24 (12) (9) (9) (5)

Total Segment Profit					
(Loss) (C)	46	57	69	43	215
Interest expense	(9)	(9)	(9)	(10)	(37)
Certain items (D) Unallocated corporate	10	(12)	(8)	(3)	(13)
costs (E)	(7)	(10)	(8)	(3)	(28)
General unallocated					
expense (F)	(4)	(1)	(3)	(10)	(18)
Less: Equity in net					
income of affiliated companies, net of tax	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(8)
companies, net of tax	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(0)
Income (loss) before					
income taxes, equity in net income of					
affiliated companies					
and minority interest	34	23	39	15	111
Benefit (provision) for					
income taxes	6	(11)	(8)	(1)	(14)
Equity in net income of affiliated companies,					
net of tax	2	2	2	2	8
Minority interest in					
net income, net of tax	(6)	(3)	(6)	(5)	(20)
Income (loss) from continuing operations 36 11 27 11 85					
Loss from discontinued					
operations, net of tax (G)					
Net income	36	11	27	11	85
Diluted earnings (loss)					
per share of common stock					
Continuing					
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operations	\$0.56	ŞU.17	\$0.43	\$0.18	\$1.34
Discontinued					
operations (G)	-	-	-	-	-
Net income (loss)	\$0.56	\$0.17	\$0.43	\$0.18	\$1.34
Weighted average common					
shares outstanding					
Diluted	64	64	63	64	64

In millions,

except per share

amounts (unaudited) Dec. Q. Mar. Q. June Q. Sept. Q. FY

Sales				
Core Segment	\$444	\$295	\$310	\$1,049
Rubber blacks	399	272	272	943
Supermetals	45	23	38	106
Performance Segment	157	132	149	438
Performance products	105	90	98	293
Fumed metal oxides	52	42	51	145
New Business Segment	18	16	14	48
Inkjet colorants	13	9	10	32
Aerogel (A)	4	5	2	11
Superior MicroPowders	1	2	2	5
Specialty Fluids Segment	15	11	19	45

Segment Sales 634 454 492 1,580

Unallocated and other

(A), (B) 18 16 19 53

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Net sales and other

operating revenues	\$652	\$470	\$511	\$1,6
Segment Profit				
Core Segment	\$27	\$(24)	\$14	\$1
Rubber blacks	24	(17)	11	1
Supermetals	3	(7)	3	(
Performance Segment	3	(1)	10	-
New Business Segment	(3)	(1)	(4)	
Specialty Fluids Segment	4	4	9	
Total Segment Profit		()		
(Loss) (C)	31	(22)	29	3
Interest expense	(9)	(8)	(6)	(
Certain items (D)	(2)	(46)	(19)	(
Unallocated corporate				
costs (E)	(7)	(8)	(7)	(2
General unallocated				
expense (F)	(10)	(7)	1	(1
Less: Equity in net				
income of affiliated				
companies, net of tax	(2)	-	-	

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	income taxes, equity				
	in net income of				
	affiliated companies				
	and minority interest	1	(91)	(2)	(92)
E	Benefit (provision) for				
	income taxes	(1)	31	(7)	23
E	Equity in net income of				

affiliated companies, net of tax Minority interest in	2	-	_	2
net income, net of tax	2	2	(3)	1
Income (loss) from				
continuing operations	4	(58)	(12)	(66)
Loss from discontinued				
operations, net of tax (G Net income) – 4	- (58)	- (12)	- (66)
Diluted earnings (loss) per				
share of common stock Continuing operations Discontinued	\$0.07	\$(0.92)	\$(0.19)	\$(1.04)
operations (G)	-	-	(0.01)	(0.01)
Net income (loss)	\$0.07	\$(0.92)	\$(0.20)	\$(1.05)
Weighted average common shares outstanding Diluted	64	63	63	63

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CABOT CORPORATION CERTAIN ITEMS AND RECONCILIATION OF ADJUSTED EPS

Periods ended June 30		Three Mo	onths			Nine M	onths	
Dollars in millions, except per share amounts (unaudited)	\$	2009 per share (A)		2008 per share (A)		2009 per share (A)		
Certain items before income taxes								
Environmental								
reserves and legal settlements	\$-	-	\$(2)	\$(0.03)	-	-	\$(3)	\$(0.04)
CEO transition costs	_	-	-	-	_	-	(4)	(0.04)
Write-down of impaired					(7)	(0.01)		
investments Restructuring initiatives:	-	-	-	-	(1)	(0.01)	-	-
- 2008 Global - 2009 Global - Altona,		(0.25)	(5) -	(0.05)		(0.01) (0.87)	(5) -	(0.05)
Australia - North America - Europe (B)	- - -	- - -	- (1) -	_ (0.01) _	- (2) 1	(0.02)	(14)	
Total certain								
items	(19)	(0.25)	(8)	(0.09)	(67)	(0.90)	(10)	(0.11)
- Discontinued			_		_			
operations (C) - (0.01) (0.01)								
Total certain								

items and

discontinued

Tax impact of certain items and								
discontinued operations	3	-	2	-	10	-	3	-
Total certain items and discontinued								
operations after								
tax	\$(16) \$(\$(6)		\$(57) 	\$(0.91)	\$(7)	\$(0.11)

Three	Months	Nine	Months
(18)	\$(4)	(59)	\$(1)
(1)	(4)	(6)	(9)
-	-	(2)	-
\$(19)	\$(8)	\$(67)	\$(10)
	(18)	(18) \$(4) (1) (4) 	Three Months Nine (18) \$(4) (59) (1) (4) (6) (2) \$(19) \$(8) \$(67)

NON-GAAP MEASURE:

Periods ended June 30	Three I	Months	Nine Months		
Dollars in millions, except per share amounts					
(unaudited)	2009	2008	2009	2008	
	per	per	per	per	
	share(A)	share(A)	share(A)	share(A	
Reconciliation of Adjusted EPS to GAAP EPS					
Adjusted EPS to	\$(0.20)	\$0.43	\$(1.05)	\$1.1	
Adjusted EPS to GAAP EPS	\$(0.20) (0.01)	\$0.43 	\$(1.05) (0.01)	\$1.1	
Adjusted EPS to GAAP EPS Total Diluted EPS		\$0.43 \$0.43	,	\$1.1 \$1.	

Adjusted EPS	\$0.06	\$0.52	\$(0.14)	\$1.27

(A) Per share amounts are calculated after tax.

- (B) Benefit relates to former carbon black facilities.
- (C) Amounts relate to legal settlements in connection with our discontinued operations

SOURCE: Cabot Corporation

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