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**CABOT CORP REPORTS SECOND QUARTER ADJUSTED EPS OF \$0.63 AND DILUTED EPS OF \$0.42**

*Second quarter results in-line with first quarter of fiscal 2013 due to challenging economic environment.*

**BOSTON (April 30, 2013)**-- [Cabot Corporation](#) (NYSE: CBT) today announced results for its second quarter of fiscal 2013.

**Key Highlights**

- Demand remained soft, but signs of improvement with higher sequential volumes
- Performance Materials segment delivered strong results
- Asset optimization efforts result in closure of Malaysian carbon black joint venture
- Adjusted EPS target of \$5.00 now expected to be delivered in fiscal 2015

(In millions, except per share amounts)	Fiscal 2013		Fiscal 2012	
	Second Quarter	First 6 Months	Second Quarter	First 6 Months
Net sales	\$ 842	\$ 1,662	\$ 844	\$ 1,606
Net income attributable to Cabot Corporation	\$ 27	\$ 47	\$ 240	\$ 286
Net earnings per share attributable to Cabot Corporation	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.73	\$ 3.70	\$ 4.41
Less Adjustments:				
Net income per share from discontinued operations	\$ -	\$ (0.02)	\$ 2.92	\$ 3.08
Certain items per share	\$ (0.21)	\$ (0.54)	\$ (0.18)	\$ (0.26)
Adjusted EPS	\$ 0.63	\$ 1.29	\$ 0.96	\$ 1.59

Commenting on the results, Cabot President and CEO Patrick Prevost, said, "The global macroeconomic environment remained challenging this quarter. Our second quarter results, which included a Reinforcement Materials plant disruption in Japan, were in-line with our first quarter of fiscal 2013. The plant disruption in Japan led to reduced volumes and impacted the business by \$8 million pre-tax. We continue to pursue opportunities to improve our global efficiencies and we have announced the closure of our Malaysian carbon black operation. In light of the uncertain global economic environment, we remain focused on prudent cost and cash management."

Prevost continued, "We experienced a sequential improvement in demand in many of our businesses and we are pleased that our investments in fumed silica capacity are contributing to stronger results for our Performance Materials segment. We also saw a sequential increase in Specialty Fluids EBIT and the pipeline of new projects is improving. The Company remains

focused on its value pricing initiatives and continues to see positive contributions from this effort.”

### **Financial Detail**

For the second quarter of fiscal 2013, net income attributable to Cabot Corporation was \$27 million (\$0.42 per diluted common share). Net income includes a per share charge of \$0.21, principally for restructuring costs. Adjusted EPS for the second quarter of fiscal 2013 was \$0.63 per share.

### **Segment Results**

**Reinforcement Materials** -- Second quarter fiscal 2013 EBIT in Reinforcement Materials decreased by \$31 million compared to the same quarter of fiscal 2012 due to 9% lower volumes, a plant disruption in Japan and a more competitive environment in China and Europe. Sequentially, EBIT decreased \$9 million primarily due to the plant disruption in Japan, which unfavorably affected the quarter by \$8 million. Excluding the impact from the Japan plant disruption, sequential volumes increased 1%. The second quarter also included the unfavorable seasonal impact of Chinese New Year.

Global and regional volume changes for Reinforcement Materials for the second quarter of fiscal 2013 as compared to the same quarter of the prior year and the first quarter of fiscal 2013 are included in the table below:

	<u>Second Quarter Year over Year Change</u>	<u>Second Quarter Sequential Change</u>
<b>Global</b>	<b>(9%)</b>	<b>(1%)</b>
Japan*	(18%)	(11%)
Southeast Asia	(16%)	(3%)
China	(3%)	(12%)
Europe, Middle East, Africa	(10%)	14%
North America	(9%)	1%
South America	(5%)	8%

\*Includes the impact from the plant disruption in the second quarter of fiscal 2013.

**Performance Materials** -- Second quarter fiscal 2013 EBIT in Performance Materials increased by \$2 million compared to the second quarter of fiscal 2012. The increase was driven by 13% higher volumes in Fumed Metal Oxides from new product introductions and the successful commercialization of new capacity. These benefits were partially offset by 1% lower Specialty Carbons and Compounds volumes. Sequentially, Performance Materials EBIT increased by \$11 million, principally due to 30% higher volumes in Specialty Carbons and Compounds and 6% higher volumes in Fumed Metal Oxides. These increases were partially offset by higher costs from a reduction in inventory levels.

**Advanced Technologies** -- For the second quarter of fiscal 2013, EBIT in Advanced Technologies decreased by \$8 million compared to the second quarter of fiscal 2012. The EBIT decrease resulted principally from comparatively lower rental activity in Specialty Fluids. Sequentially, Advanced Technologies EBIT increased by \$1 million principally due to improved performance in Specialty Fluids, which was partially offset by lower volumes in Inkjet Colorants, Aerogel and

Elastomer Composites. Elastomer Composites received a technology milestone payment during the first quarter that did not repeat in the second quarter of fiscal 2013.

**Purification Solutions** -- On July 31, 2012, we completed the acquisition of Norit N.V. For the second quarter of fiscal 2013, EBIT in Purification Solutions was \$3 million.

Stand-alone Purification Solutions financial results, excluding purchase accounting impacts, for the three months ended March 31, 2013, resulted in adjusted EBITDA of \$16 million, which is a decrease of \$9 million compared to the same quarter of fiscal 2012. The decrease in adjusted EBITDA was due to a 7% decline in volumes driven by lower sales to the gas and air purification end markets and the timing of \$3 million in royalty fees that we expect to receive in the third quarter of fiscal 2013. Sequentially, adjusted EBITDA decreased \$4 million as compared to the three months ended December 31, 2012. The decrease was driven by 13% lower volumes primarily due to the seasonality of sales to the water purification end market.

**Cash Performance** -- The Company ended the second quarter of fiscal 2013 with a cash balance of \$85 million, a decrease of \$6 million from the first quarter of fiscal 2013. The Company spent \$64 million on capital expenditures and received an additional \$11 million of proceeds from the sale of the Supermetals business.

**Taxes** -- During the second quarter of fiscal 2013, the Company recorded a net tax provision of \$16 million for an effective tax rate of 43%. Excluding the impact of certain items, the operating tax rate on continuing operations for the second quarter of fiscal 2013 was 27%.

### **Outlook**

"We are anticipating a moderate demand recovery during calendar year 2013. We have seen some positive signs in a number of our markets around the globe, with the exception of Europe. We remain well positioned to capture volume growth as global demand returns to more normal levels," Prevost said, commenting on the outlook for the Company. "In addition, we continue to pursue opportunities to reduce our costs, improve the efficiency of our asset base and build upon our strong positions across our portfolio. "

Prevost continued, "We are now halfway through our three-year plan to achieve our adjusted EPS target of \$5.00 in fiscal 2014. Our plan assumed mid-cycle economic conditions and growth in emerging markets. Due to the ongoing weakness in Europe and reduced growth rates in emerging markets, we believe it will take an additional year to meet our objectives and we are targeting \$5.00 of adjusted EPS in fiscal 2015. We continue to implement our strategic plan and remain focused on our value pricing strategy, investments in operational excellence and technology, completing our capacity expansion in China, and the introduction of new products."

### **Earnings Call**

The Company will host a conference call with industry analysts at 2:00 p.m. Eastern time on Wednesday, May 1, 2013. The call can be accessed through Cabot's investor relations website at <http://investor.cabot-corp.com>

### **About Cabot Corporation**

Cabot Corporation (NYSE: CBT) is a global specialty chemicals and performance materials company, headquartered in Boston, Massachusetts. The company is a leading provider of [rubber](#) and [specialty carbons](#), [activated carbon](#), [inkjet colorants](#), [cesium formate drilling fluids](#), [fumed silica](#), [aerogel](#), and [elastomer composites](#). For more information on Cabot, please visit the company's website at: <http://www.cabotcorp.com>.

**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 ability to meet our long-term financial targets, actions that will drive earnings growth, and demand for our products, including when we expect demand to recover and expectations for growth, 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. Forward-looking statements are based on our current expectations, assumptions, estimates and projections about Cabot's businesses and strategies, market trends and conditions, economic conditions and other factors. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks, uncertainties, potentially inaccurate assumptions, and other factors, some of which are beyond our control and difficult to predict. If known or unknown risks materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove inaccurate, our actual results could differ materially from past results and from those expressed in the forward-looking statement. Important factors that could cause our results to differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to changes in raw material costs; lower than expected demand for our products; the loss of one or more of our important customers; our inability to complete capacity expansions as planned; the timing of implementation of environmental regulations; our failure to develop new products or to keep pace with technological developments; patent rights of others; the timely commercialization of products under development (which may be disrupted or delayed by technical difficulties, market acceptance, competitors' new products, as well as difficulties in moving from the experimental stage to the production stage); demand for our customers' products; competitors' reactions to market conditions; delays in the successful integration of structural changes, including acquisitions or joint ventures; the laws, regulations, policies and economic conditions, including inflation, interest and foreign currency exchange rates, of countries where we do business; and severe weather events that cause business interruptions, including plant and power outages or disruptions in supplier or customer operations. These factors are discussed more fully in the reports we file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, particularly our latest annual report on Form 10-K.

**Explanation of Terms Used and Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures** -- The preceding discussion of our results and the accompanying financial tables report adjusted EPS, operating tax rate and adjusted EBITDA, which are non-GAAP financial measures. Our chief operating decision-maker uses these non-GAAP financial measures to evaluate the performance of the Company in terms of profitability. We believe that these measures also assist our investors in evaluating the changes in our results and the Company's performance.

In calculating adjusted EPS, we exclude from our net income per share from continuing operations certain items of expense and income that management does not consider representative of the Company's ongoing operations. Adjusted EPS should be considered as

supplemental to, and not as a replacement for, EPS determined in accordance with GAAP. A reconciliation of adjusted EPS to EPS from continuing operations, the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure, and the certain items that are excluded from our calculation of adjusted EPS, are provided in the table titled "Certain Items and Reconciliation of Adjusted EPS and Operating Tax Rate."

The term "operating tax rate" is a non-GAAP financial measure and represents the tax rate on our recurring operating results. This rate excludes discrete tax items, which are unusual or infrequent items that are excluded from the estimated annual effective tax rate and other tax items, including the impact of the timing of losses in certain jurisdictions, cumulative rate adjustment and the impact of certain items on both operating income and tax provision. A reconciliation of operating tax rate to effective tax rate, the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure is provided in the table titled "Certain Items and Reconciliation of Adjusted EPS and Operating Tax Rate."

"Adjusted EBITDA" is a non-GAAP financial measure and refers to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, excluding items that management does not consider representative of the fundamental segment results. A reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA from segment EBIT for the second quarter of fiscal 2013 is provided on the investor portion of our website at <http://investor.cabot-corp.com>, under the Non-GAAP Reconciliations section.

## CABOT CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

Periods ended March 31	Three Months		Six Months	
Dollars in millions, except per share amounts (unaudited)	2013	2012	2013	2012
Net sales and other operating revenues.....	\$ 842	\$ 844	\$ 1,662	\$ 1,606
Cost of sales.....	698	671	1,371	1,290
Gross profit.....	144	173	291	316
Selling and administrative expenses.....	77	66	150	131
Research and technical expenses.....	18	20	37	37
Income from operations.....	49	87	104	148
<b>Other income and (expense)</b>				
Interest and dividend income.....	1	1	2	2
Interest expense.....	(16)	(9)	(32)	(19)
Other income (expense).....	2	(3)	3	—
Total other income and (expense).....	(13)	(11)	(27)	(17)
<b>Income from continuing operations before income taxes and equity in net earnings of affiliated companies.....</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>131</b>
Provision for income taxes.....	(16)	(23)	(35)	(39)
Equity in net earnings of affiliated companies, net of tax.....	3	3	6	4
Income from continuing operations.....	23	56	48	96
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax <sup>(A)</sup> .....	-	189	(1)	200
<b>Net income.....</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>296</b>
Net (loss) income attributable to noncontrolling interests, net of tax.....	(4)	5	-	10
<b>Net income attributable to Cabot Corporation.....</b>	<b>\$ 27</b>	<b>\$ 240</b>	<b>\$ 47</b>	<b>\$ 286</b>
<b>Diluted earnings per share of common stock attributable to Cabot Corporation</b>				
Continuing operations .....	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.78	\$ 0.75	\$ 1.33
Discontinued operations <sup>(A)</sup> .....	-	2.92	(0.02)	3.08
Net income attributable to Cabot Corporation.....	\$ 0.42	\$ 3.70	\$ 0.73	\$ 4.41
<b>Weighted average common shares outstanding</b>				
Diluted.....	64.4	64.0	64.3	64.1

<sup>(A)</sup> Amounts relate to the divestiture of the Supermetals Business.

## CABOT CORPORATION SUMMARY RESULTS BY SEGMENTS

Periods ended March 31	Three Months		Six Months	
Dollars in millions, except per share amounts (unaudited)	2013	2012	2013	2012
<b>Sales</b>				
Reinforcement Materials .....	\$ 459	\$ 534	\$ 934	\$ 1,023
Performance Materials .....	243	235	439	440
Specialty Carbons and Compounds.....	173	173	305	324
Fumed Metal Oxides.....	70	62	134	116
Advanced Technologies .....	41	57	79	96
Inkjet Colorants.....	12	15	28	30
Aerogel.....	3	5	8	9
Security Materials.....	2	3	3	5
Elastomer Composites .....	4	7	12	11
Specialty Fluids .....	20	27	28	41
Purification Solutions <sup>(A)</sup> .....	79	-	172	-
Segment sales.....	822	826	1,624	1,559
Unallocated and other <sup>(B)</sup> .....	20	18	38	47
Net sales and other operating revenues.....	\$ 842	\$ 844	\$ 1,662	\$ 1,606
<b>Segment Earnings Before Interest and Taxes</b>				
Reinforcement Materials .....	\$ 41	\$ 72	\$ 91	\$ 127
Performance Materials .....	37	35	63	56
Advanced Technologies .....	8	16	15	21
Purification Solutions <sup>(A)</sup> .....	3	-	10	-
<b>Total Segment Earnings Before Interest and Taxes <sup>(C)</sup> .....</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>204</b>
<b>Unallocated and Other</b>				
Interest expense.....	(16)	(9)	(32)	(19)
Certain items <sup>(D)</sup> .....	(20)	(9)	(40)	(14)
Unallocated corporate costs.....	(16)	(18)	(29)	(32)
General unallocated income (expense) <sup>(E)</sup> .....	2	(8)	5	(4)
Less: Equity in net earnings of affiliated companies, net of tax.....	(3)	(3)	(6)	(4)
<b>Income from continuing operations before income taxes and equity in net earnings of affiliated companies.....</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>131</b>
Provision for income taxes (including tax certain items).....	(16)	(23)	(35)	(39)
Equity in net earnings of affiliated companies, net of tax.....	3	3	6	4
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Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax <sup>(F)</sup> .....	-	189	(1)	200
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<b>Adjusted earnings per share</b>				
Adjusted EPS <sup>(G)</sup> .....	\$ 0.63	\$ 0.96	\$ 1.29	\$ 1.59
<b>Weighted average common shares outstanding</b>				
Diluted.....	64.4	64.0	64.3	64.1

<sup>(A)</sup> The Company acquired Norit N.V. on July 31, 2012, which became Cabot's Purification Solutions business. Accordingly, there are no results reported for Purification Solutions for the second quarter and first six months of fiscal 2012.

<sup>(B)</sup> Unallocated and other reflects royalties paid by equity affiliates, other operating revenues, external shipping and handling fees, the impact of unearned revenue and the removal of 100% of the sales of an equity method affiliate.

<sup>(C)</sup> Segment EBIT is a measure used by Cabot's Chief Operating Decision-Maker to measure consolidated operating results, assess segment performance and allocate resources. Segment EBIT includes equity in net earnings of affiliated companies, royalty income, and allocated corporate costs.

<sup>(D)</sup> Details of certain items are presented in the Certain Items and Reconciliation of Adjusted EPS and Operating Tax Rate table.

<sup>(E)</sup> General unallocated income (expense) includes foreign currency transaction gains (losses), interest income, dividend income, the profit related to unearned revenue, and the impact of LIFO accounting.

<sup>(F)</sup> Amounts relate to the divestiture of the Supermetals business.

<sup>(G)</sup> Adjusted EPS is a non-GAAP measure, and a reconciliation of Adjusted EPS to GAAP EPS is presented in the Certain Items and Reconciliation of Adjusted EPS and Operating Tax Rate table.

**CABOT CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

	March 31, 2013 (unaudited)	September 30, 2012 (audited)
<i>Dollars in millions, except share and per share amounts</i>		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents.....	\$ 85	\$ 120
Accounts and notes receivable, net of reserve for doubtful accounts of \$8 and \$5.....	670	687
Inventories:		
Raw materials.....	114	131
Work in process.....	4	5
Finished goods.....	397	351
Other.....	44	46
Total inventories.....	559	533
Prepaid expenses and other current assets.....	71	71
Notes receivable for sale of business.....	223	-
Deferred income taxes.....	38	32
Total current assets.....	1,646	1,443
Net property, plant and equipment.....	1,544	1,552
Goodwill.....	493	480
Equity affiliates.....	116	115
Intangible assets, net.....	316	330
Assets held for rent.....	51	46
Notes receivable for sale of business.....	-	242
Deferred income taxes.....	104	94
Other assets.....	92	97
Total assets.....	\$ 4,362	\$ 4,399



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	<b>March 31, 2013</b>	<b>September 30, 2012</b>
<i>Dollars in millions, except share and per share amounts</i>	<i>(unaudited)</i>	<i>(audited)</i>
Current liabilities:		
Notes payable.....	\$ 324	\$ 62
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities.....	501	606
Income taxes payable.....	26	59
Deferred income taxes.....	7	7
Current portion of long-term debt.....	187	185
Total current liabilities.....	<u>1,045</u>	<u>919</u>
Long-term debt.....	1,002	1,172
Deferred income taxes.....	56	55
Other liabilities.....	308	314
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock:		
Authorized: 2,000,000 shares of \$1 par value		
Issued and outstanding: None and none.....	—	—
Common stock:		
Authorized: 200,000,000 shares of \$1 par value		
Issued: 64,034,868 and 63,600,928 shares		
Outstanding: 63,781,302 and 63,347,362 shares.....	64	64
Less cost of 253,565 and 253,565 shares of common treasury stock.....	(8)	(8)
Additional paid-in capital.....	27	20
Retained earnings.....	1,675	1,653
Deferred employee benefits.....	(5)	(8)
Accumulated other comprehensive income .....	76	92
Total Cabot Corporation stockholders' equity.....	<u>1,829</u>	<u>1,813</u>
Noncontrolling interests.....	122	126
Total equity.....	<u>1,951</u>	<u>1,939</u>
Total liabilities and equity.....	<u>\$ 4,362</u>	<u>\$ 4,399</u>

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	Fiscal 2012					Fiscal 2013				
	Dec. Q.	Mar. Q.	June Q.	Sept. Q.	FY	Dec. Q.	Mar. Q.	June Q.	Sept. Q.	FY
<i>Dollars in millions, except per share amounts (unaudited)</i>										
<b>Sales</b>										
Reinforcement Materials .....	489	534	517	479	2,019	475	459	-	-	934
Performance Materials.....	205	235	247	227	914	196	243	-	-	439
Specialty Carbons and Compounds.....	151	173	181	159	664	132	173	-	-	305
Fumed Metal Oxides.....	54	62	66	68	250	64	70	-	-	134
Advanced Technologies.....	39	57	57	57	210	38	41	-	-	79
Inkjet Colorants.....	15	15	18	18	66	16	12	-	-	28
Aerogel.....	4	5	3	6	18	5	3	-	-	8
Security Materials.....	2	3	2	2	9	1	2	-	-	3
Elastomer Composites.....	4	7	6	6	23	8	4	-	-	12
Specialty Fluids.....	14	27	28	25	94	8	20	-	-	28
Purification Solutions <sup>(A)</sup> .....	-	-	-	61	61	93	79	-	-	172
Segment Sales.....	733	826	821	824	3,204	802	822	-	-	1,624
Unallocated and other <sup>(B)</sup> .....	29	18	25	24	96	18	20	-	-	38
Net sales and other operating revenues.....	\$ 762	\$ 844	\$ 846	\$ 848	\$ 3,300	\$ 820	\$ 842	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,662
<b>Segment Earnings Before Interest and Taxes</b>										
Reinforcement Materials .....	55	72	59	41	227	50	41	-	-	91
Performance Materials.....	21	35	38	34	128	26	37	-	-	63
Advanced Technologies.....	5	16	12	16	49	7	8	-	-	15
Purification Solutions <sup>(A)</sup> .....	-	-	-	5	5	7	3	-	-	10
Total Segment Earnings Before Interest and Taxes <sup>(C)</sup> .....	81	123	109	96	409	90	89	-	-	179
<b>Unallocated and Other</b>										
Interest expense.....	(10)	(9)	(11)	(16)	(46)	(16)	(16)	-	-	(32)
Certain items <sup>(D)</sup> .....	(5)	(9)	(7)	(30)	(51)	(20)	(20)	-	-	(40)
Unallocated corporate costs .....	(14)	(18)	(12)	(12)	(56)	(13)	(16)	-	-	(29)
General unallocated income (expense) <sup>(E)</sup> .....	4	(8)	3	1	-	3	2	-	-	5
Less: Equity in net earnings of affiliated companies, net of tax.....	(1)	(3)	(4)	(3)	(11)	(3)	(3)	-	-	(6)
Income from continuing operations before income taxes and equity in net earnings of affiliated companies.....	55	76	78	36	245	41	36	-	-	77
Provision for income taxes (including tax certain items).....	(16)	(23)	(16)	-	(55)	(19)	(16)	-	-	(35)
Equity in net earnings of affiliated companies, net of tax.....	1	3	4	3	11	3	3	-	-	6
<b>Income from continuing operations.....</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>48</b>
<b>Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax <sup>(F)</sup> .....</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1)</b>
<b>Net income.....</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>47</b>
Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests, net of tax.....	5	5	4	4	18	4	(4)	-	-	-
<b>Net income attributable to Cabot Corporation.....</b>	<b>\$ 46</b>	<b>\$ 240</b>	<b>\$ 66</b>	<b>\$ 36</b>	<b>\$ 388</b>	<b>\$ 20</b>	<b>\$ 27</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 47</b>
<b>Diluted earnings per share of common stock attributable to Cabot Corporation</b>										
Continuing operations.....	\$ 0.55	\$ 0.78	\$ 0.96	\$ 0.54	\$ 2.83	\$ 0.33	\$ 0.42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.75
Discontinued operations <sup>(F)</sup> .....	0.16	2.92	0.06	0.02	3.16	(0.02)	-	-	-	(0.02)
Net income attributable to Cabot Corporation.....	\$ 0.71	\$ 3.70	\$ 1.02	\$ 0.56	\$ 5.99	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.73
<b>Adjusted earnings per share</b>										
Adjusted EPS <sup>(G)</sup> .....	\$ 0.63	\$ 0.96	\$ 1.00	\$ 0.73	\$ 3.32	\$ 0.66	\$ 0.63	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1.29
<b>Weighted average common shares outstanding</b>										
Diluted .....	64.2	64.0	64.3	64.2	64.2	64.1	64.4	-	-	64.3

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## CABOT CORPORATION CERTAIN ITEMS AND RECONCILIATION OF ADJUSTED EPS AND OPERATING TAX RATE

TABLE 1: DETAIL OF CERTAIN ITEMS

Periods ended March 31 Dollars in millions, except per share amounts (unaudited)	CERTAIN ITEMS				CERTAIN ITEMS			
	Three Months		Six Months		Three Months		Six Months	
	Dollars in Millions				Per Share After Tax			
	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012
	\$	\$	\$	\$	per share <sup>(A)</sup>	per share <sup>(A)</sup>	per share <sup>(A)</sup>	per share <sup>(A)</sup>
Certain items before and after income taxes								
Global restructuring activities	\$ (19)	\$ (9)	\$ (25)	\$ (12)	\$ (0.20)	(0.14)	\$ (0.26)	\$ (0.18)
Acquisition related charges	(2)	—	(16)	—	(0.02)	—	(0.17)	—
Environmental and legal reserves	—	—	—	(2)	—	—	—	(0.02)
Foreign currency gain on revaluations	1	—	1	—	0.01	—	0.01	—
Certain items before tax	(20)	(9)	(40)	(14)	(0.21)	(0.14)	(0.42)	(0.20)
Tax impact of certain items	(1)	1	5	2				
Certain items after tax	(21)	(8)	(35)	(12)	(0.21)	(0.14)	(0.42)	(0.20)
<b>Tax-related certain items</b>								
Tax impact of certain foreign exchange losses	(5)	(3)	(12)	(3)	(0.08)	(0.05)	(0.19)	(0.05)
Discrete tax items	5	1	5	(1)	0.08	0.01	0.07	(0.01)
Total tax-related certain items	—	(2)	(7)	(4)	—	(0.04)	(0.12)	(0.06)
Total certain items after tax	(21)	(10)	(42)	(16)	(0.21)	(0.18)	(0.54)	(0.26)
<b>Discontinued operations after income taxes</b> <sup>(B)</sup>								
CSM business divestiture after tax	—	189	(1)	200	—	2.92	(0.02)	3.08
Total discontinued operations after tax	\$ -	\$ 189	\$ (1)	\$ 200	\$ -	\$ 2.92	(0.02)	\$ 3.08

TABLE 2: CERTAIN ITEMS STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS LINE ITEM

Periods ended March 31 Dollars in millions, Pre-Tax (unaudited)	Three Months		Six Months	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
<b>Statement of Operations Line Item<sup>(C)</sup></b>				
Cost of sales	\$ (18)	\$ (9)	\$ (32)	\$ (12)
Selling and administrative expenses	(1)	—	(6)	(2)
Research and technical expenses	—	—	(1)	—
Other	(1)	—	(1)	—
Total certain items	\$ (20)	\$ (9)	\$ (40)	\$ (14)

TABLE 3: RECONCILIATION OF TAX CERTAIN ITEMS

Periods ended March 31 Dollars in millions (unaudited)	Three Months		Six Months	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
<b>Reconciliation of Provision for income taxes, excluding certain items, to Provision for income taxes</b>				
Provision for income taxes	\$ (16)	\$ (23)	\$ (35)	\$ (39)
Less: Tax impact of certain items	(1)	1	5	2
Less: Tax related certain items	—	(2)	(7)	(4)
Provision for income taxes, excluding certain items	\$ (15)	\$ (22)	\$ (33)	\$ (37)

TABLE 4: RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING TAX RATE

Periods ended March 31 Dollars in millions (unaudited)	Three Months		Six Months	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
<b>Reconciliation of the effective tax rate to the operating tax rate</b>				
Provision for income taxes	\$ (16)	\$ (23)	\$ (35)	\$ (39)
Effective tax rate	43%	30%	45%	30%
Impact of discrete tax items:				
Unusual or infrequent items	(9%)	-%	(13%)	-%
Items related to uncertain tax positions	7%	1%	3%	(1%)
Other discrete tax items	2%	(3%)	-%	(2%)
Impact of certain items	(16%)	(2%)	(8%)	(1%)
Operating tax rate	27%	26%	27%	26%

TABLE 5: RECONCILIATION OF ADJUSTED EPS BY QUARTER FISCAL 2012 and FISCAL 2013

NON-GAAP MEASURE:	Fiscal 2012 <sup>(A)</sup>					Fiscal 2013 <sup>(A)</sup>				
	Dec. Q	Mar. Q	Jun. Q	Sept. Q	FY 2012 YTD	Dec. Q	Mar. Q	Jun. Q	Sept. Q	FY 2013 YTD
<b>Reconciliation of Adjusted EPS to GAAP EPS</b>										
Net income per share attributable to Cabot Corporation	\$ 0.71	\$ 3.70	\$ 1.02	\$ 0.56	\$ 5.99	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.42			\$ 0.73
Less: Net income per share from discontinued operations <sup>(B)</sup>	0.16	2.92	0.06	0.02	3.16	(0.02)	-			(0.02)
Net income per share from continuing operations	\$ 0.55	\$ 0.78	\$ 0.96	\$ 0.54	\$ 2.83	\$ 0.33	\$ 0.42			\$ 0.75
Less: Certain items after tax	(0.08)	(0.18)	(0.04)	(0.19)	(0.49)	(0.33)	(0.21)			(0.54)
<b>Adjusted earnings per share</b>	\$ 0.63	\$ 0.96	\$ 1.00	\$ 0.73	\$ 3.32	\$ 0.66	\$ 0.63			\$ 1.29

<sup>(A)</sup> Per share amounts are calculated after tax and, where applicable, noncontrolling interests, net of tax.<sup>(B)</sup> Amounts relate to the divestiture of the Supermetals Business.<sup>(C)</sup> This table indicates the line items where certain items are recorded in the table titled Cabot Corporation Consolidated Statements of Operations.