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Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) February 28, 2011

TRIMAS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-10716 (Commission File Number)

38-2687639 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

39400 Woodward Avenue, Suite 130, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan

(Address of principal executive offices)

48304 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (248) 631-5400

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

TriMas Corporation (the "Corporation") issued a press release and held a teleconference on February 28, 2011, reporting its financial results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ending December 31, 2010. A copy of the press release and teleconference visual presentation are attached hereto as exhibits and are incorporated herein by reference. The press release and teleconference visual presentation are also available on the Corporation's website at www.trimascorp.com.

The information furnished pursuant to this Item 2.02, including Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that Section and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing of the Corporation under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibits are furnished herewith:

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release
99.2	The Corporation's visual presentation titled "Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2010 Earnings Presentation"
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SIGNATURES

TRIMAS CORPORATION

Date:	February 28, 2011	By: /s/ Joshua A. Sherbin
		Name: Joshua A. Sherbin
		Title: Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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TRIMAS CORPORATION REPORTS FOURTH QUARTER AND FULL YEAR 2010 RESULTS

Company Reports \$1.21 Diluted EPS on 17% Sales Growth for 2010 Company Provides 2011 Outlook of \$1.40 to \$1.50 EPS

BLOOMFIELD HILLS, Michigan, February 28, 2011 — TriMas Corporation (NASDAQ: TRS) today announced financial results for the quarter and full year ended December 31, 2010. For the quarter, the Company reported net sales from continuing operations of \$222.7 million, an increase of 16.5% compared to fourth quarter 2009. Fourth quarter 2010 income from continuing operations was \$8.2 million, or \$0.23 per diluted share, compared to a loss from continuing operations of \$8.9 million, or \$0.26 per diluted share, during fourth quarter 2009. Excluding Special Items, (1) fourth quarter 2009 income from continuing operations would have been \$3.6 million, or \$0.11 per share.

For the year ended December 31, 2010, the Company reported net sales from continuing operations of \$942.7 million, an increase of 17.3% compared to 2009. The Company reported full year income from continuing operations of \$41.9 million, or \$1.21 per diluted share, compared to income from continuing operations of \$12.7 million, or \$0.37 per diluted share, in 2009. Excluding Special Items, 2009 income from continuing operations would have been \$14.9 million, or \$0.43 per diluted share.

TriMas 2010 Highlights

- Reported 17.3% net sales growth in 2010, as compared to 2009, due to overall improved economic conditions and the continued execution of several of the Company's key growth initiatives.
- Improved 2010 operating profit margin and Adjusted EBITDA margin by 320 and 250 basis points, respectively, as compared to 2009, excluding the impact of Special Items.
- Generated 2010 Free Cash Flow⁽²⁾ of \$83.4 million, or almost \$2.50 per diluted share.
- · Reduced total indebtedness, net of cash, from \$505.1 million as of December 31, 2009, to \$448.3 million as of December 31, 2010.
- · Decreased operating working capital as a percentage of sales from 14.5% in 2009 to 12.6% in 2010.
- Completed and successfully integrated two bolt-on acquisitions during 2010, enhancing the businesses' growth opportunities through expansion of the product portfolio and customer base.

"We are proud of our many accomplishments in 2010," said David Wathen, TriMas President and Chief Executive Officer. "Our balanced and structured approach to growth, productivity and cash generation drove positive results across our company. We achieved sales growth of 17%, resulting from improved end markets and successful execution of our strategic growth initiatives including product innovation, geographic expansion and bolt-on acquisitions."

Wathen continued, "In addition to our top-line growth, our lower fixed cost structure and ongoing focus on productivity and lean initiatives drove significant margin expansion. 2010 operating profit margin improved by 320 basis points and 2010 diluted earnings per share improved over 150%, as compared to 2009 and excluding Special Items. We continue to generate strong cash flow, lower operating working capital as a percentage of sales and reduce outstanding debt. We have a solid foundation to build upon going into 2011."

"While the past two years have been focused on structural improvements and turn-around activities, 2011 will be a year in which we intensify our efforts around growth, funded by our continuous productivity improvements and lean initiatives. In 2011, we expect to deliver continued strong results in line with our strategic aspirations. We are estimating 2011 top-line growth of 6% to 9%, compared to 2010, with earnings per share up a multiple of sales growth. We expect full-year 2011 diluted earnings per share from continuing operations to range between \$1.40 and \$1.50 per share. We continue to be confident in our ability to grow the top-line faster than the economy, create sustainable operating leverage and generate strong cash flow," Wathen concluded.

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<u>Fourth Quarter Financial Results — From Continuing Operations</u>

- TriMas reported fourth quarter net sales of \$222.7 million, an increase of 16.5% in comparison to \$191.1 million in fourth quarter 2009, driven by double-digit percentage increases in the Energy, Aerospace & Defense and Engineered Components segments. The effects of currency exchange did not have a material impact during the quarter.
- The Company reported operating profit of \$19.5 million in fourth quarter 2010, as compared to operating profit of \$7.1 million during fourth quarter 2009. Excluding the impact of Special Items, (1) operating profit would have improved 14.6%, from \$17.0 million in fourth quarter 2009 to \$19.5 million in fourth quarter 2010.
- Fourth quarter 2010 income from continuing operations was \$8.2 million, or \$0.23 per diluted share, including approximately \$0.10 per share resulting from the benefit of a lower effective tax rate. The lower effective tax rate is related to U.S. tax legislation changes in fourth quarter and additional tax benefits in 2010 that the Company believes will be realized as a result of its improved earnings performance. These results are compared to a loss from continuing operations of \$8.9 million, or \$0.26 per diluted share, during fourth quarter 2009. Excluding the impact of Special Items, fourth quarter 2009 income from continuing operations would have been \$3.6 million, or \$0.11 per share.
- The Company reported Free Cash Flow⁽²⁾ for fourth quarter 2010 of \$16.7 million, relatively flat in comparison to fourth quarter 2009. Operating working capital as a percentage of last twelve months (LTM) sales continued to improve, declining from 14.5% in fourth quarter 2009 to 12.6% in fourth quarter 2010.

- TriMas reported 2010 net sales from continuing operations of \$942.7 million, an increase of 17.3% compared to \$803.7 million in 2009, due to increased volumes resulting from the economic recovery in 2010, as well as new product introductions, geographic expansion and market share gains. In addition, net sales were favorably impacted by approximately \$9.9 million as a result of currency exchange.
- The Company reported 2010 operating profit of \$114.1 million, compared to an operating profit of \$49.9 million for 2009. Excluding the impact of Special Items, operating profit would have increased 59.5%, from \$71.5 million in 2009 to \$114.1 million in 2010. This increase would have represented an improvement in operating profit margin of 320 basis points, resulting from higher sales volumes, reduced cost structure and ongoing productivity initiatives.
- Adjusted EBITDA(2) for 2010 increased to \$150.7 million, as compared to \$119.0 million in 2009. Excluding the impact of Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have increased 38.8%, from \$108.6 million in 2009 to \$150.7 million in 2010, representing an improvement in Adjusted EBITDA margin of 250 basis points.
- 2010 income from continuing operations was \$41.9 million, or \$1.21 per diluted share, compared to income from continuing operations of \$12.7 million, or \$0.37 per diluted share, during 2009. As noted above, the Company benefited from a lower effective tax rate in 2010 due to additional tax benefits that the Company believes will be realized as a result of its improved earnings performance. Excluding the impact of Special Items, 2009 income from continuing operations would have been \$14.9 million, or \$0.43 per share.
- The Company reported Free Cash Flow⁽²⁾ for 2010 of \$83.4 million, or almost \$2.50 per diluted share.

Financial Position

TriMas reported total indebtedness of \$494.6 million as of December 31, 2010, as compared to \$514.6 million as of December 31, 2009. After consideration of \$46.4 million in cash on the balance sheet as of December 31, 2010, total indebtedness, net of cash, was \$448.3 million, as compared to \$505.1 million as of December 31, 2009. TriMas ended fourth quarter 2010 with \$167.1 million of cash and aggregate availability under its revolving credit and accounts receivable facilities.

Business Segment Results — From Continuing Operations (Excluding the impact of Special Items⁽³⁾)

The Company realigned its reportable segments to be consistent with the current operating structure and strategic priorities. The Company's Packaging and Aerospace & Defense segments remain unchanged. The Company's Arrow Engine business, previously within the Energy segment, is now included in the Engineered Components segment. In addition, the former Cequent segment has been split into two segments, with the Cequent Performance Products and Cequent Consumer Products businesses comprising the new Cequent

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North America segment, and the Company's Cequent Asia Pacific business becoming a separate reportable segment. All prior year information and related comparisons have been adjusted to reflect these changes.

Packaging — (Consists of Rieke Corporation including its foreign subsidiaries of Englass, Rieke Germany, Rieke Italia and Rieke China; 2010 Revenue of \$171.2 million)

Net sales for fourth quarter decreased 3.5% compared to the year ago period, due to sales in fourth quarter 2009 related to H1N1 flu virus products that did not recur, as well as the impact of unfavorable currency exchange. Despite the slight decrease in sales, operating profit for the quarter increased due to lower costs as a result of productivity initiatives, partially offset by an increase in selling, general and administrative costs in support of growth initiatives, as well as unfavorable currency exchange. Full year 2010 sales increased 18.0%, due to improved demand for industrial closure products and sales growth in specialty dispensing and other new products, partially offset by the impact of unfavorable currency exchange. Operating profit for the year increased consistent with the reasons noted above, as well as higher sales volumes. Overall, 2010 operating profit margin improved by approximately 530 b asis points compared to 2009. The Company continues to diversify its product offering by developing specialty dispensing product applications for growing end markets, including pharmaceutical, personal care and food/beverage, and expanding geographically to generate long-term growth.

Energy — (Consists of Lamons; 2010 Revenue of \$129.1 million)

Fourth quarter and full year 2010 net sales increased 23.4% and 15.8%, respectively, compared to the year ago periods, due to increased sales of specialty gaskets and related fastening hardware resulting from higher levels of turn-around activity at petrochemical refineries and increased demand from the chemical industry. This segment also benefited from incremental sales from newly opened branch facilities, as well as sales resulting from the acquisition of South Texas Bolt & Fitting, completed in the fourth quarter of 2010. Operating profit for the quarter and year increased due to higher sales volumes and lower costs as a result of sourcing and productivity initiatives, partially offset by increased selling, general and administrative costs in support of sales growth initiatives. While operating profit margin decreased during fourth quarter 2010, full- year 2010 operating profit margin increased 100 basis points compared to 2009. The Company continues to grow its sales and service branch network, capitalize on synergies related to the acquisition of South Texas Bolt & Fitting and expand its lines of complementary products.

Aerospace & Defense — (Consists of Monogram Aerospace Fasteners and NI Industries; 2010 Revenue of \$73.9 million)

Net sales for the fourth quarter increased 14.3% compared to the year ago period, due to improved demand from aerospace distribution customers and increased sales in the defense business. 2010 sales were relatively flat, as aerospace distribution customers' increased purchases during the back half of 2010 were more than offset by lower levels of demand during the first half of 2010. The sales declines in the aerospace business, however, were substantially offset by increased sales in the defense business, although the increased revenue associated with managing the defense facility closure and relocation was at lower margin levels. While operating profit for the year was negatively impacted by this less profitable product sales mix, operating profit increased in fourth quarter compared to the prior year, with improvements in operating profit margin of 580 basis points due to the increase in sales volume and the better absorption of fixed costs in the aerospace business. 2010 full year operating profit and the related margin level declined substantially, primarily due to lower sales levels, an unfavorable product sales mix in our defense business and lower absorption of fixed costs in our aerospace business. Given the long-term

prospects for its aerospace business, the Company continues to invest in this high-margin segment by developing and marketing highly-engineered products for aerospace applications, as well as expanding its offerings to military and defense customers.

Engineered Components — (Consists of Arrow Engine, Hi-Vol Products, KEO Cutters, Norris Cylinder and Richards Micro-Tool; 2010 Revenue of \$153.2 million)

Fourth quarter and full year 2010 net sales increased 94.5% and 53.7%, respectively, compared to the year ago periods, primarily due to improved demand for engines, other well-site content and compression products, increased demand for industrial cylinders and the positive impact of the cylinder asset acquisition completed during second quarter 2010. The specialty fittings and precision cutting tools businesses also experienced improved demand, primarily resulting from the upturn in the domestic economy and new product offerings.

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Fourth quarter and full year 2010 operating profit and related margins improved compared to the prior year periods, due to higher sales levels, increased absorption of fixed costs, and productivity and cost reduction efforts, partially offset by higher selling, general and administrative expenses related to the acquisition and increased sales levels. The Company continues to develop new products and expand its international sales efforts.

Cequent Asia Pacific — (Consists of Cequent Australia/Asia Pacific; 2010 Revenue of \$76.0 million)

Net sales for the fourth quarter decreased 13.9% compared to fourth quarter 2009. Despite the favorable effect of currency exchange and expanded sales with some customers, sales were lower overall when compared to fourth quarter 2009 which benefited from an Australian government stimulus program that was not offered in 2010. Operating profit and the related margin level decreased due primarily to the lower sales levels. Full year 2010 sales increased 18.9% compared to 2009, as a result of the favorable effect of currency exchange and additional sales to regional original equipment and aftermarket customers. 2010 operating profit and related margin improved compared to 2009, due to higher sales levels, additional utilization of the lower-cost manufacturing plant in Thailand, productivity initiatives and favorable currency exchange, partially offset by higher sellin g, general and administrative costs in support of the Company's growth initiatives. The Company continues to reduce fixed costs, minimize its investment in working capital and leverage Cequent's strong brand positions to capitalize on growth opportunities in expanding markets.

Cequent North America — (Consists of Cequent Performance Products and Cequent Consumer Products; 2010 Revenue of \$339.3 million)

Net sales for fourth quarter and full year 2010 increased 7.8% and 9.8%, respectively, compared to the year ago periods, resulting from increased sales within our original equipment, aftermarket, retail, industrial and agricultural channels, all of which were aided by the economic recovery in 2010. Sales increases were the result of improved customer demand, new product introductions and market share gains. While fourth quarter operating profit declined, full year 2010 operating profit increased substantially with an operating profit margin improvement of 480 basis points compared to 2009, due to improved sales levels, cost reduction actions, improved sourcing and productivity initiatives. The Company continues to reduce fixed costs, minimize its investment in working capital and leverage Cequent's strong brand positions and new products for increased market share.

For a complete schedule of Segment Sales, Adjusted EBITDA and Operating Profit, including Special Items by segment, see page 8 of this release, "Company and Business Segment Financial Information — Continuing Operations."

2011 Outlook

The Company is estimating that 2011 sales will increase 6% to 9%, compared to 2010. The Company expects full-year 2011 diluted earnings per share (EPS) from continuing operations to be between \$1.40 and \$1.50 per share, excluding any future events that may be considered Special Items. In addition, the Company expects 2011 Free Cash Flow, prospectively redefined as Cash Flow from Operating Activities less Capital Expenditures, to be between \$50 million and \$60 million.

- (1) Appendix I details certain costs, expenses and other charges, collectively described as "Special Items," that are included in the determination of net income (loss) under GAAP and are not added back to net income (loss) in determining Adjusted EBITDA, but that management would consider important in evaluating the quality of the Company's Adjusted EBITDA and operating results under GAAP.
- (2) See Appendix II for reconciliation of Non-GAAP financial measure Adjusted EBITDA and Free Cash Flow to the Company's reported results of operations prepared in accordance with GAAP. Additionally, see Appendix I for additional information regarding Special Items impacting reported GAAP financial measures.
- Operating Profit excludes the impact of Special Items. For a complete schedule of Special Items by segment, see Appendix "Company and Business Segment Financial Information Continuing Operations."

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Conference Call Information

TriMas Corporation will host its fourth quarter and full year 2010 earnings conference call today, Monday, February 28, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. EST. The call-in number is (866) 259-7123. Participants should request to be connected to the TriMas Corporation fourth quarter 2010 earnings conference call (Conference ID #1512995). The conference call will also be simultaneously webcast via TriMas' website at www.trimascorp.com, under the "Investors" section, with an accompanying slide presentation.

A replay of the conference call will be available on the TriMas website or by dialing (866) 837-8032 (Access Code #1512995) beginning February 28th at 2:00 p.m. EST through March 7th at 11:59 p.m. EST.

Cautionary Notice Regarding Forward-looking Statements

Any "forward-looking" statements contained herein, including those relating to market conditions or the Company's financial condition and results, expense reductions, liquidity expectations, business goals and sales growth, involve risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to, risks and uncertainties with respect to general economic and currency conditions, various conditions specific to the Company's business and industry, the Company's substantial leverage, liabilities imposed by the Company's debt instruments, market demand, competitive factors, the Company's ability to maintain compliance with the listing requirements of NASDAQ, supply constraints, material and energy costs, technology factors, litigation, government and regulatory actions, the Company's accounting policies, future trends, and other risks which are detailed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010, and in the Company's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. These risks and uncertainties may cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated by the forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements made herein are based on information currently available, and the Company assumes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements.

About TriMas

Headquartered in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, TriMas Corporation (NASDAQ: TRS) provides engineered and applied products for growing markets worldwide. TriMas is organized into six reportable segments: Packaging, Energy, Aerospace & Defense, Engineered Components, Cequent Asia Pacific and Cequent North America. TriMas has approximately 3,900 employees at more than 60 different facilities in 11 countries. For more information, visit www.trimascorp.com.

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TriMas Corporation Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet (Dollars in thousands)

	Dec	ember 31, 2010	Dec	ember 31, 2009
Assets				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	46,370	\$	9,480
Receivables, net of reserves		117,050		93,380
Inventories		161,300		141,840
Deferred income taxes		34,500		24,320
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		7,550		6,500
Assets of discontinued operations held for sale		_		4,250
Total current assets		366,770		279,770
Property and equipment, net		167,510		162,220
Goodwill		205,890		196,330
Other intangibles, net		159,930		164,080
Other assets		24,060		23,380
Total assets	\$	924,160	\$	825,780
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Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity				
Current liabilities:				
Current maturities, long-term debt	\$	17,730	\$	16,190
Accounts payable		128,300		92,840
Accrued liabilities		68,400		65,750
Liabilities of discontinued operations		_		1,070
Total current liabilities		214,430		175,850
Long-term debt		476,920		498,360
Deferred income taxes		63,880		42,590
Other long-term liabilities		56,610		47,000
Total liabilities		811,840		763,800
Total shareholders' equity		112,320		61,980
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	924,160	\$	825,780
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TriMas Corporation Consolidated Statement of Operations (Dollars in thousands, except for share amounts)

	Three months ended December 31,					onths ended aber 31,	
		2010		2009	2010		2009
		(unau	dited)				
Net sales	\$	222,650	\$	191,090	\$ 942,650	\$	803,650
Cost of sales		(158,160)		(137,110)	(662,300)		(594,830)
Gross profit		64,490		53,980	 280,350		208,820
Selling, general and administrative expenses		(44,400)		(37,960)	(164,730)		(150,200)
Estimated future unrecoverable lease obligations		_		(5,250)	_		(5,250)
Fees incurred under advisory services agreement		_		(2,890)	_		(2,890)
Loss on dispositions of property and equipment		(590)		(750)	(1,540)		(570)

Operating profit		19,500		7,130		114,080		49,910
Other income (expense), net:								
Interest expense		(12,050)		(10,540)		(51,830)		(45,070)
Gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt		_		(10,260)		_		17,990
Gain on bargain purchase		_		_		410		_
Other, net		(260)		(40)		(1,510)		(1,750)
Other expense, net		(12,310)		(20,840)		(52,930)		(28,830)
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes		7,190		(13,710)		61,150		21,080
Income tax (expense) benefit		980		4,840		(19,250)		(8,350)
Income (loss) from continuing operations		8,170		(8,870)		41,900		12,730
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of income taxes		(2,480)		(2,490)		3,370		(12,950)
Net income (loss)	\$	5,690	\$	(11,360)	\$	45,270	\$	(220)
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Earnings (loss) per share - basic:								
Continuing operations	\$	0.24	\$	(0.26)	\$	1.24	\$	0.38
Discontinued operations, net of income taxes		(0.07)	•	(0.08)	•	0.10	•	(0.39)
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Net income (loss) per share	\$	0.17	\$	(0.34)	\$	1.34	\$	(0.01)
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Weighted average common shares - basic		33,852,165		33,516,104	3	3,761,430	3	3,489,659
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Earnings (loss) per share - diluted:								
Continuing operations	\$	0.23	\$	(0.26)	\$	1.21	\$	0.37
Discontinued operations, net of income taxes	Ψ	(0.07)	Ψ	(0.08)	Ψ	0.10	Ψ	(0.38)
Discontinued operations, net of income taxes		(0.07)		(0.00)		0.10		(0.50)
Net income (loss) per share	\$	0.16	\$	(0.34)	\$	1.31	\$	(0.01)
Net income (1055) per share	Ψ	0.10	Ψ	(0.54)	Ψ	1.51	Ψ	(0.01)
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Weighted average common shares - diluted		34,561,391	_	33,516,104		34,435,245		33,892,170
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TriMas Corporation Company and Business Segment Financial Information Continuing Operations (Unaudited — dollars in thousands)

		Three mo			Twelve months end December 31,			
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Packaging Net sales	\$	37,560	\$	38,930	\$	171,170	\$	145,060
Operating profit	\$	10,230	\$	9,660	\$	48,710	\$	33,050
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	13,180	\$	12,970	\$	60,530	\$	45,730
Special Items to consider in evaluating operating profit and Adjusted EBITDA:								
- Severance and business restructuring costs	\$	_	\$	(110)	\$	_	\$	(590)
Excluding Special Items, operating profit would have been:	\$	10,230	\$	9,770	\$	48,710	\$	33,640
Excluding Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have been:	\$	13,180	\$	13,080	\$	60,530	\$	46,320
Energy								
Net sales	\$	34,700	\$	28,110	\$	129,100	\$	111,520
Operating profit	\$	3,340	\$	2,790	\$	14,700	\$	11,140
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	4,000	\$	3,250	\$	16,640	\$	13,120
Special Items to consider in evaluating operating profit and Adjusted EBITDA:								
- Severance and business restructuring costs	\$	_	\$	(340)	\$	_	\$	(470)
Excluding Special Items, operating profit would have been:	\$	3,340	\$	3,130	\$	14,700	\$	11,610
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Excluding Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have been:	\$	4,000	\$	3,590	\$	16,640	\$	13,590
Aerospace & Defense								
Net sales	\$	20,460	\$	17,900	\$	73,930	\$	74,420
Operating profit	\$	5,070	\$	3,360	\$	18.090	\$	21,770
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	5,640	\$	3,850	\$	20,420	\$	24,030
Special Items to consider in evaluating operating profit and Adjusted EBITDA:								4
- Severance and business restructuring costs	\$	_	\$	(40)	\$	_	\$	(180)

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Excluding Special Items, operating profit would have been:

Excluding Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have been:	\$	5,640	\$	3,890	\$	20,420	\$	24,210
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Net sales Operating profit	\$ \$	45,330 4,890	\$ \$	23,300 1,930	\$ \$	153,190 17,400	\$ \$	99,700 4,600
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	6,230	\$	2,980	\$	22,540	\$	8,740
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Special Items to consider in evaluating operating profit and Adjusted EBITDA: - Severance and business restructuring costs	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	(470
Excluding Special Items, operating profit would have been:	\$	4,890	\$	1,930	\$	17,400	\$	5,070
Excluding Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have been:	\$	6,230	\$	2,980	\$	22,540	\$	9,210
equent Asia Pacific Net sales	¢.	18,950	ď	22,000	ď	75,990	¢	(2,02)
	\$ \$	2,630	\$ \$	4,130	\$ \$	12,050	\$ \$	63,930 7,990
Operating profit (loss) Adjusted EBITDA	э \$	3,320	\$	5,810	\$	14,800	\$	12,170
Special Items to consider in evaluating operating profit (loss):								
- Severance and business restructuring costs	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	(270
Excluding Special Items, operating profit (loss) would have been:	\$	2,630	\$	4,130	\$	12,050	\$	8,260
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Special Items to consider in evaluating Adjusted EBITDA: - Severance and business restructuring costs	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	(270
Excluding Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have been:	\$	3,320	\$	5,810	\$	14,800	\$	12,440
equent North America								
Net sales	\$	65,650	\$	60,880	\$	339,270	\$	309,02
Operating profit (loss)	\$	(340)	\$	(6,060)	\$	27,840	\$	(3,16)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	2,770	\$	(2,230)	\$	40,580	\$	13,110
Special Items to consider in evaluating operating profit (loss):								
- Severance and business restructuring costs	\$	_	\$	(6,500)	\$	_	\$	(13,820
Excluding Special Items, operating profit (loss) would have been:	\$	(340)	\$	440	\$	27,840	\$	10,660
Special Items to consider in evaluating Adjusted EBITDA:								
- Severance and business restructuring costs	\$	_	\$	(6,120)	\$	_	\$	(11,200
Excluding Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have been:	\$	2,770	\$	3,890	\$	40,580	\$	24,310
orporate Expenses								
Operating loss	\$	(6,320)	\$	(8,680)	\$	(24,710)	\$	(25,480
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	(6,430)	\$	(9,310)	\$	(24,820)	\$	2,050
Special Items to consider in evaluating operating loss:								
- Severance and business restructuring costs	\$	_	\$	(2,890)	\$	_	\$	(5,83
Excluding Special Items, operating loss would have been:	\$	(6,320)	\$	(5,790)	\$	(24,710)	\$	(19,65)
Special Items to consider in evaluating Adjusted EBITDA:								
- Severance and business restructuring costs	\$	_	\$	(2,890)	\$	_	\$	(5,830
- Gain on extinguishment of debt	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	29,390
Excluding Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have been:	\$	(6,430)	\$	(6,420)	\$	(24,820)	\$	(21,51
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Net sales Operating profit	\$	222,650 19,500	\$	191,120	\$	942,650 114,080	\$	803,65 49,91
Operating profit Adjusted EBITDA	\$ \$	28,710	\$ \$	7,130 17,320	\$ \$	150,690	\$ \$	118,950
Total Special Items to consider in evaluating operating profit:	\$	_	\$	(9,880)	\$	_	\$	(21,630
Excluding Special Items, operating profit would have been:	\$	19,500	\$	17,010	\$	114,080	\$	71,540
Total Special Items to consider in evaluating Adjusted EBITDA:	\$	_	\$	(9,500)	\$	_	\$	10,380
Excluding Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have been:	\$	28,710	\$	26,820	\$	150,690	\$	108,570
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Appendix I

TriMas Corporation

Additional Information Regarding Special Items Impacting Reported GAAP Financial Measures (Unaudited)

		Three mon				Three mon December	nths ended er 31, 2009	
(dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)		Income		EPS	Income			EPS
Income and EPS from continuing operations, as reported	\$	8,170	\$	0.23	\$	(8,870)	\$	(0.26)
After-tax impact of Special Items to consider in evaluating quality of income and EPS from continuing operations:								
Severance and business restructuring costs and other					_	(6,110)		(0.18)
Excluding Special Items except gain on extinguishment of debt, income and EPS from continuing operations would have been	\$	8,170	\$	0.23	\$	(2,760)	\$	(0.08)
After-tax impact of loss on extinguishment of debt	_	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	_	(6,380)		(0.19)
Excluding Total Special Items, income and EPS from continuing operations would have been	\$	8,170	\$	0.23	\$	3,620	\$	0.11
Weighted-average shares outstanding at December 31, 2010 and 2009			3.	4,561,391			33	3,516,104
(dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)		Twelve mo Decembe			Twelve months ended December 31, 2009 Income EPS			
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and EPS from continuing operations:	\$	41,900	\$	1.21	\$	· ·	\$	
and EPS from continuing operations: Severance and business restructuring costs and other Excluding Special Items except gain on extinguishment of debt, income and	\$	41,900 —	\$			(13,360)	_	(0.39)
and EPS from continuing operations: Severance and business restructuring costs and other Excluding Special Items except gain on extinguishment of debt, income and EPS from continuing operations would have been	\$	41,900 — 41,900	\$			(13,360)	_	(0.39)
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Additional Information Regarding Special Items Impacting Reported GAAP Financial Measures (Unaudited)

		Three mon Decem				ıded		
(dollars in thousands)		2010		2009		2010		2009
Operating profit from continuing operations, as reported	\$	19,500	\$	7,130	\$	114,080	\$	49,910
Special Items to consider in evaluating quality of earnings: Severance and business restructuring costs and other	\$	<u></u>	\$	(9,880)	\$	_	\$	(21,630)
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(dollars in thousands)		2010	2009		2010			2009
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Special Items to consider in evaluating quality of earnings:								
Severance and business restructuring costs and other	\$		\$	(9,500)	\$		\$	(19,010)
Excluding Special Items except gain on extinguishment of debt, Adjusted								
EBITDA from continuing operations would have been	\$	28,710	\$	26,820	\$	150,690	\$	137,960
Gross gain on extinguishment of debt	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	29,390
Excluding Total Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations								
would have been	\$	28,710	\$	26,820	\$	150,690	\$	108,570
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Appendix II

TriMas Corporation Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Measure Adjusted EBITDA⁽¹⁾ and Free Cash Flow⁽²⁾ (Unaudited)

	Three months ended December 31,					Twelve months ended December 31,			
(dollars in thousands)		2010		2009		2010		2009	
Net income (loss)	\$	5,690	\$	(11,360)	\$	45,270	\$	(220)	
Income tax expense (benefit)		(2,130)		(7,170)		21,450		(520)	
Interest expense		12,180		10,670		52,380		45,720	
Debt extinguishment costs		_		10,260				11,400	
Impairment of property and equipment		_		2,340				2,340	
Impairment of goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets		_		930				930	
Depreciation and amortization		9,470		10,530		37,740		43,940	
Adjusted EBITDA, total company		25,210		16,200		156,840		103,590	
Adjusted EBITDA, discontinued operations		(3,500)		(1,120)		6,150		(15,360)	
		<u>.</u>							
Adjusted EBITDA, continuing operations	\$	28,710	\$	17,320	\$	150,690	\$	118,950	
Special Items, excluding gain on extinguishment of debt		_		9,500		_		(10,380)	
Cash interest		(17,380)		(18,140)		(45,090)		(43,600)	
Cash taxes		(2,660)		(1,470)		(8,920)		(8,200)	
Non-cash gain on bargain purchase		_		_		(410)		_	
Capital expenditures		(10,810)		(3,210)		(21,900)		(14,030)	
Changes in operating working capital		19,190		14,790		(2,950)		58,710	
Free Cash Flow from operations before Special Items		17,050		18,790		71,420		101,450	
Cash paid for Special Items		(420)		(2,220)		(2,870)		(9,130)	
Net proceeds from sale of business and other assets		90		90		14,810		23,190	
Free Cash Flow	\$	16,720	\$	16,660	\$	83,360	\$	115,510	

⁽¹⁾ The Company defines Adjusted EBITDA as net income (loss) before cumulative effect of accounting change, interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization, debt extinguishment costs, non-cash asset and goodwill impairment write-offs, and non-cash losses on sale-leaseback of property and equipment. Lease expense and non-recurring charges are included in Adjusted EBITDA and include both cash and non-cash charges related to restructuring and integration expenses. In evaluating our business, management considers and uses Adjusted EBITDA as a key indicator of financial operating performance and as a measure of cash generating capability. Management believes this measure is useful as an analytical indicator of leverage capacity and debt servicing ability, and uses it to measure financial performance as well as for planning purposes. However, Adjusted EBITDA should not be considered as an alternative to net income, cash flow from operating activities or any other measures calculated in accordance with U.S. GAAP, or as an indicator of operating performance. The definition of Adjusted EBITDA used here may differ from that used by other companies.

⁽²⁾ The Company defines Free Cash Flow as Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations, plus Special Items and net proceeds from sale of businesses, less cash paid for interest, taxes and Special Items, capital expenditures and changes in operating working capital. As detailed in Appendix I, for purposes of determining Free Cash Flow, Special Items, net, include those costs, expenses and other charges incurred on a cash basis that are included in the determination of net income (loss) under GAAP and are not added back to net income (loss) in determining Adjusted EBITDA, but that management would consider important in evaluating the quality of the Company's Free Cash Flow, as defined.





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Agenda

- Overview
- Financial Highlights
- Segment Highlights
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- Questions and Answers
- Appendix



Opening Remarks – 2010 Results

- Stronger top-line performance Sales up 17% vs. 2009
 - Improvements in end market demand; leading indicators better
 - Continued to gain market share in several businesses
 - Investments in new products and markets showing results
- Improved earnings driven by better operating performance and lower fixed cost structure
- Continued margin expansion supported by productivity initiatives
- Improvement in working capital levels as a percentage of sales
- Continued focus on free cash flow and debt reduction

Delivering on our commitments, while investing in future growth.



Opening Remarks - Going Forward

- New product and share gain projects are yielding growth
- 2 successful bolt-on acquisitions in 2010
- Increased focus on business development in faster growing geographies
- Global Sourcing Organization gaining traction and driving results
- Intensified focus on productivity and lean initiatives

Executing on strategic aspirations and positioning TriMas for future success.





Financial Highlights

Fourth Quarter Summary

(from continuing operations)	Q	4 2010	Q	4 2009	% Chg
Revenue	\$	222.7	\$	191.1	16.5%
Gross Profit	\$	64.5	\$	54.0	19.5%
Gross Profit M argin		29.0%		28.2%	80 bps
Adjusted EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	\$	28.7	\$	17.3	65.8%
Excl. Total Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have been:	\$	28.7	\$	26.8	7.0%
Excl. Total Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA margin would have been:		12.9%		14.0%	-110 bps
Income (loss)	\$	8.2	\$	(8.9)	fav
Excl. Total Special Items, Income would have been:	\$	8.2	\$	3.6	125.7%
Diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$	0.23	\$	(0.26)	fav
Excl. Total Special Items, diluted EPS would have been:	\$	0.23	\$	0.11	109.1%
Free Cash Flow ⁽¹⁾	\$	16.7	\$	16.7	0.4%
Debt and A/R Securitization	\$	494.7	\$	514.6	-3.9%

- Sales increased 16.5% vs. Q4 2009
 - Double-digit percentage sales increases in Energy, Aerospace & Defense and Engineered Components
 - Continued to gain additional market share in several businesses, while investments in new products and markets showing results
- Productivity efforts continue to drive enhanced profitability and fund growth
- Income and EPS increased compared to Q4 2009 (excl. Special Items)
 - Benefit of a lower effective tax rate in Q4 2010 of approximately \$0.10 EPS
- Q4 2010 Free Cash Flow of \$16.7 million same level as Q4 2009; Continued improvement in working capital as a percentage of sales
- · Realigned reportable segments



🕮 "Special Items" for each period, as well as the Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Measures Adjusted EBITDA and Free Cash Flow, are provided in the Appendix.

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2010 Full Year Summary

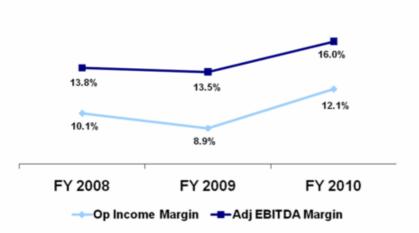
(from continuing operations)				2009	%Chg
Revenue	\$	942.7	\$	803.7	17.3%
Gross Profit	\$	280.4	\$	208.8	34.3%
Gross Profit Margin		29.7%		26.0%	370 bps
Adjusted EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	\$	150.7	\$	119.0	26.7%
Excl. Total Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have been:	\$	150.7	\$	108.6	38.8%
Excl. Total Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA margin would have been:		16.0%		13.5%	250 bps
Income	\$	41.9	\$	12.7	229.1%
Excl. Total Special Items, Income would have been:	\$	419	\$	14.9	181.2%
Diluted earnings per share	\$	1.21	\$	0.37	227.0%
Excl. Total Special Items, diluted EPS would have been:	\$	1.21	\$	0.43	181.4%
Free Cash Flow ⁽¹⁾	\$	83.4	\$	115.5	-27.8%
Debt and A/R Securitization	\$	494.7	\$	514.6	-3.9%

- Sales improved 17.3% as a result of improving end market demand and execution of the Company's growth initiatives
- Earnings and margin levels improved at higher rate than sales
 - Productivity efforts and lower fixed cost structure continue to drive enhanced profitability and margins
 - Adjusted EBITDA margins improved 250 bps compared to 2009
- Diluted EPS, excluding Special Items, more than doubled compared to 2009
- Free Cash Flow of almost \$2.50 per diluted share
- Debt levels down approximately \$20 million with an additional \$37 million in cash compared to year end 2009



Margin Improvements

Margins (excl. Special Items)11



Comments:

- Operating profit and Adjusted EBITDA margins improved 320 and 250 bps, respectively, compared to 2009
- 2010 margin levels are higher than 2008 levels, despite approximately \$71M higher sales in 2008
- Each business has plans in place to achieve material, labor and overhead productivity

Productivity initiatives improve margins over time.

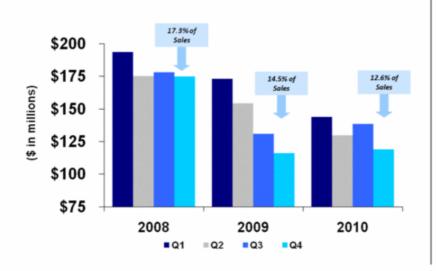


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Working Capital

Operating Working Capital



Comments:

- 2010 operating working capital at 12.6% of sales vs. 14.5% in 2009
- Reduction due to lower inventory levels relative to sales, about ½ turn improvement
- Long-term target of approximately 13% of sales



Continued lean initiatives will drive permanent process change and working capital reductions.

Capitalization

lars in thousands)	Dec	2010	Dec	cember 31, 2009	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	46,370	\$	9,480	Comments:
Term loan	_	248,950 - 290 249,240	_	251,580 5,100 12,890 269,570	 Increased cash by \$37 million Reduced debt by
9 ³ / ₄ % senior secured notes, due December 2017 A/R Facility Borrowings Total Debt		245,410 - 494,650	\$	244,980 - 514,550	\$20 million Funded \$31 million in acquisitions
Key Ratios: Bank LTM EBITDA	\$	161,830 3.10 x 3.06 x	\$	139,740 3.13 x 3.68 x	
Bank Covenants: Minimum Interest Coverage Ratio		2.00 x 5.00 x		2.20 x 4.50 x	



As of December 31, 2010, TriMas had \$167.1 million of cash and available liquidity under its revolving credit and receivables facilities.



Segment Highlights

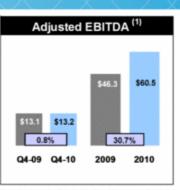
Packaging





(\$ in millions)







Results:

- FY 2010 sales increased due to improved demand for industrial closures and increased specialty dispensing
- Q4 2010 sales decreased due to H1N1-related sales in Q4 2009 that did not recur in Q4 2010, as well as impact of unfavorable currency exchange
- Increased sales volumes and productivity actions improved Adjusted EBITDA and operating profit
- FY 2010 operating profit margin improved approximately 530 basis points compared to FY 2009

Key Initiatives:

- Target specialty dispensing products in higher growth end
 - Pharmaceutical and medical
 - Food and beverage
 - Personal care
- Increase geographic coverage efforts in Europe & Asia
- Increase low-cost country sourcing and manufacturing
- Consider complementary bolt-on acquisitions
- Ensure new products continue to have barriers to entry











Energy

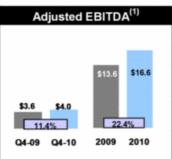






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Results:

- Sales increased due to improved demand for specialty gaskets and fastening hardware, incremental sales from newer branch facilities and the acquisition of STB&F
- Operating profit increased due to higher sales volumes, and lower costs resulting from sourcing and productivity initiatives, partially offset by higher SG&A in support of growth
- FY 2010 operating profit margin improved approximately 100 basis points compared to FY 2009

Key Initiatives:

- Faster expansion of business with major customers globally
- Capitalize on synergies related to acquisition of South Texas Bolt & Fitting
- Increase sales of specialty gaskets and bolts
- Capture larger share of new markets such as OEM, Engineered & Construction, Power Gen and Pulp/Paper
- Continue to reduce costs and improve working capital turnover



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Aerospace & Defense

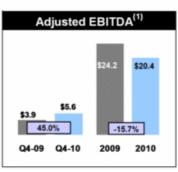






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Results:

- Q4 2010 sales increased due to improved demand from aerospace distribution customers and increased sales in the defense business
- FY 2010 sales were relatively flat compared to FY 2009 as sales declines in the aerospace business were offset by increased revenue associated with managing defense facility closure/ relocation (at significantly lower margin levels)
- While operating profit for FY 2010 was negatively impacted by less profitable sales mix, operating profit in Q4 2010 improved due to sales increase and better absorption of fixed costs in the aerospace business
- Expectations of ramp-up from large frame, composite aircraft

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- Expand aerospace fastener product lines to increase content and applications per aircraft
 Drive on-going Lean initiatives to lower working.
 - Drive on-going Lean initiatives to lower working capital and reduce costs

Key Initiatives:

- Leverage and develop existing defense customer relationships
- Consider complementary bolt-on acquisitions







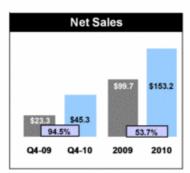
Engineered Components

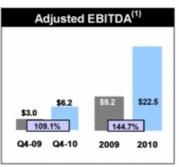






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Results:

- Sales increased in both periods due to improved demand for engines and other well-site content, industrial cylinders, specialty fittings and precision cutting tools
- Positive impact of Q2 bolt-on acquisition in the cylinder business
- Operating profit increased in Q4 and FY 2010 due to higher sales volumes, increased absorption of fixed costs and productivity efforts, partially offset by higher SG&A related to the acquisition
- FY 2010 operating profit margin improved approximately 630 basis points compared to FY 2009

Key Initiatives:

- Expand complementary product lines at well-site and grow natural gas compression products
- Capitalize on shale and natural gas opportunities
- Develop additional capabilities of cylinder business to capture new markets
- Continue to reduce costs and improve working capital turnover
- Continue to expand product offering and geographies
- Expand specialty products for existing components and tooling markets













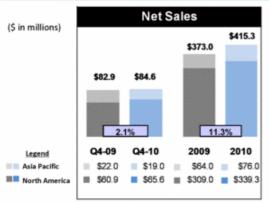


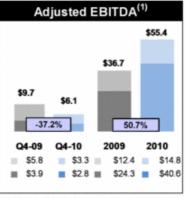
Cequent (Asia Pacific & North America)













Results:

- FY 2010 sales increased resulting from improvements in the North American towing, trailer and electrical products and retail businesses, as well as growth in Asia Pacific business and the favorable impact of currency exchange
- Q4 2010 Asia Pacific sales declined when compared to Q4 2009 which benefited from Australian government stimulus
- FY 2010 Adjusted EBITDA and operating profit increased due to improved sales levels and significant cost reductions and productivity initiatives

Key Initiatives:

- Continue reduce fixed costs and simplify the business
- Improve processes for better customer service and support
- Leverage strong brands for additional market share and cross-selling
- Expand sales to newer geographies
- Continue to reduce working capital requirements

















Outlook and Summary

Strategic Aspirations

Foundation for 2011 Playbook:

- High single-digit top-line growth
- Earnings growth faster than revenue growth
- 3% to 5% of total gross cost productivity gains annually utilize savings to fund growth
- Invest in growth programs that deliver new products, new markets and expanded geographies
- Increase revenues in fastest growing markets
- Ongoing improvement in capital turns and all cycle times
- Continued decrease in leverage ratio

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Winning businesses grow revenue and earnings in all market conditions.

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2011 Outlook

2011 Outlook

Sales growth 6% - 9%

Earnings Per Share, diluted \$1.40 to \$1.50

Free Cash Flow⁽¹⁾ \$50 to \$60 million

(1) 2011 Free Cash Flow is defined as Cash Flow from Operating Activities less Capital Expenditures.



End Markets

	Segment Description	End Market Dynamics	TriMas Advantage
Packaging:	Specialty dispensing, consumer-based packaging products: ~40% Industrial closures: ~60% 30%+ is non-North American	Consumer-based markets: Up mid single-digit % Medical/Pharma Food/Beverage Personal Care Industrial GDP: Up low single-digit %	New markets and customers New applied technologies and applications Upside in Asia and South America
Energy:	Oil & Gas/Refining/ Petrochemical MRO business: ~75% New markets such as OEM, Engineered & Construction, Power Gen and Pulp/Paper: ~25%	MRO: More stable – replace / fix – tends to move with Industrial GDP (Up low single-digit %)	Continued geographic expansion New product offering / expansion New awards with existing customers Ability to leverage specialty gasket and bolt product portfolio
Aerospace & Defense:	Aerospace: ~80% Defense: ~20%	Aerospace commercial build rates: Recovering – up mid single-digit % Defense: Management of base relocation (no production through 2011); cost-plus contract	High content on new composite aircraft New products and applications Pursuit of new geographies
Engineered Components:	Oil and gas commodity-driven: ~40% Industrial: ~40% Automotive: ~15% Medical: ~5%	Commodity dynamics: Natural gas and oil prices affect demand Industrial GDP: Up low single-digit % Automotive: Up high single digit % Medical tooling: Up high single digit %	Oil & gas: Product expansion at well- site Industrial: Continued geographic expansion; Medical: Apply core competencies to other markets and customers
Cequent Asia Pacific and North America:	Work-related end markets (agriculture, construction, etc): ~50% Recreational end markets: ~50%	Trailer registrations expected to increase Light pick-up truck sales expected to increase Overall market: Up low to mid single digit % Strong construction and mining sectors in Australia Flooding in Australia will shift (not eliminate) some revenue to Q2	Gain share due to broad product portfolio and strong brands Protect existing patents New awards domestic and international



Overall sales estimate for 2011 expected to be up 6% to 9% versus 2010.

2011 Key Growth Initiatives



- New specialty dispensing systems for consumer applications
- Growth in Asian markets



- New branch ramp-up (U.S. and non-U.S. based)
- Growth in specialty gaskets and bolts



- New aircraft development and production ramp-up
- Global sales expansion
- Additional products for composite aircraft applications



New cylinder applications (cell phone towers, mining, ISO small high pressure)



- Additional well-site content (electronics, gas compression products, compressors)
- Natural gas compressor packaging



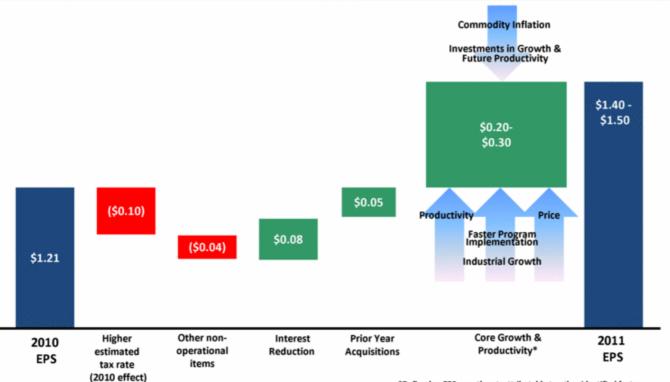
- North American automotive OEM wins for engineered, heavy duty trailer products
- Thailand-based automotive OEM wins
- Cargo management and towing products share gains at large retailers



2010 commercial successes and investments position us for growth in 2011.

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2010 to 2011 EPS Bridge



*Defined as EPS growth not attributable to other identified factors



Summary

- Executing in faster growing end markets with successful start to emerging market initiatives
- Continued leverage of new cost structure will drive earnings growth...2-3x sales growth
- Stay ahead of potential commodity inflation
- Robust cash generation even with investments in growth
- Continued focus on productivity (3 5% gross) funds growth investments and margin expansion
- Committed to capital allocation that will create value
- On track for continuous improvement and strong results



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Appendix

2011 Additional Assumptions

2011 Estimates

Interest expense \$47 million

Capital expenditures ~ 3.5% of sales

Tax rate 37.5%



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Condensed Balance Sheet

(Dollars in thousands)	Dec	ember 31, 2010	Dec	ember 31, 2009
Assets				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	46,370	\$	9,480
Receivables, net of reserves		117,050		93,380
Inventories		161,300		141,840
Deferred income taxes		34,500		24,320
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		7,550		6,500
Assets of discontinued operations held for sale		-		4,250
Total current assets		366,770		279,770
Property and equipment, net		167,510		162,220
Goodwill		205,890		196,330
Other intangibles, net		159,930		164,080
Other assets		24,060		23,380
Total assets	\$	924,160	\$	825,780
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity				
Current liabilities:				
Current maturities, long-term debt	\$	17,730	\$	16,190
Accounts payable		128,300		92,840
Accrued liabilities		68,400		65,750
Liabilities of discontinued operations		-		1,070
Total current liabilities		214,430		175,850
Long-term debt		476,920		498,360
Deferred income taxes		63,880		42,590
Other long-term liabilities		56,610		47,000
Total liabilities		811,840		763,800
Total shareholders' equity.		112,320		61,980
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	924,160	S	825,780
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Statement of Operations

)		nonths ended ember 31,		onths ended ber 31,
	2010	2009	2010	2009
	(un	audited)		
Net sales	\$ 222,650	\$ 191,090	\$ 942,650	\$ 803,650
Cost of sales	(158,160	(137,110)	(662,300)	(594,830)
Gross profit	64,490	53,980	280,350	208,820
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(44,400	(37,960)	(164,730)	(150,200)
Estimated future unrecoverable lease obligations		(5,250)		(5,250)
Fees incurred under advisory services agreement		(2,890)		(2,890)
Loss on dispositions of property and equipment	(590) (750)	(1,540)	(570)
Operating profit	19,500	7,130	114,080	49,910
Other income (expense), net:				
Interest expense	(12,050	(10,540)	(51,830)	(45,070)
Gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt		(10,260)		17,990
Gain on bargain purchase			410	
Other, net	(260	(40)	(1,510)	(1,750)
Other expense, net	(12,310	(20,840)	(52,930)	(28,830)
Income (loss) from continuing operations before				
income taxes	7,190	(13,710)	61,150	21,080
Income tax (expense) benefit	980	4,840	(19,250)	(8,350)
Income (loss) from continuing operations	8,170	(8,870)	41,900	12,730
Income (loss) from discontinued operations,				
net of income taxes	(2,480	(2,490)	3,370	(12,950)
Net income (loss)	\$ 5,690	\$ (11,360)	\$ 45,270	\$ (220)
Earnings (loss) per share - basic:				
Continuing operations	\$ 0.24	\$ (0.26)	\$ 1.24	\$ 0.38
Discontinued operations, net of income				
taxes	(0.07	(0.08)	0.10	(0.39)
Net income (loss) per share	\$ 0.17	\$ (0.34)	\$ 1.34	\$ (0.01)
Weighted average common shares - basic	33,852,165	33,516,104	33,761,430	33,489,659
Earnings (loss) per share - diluted:				
Continuing operations	\$ 0.23	\$ (0.26)	\$ 1.21	\$ 0.37
Discontinued operations, net of income				
taxes	(0.07	(0.08)	0.10	(0.38)
Net income (loss) per share	\$ 0.16	\$ (0.34)	\$ 1.31	\$ (0.01)
Weighted average common shares - diluted	34,561,391	33,516,104	34,435,245	33,892,170



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Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Measures Adjusted EBITDA⁽¹⁾ and Free Cash Flow⁽²⁾

audited)			Three mon			Twelve months ended December 31,				
	(dollars in thousands)		2010		2009		2010		2009	
	Net income (loss) Income tax expense (benefit). Interest expense. Debt extinguishment costs.	\$	5,690 (2,130) 12,180	\$	(11,360) (7,170) 10,670 10,260	\$	45,270 21,450 52,380	\$	(220) (520) 45,720 11,400	
	Impairment of property and equipment. Impairment of goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets Depreciation and amortization.		9,470		2,340 930 10,530		37,740		2,340 930 43,940	
	Adjusted EBITDA, total company		25,210		16,200		156,840		103,590	
	Adjusted EBITDA, discontinued operations		(3,500)		(1,120)		6,150		(15,360)	
	Adjusted EBITDA, continuing operations	\$	28,710	\$	17,320 9,500 (18,140)	\$	150,690	\$	118,950 (10,380) (43,600)	
	Cash taxes Non-cash gain on bargain purchase		(2,660)		(1,470)		(8,920) (410)		(8,200)	
	Capital expenditures	_	(10,810) 19,190 17,050	_	(3,210) 14,790 18,790	_	(21,900) (2,950) 71,420	_	(14,030) 58,710 101,450	
	Cash paid for Special Items		(420) 90	_	(2,220) 90		(2,870) 14,810		(9,130) 23,190	
	Free Cash Flow	\$	16,720	\$	16,660	\$	83,360	\$	115,510	

⁽I) The Company defines Adjusted EBITDA as net income (loss) before cumulative effect of accounting change, interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization, debt extinguishment costs, non-cash asset and goodwill impairment write-offs, and non-cash losses on sale-leaseback of property and equipment. Lease expense and non-recurring changes are included in Adjusted EBITDA and include both cash and non-cash charges related to restructuring and integration expenses. In evaluating our business, management considers and uses Adjusted EBITDA as a key indicator of financial operating performance and as a measure of cash generating capability. Management believes this measure is useful as an analytical indicator of leverage capacity and debt servicing ability, and uses it to measure financial performance as well as for planning purposes. However, Adjusted EBITDA should not be considered as an alternative to net income, cash flow from operating activities or any other measures calculated in accordance with U.S. GAAP, or as an indicator of operating performance. The definition of Adjusted EBITDA was deer may differ from that used by other companies.

⁽I) The Company defines Free Cash Flow as Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations, plus Special Items and net proceeds from sale of businesses, less cash paid for interest, taxes and Special Items, capital expenditures and changes in operating working capital. As detailed in Appendix I, for purposes of determining Free Cash Flow, Special Items, net, include those costs, expenses and other charges incurred on a cash basis that are included in the determination of net income (loss) under GAAP and are not added back to net income (loss) in determining Adjusted EBITDA, but that management would consider important in evaluating the quality of the Company's Free Cash Flow, as defined.



Additional Information Regarding Special Items Impacting Reported GAAP Financial Measures

		Three mo				Three mor		
(dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)	- Ir	ncome		EPS	- Ir	ncome		EPS
Income and EPS from continuing operations, as reported	\$	8,170	\$	0.23	\$	(8,870)	\$	(0.26)
After-tax impact of Special Items to consider in evaluating quality of income and EPS from continuing operations: Severance and business restructuring costs and other						(6,110)		(0.18)
Excluding Special Items except gain on extinguishment of debt, income and EPS from continuing operations would have been	\$	8,170	\$	0.23	\$	(2,760)	\$	(0.08)
After-tax impact of loss on extinguishment of debt			_	-	_	(6,380)		(0.19)
Excluding Total Special Items, income and EPS from continuing operations would have been	\$	8,170	\$	0.23	\$	3,620	\$	0.11
Weighted-average shares outstanding at December 31, 2010 and 2009			34	,561,391			33	516,104
	1	Twelve mo			1	welve mo		
(dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)	lr	ncome	_	EPS	Ir	ncome		EPS
Income and EPS from continuing operations, as reported	\$	41,900	\$	1.21	\$	12,730	\$	0.37
After-tax impact of Special Items to consider in evaluating quality of income and EPS from continuing operations: Severance and business restructuring costs and other						(13,360)		(0.39)
Excluding Special Items except gain on extinguishment of debt, income and EPS from continuing operations would have been	\$	41,900	\$	1.21	\$	26,090	\$	0.76
After-tax impact of gain on extinguishment of debt	_		_		_	11,190	_	0.33

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Excluding Total Special Items, income and EPS from continuing

Weighted-average shares outstanding at December 31, 2010 and 2009

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Additional Information Regarding Special Items Impacting Reported GAAP Financial Measures

(Unaudited)

		nths ended nber 31,		nths ended ber 31,		
(dollars in thousands)	2010	2009	2010	2009		
Operating profit from continuing operations, as reported	\$ 19,500	\$ 7,130	\$ 114,080	\$ 49,910		
Special Items to consider in evaluating quality of earnings: Severance and business restructuring costs and other	\$ -	\$ (9,880)	\$ -	\$ (21,630)		
Excluding Special Items, operating profit from continuing operations would have been	\$ 19,500	\$ 17,010	\$ 114,080	\$ 71,540		
		nths ended nber 31,		nths ended ber 31,		
(dollars in thousands)	2010	2009	2010	2009		
Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations, as reported	\$ 28,710	\$ 17,320	\$ 150,690	\$ 118,950		
Special Items to consider in evaluating quality of earnings: Severance and business restructuring costs and other	\$ -	\$ (9,500)	\$ -	\$ (19,010)		
Excluding Special Items except gain on extinguishment of debt, Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations would have been	\$ 28,710	\$ 26,820	\$ 150,690	\$ 137,960		
Gross gain on extinguishment of debt	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,390		
Excluding Total Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations would have been	\$ 28,710	\$ 26,820	\$ 150,690	\$ 108,570		



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Company and Business Segment Financial Information - Cont. Ops

(Unaudited, dollars in thousands)		Three mor			,	Twelve months ended December 31.				
		2010		2009		2010	-	2009		
Packaging Net sales Operating profit Adjusted EBITDA	\$ \$ \$	37,560 10,230 13,180	\$ \$ \$	38,930 9,660 12,970	s s	171,170 48,710 60,530	s s	145,060 33,050 45,730		
Special items to consider in evaluating operating profit and Adjusted EBITDA: - Severance and business restructuring costs	\$	-	s	(110)	\$	-	\$	(590)		
Excluding Special Items, operating profit would have been:	s	10,230	\$	9,770	\$	48,710	8	33,640		
Excluding Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have been:	\$	13,180	\$	13,080	\$	60,530	\$	46,320		
Energy Net sales Operating profit Adjusted EBITDA	\$ \$ \$	34,700 3,340 4,000	\$ \$ \$	28,110 2,790 3,250	\$ \$ \$	129,100 14,700 16,640	5 5	111,520 11,140 13,120		
Special flams to consider in evaluating operating profit and Adjusted EB/TDA: - Severance and business restructuring costs	\$		s	(340)	s		s	(470)		
Excluding Special Items, operating profit would have been:	\$	3,340	\$	3,130	\$	14,700	\$	11,610		
Excluding Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have been:	\$	4,000	\$	3,590	\$	16,640	\$	13,590		
Aerospace & Defense Net sales Operating profit Adjusted EBITCA	\$ \$ \$	20,460 5,070 5,640	\$ \$ \$	17,900 3,360 3,850	s s	73,930 18,090 20,420	s s	74,420 21,770 24,030		
Special Items to consider in evaluating operating profit and Adjusted EBITDA: - Severance and business restructuring costs	\$		s	(40)	\$		s	(180)		
Excluding Special items, operating profit would have been:	\$	5,070	\$	3,400	\$	18,090	\$	21,950		
Excluding Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have been:	s	5,640	\$	3,890	\$	20.420	5	24,210		
Engineered Components Net sales Operating profit	\$	45,330 4,890	s	23,300	\$	153,190 17,400	s	99,700 4,600		



Energy	_						_	
Net sales	\$ \$	34,700	\$ \$	28,110 2,790	s	129,100	s	111,520
Operating profit Adjusted EB/TDA	5	4,000	5	3.250	s	16,640	5	13,120
		4,000	۰	0,200	۰	10,040	۰	10,120
Special Items to consider in evaluating operating profit and Adjusted EBITDA: - Severance and business restructuring costs	s		s	(340)	s		s	(470)
Excluding Special Items, operating profit would have been:	5	3.340	5	3,130	s	14,700	s	11,610
Excluding Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have been:	5	4,000	s	3,590	\$	16,640	s	13,590
Aerospace & Defense								
Net sales	s	20.460	8	17.900	s	73.930	s	74.420
Operating profit	s	5,070	s	3.360	s	18,090	s	21,770
Adjusted EBITDA	5	5,640	\$	3,850	\$	20,420	\$	24,030
Special Items to consider in evaluating operating profit and Adjusted EBITDA:								
 Severance and business restructuring costs 	s		\$	(40)	\$		8	(180)
Excluding Special Items, operating profit would have been:	\$	5,070	\$	3,400	\$	18,090	\$	21,950
Excluding Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have been:	s	5,640	\$	3,890	\$	20.420	\$	24,210
Engineered Components								
Net sales	\$ \$	45,330	5	23,300	5	153,190	5	99,700 4,600
Operating profit Adjusted EBITDA	5	6.230	ŝ	2.980	ŝ	22,540	ŝ	8,740
Special Items to consider in evaluating operating profit and Adjusted EBITDA:								
- Severance and business restructuring costs	\$	-	\$		\$		\$	(470)
Excluding Special items, operating profit would have been:	s	4,890	\$	1,930	\$	17,400	\$	5,070
Excluding Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have been:	\$	6,230	\$	2,980	\$	22,540	s	9,210
Cequent Asia Pacific								
Net sales	5	18,950	\$	22,000	\$	75,990	s	63,930
Operating profit (loss)	\$	2,630	\$	4,130	\$	12,050	\$	7,990
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	3,320	\$	5,810	\$	14,800	\$	12,170
Special Items to consider in evaluating operating profit (loss):								
- Severance and business restructuring costs	5	-	\$		\$		s	(270)
Excluding Special Items, operating profit (loss) would have been:	\$	2,630	\$	4,130	\$	12,050	\$	8,260
Special Items to consider in evaluating Adjusted EBITDA:								
- Severance and business restructuring costs	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(270)
Excluding Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have been:	\$	3,320	\$	5,810	\$	14,800	\$	12,440

Company and Business Segment Financial Information – Cont. Ops (cont.)

(Unaudited, dollars in thousands)

		Three months ended December 31.					months ended ember 31.				
	_	2010	nber	2009	_	2010	nber	2009			
Account Mark Accordes	_	2010	_	2003	_	2010	-	2009			
Cequent North America Net sales	s	65.650	s	60.880	s	339.270	s	309.020			
Operating profit (loss)	Š	(340)	ŝ	(6,060)	s	27.840	s	(3,160)			
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	2,770	\$	(2,230)	s	40,580	Š	13,110			
Special items to consider in evaluating operating profit (loss):											
- Severance and business restructuring costs	\$		\$	(6,500)	s		\$	(13,820)			
Excluding Special Items, operating profit (loss) would have been:	\$	(340)	\$	440	s	27,840	\$	10,660			
Special items to consider in evaluating Adjusted EBITDA:											
 Severance and business restructuring costs 	\$		\$	(6,120)	s	-	S	(11,200)			
Excluding Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have been:	\$	2,770	\$	3,890	\$	40,580	\$	24,310			
Corporate Expenses						10.1 7401		105 400			
Operating loss Adjusted EBITDA	\$	(6,320) (6,430)	\$	(8,680) (9,310)	s	(24,710) (24,820)	\$	(25,480) 2,050			
Special items to consider in evaluating operating loss:											
- Severance and business restructuring costs	\$		\$	(2,890)	s		\$	(5,830)			
Excluding Special Items, operating loss would have been:	\$	(6,320)	\$	(5,790)	s	(24,710)	\$	(19,650)			
Special items to consider in evaluating Adjusted EBITDA:											
 Severance and business restructuring costs 	\$		\$	(2,890)	s		\$	(5,830)			
- Gain on extinguishment of debt	\$		\$		s		\$	29,390			
Excluding Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have been:	\$	(6,430)	\$	(6,420)	s	(24,820)	\$	(21,510)			
Total Company											
Net sales	\$	222,650	\$	191,120	s	942,650	\$	803,650			
Operating profit	\$	19,500	\$	7,130	S	114,080	s	49,910			
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	28,710	\$	17,320	s	150,690	\$	118,950			
Total Special items to consider in evaluating operating profit:	\$	-	\$	(9,880)	\$	-	\$	(21,630)			
Excluding Special Items, operating profit would have been:	\$	19,500	\$	17,010	\$	114,080	\$	71,540			
Total Special items to consider in evaluating Adjusted EBITDA:	\$		\$	(9,500)	s		\$	10,380			
Excluding Special Items, Adjusted EBITDA would have been:	\$	28,710	\$	26,820	s	150,690	s	108,570			



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LTM EBITDA as Defined in Credit Agreement

(Unaudited, dollars in thousands)

Reported net income for the twelve months ended December 31, 2010	\$45,270
Interest expense, net (as defined)	52,380
Income tax expense	21,450
Depreciation and amortization	37,740
Non-cash compensation expense	2,180
Other non-cash expenses or losses	4,180
Non-recurring expenses or costs	
for acquisition integration	640
Negative EBITDA from discontinued	
operations	200
Permitted dispositions	(6,340)
Permitted acquisitions	 4,130
Bank EBITDA - LTM Ended December 31, 2010 (1)	\$ 161,830

⁽¹⁾ As defined in the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated December 16, 2009.

