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(Mark One)

**QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2016

or

**TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number: 001-36473

Trinseo S.A.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Luxembourg
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

N/A
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

**1000 Chesterbrook Boulevard
Suite 300
Berwyn, PA 19312**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(610) 240-3200
(Registrant's telephone number)

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the Company is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Accelerated filer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Non-accelerated filer	<input type="checkbox"/> (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	Smaller reporting company	<input type="checkbox"/>

Indicate by a check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No

As of May 2, 2016, there were 47,140,870 of the registrant's ordinary shares outstanding.

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Trinseo S.A.
Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q
For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2016

Unless otherwise indicated or required by context, as used in this *Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q* (“*Quarterly Report*”), the term “*Trinseo*” refers to Trinseo S.A. (NYSE: TSE), a public limited liability company (société anonyme) existing under the laws of Luxembourg, and not its subsidiaries. The terms “*Company*,” “*we*,” “*us*” and “*our*” refer to Trinseo and its consolidated subsidiaries, taken as a consolidated entity and as required by context, may also include our business as owned by our predecessor, The Dow Chemical Company, for any dates prior to June 17, 2010. The terms “*Trinseo Materials Operating S.C.A.*” and “*Trinseo Materials Finance, Inc.*” refer to Trinseo’s indirect subsidiaries, Trinseo Materials Operating S.C.A., a Luxembourg partnership limited by shares incorporated under the laws of Luxembourg, and Trinseo Materials Finance, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and not their subsidiaries. All financial data provided in this *Quarterly Report* is the financial data of the Company, unless otherwise indicated.

Prior to our formation, our business was wholly owned by The Dow Chemical Company. We refer to our predecessor business as “*the Styron business*.” On June 17, 2010, investment funds advised or managed by affiliates of Bain Capital Partners, LLC (“*Bain Capital*”) acquired the Styron business and Dow Europe Holding B.V., which we refer to as “*Dow Europe*,” or, together with other affiliates of The Dow Chemical Company, “*Dow*,” retained an ownership interest in the Styron business through an indirect ownership interest in us. We refer to our acquisition by Bain Capital as the “*Acquisition*.”

Definitions of capitalized terms not defined herein appear in the notes to our condensed consolidated financial statements.

Cautionary Note on Forward-Looking Statements

This *Quarterly Report* contains forward-looking statements including, without limitation, statements concerning plans, objectives, goals, projections, strategies, future events or performance, and underlying assumptions and other statements, which are not statements of historical facts. Forward-looking statements may be identified by the use of words like “*expect*,” “*anticipate*,” “*intend*,” “*forecast*,” “*outlook*,” “*will*,” “*may*,” “*might*,” “*potential*,” “*likely*,” “*target*,” “*plan*,” “*contemplate*,” “*seek*,” “*attempt*,” “*should*,” “*could*,” “*would*” or expressions of similar meaning. Forward-looking statements reflect management’s evaluation of information currently available and are based on our current expectations and assumptions regarding our business, the economy and other future conditions. Because forward-looking statements relate to the future, they are subject to inherent uncertainties, risks and changes in circumstances that are difficult to predict. Specific factors that may impact performance or other predictions of future actions have, in many but not all cases, been identified in connection with specific forward-looking statements. Factors that might cause such a difference include, but are not limited to, those discussed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015 (“*Annual Report*”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“*SEC*”) on March 11, 2016 under Part I, Item 1A— “*Risk Factors*”, and elsewhere within this *Quarterly Report*.

As a result of these or other factors, our actual results may differ materially from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements. They are neither statements of historical fact nor guarantees or assurances of future performance. Therefore, we caution you against relying on these forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements included in this *Quarterly Report* are made only as of the date hereof. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as otherwise required by law.

Available Information

Our annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K, and amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, are available free of charge through the Investor Relations section of our website, www.trinseo.com, as soon as reasonably practicable after the reports are electronically filed or furnished with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. We provide this website and information contained in or connected to it for informational purposes only. That information is not a part of this *Quarterly Report*.

PART I —FINANCIAL INFORMATION
Item 1. Financial Statements

TRINSEO S.A.
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets
(In thousands, except per share data)
(Unaudited)

	<u>March 31,</u>	<u>December 31,</u>
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 438,389	\$ 431,261
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts (March 31, 2016: \$2,259; December 31, 2015: \$2,417)	535,095	494,556
Inventories	367,159	353,097
Other current assets	13,300	10,120
Total current assets	<u>1,353,943</u>	<u>1,289,034</u>
Investments in unconsolidated affiliates	181,711	182,836
Property, plant and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation (March 31, 2016: \$402,712; December 31, 2015: \$375,315)	522,145	518,751
Other assets		
Goodwill	32,255	31,064
Other intangible assets, net	168,013	158,218
Deferred income tax assets—noncurrent	46,564	51,395
Deferred charges and other assets	27,004	27,596
Total other assets	<u>273,836</u>	<u>268,273</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 2,331,635</u>	<u>\$ 2,258,894</u>
Liabilities and shareholders' equity		
Current liabilities		
Short-term borrowings and current portion of long-term debt	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Accounts payable	340,803	324,629
Income taxes payable	28,223	20,804
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	91,229	98,836
Total current liabilities	<u>465,255</u>	<u>449,269</u>
Noncurrent liabilities		
Long-term debt, net of unamortized deferred financing fees	1,192,500	1,177,120
Deferred income tax liabilities—noncurrent	27,480	25,764
Other noncurrent obligations	226,316	217,727
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>1,446,296</u>	<u>1,420,611</u>
Commitments and contingencies (Note 10)		
Shareholders' equity		
Ordinary shares, \$0.01 nominal value, 50,000,000 shares authorized (March 31, 2016: 48,778 shares issued and 47,178 shares outstanding; December 31, 2015: 48,778 shares issued and outstanding)	488	488
Additional paid-in-capital	562,125	556,532
Treasury shares, at cost (March 31, 2016: 1,600 shares; December 31, 2015: zero shares)	(57,008)	—
Retained earnings (accumulated deficit)	58,458	(18,289)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(143,979)	(149,717)
Total shareholders' equity	<u>420,084</u>	<u>389,014</u>
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	<u>\$ 2,331,635</u>	<u>\$ 2,258,894</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

TRINSEO S.A.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations
(In thousands, except per share data)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2016	2015
Net sales	\$ 894,084	\$ 1,018,265
Cost of sales	754,412	915,186
Gross profit	139,672	103,079
Selling, general and administrative expenses	54,486	51,775
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates	35,026	36,707
Operating income	120,212	88,011
Interest expense, net	18,896	28,856
Other expense, net	2,669	3,551
Income before income taxes	98,647	55,604
Provision for income taxes	21,900	17,900
Net income	\$ 76,747	\$ 37,704
Weighted average shares- basic	48,655	48,770
Net income per share- basic	\$ 1.58	\$ 0.77
Weighted average shares- diluted	49,086	48,851
Net income per share- diluted	\$ 1.56	\$ 0.77

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TRINSEO S.A.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss)
(In thousands, unless otherwise stated)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2016	2015
Net income	\$ 76,747	\$ 37,704
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax (tax amounts shown in millions below for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively):		
Cumulative translation adjustments	13,423	(114,155)
Net gain (loss) on foreign exchange cash flow hedges	(7,425)	1,035
Pension and other postretirement benefit plans:		
Net gain (loss) arising during period (net of tax of (\$0.5) and \$0)	(800)	—
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	540	837
Total other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	5,738	(112,283)
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$ 82,485	\$ (74,579)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

TRINSEO S.A.

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity
(In thousands)
(Unaudited)

	Shareholders' Equity							Total
	Ordinary Shares Outstanding	Ordinary Shares	Additional Paid-In Capital	Treasury Shares	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Retained Earnings (Accumulated Deficit)		
Balance at December 31, 2015	48,778	\$ 488	\$ 556,532	\$ —	\$ (149,717)	\$ (18,289)	\$ 389,014	
Net income	—	—	—	—	—	76,747	76,747	
Other comprehensive income	—	—	—	—	5,738	—	5,738	
Stock-based compensation	—	—	5,593	—	—	—	5,593	
Purchase of treasury shares	(1,600)	—	—	(57,008)	—	—	(57,008)	
Balance at March 31, 2016	<u>47,178</u>	<u>\$ 488</u>	<u>\$ 562,125</u>	<u>\$ (57,008)</u>	<u>\$ (143,979)</u>	<u>\$ 58,458</u>	<u>\$ 420,084</u>	
Balance at December 31, 2014	48,770	\$ 488	\$ 547,530	\$ —	\$ (75,217)	\$ (151,936)	\$ 320,865	
Net income	—	—	—	—	—	37,704	37,704	
Other comprehensive loss	—	—	—	—	(112,283)	—	(112,283)	
Stock-based compensation	—	—	2,622	—	—	—	2,622	
Balance at March 31, 2015	<u>48,770</u>	<u>\$ 488</u>	<u>\$ 550,152</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ (187,500)</u>	<u>\$ (114,232)</u>	<u>\$ 248,908</u>	

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TRINSEO S.A.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flow s
(In thousands)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2016	2015
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net income	\$ 76,747	\$ 37,704
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization	23,120	22,554
Amortization of deferred financing fees and issuance discount	1,608	2,446
Deferred income tax	6,418	3,775
Stock-based compensation	5,593	2,622
Earnings of unconsolidated affiliates, net of dividends	(3,684)	(21,707)
Unrealized net losses (gains) on foreign exchange forward contracts	(447)	2,815
Changes in assets and liabilities		
Accounts receivable	(33,732)	(42,091)
Inventories	(7,162)	53,722
Accounts payable and other current liabilities	4,344	(11,944)
Income taxes payable	6,486	7,074
Other assets, net	(3,452)	3,892
Other liabilities, net	9,046	(17,948)
Cash provided by operating activities	<u>84,885</u>	<u>42,914</u>
Cash flows from investing activities		
Capital expenditures	(26,437)	(27,670)
Proceeds from the sale of businesses and other assets	—	560
Distributions from unconsolidated affiliates	4,809	—
Cash used in investing activities	<u>(21,628)</u>	<u>(27,110)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities		
Short-term borrowings, net	(63)	(9,487)
Repayments of term loans	(1,250)	—
Purchase of treasury shares	(57,008)	—
Cash used in financing activities	<u>(58,321)</u>	<u>(9,487)</u>
Effect of exchange rates on cash	2,192	(8,406)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	7,128	(2,089)
Cash and cash equivalents—beginning of period	431,261	220,786
Cash and cash equivalents—end of period	<u>\$ 438,389</u>	<u>\$ 218,697</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

TRINSEO S.A.

**Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements
(Dollars in thousands, unless otherwise stated)
(Unaudited)**

NOTE 1—BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements of Trinseo S.A. and its subsidiaries (the “Company”) as of and for the periods ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 were prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”) and reflect all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring adjustments, which, in the opinion of management, are considered necessary for the fair statement of the results for the periods presented. Because they cover interim periods, the statements and related notes to the financial statements do not include all disclosures normally provided in annual financial statements and, therefore, these statements should be read in conjunction with the 2015 audited consolidated financial statements included within the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K (“Annual Report”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) on March 11, 2016.

The December 31, 2015 condensed consolidated balance sheet data presented herein was derived from the Company’s December 31, 2015 audited consolidated financial statements, but does not include all disclosures required by GAAP for annual periods.

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation. These reclassifications did not have a material impact on the Company’s financial position. Refer to Note 2 for further discussion.

NOTE 2—RECENT ACCOUNTING GUIDANCE

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) and the International Accounting Standards Board (“IASB”) jointly issued new guidance which clarifies the principles for recognizing revenue and develops a common revenue standard for GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”). The core principle of the guidance is that an entity should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. Additionally, the FASB has issued certain clarifying updates to this guidance, which the Company will consider as part of our adoption. This guidance is effective for public entities for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2017. The Company is currently assessing the impact of adopting this guidance on its financial position and results of operations.

In April 2015, the FASB issued guidance that requires deferred financing fees related to a recognized debt liability be presented in the balance sheet as a direct reduction of the carrying value of that debt liability, consistent with debt discounts. The recognition and measurement guidance for deferred financing fees are not affected. The Company adopted this guidance effective January 1, 2016. Balances as of December 31, 2015 presented herein have been retrospectively adjusted, with \$25.7 million of unamortized deferred financing fees being reclassified from “Deferred charges and other assets” and netted against “Long-term debt, net of unamortized deferred financing fees” on the condensed consolidated balance sheet. In accordance with this guidance, unamortized deferred financing fees related to the Company’s revolving debt facilities were not reclassified as a reduction of long-term debt, and remain included within “Deferred charges and other assets” on the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

In July 2015, the FASB issued guidance which simplifies the subsequent measurement of inventory by replacing the lower of cost or market test with a lower of cost or net realizable value (“NRV”) test. NRV is calculated as the estimated selling price less reasonably predictable costs of completion, disposal and transportation. This pronouncement is effective for fiscal years, and for interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2016, and prospective adoption is required. The Company does not expect the impact of adopting this guidance to be material to its financial position and results of operations.

In February 2016, the FASB issued new guidance related to leases that outlines a comprehensive lease accounting model and supersedes the current lease guidance. The new guidance requires lessees to recognize on the balance sheet lease liabilities and corresponding right-of-use assets for all leases with terms of greater than 12 months. It also changes

the definition of a lease and expands the disclosure requirements of lease arrangements. This new guidance is effective for public companies for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2018, with early adoption permitted. The new guidance must be adopted using a modified retrospective transition, and provides for certain practical expedients. The Company is currently assessing the impact of adopting this guidance on its financial position and results of operations.

In March 2016, the FASB issued new guidance that simplifies several aspects of accounting for share-based payments. Under the new guidance, excess tax benefits associated with share-based payment awards will be recognized in the statement of operations when the awards vest or settle, rather than in shareholders' equity. In addition, it will increase the number of shares an employer can withhold to cover income taxes on share-based payment awards and still qualify for the exemption to liability classification. Also under this guidance, entities are permitted to make an accounting policy election regarding the impact of forfeitures on expense recognition, wherein forfeitures can either be estimated, as required under current GAAP, or recognized as incurred. This new guidance is effective for public companies for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2016, with early adoption permitted. The Company is currently assessing the impact of adopting this guidance on its financial position and results of operations as well as the timing of such adoption .

NOTE 3—INVESTMENTS IN UNCONSOLIDATED AFFILIATES

The Company is supplemented by two strategic joint ventures , the results of which are included within the Basic Plastics & Feedstocks reporting segment: Americas Styrenics LLC ("Americas Styrenics", a polystyrene joint venture with Chevron Phillips Chemical Company LP) and Sumika Styron Polycarbonate Limited ("Sumika Styron Polycarbonate", a polycarbonate joint venture with Sumitomo Chemical Company, Limited). Investments held in the unconsolidated affiliates are accounted for by the equity method.

As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively, the Company's investment in Americas Styrenics was \$146.8 million and \$143.9 million, which was \$83.1 million and \$91.9 million less than the Company's 50% share of the underlying net assets of Americas Styrenics . This amount represents the difference between the book value of assets contributed to the joint venture at the time of formation (May 1, 2008) and the Company's 50% share of the total recorded value of the joint venture's assets and certain adjustments to conform with the Company's accounting policies. This difference is being amortized over a weighted average remaining useful life of the contributed assets of approximately 4.5 years as of March 31, 2016. The Company received dividends from Americas Styrenics of \$30.0 million and \$15.0 million during the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively, the Company's investment in Sumika Styron Polycarbonate was \$34.9 million and \$39.0 million, which was \$18.1 million and \$19.8 million greater than the Company's 50% share of the underlying net assets of Sumika Styron Polycarbonate. This amount represents the fair value of certain identifiable assets which have not been recorded on the historical financial statements of Sumika Styron Polycarbonate. This difference is being amortized over the remaining useful life of the contributed assets of 9.5 years as of March 31, 2016. The Company received dividends from Sumika Styron Polycarbonate of \$6.2 million and zero during the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Both of the unconsolidated affiliates are privately held companies; therefore, quoted market prices for their stock are not available. The summarized financial information of the Company's unconsolidated affiliates is shown below:

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2016	2015
Sales	\$ 376,253	\$ 439,570
Gross profit	\$ 68,403	\$ 77,670
Net income	\$ 52,796	\$ 66,019

NOTE 4—INVENTORIES

Inventories consisted of the following:

	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015
Finished goods	\$ 176,544	\$ 170,380
Raw materials and semi-finished goods	158,497	151,444
Supplies	32,118	31,273
Total	<u>\$ 367,159</u>	<u>\$ 353,097</u>

NOTE 5—GOODWILL AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Goodwill

The following table shows changes in the carrying amount of goodwill by segment from December 31, 2015 to March 31, 2016:

	Performance Materials				Total
	Latex	Synthetic Rubber	Performance Plastics	Basic Plastics & Feedstocks	
Balance at December 31, 2015	\$ 12,412	\$ 8,501	\$ 2,914	\$ 7,237	\$ 31,064
Foreign currency impact	476	326	112	277	1,191
Balance at March 31, 2016	<u>\$ 12,888</u>	<u>\$ 8,827</u>	<u>\$ 3,026</u>	<u>\$ 7,514</u>	<u>\$ 32,255</u>

Other Intangible Assets

The following table provides information regarding the Company's other intangible assets as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively:

	Estimated Useful Life (Years)	March 31, 2016			December 31, 2015		
		Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Net	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Net
Developed technology	15	\$ 179,300	\$ (68,416)	\$ 110,884	\$ 172,675	\$ (62,870)	\$ 109,805
Manufacturing Capacity Rights	6	21,546	(6,988)	14,558	20,750	(5,888)	14,862
Software	5 - 10	18,392	(10,048)	8,344	18,006	(9,494)	8,512
Software in development	N/A	33,760	—	33,760	24,516	—	24,516
Other	N/A	467	—	467	523	—	523
Total		<u>\$ 253,465</u>	<u>\$ (85,452)</u>	<u>\$ 168,013</u>	<u>\$ 236,470</u>	<u>\$ (78,252)</u>	<u>\$ 158,218</u>

As of March 31, 2016, the Company had \$33.8 million capitalized as software in development, primarily related to our project to upgrade our legacy enterprise resource planning environment to the latest version of SAP. This project is expected to be completed and placed into service in 2016.

Amortization expense on other intangible assets totaled \$4.4 million and \$4.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

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The following table details the Company's estimated amortization expense for the next five years, excluding any amortization expense related to software currently in development:

Estimated Amortization Expense for the Next Five Years	
Remainder of 2016	\$ 13,842
2017	17,800
2018	17,108
2019	16,927
2020	13,894
2021	12,403

NOTE 6—DEBT

Debt consisted of the following:

	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015
Senior Credit Facility		
2020 Revolving Facility	\$ —	\$ —
2021 Term Loan B	495,160	496,365
2022 Senior Notes		
USD Notes	300,000	300,000
Euro Notes	425,250	409,538
Accounts Receivable Securitization Facility	—	—
Other indebtedness	1,879	1,895
Total debt	1,222,289	1,207,798
Less: current portion	(5,000)	(5,000)
Less: unamortized deferred financing fees ⁽¹⁾	(24,789)	(25,678)
Total long-term debt, net of unamortized deferred financing fees	\$ 1,192,500	\$ 1,177,120

- (1) As discussed in Note 2, effective January 1, 2016, the Company retroactively adopted new accounting guidance that requires deferred financing fees related to a debt liability be presented in the balance sheet as a direct reduction of the carrying value of that debt liability rather than as deferred assets. This caption reflects this reclassification for both the current and prior periods. Note that this caption does not include deferred financing fees related to the 2020 Revolving Facility and the Accounts Receivable Securitization Facility, which are included within "Deferred charges and other assets" on the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

2018 Senior Secured Credit Facility

On June 17, 2010, the Company entered into a credit agreement, which was subsequently amended from time to time, and was to mature in January 2018 ("2018 Senior Secured Credit Facility"). The 2018 Senior Secured Credit Facility included a revolving credit facility ("2018 Revolving Facility"), which, as a result of an amendment in January 2013, included a borrowing capacity of \$300.0 million. In May 2015, upon completion of the refinancing transactions discussed below, the Company terminated the 2018 Senior Secured Credit Facility. Immediately prior to this termination, the Company had no outstanding borrowings under the 2018 Revolving Facility.

Senior Credit Facility

On May 5, 2015, Trinseo Materials Operating S.C.A. and Trinseo Materials Finance, Inc. (together, the "Issuers" or the "Borrowers"), both wholly-owned subsidiaries of the Company, entered into a senior secured credit agreement (the "Credit Agreement"), which provides senior secured financing of up to \$825.0 million (the "Senior Credit

Facility”). The Senior Credit Facility provides for senior secured financing consisting of a (i) \$325.0 revolving credit facility, with a \$25.0 million swingline subfacility and a \$35.0 million letter of credit subfacility (the “2020 Revolving Facility”) maturing in May 2020 and (ii) \$500.0 million senior secured term loan B facility maturing in November 2021 (the “2021 Term Loan B”). Amounts under the 2020 Revolving Facility are available in U.S. dollars and euros.

The 2021 Term Loan B bears an interest rate of LIBOR plus 3.25%, subject to a 1.00% LIBOR floor, and was issued at a 0.25% original issue discount. Further, the 2021 Term Loan B requires scheduled quarterly payments in amounts equal to 0.25% of the original principal amount of the 2021 Term Loan B, with the balance to be paid at maturity. As of March 31, 2016, \$5.0 million of these scheduled future payments were classified as current debt on the Company’s condensed consolidated balance sheet.

Loans under the 2020 Revolving Facility, at the Borrowers’ option, may be maintained as (a) LIBO rate loans, which bear interest at a rate per annum equal to the LIBO rate plus the applicable margin (as defined in the Credit Agreement), if applicable, or (b) base rate loans which shall bear interest at a rate per annum equal to the base rate plus the applicable margin (as defined in the Credit Agreement). As of March 31, 2016, the Borrowers will be required to pay a quarterly commitment fee in respect of any unused commitments under the 2020 Revolving Facility equal to 0.375% per annum.

As of March 31, 2016, the Company had no outstanding borrowings, and had \$311.7 million (net of \$13.3 million outstanding letters of credit) of funds available for borrowing under the 2020 Revolving Facility. The Senior Credit Facility contains certain customary affirmative, negative and financial covenants. As of March 31, 2016, the Company was in compliance with all debt covenant requirements under the Senior Credit Facility. Refer to the Annual Report for further information.

2019 Senior Notes

In January 2013, the Company issued \$1,325.0 million 8.750% senior notes due to mature on February 1, 2019 (the “2019 Senior Notes”). In July 2014, using proceeds from the Company’s initial public offering in June 2014 (the “IPO”), the Company redeemed \$132.5 million in aggregate principal amount of the 2019 Senior Notes .

On May 13, 2015, using the net proceeds from the issuance of the 2021 Term Loan B, together with the net proceeds from the issuance of the 2022 Senior Notes (defined and discussed below) and available cash, the Company redeemed all outstanding borrowings under the 2019 Senior Notes, totaling \$1,192.5 million in principal, together with a call premium of \$68.6 million (with a redemption price of 103% on the first \$132.5 million and 106.097% on the remaining balance) and accrued and unpaid interest thereon of \$29.6 million.

2022 Senior Notes

On May 5, 2015, the Issuers executed an indenture (the “Indenture”) pursuant to which they issued \$300.0 million aggregate principal amount of 6.750% senior notes due May 1, 2022 (the “USD Notes”) and €375.0 million aggregate principal amount of 6.375% senior notes due May 1, 2022 (the “Euro Notes”, and together with the USD Notes, the “2022 Senior Notes”). Interest on the 2022 Senior Notes is payable semi-annually on May 1 and November 1 of each year, commencing on November 1, 2015.

The Indenture contains certain provisions allowing the Issuers’ to redeem the 2022 Senior Notes prior to their maturity. Additionally, the Indenture contains certain customary covenants, which the Company was in compliance with as of March 31, 2016. Refer to the Annual Report for further information .

Accounts Receivable Securitization Facility

The Company’s accounts receivable securitization facility (“Accounts Receivable Securitization Facility”) has a borrowing capacity of \$200.0 million and was set to mature in May 2016. In February 2016, the Company amended the facility to extend the maturity date to May 2019.

The Accounts Receivable Securitization Facility is subject to interest charges against the amount of outstanding borrowings as well as the amount of available, but undrawn commitments. In regards to outstanding borrowings, fixed interest charges are 2.60% plus variable commercial paper rates, while for available, but undrawn commitments, fixed interest charges are 1.40%.

As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, there were no amounts outstanding under the Accounts Receivable Securitization Facility, with approximately \$133.3 million and \$123.4 million, respectively, of accounts receivable available to support this facility, based on the pool of eligible accounts receivable.

NOTE 7—DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS

The Company's ongoing business operations expose it to various risks, including fluctuating foreign exchange rates. To manage these risks, the Company periodically enters into derivative financial instruments such as foreign exchange forward contracts. The Company does not hold or enter into financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes. All derivatives are recorded on the condensed consolidated balance sheets at fair value.

Foreign Exchange Forward Contracts

Certain subsidiaries have assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than their respective functional currencies, which creates foreign exchange risk. The Company's principal strategy in managing its exposure to changes in foreign currency exchange rates is to naturally hedge the foreign currency-denominated liabilities on our balance sheet against corresponding assets of the same currency such that any changes in liabilities due to fluctuations in exchange rates are offset by changes in their corresponding foreign currency assets. In order to further reduce its exposure, the Company also uses foreign exchange forward contracts to economically hedge the impact of the variability in exchange rates on our assets and liabilities denominated in certain foreign currencies. These derivative contracts are not designated for hedge accounting treatment.

As of March 31, 2016, the Company had open foreign exchange forward contracts with a notional U.S. dollar equivalent absolute value of \$363.2 million. The following table displays the notional amounts of the most significant net foreign exchange hedge positions outstanding as of March 31, 2016.

<u>Buy / (Sell)</u>	<u>March 31,</u>
	<u>2016</u>
Euro	\$ 150,398
Chinese Yuan	\$ (89,613)
Indonesian Rupiah	\$ (48,871)
Swiss Franc	\$ 37,705
Japanese Yen	\$ (11,083)

Foreign Exchange Cash Flow Hedges

The Company also enters into forward contracts with the objective of managing the currency risk associated with forecasted U.S. dollar-denominated raw materials purchases by one of its subsidiaries whose functional currency is the euro. By entering into these forward contracts, which are designated as cash flow hedges, the Company buys a designated amount of U.S. dollars and sells euros at the prevailing market rate to mitigate the risk associated with the fluctuations in the euro-to-U.S. dollar foreign currency exchange rates. The qualifying hedge contracts are marked-to-market at each reporting date and any unrealized gains or losses are included in accumulated other comprehensive income (AOCI) to the extent effective, and reclassified to cost of sales in the period during which the transaction affects earnings or it becomes probable that the forecasted transaction will not occur.

Open foreign exchange cash flow hedges as of March 31, 2016 have maturities occurring over a period of nine months, and have a net notional U.S. dollar equivalent of \$171.0 million.

Net Investment Hedge

The Company's outstanding debt includes €375.0 million of Euro Notes (see Note 6 for details). As of March 31, 2016, the Company has designated a portion (€150.0 million) of the principal amount of these Euro Notes as a hedge of the foreign currency exposure of the Issuers' net investment in certain European subsidiaries. As this debt was deemed to be a highly effective hedge, changes in the Euro Notes' carrying value resulting from fluctuations in the euro exchange rate were recorded as cumulative foreign currency translation loss of \$5.9 million within accumulated other comprehensive loss as of March 31, 2016.

Summary of Derivative Instruments

Information regarding changes in the fair value of the Company's derivative instruments, net of tax, including those not designated for hedge accounting treatment, is as follows:

	Gain (Loss) Recognized in AOCI on Balance Sheet		Gain (Loss) Recognized in Statement of Operations		Statement of Operations Classification
	Three Months Ended March 31,				
	2016	2015	2016	2015	
Designated as Cash Flow Hedges					
Foreign exchange cash flow hedges	\$ (7,425)	\$ 1,035	\$ 1,106	\$ —	Cost of sales
Total	\$ (7,425)	\$ 1,035	\$ 1,106	\$ —	
Net Investment Hedges					
Euro Notes	\$ (6,285)	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	Other expenses, net
Total	\$ (6,285)	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	
Not Designated as Cash Flow Hedges					
Foreign exchange forward contracts	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 3,133	\$ (20,962)	Other expenses, net
Total	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 3,133	\$ (20,962)	

The Company recorded gains of \$3.1 million and losses of \$21.0 million during the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively, from settlements and changes in the fair value of outstanding forward contracts (not designated as hedges). The gains and losses from these forward contracts offset net foreign exchange transaction losses of \$5.0 million and gains of \$18.0 million during the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively, which resulted from the remeasurement of the Company's foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities. The cash settlements of these foreign exchange forward contracts are included within operating activities in the condensed consolidated statement of cash flows.

As of March 31, 2016, the Company has no ineffectiveness related to its foreign exchange cash flow hedges. Further, the Company expects to reclassify in the next twelve months an approximate \$2.6 million net loss from other comprehensive income (loss) into earnings related to the Company's outstanding cash flow hedges as of March 31, 2016 based on current foreign exchange rates.

The following table summarizes the net unrealized gains and losses and balance sheet classification of outstanding derivatives recorded in the condensed consolidated balance sheets:

Balance Sheet Classification	March 31, 2016			December 31, 2015		
	Foreign Exchange Forward Contracts	Foreign Exchange Cash Flow Hedges	Total	Foreign Exchange Forward Contracts	Foreign Exchange Cash Flow Hedges	Total
Asset Derivatives:						
Accounts receivable, net of allowance	\$ 5,866	\$ 173	\$ 6,039	\$ 4,592	\$ 4,958	\$ 9,550
Deferred charges and other assets	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total asset derivatives	\$ 5,866	\$ 173	\$ 6,039	\$ 4,592	\$ 4,958	\$ 9,550
Liability Derivatives:						
Accounts payable	\$ 1,021	\$ 2,736	\$ 3,757	\$ 194	\$ —	\$ 194
Other noncurrent obligations	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total liability derivatives	\$ 1,021	\$ 2,736	\$ 3,757	\$ 194	\$ —	\$ 194

Forward contracts are entered into with a limited number of counterparties, each of which allows for net settlement of all contracts through a single payment in a single currency in the event of a default on or termination of any one contract. As such, in accordance with the Company's accounting policy, we record these foreign exchange forward contracts on a net basis by counterparty within the condensed consolidated balance sheet. Information regarding the

gross amounts of the Company's derivative instruments and the amounts offset in the condensed consolidated balance sheets is as follows:

	Gross Amounts Recognized in the Balance Sheet	Gross Amounts Offset in the Balance Sheet	Net Amounts Presented in the Balance Sheet
Balance at March 31, 2016			
Derivative assets	\$ 8,118	\$ (2,079)	\$ 6,039
Derivative liabilities	5,836	(2,079)	3,757
Balance at December 31, 2015			
Derivative assets	\$ 10,044	\$ (494)	\$ 9,550
Derivative liabilities	688	(494)	194

Refer to Notes 8 and 17 of the condensed consolidated financial statements for further information regarding the fair value of the Company's derivative instruments and the related changes in accumulated other comprehensive income .

NOTE 8—FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Assets and liabilities measured at fair value are classified using the following hierarchy, which is based upon the transparency of inputs to the valuation as of the measurement date.

Level 1—Valuation is based upon quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.

Level 2—Valuation is based upon quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, or other inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the financial instrument.

Level 3—Valuation is based upon other unobservable inputs that are significant to the fair value measurement.

The following table summarizes the basis used to measure certain assets and liabilities at fair value on a recurring basis in the condensed consolidated balance sheets as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015.

	March 31, 2016			Total
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Items (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	
Assets (Liabilities) at Fair Value				
Foreign exchange forward contracts—Assets	\$ —	\$ 5,866	\$ —	\$ 5,866
Foreign exchange forward contracts— (Liabilities)	—	(1,021)	—	(1,021)
Foreign exchange cash flow hedges—Assets	—	173	—	173
Foreign exchange cash flow hedges— (Liabilities)	—	(2,736)	—	(2,736)
Total fair value	\$ —	\$ 2,282	\$ —	\$ 2,282

	December 31, 2015			
	Quoted Prices in	Significant	Significant	Total
	Active Markets for	Other Observable	Unobservable	
	Identical Items	Inputs	Inputs	
(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)		
Assets (Liabilities) at Fair Value				
Foreign exchange forward contracts—Assets	\$ —	\$ 4,592	\$ —	\$ 4,592
Foreign exchange forward contracts— (Liabilities)	—	(194)	—	(194)
Foreign exchange cash flow hedges—Assets	—	4,958	—	4,958
Total fair value	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 9,356</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 9,356</u>

The Company uses an income approach to value its derivative instruments, utilizing discounted cash flow techniques, considering the terms of the contract and observable market information available as of the reporting date. Significant inputs to the valuation for foreign exchange forward contracts and foreign exchange cash flow hedges are obtained from broker quotations or from listed or over-the-counter market data, and are classified as Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy.

Fair Value of Debt Instruments

The following table presents the estimated fair value of the Company's outstanding debt not carried at fair value as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively:

	As of March 31, 2016	As of December 31, 2015
2022 Senior Notes		
USD Notes	307,500	296,250
Euro Notes	431,973	410,054
2021 Term Loan B	494,081	491,401
Total fair value	<u>\$ 1,233,554</u>	<u>\$ 1,197,705</u>

The fair value of the Company's Term Loan B, USD Notes, and Euro Notes (each Level 2 securities) is determined using over-the-counter market quotes and benchmark yields received from independent vendors.

There were no other significant financial instruments outstanding as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015.

NOTE 9—PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2016	2015
Effective income tax rate	22.2 %	32.2 %

Provision for income taxes for the three months ended March 31, 2016 was \$21.9 million, resulting in an effective tax rate of 22.2%. Provision for income taxes for the three months ended March 31, 2015 was \$17.9 million, resulting in an effective tax rate of 32.2%.

The effective income tax rate is impacted by losses primarily generated within our holding company subsidiaries incorporated in Luxembourg, which are not anticipated to provide a tax benefit to the Company in the future. For the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, these losses totaled approximately \$12.8 million and \$18.0 million,

respectively. The decrease in these losses was primarily related to the reduction of non-deductible interest expenses resulting from debt refinancing transactions that occurred after the first quarter of 2015.

NOTE 10—COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Environmental Matters

Accruals for environmental matters are recorded when it is probable that a liability has been incurred and the amount of the liability can be reasonably estimated, based on current law, existing technologies and other information. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the Company had no accrued obligations for environmental remediation and restoration costs. Pursuant to the terms of the sales and purchase agreement for the Styron business, the pre-closing environmental conditions were retained by Dow and the Company has been indemnified by Dow from and against all environmental liabilities incurred or relating to the predecessor periods. There are several properties which the Company now owns on which Dow has been conducting investigation, monitoring or remediation to address historical contamination. Those properties include Allyn's Point, Connecticut; Dalton, Georgia; and Livorno, Italy. There are other properties with historical contamination that are owned by Dow that the Company leases for its operations, including its facilities in Midland, Michigan; Schkopau, Germany; Terneuzen, The Netherlands; and Guaruja, Brazil. No environmental claims have been asserted or threatened against the Company, and the Company is not a potentially responsible party at any Superfund Sites.

Inherent uncertainties exist in the Company's potential environmental liabilities primarily due to unknown conditions, whether future claims may fall outside the scope of the indemnity, changing governmental regulations and legal standards regarding liability, and evolving technologies for handling site remediation and restoration. In connection with the Company's existing indemnification, the possibility is considered remote that environmental remediation costs will have a material adverse impact on the condensed consolidated financial statements.

Purchase Commitments

In the normal course of business, the Company has certain raw material purchase contracts where it is required to purchase certain minimum volumes at current market prices. These commitments range from 1 to 5 years. In certain raw material purchase contracts, the Company has the right to purchase less than the required minimums and pay a liquidated damages fee, or, in case of a permanent plant shutdown, to terminate the contracts. In such cases, these obligations would be less than the annual commitment as disclosed in the consolidated financial statements included in the Annual Report.

Litigation Matters

From time to time, the Company may be subject to various legal claims and proceedings incidental to the normal conduct of business, relating to such matters as product liability, antitrust/competition, past waste disposal practices and release of chemicals into the environment. While it is impossible at this time to determine with certainty the ultimate outcome of these routine claims, the Company does not believe that the ultimate resolution of these claims will have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations, financial condition or cash flow. Legal costs, including those legal costs expected to be incurred in connection with a loss contingency, are expensed as incurred.

NOTE 11—PENSION PLANS AND OTHER POSTRETIREMENT BENEFITS

The components of net periodic benefit costs for all significant plans were as follows:

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2016	2015
Defined Benefit Pension Plans		
Service cost	\$ 4,071	\$ 4,301
Interest cost	1,360	1,360
Expected return on plan assets	(483)	(421)
Amortization of prior service credit	(478)	(423)
Amortization of net loss	1,038	1,381
Net periodic benefit cost	<u>\$ 5,508</u>	<u>\$ 6,198</u>

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2016	2015
Other Postretirement Plans		
Service cost	\$ 63	\$ 88
Interest cost	121	140
Amortization of prior service cost	26	26
Amortization of net gain	(43)	—
Net periodic benefit cost	<u>\$ 167</u>	<u>\$ 254</u>

As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the Company's benefit obligations included primarily in "Other noncurrent obligations" in the condensed consolidated balance sheets were \$181.0 million and \$172.5 million, respectively. The net periodic benefit costs are recognized in the condensed consolidated statement of operations as "Cost of sales" and "Selling, general and administrative expenses."

The Company made cash contributions of approximately \$2.8 million during the three months ended March 31, 2016. The Company expects to make additional cash contributions, including benefit payments to unfunded plans, of approximately \$13.6 million to its defined benefit plans for the remainder of 2016.

Supplemental Employee Retirement Plan

The Company established a non-qualified supplemental employee retirement plan in 2010. As of December 31, 2015, benefit obligations under this plan were \$13.7 million, noting \$1.6 million of net loss included in accumulated other comprehensive income (AOCI), of which \$1.0 million was expected to be amortized from AOCI into net periodic benefit cost in 2016. Lastly, as of December 31, 2015, the estimated future benefit payments under this plan were \$13.9 million, expected to be paid in 2017.

During the three months ended March 31, 2016, this retirement plan was amended to, among other things, extend the employment period covered by the plan, resulting in an increase to the benefit obligation under this plan of \$1.3 million and a corresponding actuarial loss recorded to AOCI. The amounts expected to be amortized from AOCI into net periodic benefit cost for 2016 remains approximately \$1.0 million. As a result of this amendment, the estimated future benefit payments under this plan are now \$15.3 million, and are expected to be paid in 2018.

NOTE 12—STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

Restricted Stock Awards issued by the Parent

On June 17, 2010, Bain Capital Everest Manager Holding SCA (“the Parent”), an affiliate of Bain Capital, authorized the issuance of up to 750,000 shares in time-based and performance-based restricted stock to certain key members of management. Any related compensation associated with these awards is allocated to the Company from the Parent. With the adoption of the Trinseo S.A. 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan (“2014 Omnibus Plan”) during 2014, discussed further below, restricted stock awards are no longer issued by the Parent on behalf of the Company.

Time-based Restricted Stock Awards

For the three month period ended March 31, 2016, there were no grants of time-based restricted stock awards. Total compensation expense for time-based restricted stock awards was \$0.5 million and \$1.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively. As of March 31, 2016, there was \$1.3 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to time-based restricted stock awards, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.5 years.

Modified Time-based Restricted Stock Awards

For the three month period ended March 31, 2016, there were no grants of modified time-based restricted stock awards. Total compensation expense recognized for modified time-based restricted stock awards was \$0.8 million and \$0.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively. As of March 31, 2016, there was \$3.7 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to the modified time-based restricted stock awards, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.3 years.

2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan

In connection with the IPO, the Company’s board of directors approved the 2014 Omnibus Plan, adopted on May 28, 2014, under which the maximum number of ordinary shares that may be delivered upon satisfaction of awards granted under such plan is 4.5 million shares. During the three months ended March 31, 2016, the board of directors of the Company approved equity award grants for certain executives and employees, comprised of restricted share units (or RSUs) and options to purchase shares (“option awards”). This grant is in addition to grants of RSUs and option awards that occurred in 2014 and 2015.

Restricted Share Units (RSUs)

The RSUs granted to executives and employees vest in full on the third anniversary of the date of grant, generally subject to the employee remaining continuously employed by the Company on the vesting date. Upon a termination of employment due to the employee’s death or retirement or a termination of employment by the Company without cause in connection with a restructuring or redundancy or due to the employee’s disability prior to the vesting date, the RSUs will vest in full or in part, depending on the type of termination. In the event employment is terminated for cause, all unvested RSUs will be forfeited. Dividends and dividend equivalents will not accumulate on unvested RSUs. Compensation costs for the RSUs are measured at the grant date based on the fair value of the award and are recognized ratably as expense over the applicable vesting term.

The fair value of RSUs is equal to the fair market value of the Company’s ordinary shares based on the closing price on the date of grant. During the three months ended March 31, 2016, the Company granted 319,105 RSUs at a weighted-average grant date fair value of \$26.97 per unit. Total compensation expense recognized for all outstanding RSUs was \$0.9 million and \$0.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively. As of March 31, 2016, there was \$13.3 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to outstanding RSUs, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.5 years.

Option Awards

The option awards, which contain an exercise term of nine years from the date of grant, vest in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant, generally subject to the employee remaining continuously employed on the applicable vesting date. Upon a termination of employment due to the employee’s death or retirement or a termination of employment by the Company without cause in connection with a restructuring or

redundancy or due to the employee's disability prior to a vesting date, the options will vest in full or will continue to vest on the original vesting schedule, depending on the type of termination. In the event employment is terminated for cause, all vested and unvested options will be forfeited. Compensation cost for the option awards is measured at the grant date based on the fair value of the award and is recognized as expense over the appropriate service period utilizing graded vesting.

The fair value for option awards is computed using the Black-Scholes pricing model, whose inputs and assumptions are determined as of the date of grant. Determining the fair value of the option awards requires considerable judgment, including estimating the expected term of stock options and the expected volatility of the price of the Company's ordinary shares. During the three months ended March 31, 2016, the Company granted 541,877 option awards at a weighted-average grant date fair value of \$9.90 per option award.

Since the Company's equity interests were privately held prior to the IPO in June 2014, there is limited publicly traded history of the Company's ordinary shares. Until such time that the Company has enough publicly traded history of its ordinary shares to determine expected volatility based solely on its ordinary shares, estimated volatility of options granted will be based on a combination of our historical volatility and similar companies' stock that are publicly traded. The expected term of options represents the period of time that options granted are expected to be outstanding. For the options granted during the three months ended March 31, 2015, the simplified method was used to calculate the expected term of options, given the Company's limited historical exercise data. The risk-free interest rate for the periods within the expected term of the option is based on the U.S. Treasury yield curve in effect at the time of grant. The dividend yield is estimated based on historical and expected dividend activity.

The following are the weighted-average assumptions used within the Black-Scholes pricing model for options granted during the three months ended March 31, 2016:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2016
Expected term (in years)	5.50
Expected volatility	40.00 %
Risk-free interest rate	1.42 %
Dividend yield	0.50 %

Total compensation expense for the option awards was \$3.4 million and \$0.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively. As of March 31, 2016, there was \$3.3 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to the option awards, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.8 years .

NOTE 13—RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In connection with the Acquisition, the Company entered into a ten year initial term advisory agreement with Bain Capital Partners, LLC and Portfolio Company Advisors Limited (the "Advisory Agreement") wherein Bain Capital Partners, LLC and Portfolio Company Advisors Limited provides management and consulting services and financial and other advisory services to the Company. The Advisory Agreement terminated upon consummation of the Company's IPO in June 2014 . Bain Capital will continue to provide an immaterial level of ad hoc advisory services for the Company going forward. In conjunction with the foregoing, we incurred Bain Capital Partners, LLC and Portfolio Company Advisors Limited fees (including out-of-pocket expenses) of zero and \$0.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

In March 2016, the Company announced that the Parent agreed to sell 10,600,000 ordinary shares pursuant to the Company's shelf registration statement filed with the SEC (see Note 18 for further details). In connection with this offering, and under the terms of the Acquisition, the Company incurred \$1.9 million of advisory, accounting, legal and printing expenses on behalf of the Parent which were expensed within "Selling, general and administrative expenses" on the condensed consolidated statement of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2016.

NOTE 14—SEGMENTS

The Company operates under two divisions: Performance Materials and Basic Plastics & Feedstocks. The Performance Materials division includes the following reporting segments: Synthetic Rubber, Latex, and Performance Plastics. The Basic Plastics & Feedstocks division represents a separate segment for financial reporting purposes.

The Latex segment produces SB latex primarily for coated paper and packaging board, carpet and artificial turf backings, as well as a number of performance latex applications. The Synthetic Rubber segment produces synthetic rubber products used predominantly in tires, with additional applications in polymer modification and technical rubber goods, including conveyor and fan belts, hoses, seals and gaskets. The Performance Plastics segment produces highly engineered compounds and blends for automotive end markets, as well as consumer electronics, medical, electrical and lighting, collectively consumer essential markets, or CEM. The Basic Plastics & Feedstocks segment includes styrenic polymers, polycarbonate, or PC, and styrene monomer, and also includes the results of the Company's two 50%-owned joint ventures, Americas Styrenics and Sumika Styron Polycarbonate.

	Performance Materials			Basic Plastics & Feedstocks	Corporate Unallocated	Total
	Latex	Synthetic Rubber	Performance Plastics			
Three Months Ended						
March 31, 2016						
Sales to external customers	\$ 209,481	\$ 102,197	\$ 168,629	\$ 413,777	\$ —	\$ 894,084
Equity in earnings (losses) of unconsolidated affiliates	—	—	—	35,026	—	35,026
EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	18,104	23,079	29,991	96,605	—	—
Investment in unconsolidated affiliates	—	—	—	181,711	—	181,711
Depreciation and amortization	6,280	8,043	1,544	6,449	804	23,120
March 31, 2015						
Sales to external customers	\$ 238,256	\$ 129,404	\$ 196,944	\$ 453,661	\$ —	\$ 1,018,265
Equity in earnings (losses) of unconsolidated affiliates	—	—	—	36,707	—	36,707
EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	21,459	26,177	25,097	59,012	—	—
Investment in unconsolidated affiliates	—	—	—	189,364	—	189,364
Depreciation and amortization	6,370	7,790	1,413	6,230	751	22,554

(1) Reconciliation of EBITDA to net income (loss) is as follows:

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2016	2015
Total segment EBITDA	\$ 167,779	\$ 131,745
Corporate unallocated	(27,116)	(24,731)
Less: Interest expense, net	18,896	28,856
Less: Provision for income taxes	21,900	17,900
Less: Depreciation and amortization	23,120	22,554
Net income	\$ 76,747	\$ 37,704

Corporate unallocated includes corporate overhead costs and certain other income and expenses, as well as loss on extinguishment of long-term debt.

The primary measure of segment operating performance is EBITDA, which is defined as net income (loss) before interest, income taxes, depreciation and amortization. EBITDA is a key metric that is used by management to evaluate business performance in comparison to budgets, forecasts, and prior year financial results, providing a measure that

management believes reflects the Company’s core operating performance. EBITDA is useful for analytical purposes; however, it should not be considered an alternative to the Company’s reported GAAP results, as there are limitations in using such financial measures. Other companies in the industry may define EBITDA differently than the Company, and as a result, it may be difficult to use EBITDA, or similarly-named financial measures, that other companies may use to compare the performance of those companies to the Company’s performance.

Asset and capital expenditure information is not accounted for at the segment level and consequently is not reviewed or included with the Company’s internal management reporting. Therefore, the Company has not disclosed asset and capital expenditure information for each reportable segment.

NOTE 15—DIVESTITURES

EPS Divestiture

In June 2013, the Company’s board of directors approved the sale of its expandable polystyrene (“EPS”) business within the Company’s Basic Plastics & Feedstocks segment, under a sale and purchase agreement which was signed in July 2013 and closed on September 30, 2013.

Under the terms of the sale and purchase agreement, should the divested EPS business record EBITDA (as defined therein) greater than zero for fiscal year 2014, the Company would receive an incremental payment of €0.5 million. The EBITDA threshold was met for fiscal year 2014 and the Company received the €0.5 million payment (approximately \$0.6 million based upon the applicable foreign exchange rate in the period the payment was received) during the first quarter of 2015, which is reflected within cash flows used in investing activities in the condensed consolidated statement of cash flows for the three months ended March 31, 2015.

NOTE 16—RESTRUCTURING

Allyn’s Point Plant Shutdown

In September 2015, the Company approved the plan to close its Allyn’s Point latex manufacturing facility in Gales Ferry, Connecticut. This restructuring plan was a strategic business decision to improve the results of the overall Latex segment due to continuing declines in the coated paper industry in North America. Production at the facility ceased at the end of 2015, followed by decommissioning activities which began in 2016.

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the Company recorded restructuring charges of \$0.5 million relating to the accelerated depreciation of the related assets at the Allyn’s Point facility and \$0.7 million of employee termination benefit and decommissioning charges, which are included within “Selling, general and administrative expenses” in the condensed consolidated statements of operations and were allocated entirely to the Latex segment. No charges were incurred during the three months ended March 31, 2015. Employee termination benefit charges are recorded within “Accrued expenses and other current liabilities” in the condensed consolidated balance sheet, the balances for which are displayed in the below table .

	Balance at			Balance at
	December 31, 2015	Expenses	Deductions ⁽¹⁾	March 31, 2016
Employee termination benefit charges	\$ 434	\$ 289	\$ (25)	\$ 698
Other ⁽²⁾	—	374	(374)	—
Total	\$ 434	\$ 663	\$ (399)	\$ 698

(1) Includes payments made against the existing accrual.

(2) Includes decommissioning charges incurred, primarily related to labor and third party service costs.

The Company expects to incur approximately \$0.1 million of incremental employee termination benefits charges during the second quarter 2016 related to this restructuring, with the majority of the employee termination benefit charges expected to be paid by December 31, 2016. The Company also expects to incur additional decommissioning costs associated with this plant shutdown in 2016, the cost of which will be expensed as incurred, within the Latex segment.

Restructuring in Polycarbonate

During the second quarter of 2014, the Company announced a restructuring within its Basic Plastics & Feedstocks segment to exit the commodity market for PC in North America and to terminate existing arrangements with Dow regarding manufacturing services for the Company at Dow’s Freeport, Texas facility (the “Freeport facility”). The Company also entered into a new long-term supply contract with a third party to supply PC in North America. These revised arrangements became operational in the fourth quarter of 2014. In addition, the Company executed revised supply contracts for certain raw materials that were processed at its PC manufacturing facility in Stade, Germany, which took effect January 1, 2015. These revised agreements have facilitated improvements in the results of operations for the Basic Plastics & Feedstocks segment. Production at the Freeport facility ceased as of September 30, 2014, and decommissioning and demolition began thereafter, with completion in the first quarter of 2015.

The Company recorded certain restructuring charges during the year ended December 31, 2014 primarily relating to the reimbursement of decommissioning and demolition costs incurred by Dow. For the three months ended March 31, 2015, the Company recorded the remainder of the expected restructuring charges of \$0.5 million related to the reimbursement of decommissioning and demolition costs incurred by Dow. These charges were included in “Selling, general and administrative expenses” in the condensed consolidated statements of operations, and were allocated entirely to the Basic Plastics & Feedstocks segment. There were no remaining amounts accrued in the condensed consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2015.

NOTE 17—ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

The components of accumulated other comprehensive income (AOCI), net of income taxes, consisted of:

	Currency	Pension & Other	Foreign Exchange	Total
	Translation	Postretirement Benefit	Cash Flow	
Three Months Ended March 31, 2016 and 2015	Adjustments	Plans, Net	Hedges, Net	
Balance as of December 31, 2015	\$ (109,120)	\$ (46,166)	\$ 5,569	\$ (149,717)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	13,423	(800)	(6,319)	6,304
Amounts reclassified from AOCI to net income ⁽¹⁾	—	540	(1,106)	(566)
Balance as of March 31, 2016	\$ (95,697)	\$ (46,426)	\$ (1,856)	\$ (143,979)
Balance as of December 31, 2014	\$ (17,755)	\$ (57,462)	\$ —	\$ (75,217)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	(114,155)	—	1,035	(113,120)
Amounts reclassified from AOCI to net income ⁽¹⁾	—	837	—	837
Balance as of March 31, 2015	\$ (131,910)	\$ (56,625)	\$ 1,035	\$ (187,500)

(1) The following is a summary of amounts reclassified from AOCI to net income for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively:

AOCI Components	Amount Reclassified from AOCI		Statement of Operations Classification
	Three Months Ended March 31,		
	2016	2015	
Cash flow hedging items			
Foreign exchange cash flow hedges	\$ (1,106)	\$ —	Cost of sales
Total before tax	(1,106)	—	
Tax effect	—	—	Provision for income taxes
Total, net of tax	\$ (1,106)	\$ —	
Amortization of pension and other postretirement benefit plan items			
Prior service credit	\$ (452)	\$ (397)	(a)
Net actuarial loss	1,254	1,585	(a)
Total before tax	802	1,188	
Tax effect	(262)	(351)	Provision for income taxes
Total, net of tax	\$ 540	\$ 837	

(a) These AOCI components are included in the computation of net periodic benefit costs (see Note 11).

NOTE 18—SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

In March 2016, the Company announced that the Parent agreed to sell 10,600,000 of the Company's ordinary shares pursuant to the Company's shelf registration statement filed with the SEC. No shares were sold by the Company as a result of this transaction. Goldman, Sachs & Co. acted as the sole bookrunning manager for the offering (the "Underwriter"). The Underwriter purchased these shares from the Parent at a price of \$35.63 per share.

Concurrently with the completion of the offering, the Company agreed to repurchase from the Underwriter 1,600,000 of the ordinary shares that were sold by the Parent in the offering at the same \$35.63 price per share paid by the Underwriter to the Parent, resulting in an aggregate purchase price of \$57.0 million. These repurchased shares have been recorded at cost within "Treasury shares" in the condensed consolidated balance sheet as of March 31, 2016.

In connection with the offering, and under the terms of the Acquisition, the Company incurred \$1.9 million of advisory, accounting, legal and printing expenses on behalf of the Parent which were expensed within "Selling, general and administrative expenses" on the condensed consolidated statement of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2016.

Additionally, because a repurchase transaction was completed as part of the offering, in order to satisfy certain requirements of Luxembourg law, promptly following the completion of the offering, the Company commenced a tender offer to purchase up to an additional 1,165,000 shares from its shareholders (other than the Parent) at the same price per share that it paid to the Underwriter for the shares repurchased as part of this offering. No shares were repurchased under this tender offer as of March 31, 2016. The tender offer expired on April 25, 2016, with 38,702 ordinary shares repurchased by the Company for an aggregate purchase price of \$1.4 million.

NOTE 19—EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE

Basic earnings (loss) per ordinary share ("basic EPS") is computed by dividing net income (loss) available to ordinary shareholders by the weighted average number of the Company's ordinary shares outstanding for the applicable period. Diluted earnings (loss) per ordinary share ("diluted EPS") is calculated using net income (loss) available to ordinary shareholders divided by diluted weighted-average ordinary shares outstanding during each period, which includes unvested RSUs and stock option awards. Diluted EPS considers the impact of potentially dilutive securities except in periods in which there is a loss because the inclusion of the potential ordinary shares would have an anti-dilutive effect.

The following table presents basic EPS and diluted EPS for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

(in thousands, except per share data)	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2016	2015
Earnings (losses):		
Net income	\$ 76,747	\$ 37,704
Shares:		
Weighted-average ordinary shares outstanding	48,655	48,770
Dilutive effect of RSUs and option awards*	431	81
Diluted weighted-average ordinary shares outstanding	49,086	48,851
Income per share:		
Income per share—basic	\$ 1.58	\$ 0.77
Income per share—diluted	\$ 1.56	\$ 0.77

* Refer to Note 12 for discussion of RSUs and option awards granted to certain Company directors and employees.

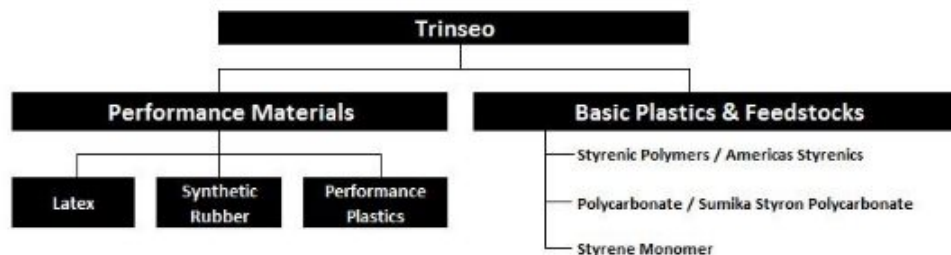
Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Overview

We are a leading global materials company engaged in the manufacture and marketing of synthetic rubber, latex, and plastics, including various specialty and technologically differentiated products. We have leading market positions in many of the markets in which we compete. We believe we have developed these strong market positions due to our technological differentiation, diverse global manufacturing base, long-standing customer relationships, commitment to sustainable solutions and competitive cost positions. We believe that growth in overall consumer spending and construction activity, increased demand in the automotive industry for higher fuel efficiency and lighter-weight materials, and improving living standards in emerging markets will result in growth in the global markets in which we compete. In addition, we believe our increasing business presence in developing regions such as China, Southeast Asia, and Eastern Europe further enhances our prospects.

We develop synthetic rubber, latex and plastics products that are incorporated into a wide range of our customers' products throughout the world, including tires and other products for automotive applications, carpet and artificial turf backing, coated paper and packaging board, food packaging, appliances, medical devices, consumer electronics and construction applications, among others. We seek to regularly develop new and improved products and processes, supported by our intellectual property portfolio, designed to enhance our customers' product offerings. We have long-standing relationships with a diverse base of global customers, many of whom are leaders in their markets and rely on us for formulation, technological differentiation, and compounding expertise to find sustainable solutions for their businesses. Many of our products represent only a small portion of a finished product's production costs, but provide critical functionality to the finished product and are often specifically developed to customer specifications. We believe these product traits result in substantial customer loyalty for our products.

We operate our business in two divisions: Performance Materials and Basic Plastics & Feedstocks. The Performance Materials division includes the following reporting segments: Synthetic Rubber, Latex, and Performance Plastics. The Basic Plastics & Feedstocks division represents a separate segment for financial reporting purposes and includes styrenic polymers, polycarbonate, or PC, and styrene monomer. In addition, the Basic Plastics & Feedstocks division includes the results of our two 50%-owned joint ventures, Americas Styrenics and Sumika Styron Polycarbonate. The following chart provides an overview of this organizational structure:



We believe that this organizational structure reflects the nature of our Company by grouping together segments with similar strategies, business drivers and operating characteristics. Our two divisions are of similar size in terms of sales, but have different margin profiles, different strategic focus, different value drivers and different operating requirements. By organizing in this way, we believe that we can best manage and operate the Company, focusing on accelerating the growth of our Performance Materials division and improving the profitability of our Basic Plastics & Feedstocks division.

Our major products include: styrene-butadiene latex, or SB latex, and styrene-acrylate latex, or SA latex, in our Latex segment; solution styrene-butadiene rubber, or SSBR, lithium polybutadiene rubber, or Li-PBR, emulsion styrene-butadiene rubber, or ESBR, nickel polybutadiene rubber, or Ni-PBR, and neodymium polybutadiene rubber, or Nd-PBR, in our Synthetic Rubber segment; highly engineered compounds and blends products for automotive end markets, as well as consumer electronics, medical, electrical and lighting, which we collectively call consumer essential markets, or CEM, in our Performance Plastics segment; and PC, polystyrene, acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene, or ABS, and styrene-acrylonitrile, or SAN, in our Basic Plastics & Feedstocks segment.

2016 Year-to-Date Highlights

The first quarter of 2016 resulted in continued strong performance for Trinseo, noting net income of \$77 million, Adjusted EBITDA of \$143 million, and Adjusted EBITDA excluding inventory revaluation of \$153 million. Other highlights for the quarter are described below.

Secondary Offering and Tender Offer

In March 2016, the Company announced that the Parent agreed to sell 10,600,000 ordinary shares pursuant to the Company's shelf registration statement filed with the SEC. No shares were sold by the Company as a result of this transaction. Goldman, Sachs & Co. acted as the sole bookrunning manager for the offering (the "Underwriter"). The Underwriter purchased the shares from the Parent at a price of \$35.63 per share.

Concurrently with the completion of the offering, the Company agreed to repurchase from the Underwriter 1,600,000 of the ordinary shares that were sold by the Parent in the offering at a price per-share equal to the price per-share paid by the Underwriter to the Parent, resulting in an aggregate purchase price of \$57.0 million. Additionally, because a repurchase transaction was completed as part of the offering, in order to satisfy certain requirements of Luxembourg law, promptly following the completion of the offering, the Company commenced a tender offer to purchase up to an additional 1,165,000 shares from its shareholders (other than the Parent) at the same price per share that it paid to the Underwriter for the shares repurchased as part of this offering. This tender offer expired on April 25, 2016, with 38,702 ordinary shares repurchased by the Company for an aggregate purchase price of \$1.4 million.

Results of Operations
Results of Operations for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2016 and 2015

The tables below set forth our historical results of operations, and these results as a percentage of net sales for the periods indicated:

(in millions)	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2016	2015
Net sales	\$ 894.1	\$ 1,018.3
Cost of sales	754.4	915.2
Gross profit	139.7	103.1
Selling, general and administrative expenses	54.5	51.8
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates	35.0	36.7
Operating income	120.2	88.0
Interest expense, net	18.9	28.9
Other expense, net	2.7	3.5
Income before income taxes	98.6	55.6
Provision for income taxes	21.9	17.9
Net income	\$ 76.7	\$ 37.7

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2016	2015
Net sales	100.0 %	100.0 %
Cost of sales	84.4 %	89.9 %
Gross profit	15.6 %	10.1 %
Selling, general and administrative expenses	6.1 %	5.1 %
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates	3.9 %	3.6 %
Operating income	13.4 %	8.6 %
Interest expense, net	2.1 %	2.8 %
Other expense, net	0.3 %	0.3 %
Income before income taxes	11.0 %	5.5 %
Provision for income taxes	2.4 %	1.8 %
Net income	8.6 %	3.7 %

Three Months Ended March 31, 2016 Compared to the Three Months Ended March 31, 2015

Net Sales

Net sales for the three months ended March 31, 2016 decreased by \$124.2 million, or 12.2%, to \$894.1 million from \$1,018.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. Of the 12.2% decrease, 5.3% was due to lower selling prices primarily due to the pass through of lower raw material costs, including lower butadiene costs to our customers in Latex and Synthetic Rubber. Also driving this reduction in net sales was a decrease in sales volume of 3.8%, primarily within the Europe polystyrene and Asia Performance Plastics markets. In addition, 3.0% of the decrease was related to an unfavorable currency impact across our segments, as the euro weakened in comparison to the U.S. dollar.

Cost of Sales

Cost of sales for the three months ended March 31, 2016 decreased by \$160.8 million, or 17.6%, to \$754.4 million from \$915.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. Of the 17.6% decrease, 11.5% was attributable to lower prices for raw materials, primarily butadiene and styrene monomer, while an additional 2.9% of the decrease was due to a favorable currency impact across our segments, as the euro weakened in comparison to the U.S. dollar. In addition, 2.9% of the decrease was due to lower sales volume primarily within the Europe polystyrene and Asia Performance Plastics markets.

Gross Profit

Gross profit for the three months ended March 31, 2016 increased by \$36.6 million, or 35.5%, to \$139.7 million from \$103.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. The increase was primarily attributable to higher margins in styrene monomer and styrenic polymers, as well as in PC, due to improved market dynamics, partially offset by unfavorable volume impacts driven by strong prior year performance, including prior year restocking in the Europe polystyrene market, and an unfavorable currency impact, as the euro weakened in comparison to the U.S. dollar.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

SG&A expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2016 increased by \$2.7 million, or 5.2%, to \$54.5 million from \$51.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. The increase in SG&A expenses was primarily related to an increase in stock-based compensation expense of \$3.0 million as well as an increase in restructuring charges of \$0.7 million as a result of our Allyn's Point plant closure (see Notes 12 and 16 to the condensed consolidated financial statements).

Equity in Earnings of Unconsolidated Affiliates

Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates for the three months ended March 31, 2016 was \$35.0 million compared to equity in earnings of \$36.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. This decrease was primarily attributable to Americas Styrenics, the equity earnings from which decreased to \$32.9 million from \$35.2 million, driven primarily by the impact to gross profit caused by the planned turnaround at their St. James, Louisiana styrene facility. Sumika Styron Polycarbonate noted equity earnings of \$2.1 million for the period compared to equity earnings of \$1.5 million in the prior year, noting improved PC market conditions.

Interest Expense, Net

Interest expense, net for the three months ended March 31, 2016 was \$18.9 million compared to \$28.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. This decrease in interest expense was primarily attributable to the impact of the debt refinancing executed in May 2015. Refer to Note 6 in the condensed consolidated financial statements for further details of this refinancing.

Other Expense (Income), net

Other expense, net for the three months ended March 31, 2016 was \$2.7 million, which consisted primarily of net foreign exchange transaction losses of approximately \$1.9 million and other expenses of \$0.8 million. During the first quarter of 2016, the Company recorded foreign exchange transaction losses of \$5.0 million primarily driven by the remeasurement of our euro denominated payables due to the relative changes in rates between the U.S. dollar and the euro during the quarter. Separately, the Company entered into foreign exchange forward contracts, which recorded related gains of approximately \$3.1 million, largely offsetting the above described losses.

Other expense, net for the three months ended March 31, 2015 was \$3.5 million, which consisted primarily of net foreign exchange transaction losses of approximately \$3.0 million and other expenses of \$0.5 million. During the first quarter of 2015, the Company recorded foreign exchange transaction gains of \$18.0 million primarily driven by the remeasurement of our euro denominated payables due to the strengthening of the U.S. dollar against the euro during the quarter. Separately, the Company entered into foreign exchange forward contracts, which recorded related losses of

approximately \$21.0 million, offsetting the above described gains. See Note 7 in the condensed consolidated financial statements for further details.

Provision for Income Taxes

Provision for income taxes for the three months ended March 31, 2016 was \$21.9 million, resulting in an effective tax rate of 22.2%. Provision for income taxes for the three months ended March 31, 2015 was \$17.9 million, resulting in an effective tax rate of 32.2%.

The increase in provision for income taxes was primarily driven by the \$43.0 million increase in income before income taxes, from \$55.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015 to \$98.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016.

The increase in the provision for income taxes was partially offset by a reduction of losses primarily generated within our holding company subsidiaries incorporated in Luxembourg, which are not anticipated to provide a tax benefit to the Company in the future. For the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 these losses totaled approximately \$12.8 million and \$18.0 million, respectively. The decrease in these losses was primarily related to the reduction of non-deductible interest expenses resulting from debt refinancing transactions that occurred after the first quarter of 2015. Additionally, the overall increase in the provision for income taxes during the period was offset by the impact of a higher proportion of income before taxes in the period being attributable to non-U.S. jurisdictions, where the statutory income tax rate is lower than the U.S. statutory income tax rate.

Selected Segment Information

The following tables present net sales and EBITDA by segment and as a percentage of total net sales and net sales by segment, respectively, for the following periods:

(in millions)	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2016	2015
Net sales ⁽¹⁾		
Latex segment	\$ 209.5	\$ 238.3
Synthetic Rubber segment	102.2	129.4
Performance Plastics segment	168.6	196.9
Basic Plastics & Feedstocks segment	413.8	453.7
Corporate unallocated ⁽²⁾	—	—
Total	<u>\$ 894.1</u>	<u>\$ 1,018.3</u>
EBITDA ⁽³⁾		
Latex segment	\$ 18.1	\$ 21.5
Synthetic Rubber segment	23.1	26.2
Performance Plastics segment	30.0	25.1
Basic Plastics & Feedstocks segment	96.6	59.0
Corporate unallocated ⁽²⁾	(27.1)	(24.8)
Total	<u>\$ 140.7</u>	<u>\$ 107.0</u>

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2016	2015
Net sales ⁽¹⁾		
Latex segment	23.4 %	23.4 %
Synthetic Rubber segment	11.4 %	12.7 %
Performance Plastics segment	18.9 %	19.3 %
Basic Plastics & Feedstocks segment	46.3 %	44.6 %
Corporate unallocated ⁽²⁾	— %	— %
Total	<u>100.0 %</u>	<u>100.0 %</u>
EBITDA ⁽³⁾		
Latex segment	8.6 %	9.0 %
Synthetic Rubber segment	22.6 %	20.2 %
Performance Plastics segment	17.8 %	12.7 %
Basic Plastics & Feedstocks segment	23.3 %	13.0 %
Corporate unallocated ⁽²⁾	(3.0)%	(2.4)%
Total	<u>15.7 %</u>	<u>10.5 %</u>

- (1) Inter-segment sales have been eliminated.
- (2) Corporate unallocated includes corporate overhead costs, loss on extinguishment of long-term debt, and certain other income and expenses. Percentages for corporate unallocated are based on total sales.
- (3) EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure that we refer to in making operating decisions because we believe it provides meaningful supplemental information regarding our operational performance. We present EBITDA because we believe that it is useful for investors to analyze disclosures of our operating results on the same basis as those used by our management. We believe the use of EBITDA as a metric assists our board of directors, management and investors in comparing our operating performance on a consistent basis because it removes the impact of our capital structure (such as interest expense), asset base (such as depreciation and amortization) and tax structure. See a reconciliation of net income to EBITDA below:

(in millions)	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2016	2015
Net income	\$ 76.7	\$ 37.7
Interest expense, net	18.9	28.9
Provision for income taxes	21.9	17.9
Depreciation and amortization	23.2	22.5
EBITDA	<u>\$ 140.7</u>	<u>\$ 107.0</u>

There are limitations to using financial measures such as EBITDA. Other companies in our industry may define EBITDA differently than we do. As a result, it may be difficult to use EBITDA, or similarly-named financial measures that other companies may use, to compare the performance of those companies to our performance. We compensate for these limitations by providing reconciliations of our EBITDA results to our net income, which is determined in accordance with GAAP.

Latex Segment

We are a global leader in SB latex, holding a strong market position across the geographies and applications in which we compete, including the #1 position in SB latex in Europe and the #2 position in North America. We produce SB latex primarily for coated paper used in advertising and magazines, packaging board coatings, carpet and artificial turf backings, as well as a number of performance latex applications. For the three months ended March 31, 2016, approximately 44% of our Latex segment's net sales were generated in Europe, approximately 28% were generated in the United States, and the majority of the remaining sales were generated in Asia.

Three Months Ended March 31, 2016 Compared to the Three Months Ended March 31, 2015

Net sales for the three months ended March 31, 2016 decreased by \$28.8 million, or 12.1%, to \$209.5 million from \$238.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. Of the 12.1% decrease in net sales, 7.8% was due to lower selling prices primarily due to the pass through of lower butadiene and styrene costs to our customers and 2.2% was due to an unfavorable currency impact as the euro weakened in comparison to the U.S. dollar. In addition, 2.1% of the decrease was driven by decreased sales volume in Europe and North America, partially offset by higher sales volume to the Asia paper market.

EBITDA for the three months ended March 31, 2016 decreased by \$3.4 million, or 15.8%, to \$18.1 million from \$21.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. Of this 15.8% decrease, 2.3% was driven by restructuring charges of \$0.7 million incurred during the quarter related to our Allyn's Point plant closure (see Note 16 to the condensed consolidated financial statements) and 1.2% was driven by an unfavorable currency impact as the euro weakened in comparison to the U.S. dollar. In addition, 5.7% of the decrease was due to decreased sales volume, as discussed above which, while slightly lower, were generally in line with prior quarter trends. Lastly, 6.4% of the decrease was driven by lower margin in Asia coupled with a price lag benefit experienced in the prior year that did not repeat this year, both of which were partially offset by price increases in North America.

Synthetic Rubber Segment

We are a significant producer of styrene-butadiene and polybutadiene-based rubber products and we have a leading European market position in SSB. While substantially all of our sales were generated in Europe for the three months ended March 31, 2016, approximately 22% of these net sales were exported to Asia, 7% to Latin America and 10% to North America.

We have a broad synthetic rubber technology and product portfolio, focusing on specialty products, such as SSB, Li-PBR, and Nd-PBR, while also producing core products, such as ESBR. Our synthetic rubber products are extensively used in tires, with approximately 83% of our net sales from this segment in 2015 attributable to the tire market. We estimate that three quarters of these sales relate to replacement tires. We have strong relationships with many of the top global tire manufacturers and believe we have remained a supplier of choice as a result of our broad rubber portfolio and ability to offer technologically differentiated product and product customization capabilities. Other applications for our synthetic rubber products include polymer modification and technical rubber goods.

Three Months Ended March 31, 2016 Compared to the Three Months Ended March 31, 2015

Net sales for the three months ended March 31, 2016 decreased by \$27.2 million, or 21.0%, to \$102.2 million from \$129.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. Of the 21.0% decrease in net sales, 9.3% was due to lower selling prices primarily resulting from the pass through of lower butadiene and styrene costs to customers and 4.2% was due to an unfavorable currency impact as the euro weakened in comparison to the U.S. dollar. In addition, 7.6% of the decrease was due to decreased sales volume, particularly in Ni-PBR, as production decreased due to Nd-PBR plant trials.

EBITDA for the three months ended March 31, 2016 decreased by \$3.1 million, or 11.8%, to \$23.1 million from \$26.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. Of this decrease, 14.2% was driven by lower sales volume, particularly in Ni-PBR, as discussed above, as well as a 3.4% decrease due to unfavorable currency impact as the euro weakened in comparison to the U.S. dollar. Partially offsetting these decreases was a 2.9% increase due to a reduction in fixed costs and a 3.7% increase driven by higher margins, mainly due to favorable inventory timing.

Performance Plastics Segment

We are a producer of highly engineered compounds and blends for automotive end markets, as well as consumer electronics, medical, and electrical lighting, which we collectively call consumer essential markets (CEM). Our strategy in this segment focuses on developing differentiated compounds and blends in line with key industry trends, such as light-weighting and improved aesthetics in automotive, increased recycled material content and a push toward LED lighting in CEM. Our history of innovation has contributed to long-standing relationships with customers who are recognized leaders in their respective end-markets. We have established a strong market presence in the global automotive and electronics sector, targeting both component suppliers and final product manufacturers. Our Performance Plastics segment also compounds and blends our PC and mABS plastics into differentiated products for customers

within these sectors, as well as into compounds of polypropylene. We have also developed compounds containing post-consumer recycle polymers to respond to what we believe is a growing need for some customers to include recycled content in their products.

We believe growth in this segment is driven by a number of factors, including consumer preference for lighter weight and impact-resistant products and the development of new consumer electronics, increases in LED lighting applications and continuing growth in medical device applications. Additionally, we believe growth is bolstered by sustainability trends, such as the substitution of lighter-weight plastics for metal in automobiles, as well as more energy efficient, glazing solutions.

In automotive end applications, we aim to maintain and develop sustainable, long-standing relationships with industry leaders, taking advantage of our production capacity located across four continents to drive original equipment manufacturer, or OEM, platform design wins. In 2015, we experienced growth in sales related to the automotive market, with a 2% increase in sales volume outside of Latin America, which experienced declines due to lower consumer confidence and higher interest rates. We continue to focus on our strategic plans to grow this segment through both current technologies and expanded offerings for car exteriors and semi-structural applications.

Three Months Ended March 31, 2016 Compared to the Three Months Ended March 31, 2015

Net sales for the three months ended March 31, 2016 decreased by \$28.3 million, or 14.4%, to \$168.6 million from \$196.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. Of the 14.4% decrease in net sales, 7.2% was due to lower selling prices primarily related to the pass through of lower raw material costs to our customers and 2.0% was due to an unfavorable currency impact as the euro weakened in comparison to the U.S. dollar. In addition, 5.2% of the decrease was due to decreased sales volume, driven by lower sales to the consumer electronics market in Asia.

EBITDA for the three months ended March 31, 2016 increased by \$4.9 million, or 19.5%, to \$30.0 million from \$25.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. Of the 19.5% increase, 24.8% was due to higher margins and 8.1% was due to a reduction in fixed costs. Partially offsetting these increases was an 11.0% decrease driven by lower sales volume, primarily caused by lower sales to the consumer electronics market in Asia, and a 2.2% decrease due to an unfavorable currency impact as the euro weakened in comparison to the U.S. dollar.

Basic Plastics & Feedstocks Segment

Basic Plastics & Feedstocks consists of styrenic polymers, including polystyrene, ABS, and SAN products, as well as PC and styrene monomer, which includes our internal productions and sourcing of styrene. This segment also includes the results of our two joint ventures, Americas Styrenics and Sumika Styron Polycarbonate. We do not anticipate investing in strategic growth initiatives in this segment in the near term. Rather, our strategy for this segment is focused on operational enhancements, margin improvement, and cash generation.

We are a leading producer of polystyrene and mABS, where we focus our efforts on differentiated applications such as the liners and encasements of appliances and consumer electronics including smartphones and tablets. Within these applications, we have worked collaboratively with customers to develop more advanced grades of plastics such as our HIPS and mABS products. For example, we work with appliance manufacturers around the world to develop improved environmental stress crack resistant products and with our construction sheet customers on smooth ABS. These products offer superior properties, such as rigidity, insulation and colorability, and, in some cases, an improved environmental footprint compared to general purpose polystyrene or emulsion ABS. Our Basic Plastics & Feedstocks segment also serves the packaging and construction end-markets, where we have launched a new general purpose polystyrene product for improved performance in foam insulation applications.

PC has high levels of clarity, impact resistance and temperature resistance. PC can be used in its neat form (prior to any compounding or blending) for markets such as construction sheet, optical media and LED lighting. Additionally, PC can be compounded or blended with other polymers, such as ABS, which imparts specific performance attributes tailored to the product's end-use. A significant portion of our PC is consumed in our Performance Plastics segment for the manufacture of our compounds and blends products. We continue to drive improvements in profitability of PC as a result of savings from our restructuring activities, as well as from improvements in industry supply and demand.

Three Months Ended March 31, 2016 Compared to the Three Months Ended March 31, 2015

Net sales for the three months ended March 31, 2016 decreased by \$39.9 million, or 8.8%, to \$413.8 million from \$453.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. Of the 8.8% decrease in net sales, 2.1% was driven by decreases in selling prices due to the pass through of lower styrene costs to customers and 3.6% was due to unfavorable currency impact as the euro weakened in comparison to the U.S. dollar. In addition, net sales decreased by 3.1% driven by decreased polystyrene sales volume in Europe due to prior year restocking activities which did not recur in the current year.

EBITDA for the three months ended March 31, 2016 increased by \$37.6 million, or 63.7%, to \$96.6 million from \$59.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. The EBITDA increase was due primarily to higher margins, particularly in styrene monomer and styrenic polymers, as well as in PC due to improved market conditions. In addition, 3.2% of the increase was driven by reduced fixed costs, primarily due to prior year charges of \$0.5 million related to our PC restructuring efforts (see Note 16 to the condensed consolidated financial statements). Partially offsetting these increases was a decrease in sales volume, primarily in the Europe polystyrene market, contributing to a 2.8% decrease, a 5.3% unfavorable currency impact as the euro weakened in comparison to the U.S. dollar, and a 2.8% decrease in equity earnings from our two joint ventures.

Other Important Performance Measures

We believe that the presentation of Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA excluding inventory revaluation provides investors with a useful analytical indicator of our performance and of our ability to service our indebtedness.

We define Adjusted EBITDA as income (loss) from continuing operations before interest expense, net; income tax provision; depreciation and amortization expense; loss on extinguishment of long-term debt; asset impairment charges; gains or losses on the dispositions of businesses and assets; restructuring and other non-recurring items. We describe these other costs in more detail below.

We present Adjusted EBITDA excluding inventory revaluation in order to facilitate the comparability of results from period to period by adjusting cost of sales to reflect the cost of raw material during the period, which is often referred to as the replacement cost method of inventory valuation. We believe this measure minimizes the impact of raw material purchase price volatility in evaluating our performance. Our approach to calculating inventory revaluation is intended to represent the difference between the results under the FIFO and the replacement cost methods. However, our calculation could differ from the replacement cost method if the monthly raw material standards are different from the actual raw material prices during the month and production and purchase volumes differ from sales volumes during the month. These factors could have a significant impact on the inventory revaluation calculation.

There are limitations to using financial measures such as Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA excluding inventory revaluation. These performance measures are not intended to represent cash flow from operations as defined by GAAP and should not be used as alternatives to net income (loss) as indicators of operating performance or to cash flow as measures of liquidity. Other companies in our industry may define Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA excluding inventory revaluation differently than we do. As a result, it may be difficult to use these or similarly-named financial measures that other companies may use, to compare the performance of those companies to our performance. We compensate for these limitations by providing reconciliations of these performance measures to our net income (loss), which is determined in accordance with GAAP.

Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA excluding inventory revaluation are calculated as follows for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively:

(in millions)	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2016	2015
Net income	\$ 76.7	\$ 37.7
Interest expense, net	18.9	28.9
Provision for income taxes	21.9	17.9
Depreciation and amortization	23.2	22.5
EBITDA ^(a)	\$ 140.7	\$ 107.0
Restructuring and other charges ^(b)	0.7	0.5
Other non-recurring items ^(c)	1.8	1.3
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 143.2	\$ 108.8
Inventory revaluation	9.7	42.1
Adjusted EBITDA excluding inventory revaluation ^(d)	\$ 152.9	\$ 150.9

- (a) We refer to EBITDA in making operating decisions because we believe it provides meaningful supplemental information regarding our operational performance. Other companies in our industry may define EBITDA differently than we do. As a result, it may be difficult to use EBITDA, or similarly-named financial measures that other companies may use, to compare the performance of those companies to our performance. We compensate for these limitations by providing reconciliations of our EBITDA results to our net income (loss), which is determined in accordance with GAAP. See “—Selected Segment Information” for further detail.
- (b) Restructuring and other charges for the three months ended March 31, 2016 relate primarily to employee termination benefit and decommissioning charges incurred in connection with the Allyn’s Point shutdown with our latex business. Restructuring and other charges for the three months ended March 31, 2015 relate primarily to the PC restructuring within our Basic Plastics & Feedstocks segment, for the reimbursement of decommissioning and demolition charges to Dow in connection with the shutdown of their Freeport, Texas facility. Note that the accelerated depreciation charges incurred as part of the Allyn’s Point shutdown announced in September 2015 are included within the “Depreciation and amortization” caption above, and therefore are not included as a separate adjustment within this caption. Refer to Note 16 in the condensed consolidated financial statements for further discussion.
- (c) Other non-recurring items for the three months ended March 31, 2016 relate to fees incurred in conjunction with the Company’s secondary offering completed in March 2016. Refer to Note 18 in the condensed consolidated financial statements for further discussion. Other non-recurring items for the three months ended March 31, 2015 represent costs related to the process of changing our corporate name from Styron to Trinseo.
- (d) See the discussion above this table for a description of Adjusted EBITDA excluding inventory revaluation.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Cash Flows

The table below summarizes our primary sources and uses of cash for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively. We have derived the summarized cash flow information from our unaudited financial statements.

(in millions)	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2016	2015
Net cash provided by (used in):		
Operating activities	\$ 84.9	\$ 42.9
Investing activities	(21.6)	(27.1)
Financing activities	(58.3)	(9.5)
Effect of exchange rates on cash	2.1	(8.4)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 7.1</u>	<u>\$ (2.1)</u>

Operating Activities

Net cash provided by operating activities during the three months ended March 31, 2016 totaled \$84.9 million, driven by the overall strong earnings for the period. Also driving the strong positive cash from operating activities for the period was \$30.0 million in dividends from our 50%-owned joint venture, Americas Styrenics.

Net cash used in operating assets and liabilities for the three months ended March 31, 2016 totaled \$24.5 million, the most significant driver of which was an increase in accounts receivable of \$33.7 million. The increase in accounts receivable is primarily due to timing of customer payments, as net sales for the first quarter of 2016 remained relatively flat when compared to the fourth quarter of 2015.

Net cash provided by operating activities during the three months ended March 31, 2015 totaled \$42.9 million, driven by the overall strong earnings for the quarter. Also impacting cash provided by operating activities for the period was an increase due to \$15.0 million in dividends from our 50%-owned joint venture, Americas Styrenics, and a decrease due to a \$52.2 million semi-annual interest payment made on the 2019 Senior Notes. Net cash used in operating assets and liabilities for the three months ended March 31, 2015 totaled \$7.3 million, the most significant components of which were increases in accounts receivable of \$42.1 million and decreases in accounts payable and other current and non-current liabilities of \$29.9 million, offset by a decrease in inventories of \$53.7 million. The increase in accounts receivable is primarily due to timing of customer payments, as net sales remained relatively consistent from the fourth quarter of 2014 to the first quarter of 2015. Accounts payable and other current liabilities decreased mainly due to the timing of payments to vendors and continued decreases in the prices of raw materials. Inventory decreased due to higher volume sold during the first quarter of 2015 when compared to the fourth quarter of 2014, as well as decreases in raw materials prices.

Investing Activities

Net cash used in investing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2016 totaled \$21.6 million, driven by capital expenditures of \$26.4 million during the period, a significant portion of which related to our project to upgrade our legacy enterprise resource planning environment to the latest version of SAP. Partially offsetting these capital expenditures were dividends received from Sumika Styron Polycarbonate during the quarter, \$4.8 million of which were classified as investing activities on the condensed consolidated statement of cash flows, with the remaining \$1.4 million classified as operating activities.

Net cash used in investing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2015 totaled \$27.1 million consisting primarily of capital expenditures of \$27.7 million during the period.

Financing Activities

Net cash used in financing activities during the three months ended March 31, 2016 totaled \$58.3 million. This activity was primarily driven by \$57.0 million of payments related to the repurchase of ordinary shares during the period

(see Note 18 to the condensed consolidated financial statements) as well as \$1.3 million of principal payments related to our 2021 Term Loan B.

Net cash used in financing activities during the three months ended March 31, 2015 totaled \$9.5 million. During the period, we had net repayments of short-term borrowings of \$9.5 million, which largely consisted of borrowings under our short-term revolving credit facility through our subsidiary in China.

Capital Resources and Liquidity

We require cash principally for day-to-day operations, to finance capital investments, to purchase materials, and to service our outstanding indebtedness. Our sources of liquidity include cash on hand, cash flow from operations and amounts available under the Senior Credit Facility and the Accounts Receivable Securitization Facility. We believe, based on our current level of operations, that these sources of liquidity will be sufficient to fund our operations, capital expenditures and debt service for at least the next twelve months.

Our liquidity requirements are significant due to interest owed on our outstanding indebtedness, capital expenditures and our working capital requirements. As of March 31, 2016, we had \$1,222.3 million in outstanding indebtedness and \$888.7 million in working capital. As of December 31, 2015, we had \$1,207.8 million in outstanding indebtedness and \$839.8 million in working capital. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, we had \$95.0 million and \$73.7 million of foreign cash and cash equivalents on our balance sheet, respectively, all of which is readily convertible into other foreign currencies, including the U.S. dollar. Our intention is not to permanently reinvest our foreign cash and cash equivalents. Accordingly, we record deferred income tax liabilities related to the unremitted earnings of our subsidiaries.

Our indebtedness could adversely affect our ability to raise additional capital, limit our ability to react to changes in the economy or our industry, expose us to interest rate risk, and prevent us from meeting our obligations. Management reacts strategically to changes in economic conditions and monitors compliance with debt covenants to seek to mitigate any potential material impacts to our financial condition and flexibility.

The following table outlines our outstanding indebtedness as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 and the associated interest expense, including amortization of deferred financing fees, and effective interest rates for such borrowings as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015. Note that the effective interest rates below exclude the impact of deferred financing fee amortization.

	As of and for the Three Months Ended			As of and for the Year Ended		
	March 31, 2016			December 31, 2015		
(dollars in millions)	Balance	Effective Interest Rate	Interest Expense	Balance	Effective Interest Rate	Interest Expense
2018 Senior Secured Credit Facility						
2018 Revolving Facility	\$ —	—	\$ —	\$ —	—	\$ 1.6
Senior Credit Facility						
2021 Term Loan B	495.2	4.3 %	5.8	496.4	4.3 %	15.4
2020 Revolving Facility	—	—	0.8	—	—	2.3
2019 Senior Notes	—	—	—	—	8.8 %	40.4
2022 Senior Notes						
USD Notes	300.0	6.8 %	5.3	300.0	6.8 %	13.8
Euro Notes	425.3	6.4 %	6.8	409.5	6.4 %	17.9
Accounts Receivable Securitization Facility	—	—	1.1	—	2.7 %	4.1
Other indebtedness*	1.8	4.8 %	—	1.9	2.5 %	0.1
Total	\$ 1,222.3		\$ 19.8	\$ 1,207.8		\$ 95.6

* For the three months ended March 31, 2016, interest expense on "Other indebtedness" was less than \$0.1 million.

Our Senior Credit Facility includes the 2020 Revolving Facility, which matures in May 2020, and has a borrowing

capacity of \$325.0 million. As of March 31, 2016, the Company had no outstanding borrowings, and had \$311.7 million (net of \$13.3 million outstanding letters of credit) of funds available for borrowings under the 2020 Revolving Facility. Further, we note that, as of March 31, 2016, the Borrowers are required to pay a quarterly commitment fee in respect of any unused commitments under the 2020 Revolving Facility equal to 0.375% per annum.

We also continue to maintain our Accounts Receivable Securitization Facility set to mature in May 2019, under which our borrowing capacity is \$200.0 million. As of March 31, 2016, there were no amounts outstanding under the Accounts Receivable Securitization Facility, with approximately \$133.3 million of funds available for borrowing under this facility, based on the pool of eligible accounts receivable.

Our other borrowing arrangements include our \$500.0 million 2021 Term Loan B (maturing in November 2021), which requires scheduled quarterly payments in amounts equal to 0.25% of the original principal, and our 2022 Senior Notes (maturing in May 2022), whose U.S. dollar equivalent outstanding amount as of March 31, 2016 totaled \$725.3 million.

The Senior Credit Facility and Indenture contain certain customary affirmative, negative and financial covenants. As of March 31, 2016, the Company was in compliance with all of these debt covenant requirements. Refer to the Annual Report for further information on the details of these covenant requirements.

Our ability to raise additional financing and our borrowing costs may be impacted by short- and long-term debt ratings assigned by independent rating agencies, which are based, in significant part, on our performance as measured by certain credit metrics such as interest coverage and leverage ratios.

We and our subsidiaries, affiliates or significant direct or indirect shareholders may from time to time seek to retire or purchase our outstanding debt through cash purchases in the open market, privately negotiated transactions, exchange transactions or otherwise. Such repurchases or exchanges, if any, will depend on prevailing market conditions, our liquidity requirements, contractual restrictions and other factors. The amounts involved may be material.

Trinseo Materials Operating S.C.A. and Trinseo Materials Finance, Inc. (the “Issuers” of our 2022 Senior Notes and “Borrowers” under our Senior Credit Facility) are dependent upon the cash generation and receipt of distributions and dividends or other payments from our subsidiaries and joint ventures in order to satisfy their debt obligations. There are no known significant restrictions by third parties on the ability of subsidiaries of the Company to disburse or dividend funds to the Issuers and the Borrowers in order to satisfy these obligations. However, as the Company’s subsidiaries are located in a variety of jurisdictions, the Company can give no assurances that its subsidiaries will not face transfer restrictions in the future due to regulatory or other reasons beyond our control.

As noted above, during the three months ended March 31, 2016, the Company continued to generate strong cash flows from operations. However, we can make no assurances that, in the future, our business will generate sufficient cash flow from operations or that future borrowings will be available to us under the Senior Credit Facility in an amount sufficient to enable us to pay our indebtedness, or to fund our other liquidity needs. In addition, our current indebtedness may limit our ability to procure additional financing in the future. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, we were in compliance with all the covenants and default provisions under our debt agreements.

The Senior Credit Facility and Indenture also limit the ability of the Borrowers and Issuers, respectively, to pay dividends or make other distributions to Trinseo S.A., which could then be used to make distributions to shareholders. As of March 31, 2016, Trinseo S.A. had not declared any dividends or other cash distributions to shareholders but had capacity under the terms of the restrictive covenants contained in the Senior Credit Facility and Indenture to provide for certain dividends or other cash distributions to shareholders should the Company determine to declare them in the future.

We believe that funds provided by operations, our existing cash and cash equivalent balances, borrowings available under our 2020 Revolving Facility and borrowings available under our Accounts Receivable Securitization Facility will be adequate to meet planned operating and capital expenditures for at least the next 12 months under current operating conditions. However, if we were to undertake any significant acquisitions or investments, it may be necessary for us to obtain additional debt or equity financings. We may not be able to obtain such financing on reasonable terms, or at all.

Contractual Obligations and Commercial Commitments

Other than the impact of the amendment to our supplemental employee retirement plan, which increased our projected benefit obligation under this plan by \$1.3 million and extended the expected estimate of future benefit payments to 2018 (discussed in Note 11 to the condensed consolidated financial statements), there have been no material revisions outside the ordinary course of business to our contractual obligations as described within “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Contractual Obligations and Commercial Commitments” within our Annual Report.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements are based on the selection and application of significant accounting policies. The preparation of unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and revenues and expenses at the date of and during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. However, we are not currently aware of any reasonably likely events or circumstances that would result in materially different results.

We describe our significant accounting policies in Note 2, Basis of Presentation and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report, while we discuss our critical accounting policies and estimates in “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” within our Annual Report.

There have been no material revisions to the critical accounting policies as filed in our Annual Report.

Off-balance Sheet Arrangements

We do not have any off-balance sheet arrangements.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

We describe the impact of recent accounting pronouncements in Note 2 to our condensed consolidated financial statements, included elsewhere within this Quarterly Report.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

As discussed in “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” within our Annual Report, we are exposed to changes in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates as well as changes in the prices of certain commodities that we use in production. There have been no material changes in our exposure to market risks from the information provided within our Annual Report.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal controls designed to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by us in our reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC’s rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Interim Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures. Our management, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Interim Chief Financial Officer, evaluated the effectiveness of the Company’s disclosure controls and procedures as of March 31, 2016. Based on that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Interim Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report were effective to provide the reasonable level of assurance described above.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There was no change in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) of the Exchange Act) that occurred during the quarter ended March 31, 2016 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II — OTHER INFORMATION**Item 1. Legal Proceedings**

From time to time we may be subject to various legal claims and proceedings incidental to the normal conduct of business, relating to such matters as product liability, antitrust, competition, waste disposal practices, release of chemicals into the environment and other matters that may arise in the ordinary course of our business. We currently believe that there is no litigation pending that is likely to have a material adverse effect on our business. Regardless of the outcome, legal proceedings can have an adverse impact on us because of defense and settlement costs, diversion of management resources and other factors.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

Our business faces various risks. Certain important factors may have a material adverse effect on our business prospects, financial condition and results of operations, and you should carefully consider them. Accordingly, in evaluating our business, we encourage you to consider the risk factors related to our ordinary shares as well those risk factors related to our business and industry which have been previously disclosed in Item 1A of our Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2015, for which there have been no material changes. We encourage you to consider these risks, in their entirety, in addition to other information contained in or incorporated by reference into this Quarterly Report and our other public filings with the SEC. Other events that we do not currently anticipate or that we currently deem immaterial may also affect our business, prospects, financial condition and results of operations.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

(a) Recent sales of unregistered securities

None.

(b) Use of Proceeds from registered securities

None.

(c) Purchases of Equity Securities by the Issuer and Affiliated Purchasers

The following table contains information regarding purchases of our ordinary shares made during the quarter ended March 31, 2016 by or on behalf of the Company or any “affiliated purchaser,” as defined by Rule 10b-18(a)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934:

Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities					
Period	Total number of shares purchased	Average price paid per share	Total number of shares purchased as part of publicly announced plans or programs ⁽¹⁾	Approximate dollar value of shares that may yet be purchased under the plans or programs ⁽²⁾	
Jan. 1 - Jan. 31, 2016	-	-	-	\$	125,000,000
Feb. 1 - Feb. 29, 2016	-	-	-	\$	125,000,000
March 1 - March 31, 2016	1,600,000	\$ 35.63	1,600,000	\$	67,992,000
Total	1,600,000	\$ 35.63	1,600,000	\$	67,992,000

- (1) The general meeting of our shareholders on May 30, 2014 authorized the repurchase of up to 10% of the Company’s issued share capital at a price per share of not less \$0.01 and not more than \$1,000. This authorization ends on May 30, 2019 or on the date of its renewal by a subsequent general meeting of

shareholders. Under this authorization, the board of directors approved repurchases by the Company in an amount not to exceed \$125 million in aggregate. On March 21, 2016, the Company announced its intent to repurchase of 1,600,000 of its ordinary shares concurrent with and subject to the completion of a secondary offering of its ordinary shares by the Parent .

On March 24, 2016, the Parent sold an aggregate of 10,600,000 of our ordinary shares in a registered, underwritten public offering to Goldman, Sachs & Co. (the “Underwriter”), from whom the Company repurchased 1,600,000 ordinary shares at a price of \$35.63 per share. In order to satisfy certain requirements of Luxembourg law, promptly following the completion of the offering, the Company commenced a tender offer on March 28, 2016 to offer to purchase up to an additional 1,165,000 shares from its shareholders other than the Parent at the same price per share that it paid to the Underwriter for the shares repurchased as part of the secondary offering. The tender offer expired on April 25, 2016 with 38,702 ordinary shares repurchased by the Company.

- (2) The board of directors of the Company has proposed a new share repurchase program to its shareholders in connection with its upcoming 2016 annual general meeting of shareholders on June 21, 2016. If approved, no further offers to repurchase will be made under the Company’s existing 2014 share repurchase authorization. Under the Company’s existing 2014 share repurchase authorization, the board of directors has authorized the Company to repurchase, subject to market and other conditions, up to \$36 million of its ordinary shares through the date of the Company’s 2016 annual general meeting of shareholders.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable.

Item 5. Other Information

None.

Item 6. Exhibits

See Exhibit Index.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, duly authorized.

Date: May 5, 2016

TRINSEO S.A.

By: /s/ Christopher D. Pappas

Name: Christopher D. Pappas

Title: President, Chief Executive Officer, and Interim Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer)

By: /s/ Ryan J. Leib

Name: Ryan J. Leib

Title: Principal Accounting Officer and Corporate Controller

(Principal Accounting Officer)

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
3.1	Amended and Restated Articles of Association of Trinseo S.A. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Annual Report filed on Form 10-K, File No. 001-36473, filed March 10, 2015)
4.1	Form of Specimen Share Certificate of Trinseo S.A. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Amendment No. 3 to the Registration Statement filed on Form S-1, File No. 333-194561, filed May 16, 2014)
4.2	Indenture among Trinseo Materials Operating S.C.A., Trinseo Materials Finance, Inc. and The Bank of New York Mellon, as Trustee, dated as of May 5, 2015 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Current Report filed on Form 8-K, File No. 001-36473, filed May 11, 2015)
10.1	Credit Agreement among Trinseo Materials Operating S.C.A., Trinseo Materials Finance, Inc. together with Trinseo Holdings S.à r.l., and Trinseo Materials S.à r.l., Deutsche Bank AG New York Branch, as administrative agent, collateral agent L/C issuer and swing line lender, Citigroup Global Markets Inc., as syndication agent, and the lenders from time to time party thereto, dated as of May 5, 2015 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Current Report filed on Form 8-K, No. 001-36473, filed May 11, 2015)
10.2	First Amendment to Amended & Restated Employment Agreement between Trinseo US Holding, Inc., Bain Capital Everest Manager Holding SCA, and Christopher D. Pappas, dated March 30, 2016 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K, File No. 001-36473, filed April 5, 2016)
10.3†	Letter Agreement, dated March 3, 2016, between Trinseo S.A. and Christopher D. Pappas, defining retirement for purpose of equity awards
10.4†	Letter Agreement, dated March 1, 2016, between Trinseo S.A. and Martin Pugh, defining retirement for purpose of equity awards
10.5†	Letter Agreement, dated March 1, 2016, between Trinseo S.A. and Marilyn N. Horner, defining retirement for purpose of equity awards
31.1†	Certification of Chief Executive Officer and Interim Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
32.1†	Certification of Chief Executive Officer and Interim Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
101.INS†	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH†	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.CAL†	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.DEF†	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB†	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE†	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document
†	Filed herewith.

March 3, 2016

Mr. Christopher D. Pappas

Dear Mr. Pappas:

RE: Definition of Retirement for Purposes of Equity Awards under 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the "Plan")

This letter confirms that the following definition of "Retirement" is applicable to all Stock Options granted to you under the Plan to date and in the future unless otherwise notified:

"Retirement" means (i) a termination of Optionee's Employment by the Company (or its subsidiaries) other than for Cause; (ii) a termination of Optionee's Employment by the Optionee with "good reason" (with such term having the meaning ascribed thereto in the employment agreement between the Optionee and the Company, or its subsidiaries) ("Good Reason") for so long as such agreement is in effect, or (iii) a termination of Optionee's Employment by the Optionee without Good Reason where the Optionee provides the Company with at least 12 months notice of the termination.

This letter confirms that the following definition of "Retirement" is applicable to all Restricted Stock Units granted to you under the Plan to date and in the future unless otherwise notified:

"Retirement" means (i) a termination of Grantee's Employment by the Company (or its subsidiaries) other than for Cause; (ii) a termination of Grantee's Employment by the Grantee with "good reason" (with such term having the meaning ascribed thereto in the employment agreement between the Grantee and the Company, or its subsidiaries) ("Good Reason") for so long as such agreement is in effect, or (iii) a termination of Grantee's Employment by the Grantee without Good Reason where the Grantee provides the Company with at least 12 months notice of the termination.

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Trinseo S.A.

By: /s/ Stephen Zide

Name: Stephen Zide

Title: Director

March 1, 2016

Mr. Martin Pugh

Dear Mr. Pugh:

RE: Definition of Retirement for Purposes of Equity Awards under 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the "Plan")

This letter confirms that the following definition of "Retirement" is applicable to all Stock Options granted to you under the Plan to date and in the future unless otherwise notified, in addition to the definition set forth in the Non-Statutory Stock Option Agreement:

"Retirement" also means a termination of Employment on or after March 1, 2017 if the Optionee's current employment agreement expires without renewal on March 1, 2017.

This letter confirms that the following definition of "Retirement" is applicable to all Restricted Stock Units granted to you under the Plan to date and in the future unless otherwise notified, in addition to the definition set forth in the Restricted Stock Unit Agreement:

"Retirement" also means a termination of Employment on or after March 1, 2017 if the Grantee's current employment agreement expires without renewal on March 1, 2017.

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Trinseo S.A.

By: /s/ Christopher D. Pappas

Name: Christopher D. Pappas

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

March 1, 2016

Ms. Marilyn Horner

Dear Ms. Horner:

RE: Definition of Retirement for Purposes of Equity Awards under 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the "Plan")

This letter confirms that the following definition of "Retirement" is applicable to all Stock Options granted to you under the Plan to date and in the future unless otherwise notified:

"Retirement" means a retirement from active Employment after the Optionee has attained age fifty-five (55) with at least six (6) years of continuous service with the Company.

This letter confirms that the following definition of "Retirement" is applicable to all Restricted Stock Units granted to you under the Plan to date and in the future unless otherwise notified:

"Retirement" means a retirement from active Employment after the Grantee has attained age fifty-five (55) with at least six (6) years of continuous service with the Company.

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Trinseo S.A.

By: /s/ Christopher D. Pappas

Name: Christopher D. Pappas

Title: Chief Executive Officer and President

CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND INTERIM CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

I, Christopher D. Pappas, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Trinseo S.A.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal controls over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal controls over financial reporting, or caused controls over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 5, 2016

By: /s/ Christopher D. Pappas
Name: Christopher D. Pappas
Title: Chief Executive Officer and Interim Chief Financial Officer

**Certification of CEO and Interim CFO Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350,
As Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

In connection with the quarterly report of Trinseo S.A. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2016 (the "Report"), as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof, I, the undersigned, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, to the best of my knowledge, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13a or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: May 5, 2016

By: /s/ Christopher D. Pappas
Name: Christopher D. Pappas
Title: Chief Executive Officer and Interim Chief Financial Officer
