

**Ball Corporation**  
**Non-GAAP Financial Measures**  
**4Q 2009 Earnings Conference Call \***

Management internally uses adjusted earnings before interest and taxes (adjusted EBIT) and adjusted earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (adjusted EBITDA) to evaluate the company's performance. EBIT and EBITDA are typically derived directly from the company's consolidated statement of earnings; however, they may be adjusted for items that affect comparability between periods. Management also uses interest coverage and net debt to adjusted EBITDA ratios as metrics to monitor our credit quality. Based on the above definitions, our calculation of adjusted EBIT, adjusted EBITDA, interest coverage ratio and net debt to adjusted EBITDA ratio are summarized below:

<i>(\$ in millions, except ratios)</i>	<b>Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2009</b>
Net earnings	\$ 388.4
Add interest expense	117.2
Add tax provision	162.8
Less equity in results of affiliates	(13.8)
Earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT)	654.6
Add business consolidation and other activities (A)	44.5
Less gain on dispositions (A)	(39.1)
<b>Adjusted EBIT</b>	660.0
Add depreciation and amortization	285.2
<b>Adjusted EBITDA</b>	\$ 945.2
 Interest expense (Interest)	 \$ 117.2
 Total debt at December 31, 2009 (Debt)	 \$ 2,596.2
Less cash	(210.6)
<b>Net Debt</b>	\$ 2,385.6
 <b>Adjusted EBIT/Interest</b> for the rolling 12 months ended December 31, 2009	5.6x
<b>Total Net Debt/Adjusted EBITDA</b>	2.5x

(A) The business consolidation and other activities consist of net income of \$2.3 million in the fourth quarter of 2009 and charges of \$22.7 million, \$19.1 million and \$5 million in the third, second and first quarters, respectively. The gain on distributions included \$4.3 million for the sale of our plastics pail business in October 2009 and \$34.8 million for the sale of a portion of our interest in DigitalGlobe in the second quarter. For detailed information on the above items, please see the respective quarterly filings and/or earnings releases, which can be found on our website at [www.ball.com](http://www.ball.com).

Ball management uses interest coverage and net debt to Adjusted EBITDA ratios as metrics to monitor the credit quality of Ball Corporation. Business consolidation and other activities and the gain on sale of investment are segregated to evaluate the performance of the company's operations. The above is presented on a non-U.S. GAAP basis and should be considered in connection with the unaudited statement of consolidated earnings. Non-U.S. GAAP measures should not be considered in isolation and should not be considered superior to, or a substitute for, financial measures calculated in accordance with U.S. GAAP. A presentation of earnings presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP is available in the company's earnings releases and quarterly filings.

**Net Debt** - Net debt is total debt less cash and cash equivalents, which are both derived directly from the company's financial statements.

**Free Cash Flow** - Management internally uses a free cash flow measure (1) to evaluate the company's operating results, (2) to plan stock buy-back levels, (3) to evaluate strategic investments and (4) to evaluate the company's ability to incur and service debt. Free cash flow is not a defined term under U.S. GAAP (a non-U.S. GAAP measure). Non-U.S. GAAP measures should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for net earnings or cash flow data prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP and may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies.

Free cash flow is typically derived directly from the company's cash flow statements and defined as cash flows from operating activities less additions to property, plant and equipment (capital spending); however it may be adjusted for items that affect comparability between periods.

Free cash flow was \$373 million in 2009, calculated as cash flows from operations of \$560 million less capital spending of \$187 million. We estimate 2010 free cash flow to be in the \$500 million range, with cash flows from operating activities in the \$735 million range and capital spending at approximately \$235 million.

Cash flow from operating activities is the most comparable U.S. GAAP term to free cash flow, and it should not be inferred that the entire free cash flow amount is available for discretionary expenditures.

**Balance Sheet Comparative** - Management internally uses balance sheet information from the same quarter of the prior year, as it is believed to be more indicative of seasonal trends than prior calendar year end information.

\* The non-GAAP presentation has been revised to conform to information included in the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on February 25, 2010.