

## Computation of Ratios of Earnings to Fixed Charges

| (THOUSANDS, EXCEPT RATIOS)  | FOR THE THREE<br>MONTHS ENDED | FOR THE NINE<br>MONTHS ENDED | FOR THE TWELVE<br>MONTHS ENDED |
|---|-------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
|   | SEPTEMBER 30, 2007            |                              |                                |
| Earnings from continuing operations                                       | \$ 34,198                     | \$ 65,146                    | \$ 77,498                      |
| Income taxes  | 10,871                        | 20,517                       | 27,289                         |
| Earnings from continuing operations before income taxes                   | \$ 45,069                     | \$ 85,663                    | \$ 104,787                     |
| Fixed charges:  |                               |                              |                                |
| Interest, long-term debt  | \$ 8,051                      | \$ 24,583                    | \$ 32,699                      |
| Interest, other (including interest on short-term debt)                   | 3,259                         | 9,758                        | 12,634                         |
| Amortization of debt expense, premium, net                                | 347                           | 1,044                        | 1,380                          |
| Portion of rentals representative of an interest factor                   | 138                           | 421                          | 565                            |
| Total fixed charges   | \$ 11,795                     | \$ 35,806                    | \$ 47,278                      |
| Earnings from continuing operations before income taxes                   | \$ 45,069                     | \$ 85,663                    | \$ 104,787                     |
| Plus: total fixed charges from above                                      | 11,795                        | 35,806                       | 47,278                         |
| Earnings from continuing operations before income taxes and fixed charges | \$ 56,864                     | \$ 121,469                   | \$ 152,065                     |
| Ratio of earnings to fixed charges  | 4.82 x                        | 3.39 x                       | 3.22 x                         |