

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 10-Q

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

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2018

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: 1-11373



Cardinal Health, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio

*(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)*

7000 Cardinal Place, Dublin, Ohio

(Address of principal executive offices)

31-0958666

*(IRS Employer
Identification No.)*

43017

(Zip Code)

(614) 757-5000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 Website, 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 registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company" and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer ☒

Non-accelerated filer ☐ (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Accelerated filer ☐

Smaller reporting company ☐

Emerging growth company ☐

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act ☐

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

The number of the registrant's common shares, without par value, outstanding as of April 30, 2018, was the following: 310,685,049.

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About Cardinal Health

Cardinal Health, Inc. is an Ohio corporation formed in 1979 and is a globally integrated healthcare services and products company providing customized solutions for hospitals, healthcare systems, pharmacies, ambulatory surgery centers, clinical laboratories and physician offices. We provide medical products and pharmaceuticals and cost-effective solutions that enhance supply chain efficiency. We connect patients, providers, payers, pharmacists and manufacturers for integrated care coordination and better patient management. We manage our business and report our financial results in two segments: Pharmaceutical and Medical. As used in this report, "we," "our," "us," and similar pronouns refer to Cardinal Health, Inc. and its subsidiaries, unless the context requires otherwise. Our fiscal year ends on June 30. References to fiscal 2018 and fiscal 2017 are to the fiscal years ending or ended June 30, 2018 and June 30, 2017, respectively.

Forward-Looking Statements

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2018 (this "Form 10-Q") (including information incorporated by reference) includes "forward-looking statements" addressing expectations, prospects, estimates and other matters that are dependent upon future events or developments. Many forward-looking statements appear in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations ("MD&A"), but there are others in this Form 10-Q, which may be identified by words such as "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "plan," "believe," "will," "should," "could," "would," "project," "continue," "likely," and similar expressions, and include statements reflecting future results, trends or guidance, statements of outlook and expense accruals. These matters are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those made, projected or implied. The most significant of these risks and uncertainties are described in Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 10-Q and in "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 (our "2017 Form 10-K"). Forward-looking statements in this Form 10-Q speak only as of the date of this document. Except to the extent required by applicable law, we undertake no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

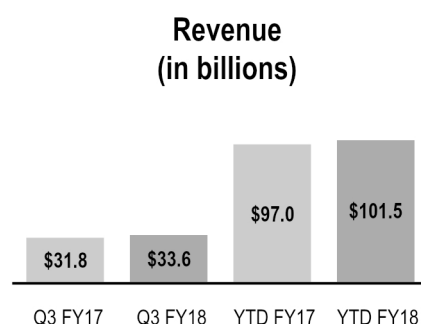
In the "Overview of Consolidated Results" section of MD&A, we use financial measures that are derived from our consolidated financial data but are not presented in our condensed consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). These measures are considered "non-GAAP financial measures" under the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") rules. The reasons we use these non-GAAP financial measures and the reconciliations to their most directly comparable GAAP financial measures are included in the "Explanation and Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" section following MD&A in this Form 10-Q.

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The discussion and analysis presented below is concerned with material changes in financial condition and results of operations between the periods specified in our condensed consolidated balance sheets at March 31, 2018 and June 30, 2017, and in our condensed consolidated statements of earnings for the three and nine months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017. All comparisons presented are with respect to the prior-year period, unless stated otherwise. This discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the MD&A included in our 2017 Form 10-K.

Overview of Consolidated Results

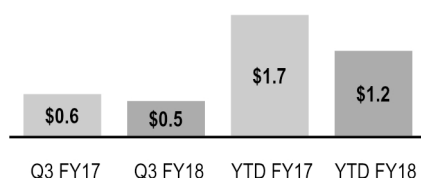
Revenue



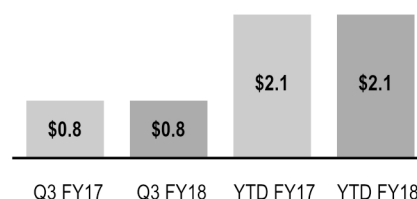
During the three and nine months ended March 31, 2018, revenue increased 6 percent to \$33.6 billion and 5 percent to \$101.5 billion, respectively, primarily due to sales growth from pharmaceutical distribution and specialty pharmaceutical customers, partially offset by the previously announced May 2017 expiration of a large pharmaceutical distribution mail order customer contract. The Patient Recovery Business acquisition also contributed to the increase in revenue during the three and nine months ended March 31, 2018.

GAAP and Non-GAAP Operating Earnings

GAAP
(in billions)



Non-GAAP
(in billions)



(in millions)	Three Months Ended March 31,			Nine Months Ended March 31,		
	2018	2017	Change	2018	2017	Change
GAAP operating earnings	\$ 546	\$ 605	(10)%	\$ 1,206	\$ 1,681	(28)%
LIFO charges/(credits)	—	(9)		—	—	
Restructuring and employee severance	2	15		155	31	
Amortization and other acquisition-related costs	175	128		543	365	
Impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets	(6)	2		62	15	
Litigation (recoveries)/charges, net	64	18		155	37	
Non-GAAP operating earnings	\$ 781	\$ 759	3 %	\$ 2,121	\$ 2,129	— %

The sum of the components may not equal the total due to rounding.

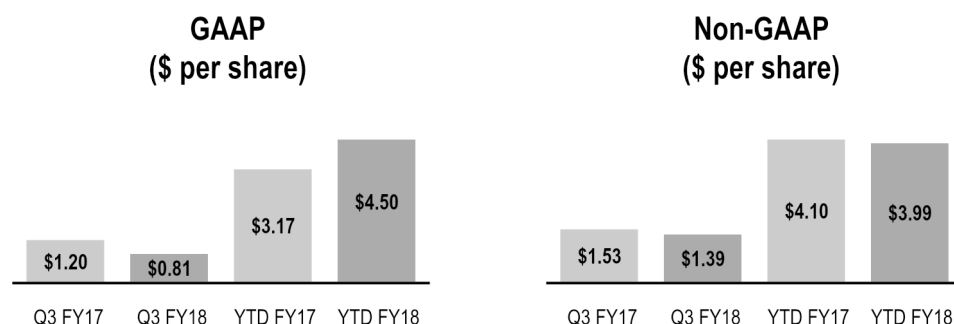
The decrease in GAAP operating earnings during the three months ended March 31, 2018 was primarily due to increased amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets as a result of the Patient Recovery Business acquisition; litigation charges associated with inferior vena cava (IVC) filter product liability claims; performance from Cardinal Health Brand products; and a modest, negative impact from our Pharmaceutical segment generic program. These factors were partially offset by contributions from the Patient Recovery Business acquisition.

The decrease in GAAP operating earnings during the nine months ended March 31, 2018 was primarily due to increased amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets as a result of the Patient Recovery Business acquisition; contract termination restructuring costs to transition the distribution of our Medical segment's surgeon gloves in certain international markets from a third-party distribution arrangement to a direct distribution model; litigation charges associated with inferior vena cava (IVC) filter product liability claims; a modest, negative impact from our Pharmaceutical segment generic program; performance from Cardinal Health Brand products; the loss on sale from the divestiture of our China distribution business; and the costs related to our multi-year project to replace certain Pharmaceutical segment finance and operating information systems. These factors were partially offset by contributions from the Patient Recovery Business acquisition.

The increase in non-GAAP operating earnings during the three months ended March 31, 2018 was primarily due to contributions from the Patient Recovery Business acquisition, partially offset by performance from Cardinal Health Brand products, primarily Cordis performance, and a modest, negative impact from our Pharmaceutical segment generic program.

The decrease in non-GAAP operating earnings during the nine months ended March 31, 2018 was primarily due to performance from our Pharmaceutical segment generics program, performance from Cardinal Health Brand products and costs related to our multi-year project to replace certain Pharmaceutical segment finance and operating information systems. These were largely offset by contributions from the Patient Recovery Business acquisition.

GAAP and Non-GAAP Diluted EPS



(\$ per share)	Three Months Ended March 31,			Nine Months Ended March 31,		
	2018	2017	Change	2018	2017	Change
GAAP ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0.81	\$ 1.20	(33)%	\$ 4.50	\$ 3.17	42 %
LIFO charges/(credits)	—	(0.02)		—	—	
Restructuring and employee severance	0.06	0.03		0.40	0.06	
Amortization and other acquisition-related costs	0.42	0.27		1.27	0.76	
Impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets	0.02	0.01		0.38	0.03	
Litigation (recoveries)/charges, net	0.14	0.03		0.33	0.07	
Transitional tax benefit, net	(0.06)	—		(2.88)	—	
Non-GAAP ⁽¹⁾	\$ 1.39	\$ 1.53	(9)%	\$ 3.99	\$ 4.10	(3)%

The sum of the components may not equal the total due to rounding.

(1) diluted earnings per share attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc. ("diluted EPS")

During the three months ended March 31, 2018, GAAP diluted EPS decreased primarily due to a higher effective tax rate and an increase in interest expense. The higher effective tax rate is due to a change in discrete items, a reduction in projected Cordis income and its impact on jurisdictional mix encompassing U.S. and international operations, partially offset by the net benefit from enactment of the U.S. Tax Cuts and Jobs Act ("Tax Act").

During the nine months ended March 31, 2018, GAAP diluted EPS increased primarily due to the net benefit from enactment of the Tax Act, which includes a provisional net benefit of \$952 million related to the remeasurement of our deferred tax assets and liabilities to the new federal statutory rate, as well as the benefit from applying a lower federal tax rate to our year-to-date U.S. pre-tax earnings and a provisional tax expense of \$41 million for a one-time repatriation tax applied to undistributed foreign earnings. This net tax benefit was partially offset by an increase in interest expense.

During the three months ended March 31, 2018, non-GAAP diluted EPS decreased primarily due to a higher non-GAAP effective tax rate and an increase in interest expense, partially offset by the net benefit of the factors impacting non-GAAP operating earnings.

During the nine months ended March 31, 2018, non-GAAP diluted EPS decreased primarily due to an increase in interest expense, partially offset by the benefit of applying a lower U.S. federal statutory tax rate to U.S. pre-tax non-GAAP earnings as a result of the Tax Act.

Cash and Equivalents

Our cash and equivalents balance was \$2.2 billion at March 31, 2018 compared to \$6.9 billion at June 30, 2017. The decrease in cash and equivalents during the nine months ended March 31, 2018 was due to \$6.1 billion paid for acquisitions, \$436 million paid in dividends, \$450 million paid for share repurchases and \$403 million paid to redeem our 1.7% notes due 2018. These were offset in part by net cash of \$2.2 billion provided by operating activities and \$861 million of net cash proceeds from the sale of our China distribution business.

Significant Developments in Fiscal 2018 and Trends

Acquisitions and Divestitures

Patient Recovery Business Acquisition

On July 29, 2017, we acquired the Patient Care, Deep Vein Thrombosis, and Nutritional Insufficiency businesses (the "Patient Recovery Business") from Medtronic plc for \$6.1 billion in cash. The Patient Recovery Business manufactures 23 categories of medical products that are sold into multiple healthcare channels, and includes numerous industry-leading brands, such as Curity, Kendall, Dover, Argyle and Kangaroo. The acquisition further expanded the Medical segment's portfolio of self-manufactured products.

China Distribution Business Divestiture

During the three months ended March 31, 2018, we completed the divestiture of our pharmaceutical and medical products distribution business in China (the "China distribution business") to Shanghai Pharmaceuticals Holding Co., Ltd. for gross proceeds of \$1.2 billion. The net proceeds were \$861 million after adjusting for third party indebtedness and preliminary transaction adjustments. The net proceeds are not reflective of tax obligations due in connection with the sale, for which we have recorded a liability of \$57 million. In connection with the divestiture, we recognized a net loss of \$60 million, which is comprised of the \$67 million disposal group write-down which was recognized during the three months ended December 31, 2017 when we entered into the definitive agreement to sell the business, offset by a \$7 million gain recognized during the three months ended March 31, 2018 resulting from fluctuations in working capital and foreign currency exchange rates.

Trends

Segment Performance for the Remainder of Fiscal 2018 and for Fiscal 2019

Within our Medical segment Cordis business, we expect continued operating cost and inventory challenges to negatively impact segment profit for the remainder of fiscal 2018.

Within our Pharmaceutical segment, we expect customer pricing changes to negatively impact segment profit for the remainder of fiscal 2018 and for fiscal 2019. We also expect fiscal 2019 to be negatively impacted by the previously-announced loss of a large pharmaceutical distribution customer. As is generally the case, the frequency, timing, magnitude, and profit impact of customer pricing changes, branded and generic pharmaceutical manufacturer pricing changes and customer wins and losses are uncertain and their impact on segment profit for the remainder of fiscal 2018 and for fiscal 2019 could be more or less than we expect.

Tax Cuts and Jobs Act

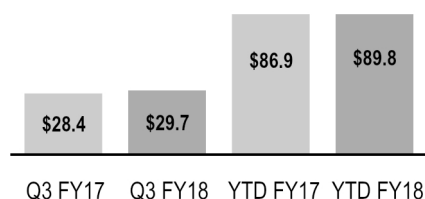
The Tax Act was enacted in December 2017. The Tax Act, among other things, reduced the U.S. federal corporate tax rate from 35 percent to 21 percent and requires companies to pay a one-time tax to repatriate, for U.S. purposes, earnings of certain foreign subsidiaries that were previously deferred for tax purposes. In addition, beginning in our fiscal year 2019, it limits certain deductions and creates new taxes on certain foreign sourced earnings. The rate change was effective at the beginning of calendar year 2018 and, as a result, we have a blended U.S. federal statutory tax rate of 28.1 percent for our fiscal year 2018. The application of the lower federal tax rate to our year-to-date U.S. pre-tax earnings resulted in a tax benefit during the nine months ended March 31, 2018. We expect the lower federal statutory rate to have a significant positive impact on earnings per share in our fiscal year 2019. Additionally, we recognized a \$911 million provisional net transitional tax benefit during the nine months ended March 31, 2018, comprised of the remeasurement of our U.S. deferred tax assets and liabilities at the lower tax rate partially offset by the expense for the repatriation tax.

We are still completing our accounting for the tax effects of the Tax Act because all of the necessary information is not currently available, prepared, or analyzed. As such, the amounts we have recorded are provisional estimates and, as permitted by the SEC, we will continue to assess the impact of enactment of the Tax Act and we may record additional provisional amounts or adjustments to provisional amounts during the remainder of fiscal 2018 and in the first half of fiscal 2019.

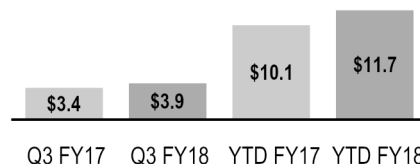
Results of Operations

Revenue

Pharmaceutical Segment
(in billions)



Medical Segment
(in billions)



(in millions)	Three Months Ended March 31,			Nine Months Ended March 31,		
	2018	2017	Change	2018	2017	Change
Pharmaceutical	\$ 29,720	\$ 28,406	5%	\$ 89,786	\$ 86,911	3%
Medical	3,916	3,418	15%	11,684	10,107	16%
Total segment revenue	33,636	31,824	6%	101,470	97,018	5%
Corporate	(3)	(3)	—%	(10)	(8)	25%
Total revenue	\$ 33,633	\$ 31,821	6%	\$ 101,460	\$ 97,010	5%

Pharmaceutical Segment

Pharmaceutical segment revenue growth was primarily due to sales growth from pharmaceutical distribution and specialty pharmaceutical customers, which together increased revenue by \$2.6 billion and \$6.1 billion during the three and nine months ended March 31, 2018, respectively. The increases were partially offset by the previously announced May 2017 expiration of a large pharmaceutical distribution mail order customer contract and the February 2018 divestiture of our China distribution business.

Medical Segment

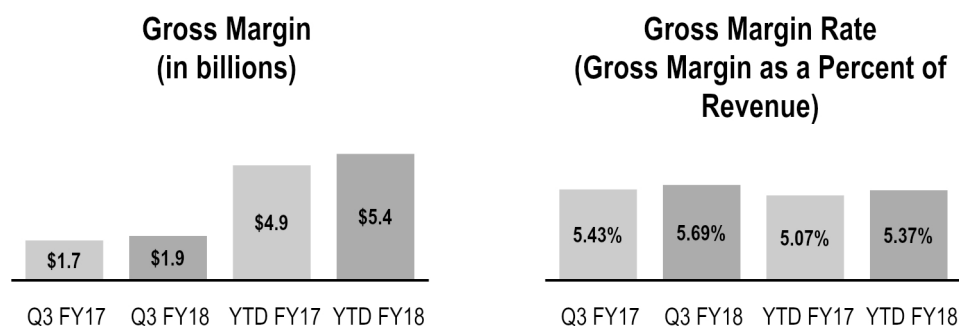
Medical segment revenue growth for the three months ended March 31, 2018 was primarily due to \$526 million of contributions from acquisitions, which primarily includes the Patient Recovery Business acquisition.

Medical segment revenue growth for the nine months ended March 31, 2018 was primarily due to \$1.4 billion of contributions from acquisitions, which primarily includes the Patient Recovery Business acquisition, and sales growth from new and existing customers.

Cost of Products Sold

Cost of products sold for the three and nine months ended March 31, 2018 increased \$1.6 billion (5 percent) and \$3.9 billion (4 percent) compared to the prior-year periods, respectively, as a result of the same factors affecting the changes in revenue and gross margin.

Gross Margin



(in millions)	Three Months Ended March 31,			Nine Months Ended March 31,		
	2018	2017	Change	2018	2017	Change
Gross margin	\$ 1,913	\$ 1,728	11%	\$ 5,446	\$ 4,921	11%

Gross margin during the three and nine months ended March 31, 2018 increased \$185 million and \$525 million, respectively, compared to the prior-year periods primarily due to acquisitions (\$232 million and \$568 million, respectively), which primarily includes the Patient Recovery Business acquisition.

Gross margin rate grew 26 and 30 basis points during the three and nine months ended March 31, 2018, respectively, due to acquisitions, which primarily includes the Patient Recovery Business acquisition, partially offset by the negative impact of changes in pharmaceutical distribution product mix.

Distribution, Selling, General and Administrative ("SG&A") Expenses

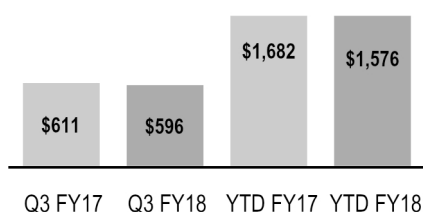
(in millions)	Three Months Ended March 31,			Nine Months Ended March 31,		
	2018	2017	Change	2018	2017	Change
SG&A expenses	\$ 1,132	\$ 960	18%	\$ 3,325	\$ 2,792	19%

The increase in SG&A expenses during the three and nine months ended March 31, 2018 was largely due to acquisitions (\$142 million and \$367 million, respectively), which primarily includes the Patient Recovery Business acquisition. The increase in SG&A expenses during the nine months ended March 31, 2018 also includes costs related to our multi-year project to replace certain Pharmaceutical segment finance and operating information systems.

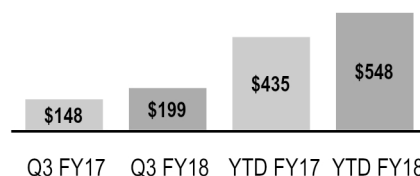
Segment Profit

We evaluate segment performance based on segment profit, among other measures. See [Note 15](#) of the "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" for additional information on segment profit.

Pharmaceutical Segment Profit
(in millions)



Medical Segment Profit
(in millions)



(in millions)	Three Months Ended March 31,			Nine Months Ended March 31,		
	2018	2017	Change	2018	2017	Change
Pharmaceutical	\$ 596	\$ 611	(3)%	\$ 1,576	\$ 1,682	(6)%
Medical	199	148	34 %	548	435	26 %
Total segment profit	795	759	5 %	2,124	2,117	— %
Corporate	(249)	(154)	62 %	(918)	(436)	111 %
Total consolidated operating earnings	\$ 546	\$ 605	(10)%	\$ 1,206	\$ 1,681	(28)%

Pharmaceutical Segment Profit

Pharmaceutical segment profit during the three months ended March 31, 2018 was adversely impacted by our generic program performance, which includes the negative impact of generic pharmaceutical customer pricing changes partially offset by the benefits of Red Oak Sourcing. Performance from our specialty pharmaceutical products distribution and services business positively impacted Pharmaceutical segment profit.

The decrease in Pharmaceutical segment profit during the nine months ended March 31, 2018 was primarily due to our generic program performance and the costs related to our multi-year project to replace certain Pharmaceutical segment finance and operating information systems. Performance from our specialty pharmaceutical products distribution and services business positively impacted Pharmaceutical segment profit.

Medical Segment Profit

The increase in Medical segment profit during the three months ended March 31, 2018 was due to acquisitions, which primarily includes the Patient Recovery Business acquisition. The increase was partially offset by performance from the Cordis business, and to a lesser extent, performance from other Cardinal Health Brand products.

The increase in Medical segment profit during the nine months ended March 31, 2018 was primarily due to acquisitions, which included the unfavorable cost of products sold impact from the fair value step up of inventory acquired with the Patient Recovery Business acquisition. The increase was partially offset by performance from the Cordis business, and to a lesser extent, performance from other Cardinal Health Brand products.

The performance from the Cordis business for both periods primarily reflects operating costs and inventory reserves.

Corporate

The changes in Corporate during the three and nine months ended March 31, 2018 were due to the factors discussed in the Other Components of Consolidated Operating Earnings section that follows.

Other Components of Consolidated Operating Earnings

In addition to revenue, gross margin and SG&A expenses discussed previously, consolidated operating earnings were impacted by the following:

(in millions)	Three Months Ended March 31,		Nine Months Ended March 31,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Restructuring and employee severance	\$ 2	\$ 15	\$ 155	\$ 31
Amortization and other acquisition-related costs	175	128	543	365
Impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets, net	(6)	2	62	15
Litigation (recoveries)/charges, net	64	18	155	37

Restructuring and Employee Severance

The increase in restructuring and employee severance during the nine months ended March 31, 2018 was primarily due to \$125 million in contract termination costs to transition the distribution of our Medical segment's surgeon gloves in certain international markets from a third-party distribution arrangement to a direct distribution model.

Amortization and Other Acquisition-Related Costs

Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets was \$149 million and \$96 million for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$434 million and \$291 million for the nine months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The increases in amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets during the three and nine months ended March 31, 2018 were largely due to the Patient Recovery Business acquisition.

Transaction and integration costs associated with the Patient Recovery Business acquisition were \$25 million and \$85 million for the three and nine months ended March 31, 2018, respectively.

Impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets, net

During the nine months ended March 31, 2018 we recognized a net loss of \$60 million related to the divestiture of our China distribution business. This loss is comprised of the \$67 million disposal group write-down which was recognized during the three months ended December 31, 2017 when we entered into the definitive agreement to sell the business, offset by a \$7 million gain recognized during the three months ended March 31, 2018 resulting from fluctuations in working capital and foreign currency exchange rates.

Litigation (Recoveries)/Charges, Net

The increases in litigation charges during the three and nine months ended March 31, 2018 were due to an increase in estimated losses and legal defense costs associated with inferior vena cava (IVC) filter product liability claims.

Earnings Before Income Taxes

In addition to the items discussed above, earnings before income taxes were impacted by the following:

(in millions)	Three Months Ended March 31,			Nine Months Ended March 31,		
	2018	2017	Change	2018	2017	Change
Other (income)/expense, net	\$ (2)	\$ (5)	N.M.	\$ (6)	\$ (2)	N.M.
Interest expense, net	\$ 84	\$ 46	83%	\$ 251	\$ 134	87%
Loss on extinguishment of debt	\$ —	\$ —	N.M.	\$ 2	\$ —	N.M.

Interest expense, net

The increases in interest expense during the three and nine months ended March 31, 2018 were primarily due to new debt issued in June 2017 to fund a portion of the purchase price of the Patient Recovery Business acquisition.

Provision for/(Benefit from) Income Taxes

During the three months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, the effective tax rate was 45.1 percent and 32.3 percent, respectively. The effective tax rate for the three months ended March 31, 2018 was negatively impacted by a reduction in projected Cordis income and its impact on jurisdictional mix encompassing U.S. and international operations, as well as net unfavorable discrete items of \$18 million, partially offset by the favorable impact of the lower U.S. federal income tax rate from enactment of the Tax Act. The effective tax rate for the three months ended March 31, 2017 was impacted by net favorable discrete items of \$31 million.

During the nine months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, the effective tax rate was (48.6) percent and 34.4 percent, respectively. The effective tax rate for the nine months ended March 31, 2018 was favorably impacted by the provisional net benefit from enactment of the Tax Act.

The provisional net benefit from the Tax Act during the three and nine months ended March 31, 2018 includes a provisional net tax benefit of \$18 million and \$952 million, respectively, related to the remeasurement of our deferred tax assets and liabilities to the new federal statutory rate, the benefit from the impact of applying a lower federal tax rate to our year-to-date U.S. pre-tax earnings and a provisional tax expense of \$41 million for the one-time repatriation tax applied to our undistributed foreign earnings.

Our effective tax rate for the nine months ended March 31, 2018 also includes \$57 million of tax expense recognized during the three months ended December 31, 2017 in connection with the sale of our China distribution business.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

We currently believe that, based on available capital resources (cash on hand and committed credit facilities) and projected operating cash flow, we have adequate capital resources to fund working capital needs; currently anticipated capital expenditures; currently anticipated business growth and expansion; contractual obligations; tax payments; and current and projected debt service requirements, dividends and share repurchases. If we decide to engage in one or more acquisitions, depending on the size and timing of such transactions, we may need to access capital markets for additional financing.

Cash and Equivalents

Our cash and equivalents balance was \$2.2 billion at March 31, 2018 compared to \$6.9 billion at June 30, 2017. At March 31, 2018, our cash and equivalents were held in cash depository accounts with major banks or invested in high quality, short-term liquid investments.

During the nine months ended March 31, 2018, we deployed \$6.1 billion for acquisitions, net of cash acquired, \$450 million on share repurchases, \$436 million for dividends, \$403 million to redeem our 1.7% notes due 2018 and \$246 million for capital expenditures. This was partially offset by net cash of \$2.2 billion provided by operating activities and the \$861 million of net proceeds from the divestiture of the China distribution business. The \$1.8 billion increase in net cash provided by operating activities during the nine months ended March 31, 2018 compared to \$460 million in the prior-year period was primarily due to changes in working capital.

The cash and equivalents balance at March 31, 2018 includes \$614 million of cash held by subsidiaries outside of the United States.

Though our foreign earnings as of December 31, 2017 have been deemed to be repatriated from a U.S. federal tax perspective, we have not yet completed our assessment of the Tax Act on our plans to reinvest foreign earnings and as such have not changed our prior conclusion that the earnings are indefinitely reinvested. As such, no non-U.S. taxes were recorded at March 31, 2018. If we decide to repatriate these earnings in the future, we may be subject to certain non-U.S. taxes at that time. See [Note 8](#) of the "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" for additional information on the Tax Act.

Changes in working capital, which impact operating cash flow, can vary significantly depending on factors such as the timing of customer payments, inventory purchases and payments to vendors in the regular course of business, as well as fluctuating working capital needs driven by customer and product mix.

Other Financing Arrangements and Financial Instruments

Credit Facilities and Commercial Paper

In addition to cash and equivalents and operating cash flow, other sources of liquidity include a \$2.0 billion commercial paper program, which is backed by a \$2.0 billion revolving credit facility, and a \$1.0 billion committed receivables sales facility program.

At March 31, 2018, we had no amounts outstanding under the commercial paper program, revolving credit facility or the committed receivables sales facility program. During the nine months ended March 31, 2018, we had maximum amounts outstanding under our

commercial paper and committed receivables programs of \$1.7 billion and an average daily amount outstanding of \$363 million.

Our revolving credit facility and committed receivables sales facility programs require us to maintain, as of the end of any calendar quarter, a consolidated leverage ratio of no more than 4.25-to-1, which will reduce to 3.25-to-1 in March 2019. The ratio temporarily increased as a result of our acquisition of the Patient Recovery Business. As of March 31, 2018, we were in compliance with this financial covenant.

Capital Deployment

Capital Expenditures

Capital expenditures during the nine months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017 were \$246 million and \$293 million, respectively.

Dividends

On February 7, 2018, our Board of Directors approved a quarterly dividend of \$0.4624 per share, or \$1.85 per share on an annualized basis, which was paid on April 15, 2018 to shareholders of record on April 2, 2018.

Share Repurchases

During the three months ended March 31, 2018, we repurchased \$300 million of our common shares pursuant to an accelerated share repurchase ("ASR") program, which was completed in March 2018. See [Note 13](#) of the "Notes to condensed consolidated financial statements" for additional information. During the nine months ended March 31, 2018, we repurchased \$450 million of our common shares. We funded the repurchases with available cash and short term borrowings.

On February 7, 2018, our Board of Directors approved a new \$1.0 billion share repurchase program that expires on December 31, 2020. At March 31, 2018, we had \$993 million remaining under that program.

Funding for Acquisition of Patient Recovery Business

On July 29, 2017, we acquired the Patient Recovery Business from Medtronic plc for \$6.1 billion in cash. We funded the acquisition through \$4.5 billion in new long-term debt issued in June 2017, the use of existing cash and borrowings under existing credit arrangements.

China Distribution Business Divestiture

On February 1, 2018, we completed the divestiture of our China distribution business to Shanghai Pharmaceuticals Holding Co., Ltd. for gross proceeds of \$1.2 billion. The net proceeds were \$861 million after adjusting for third-party indebtedness and preliminary transaction adjustments. The net proceeds are not reflective of tax obligations due in connection with the sale, for which we have recorded a liability of \$57 million. The purchase price is subject to adjustment based on working capital requirements as set forth in the definitive agreement.

Other Items

The MD&A in our 2017 Form 10-K addresses our contractual obligations and off-balance sheet arrangements, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. There have been no subsequent material changes outside of the ordinary course of business to those items.

Critical Accounting Policies and Sensitive Accounting Estimates

The discussion and analysis presented below is concerned with material changes in critical accounting policies and sensitive accounting estimates between the periods specified in our condensed consolidated balance sheets at March 31, 2018 and June 30, 2017. This discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the Critical Accounting Policies and Sensitive Accounting Estimates included in our 2017 Form 10-K. There have been no changes to our critical accounting policies and sensitive accounting estimates, except related to Goodwill detailed below and the accounting effects resulting from the Tax Act as discussed further in [Note 8](#), respectively, of the "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements."

Critical accounting policies are those accounting policies that (i) can have a significant impact on our financial condition and results of operations and (ii) require the use of complex and subjective estimates based upon past experience and management's judgment. Other people applying reasonable judgment to the same facts and circumstances could develop different estimates. Because estimates are inherently uncertain, actual results may differ. In this section, we describe the significant policies applied in preparing our consolidated financial statements that management believes are the most dependent on estimates and assumptions for goodwill impairment testing.

Goodwill

In January 2017, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued amended accounting guidance that simplifies the accounting for goodwill impairment by eliminating the step of measuring a goodwill impairment by estimating the implied fair value of goodwill. Instead, goodwill impairment will be measured as the amount by which the reporting unit's carrying value exceeds its fair value, limited to the carrying value of goodwill. We adopted this guidance in the second quarter of fiscal 2018. For further discussion of accounting policies, see Critical Accounting Policies and Sensitive Accounting Estimates and [Note 1](#) of the "Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements" contained in our 2017 Form 10-K.

Purchased goodwill is tested for impairment at least annually. Qualitative factors are first assessed to determine if it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount. If it is determined that it is more likely than not that the fair value does not exceed the carrying amount, then a quantitative test is performed. The quantitative goodwill impairment test involves a comparison of the estimated fair value of the reporting unit to the respective carrying amount.

Goodwill impairment testing involves judgment, including the identification of reporting units, qualitative evaluation of events and circumstances to determine if it is more likely than not that an impairment exists, and, if necessary, the estimation of the fair value of the applicable reporting unit. Our qualitative evaluation considers the weight of evidence and significance of all identified events and circumstances and most relevant drivers of fair value, both positive and negative, in determining whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount.

Medical Unit Goodwill Qualitative Assessment

The divisions of our Medical operating segment, excluding our Cardinal Health at Home and naviHealth divisions, form a single reporting unit ("Medical Unit"). In connection with classification of the China distribution business as assets held for sale in the second quarter of fiscal 2018, we performed a quantitative assessment for goodwill impairment of our Medical Unit and determined that the fair value exceeded its carrying value by approximately 8 percent, and therefore no impairment was recognized. The goodwill balance for our Medical Unit was \$5.7 billion at March 31, 2018.

Due to indications of lower than expected fiscal 2018 profit for the Medical Unit, particularly within our Cordis business, we performed a qualitative assessment for goodwill impairment of our Medical Unit as of March 31, 2018. A qualitative goodwill impairment assessment is an inherently judgmental process that depends on the critical evaluation of various factors that may individually or in the aggregate indicate that it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying value. Our qualitative assessment considered factors, both positive and negative, that differ from the analysis that we conducted in the second quarter of fiscal 2018, including, as a positive factor, lower U.S. Federal taxes from the enactment of the Tax Act, and as a negative factor, the decrease in expected profits. In weighing the totality of the positive and negative factors, and considering the result of corroborating quantitative sensitivity analyses, we concluded that it is not more likely than not that the fair value of the Medical Unit is less than its carrying amount and therefore a quantitative assessment is not required.

Explanation and Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

The "Overview of Consolidated Results" section within MD&A in this Form 10-Q contains financial measures that are not calculated in accordance with GAAP.

In addition to analyzing our business based on financial information prepared in accordance with GAAP, we use these non-GAAP financial measures internally to evaluate our performance, engage in financial and operational planning, and determine incentive compensation because we believe that these measures provide additional perspective on and, in some circumstances are more closely correlated to, the performance of our underlying, ongoing business. We provide these non-GAAP financial measures to investors as supplemental metrics to assist readers in assessing the effects of items and events on our financial and operating results on a year-over-year basis and in comparing our performance to that of our competitors. However, the non-GAAP financial measures that we use may be calculated differently from, and therefore may not be comparable to, similarly titled measures used by other companies. The non-GAAP financial measures disclosed by us should not be considered a substitute for, or superior to, financial measures calculated in accordance with GAAP, and the financial results calculated in accordance with GAAP and reconciliations to those financial statements set forth below should be carefully evaluated.

Exclusions from Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Management believes it is useful to exclude the following items from the non-GAAP measures presented in this Form 10-Q for its own and for investors' assessment of the business for the reasons identified below:

- LIFO charges and credits are excluded because the factors that drive last-in first-out ("LIFO") inventory charges or credits, such as pharmaceutical manufacturer price appreciation or deflation and year-end inventory levels (which can be meaningfully influenced by customer buying behavior immediately preceding our fiscal year-end), are largely out of our control and cannot be accurately predicted. The exclusion of LIFO charges from non-GAAP metrics facilitates comparison of our current financial results to our historical financial results and to our peer group companies' financial results.
- Restructuring and employee severance costs are excluded because they relate to programs in which we fundamentally change our operations and because they are not part of the ongoing operations of our underlying business.
- Amortization and other acquisition-related costs are excluded primarily for consistency with the presentation of the financial results of our peer group companies. Additionally, costs for amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets are non-cash amounts, which are variable in amount and frequency and are significantly impacted by the timing and size of acquisitions, so their exclusion facilitates comparison of historical, current and forecasted financial results. We also exclude other acquisition-related costs, which are directly related to an acquisition but do not meet the criteria to be recognized on the acquired entity's initial balance sheet as part of the purchase price allocation. These costs are also significantly impacted by the timing, complexity and size of acquisitions.
- Impairments and gain or loss on disposal of assets are excluded because they do not occur in or reflect the ordinary course of our ongoing business operations and are inherently unpredictable in timing and amount, and in the case of impairments, are non-cash amounts, so their exclusion facilitates comparison of historical, current and forecasted financial results.
- Litigation recoveries or charges, net are excluded because they often relate to events that may have occurred in prior or multiple periods, do not occur in or reflect the ordinary course of our business and are inherently unpredictable in timing and amount.
- Loss on extinguishment of debt is excluded because it does not typically occur in the normal course of business and may obscure analysis of trends and financial performance. Additionally, the amount and frequency of this type of charge is not consistent and is significantly impacted by the timing and size of debt financing transactions.
- Transitional tax benefit, net related to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act is excluded because it results from the one-time impact during the one-year measurement period of a very significant change in the U.S. federal corporate tax rate and, due to the significant size of the benefit, obscures analysis of trends and financial performance. The transitional tax benefit includes the initial estimate and measurement period adjustments for the re-measurement of deferred tax assets and liabilities due to the reduction of the U.S. federal corporate income tax rate and the repatriation tax on undistributed foreign earnings, both of which are subject to adjustment during an up to 12 month measurement period.

The tax effect for each of the items listed above, other than the transitional tax benefit item, is determined using the tax rate and other tax attributes applicable to the item and the jurisdiction(s) in which the item is recorded. The gross, tax and net impact of each item are presented with our GAAP to non-GAAP reconciliations.

Definitions

Growth rate calculation: growth rates in this Form 10-Q are determined by dividing the difference between current-period results and prior-period results by prior-period results.

Non-GAAP operating earnings: operating earnings excluding (1) LIFO charges/(credits), (2) restructuring and employee severance, (3) amortization and other acquisition-related costs, (4) impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets and (5) litigation (recoveries)/charges, net.

Non-GAAP earnings before income taxes: earnings before income taxes excluding (1) LIFO charges/(credits), (2) restructuring and employee severance, (3) amortization and other acquisition-related costs, (4) impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets, (5) litigation (recoveries)/charges, net and (6) loss on extinguishment of debt.

Non-GAAP net earnings attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc.: net earnings attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc. excluding (1) LIFO charges/(credits), (2) restructuring and employee severance, (3) amortization and other acquisition-related costs, (4) impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets, (5) litigation (recoveries)/charges, net, (6) loss on extinguishment of debt, each net of tax, and (7) transitional tax benefit, net.

Non-GAAP diluted EPS attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc.: non-GAAP net earnings attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc. divided by diluted weighted-average shares outstanding.

GAAP to Non-GAAP Reconciliations

(in millions, except per common share amounts)

	Operating Earnings	Operating Earnings Growth Rate	Earnings Before Income Taxes	Income Taxes	Net Earnings ¹	Net Earnings ¹ Growth Rate	Effective Tax Rate	Diluted EPS ¹	Diluted EPS ¹ Growth Rate
Three Months Ended March 31, 2018									
GAAP	\$ 546	(10)%	\$ 464	\$ 209	\$ 255	(33)%	45.1 %	\$ 0.81	(33)%
Restructuring and employee severance	2		2	(17)	19			0.06	
Amortization and other acquisition-related costs	175		175	44	131			0.42	
Impairments and loss on disposal of assets	(6)		(6)	(14)	8			0.02	
Litigation (recoveries)/charges, net	64		64	21	43			0.14	
Transitional tax benefit, net ²	—		—	17	(17)			(0.06)	
Non-GAAP	\$ 781	3 %	\$ 700	\$ 262	\$ 437	(10)%	37.5 %	\$ 1.39	(9)%
Three Months Ended March 31, 2017									
GAAP	\$ 605	(8)%	\$ 564	\$ 182	\$ 381	(1)%	32.3 %	\$ 1.20	3 %
LIFO charges/(credits)	(9)		(9)	(4)	(5)			(0.02)	
Restructuring and employee severance	15		15	6	9			0.03	
Amortization and other acquisition-related costs	128		128	41	87			0.27	
Impairments and loss on disposal of assets	2		2	—	2			0.01	
Litigation (recoveries)/charges, net	18		18	7	11			0.03	
Non-GAAP	\$ 759	(4)%	\$ 718	\$ 232	\$ 485	3 %	32.3 %	\$ 1.53	7 %
Nine Months Ended March 31, 2018									
GAAP	\$ 1,206	(28)%	\$ 959	\$ (466)	\$ 1,422	40 %	(48.6)%	\$ 4.50	42 %
Restructuring and employee severance	155		155	29	126			0.40	
Amortization and other acquisition-related costs	543		543	143	400			1.27	
Impairments and loss on disposal of assets	62		62	(57)	119			0.38	
Litigation (recoveries)/charges, net	155		155	51	104			0.33	
Loss on extinguishment of debt	—		2	1	1			—	
Transitional tax benefit, net ²	—		—	911	(911)			(2.88)	
Non-GAAP	\$ 2,121	— %	\$ 1,875	\$ 612	\$ 1,261	(4)%	32.6 %	\$ 3.99	(3)%
Nine Months Ended March 31, 2017									
GAAP	\$ 1,681	(9)%	\$ 1,549	\$ 533	\$ 1,014	(7)%	34.4 %	\$ 3.17	(4)%
LIFO charges/(credits)	—		—	—	—			—	
Restructuring and employee severance	31		31	12	19			0.06	
Amortization and other acquisition-related costs	365		365	120	245			0.76	
Impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets	15		15	4	11			0.03	
Litigation (recoveries)/charges, net	37		37	14	23			0.07	
Non-GAAP	\$ 2,129	(5)%	\$ 1,997	\$ 684	\$ 1,311	(4)%	34.2 %	\$ 4.10	— %

¹ attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc.

² Reflects the estimated net transitional benefit from the remeasurement of our deferred tax assets and liabilities partially offset by the repatriation tax on cash and earnings of foreign subsidiaries. We have not yet completed our analysis of the impact of the Tax Act and, as such, these amounts are provisional estimates and we may record additional provisional amounts or adjustments to the provisional amounts in future periods. See [Note 8](#) of the "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" for more information on the Tax Act.

The sum of the components may not equal the total due to rounding.

We generally apply varying tax rates depending on the item's nature and tax jurisdiction where it is incurred.

Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

As previously disclosed in our 2017 Form 10-K, as a result of the completion of the acquisition of the Patient Recovery Business, our exposure to market price changes for commodities and to both translational and transactional foreign exchange rate fluctuations has increased since the end of fiscal 2017.

As previously disclosed, our annual direct exposure to market price changes for commodities has increased by approximately \$100 million as a result of the completion of the acquisition of the Patient Recovery Business. At the time of filing this Form 10-Q, we have not completed our analysis to quantify the increase to our foreign exchange transactional exposure. As a result of the Patient Recovery Business acquisition and the divestiture of the China distribution

business, our income statement translational exposure has increased by approximately \$100 million.

In addition, our total foreign exchange exposure related to intercompany financing transactions and certain other balance sheet items subject to revaluation that do not meet the requirements for hedge accounting treatment is now approximately \$580 million. We use foreign currency economic (non-designated) hedge contracts to offset the remeasurement impact of this exposure.

For further discussion of our programs to manage interest rate risk, currency exchange risk and commodity price risk, see Note 11 of the "Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements" contained in our 2017 Form 10-K.

Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We evaluated, with the participation of our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act")) as of March 31, 2018. Based on this evaluation, our principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded that as of March 31, 2018, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed in our reports under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC rules and forms and that such information is accumulated and communicated to management as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended March 31, 2018 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

Legal Proceedings

The legal proceedings described in [Note 9](#) of the "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" are incorporated in this "Legal Proceedings" section by reference.

Risk Factors

You should carefully consider the information in this Form 10-Q, including the risk factor below, and the risk factors discussed in "Risk Factors" and other risks discussed in our 2017 Form 10-K and our filings with the SEC since June 30, 2017. These risks could materially and adversely affect our results of operations, financial condition, liquidity and cash flows. Our business also could be affected by risks that we are not presently aware of or that we currently consider immaterial to our operations.

The public health crisis involving the abuse of prescription opioid pain medication could negatively affect our business.

Our Pharmaceutical segment distributes prescription opioid pain medications. In recent years, the abuse of prescription opioid pain medication has received heightened public attention. These developments heighten a number of risks that we face and may present new risks that could adversely affect our operations or financial condition.

A significant number of counties, municipalities and other plaintiffs including state attorneys general have filed lawsuits against pharmaceutical manufacturers, pharmaceutical wholesale distributors (including us) and retail chains relating to the manufacturing, marketing and distribution of prescription opioid pain

medications. In addition, we are currently being investigated by a number of other states for the same activities and may be named as a defendant in additional lawsuits in the future. We are vigorously defending ourselves in these lawsuits. The defense and resolution of current and future lawsuits could adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition or have adverse reputational or operational effects on our business. See [Note 9](#) of the "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" regarding these matters.

Other legislative, regulatory or industry measures to address the misuse of prescription opioid medications could affect our business in ways that we may not be able to predict. For example, in April 2018, the State of New York created an aggregate \$100 million annual

assessment on all manufacturers and distributors licensed to sell or distribute opioids in New York. The initial payment is due on January 1, 2019 for opioids sold or distributed during calendar year 2017. We are not currently able to estimate the portion of this assessment that will be assessed against us for calendar years 2017 or 2018. In addition, other states are considering legislation that could require us to pay taxes on the distribution of opioid medications in those states. These proposed bills vary in the tax amounts and the means of calculation. Liabilities for taxes or assessments under any such laws will have an adverse impact on our results of operations, unless

we are able to mitigate them through operational changes or commercial arrangements where permitted.

Unfavorable publicity regarding the use or misuse of opioid prescription pain medications and the role of wholesale distributors in the supply chain of such prescription medications, as well as the continued proliferation of the opioid lawsuits, investigations, regulations and legislative actions discussed above could adversely affect our reputation or results of operations.

Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased (1)	Average Price Paid per Share (2)	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Program (3)	Approximate Dollar Value of Shares That May Yet be Purchased Under the Program (3) (in millions)
January 2018	225	\$ 73.40	—	\$ 293
February 2018	3,564,234	67.34	3,564,004	1,053
March 2018	767,766	78.17	767,538	993
Total	4,332,225	\$ 69.26	4,331,542	\$ 993

- (1) Reflects 225, 230 and 228 common shares purchased in January, February and March 2018, respectively, through a rabbi trust as investments of participants in our Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (2) In the third quarter of fiscal 2018, we purchased \$300 million of our common shares under an accelerated share repurchase ("ASR") program, which began on February 14, 2018 and was completed on March 21, 2018. We repurchased 4.3 million shares under the ASR at an average price paid per share of \$69.26. See [Note 13](#) of the "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" for additional information.
- (3) On May 4, 2016, our Board of Directors approved a \$1.0 billion share repurchase program that was completed in March 2018. On February 7, 2018, our Board of Directors approved a new \$1.0 billion share repurchase program that expires on December 31, 2020.

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings

(Unaudited)

(in millions, except per common share amounts)	Three Months Ended March 31,		Nine Months Ended March 31,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Revenue	\$ 33,633	\$ 31,821	\$ 101,460	\$ 97,010
Cost of products sold	31,720	30,093	96,014	92,089
Gross margin	1,913	1,728	5,446	4,921
Operating expenses:				
Distribution, selling, general and administrative expenses	1,132	960	3,325	2,792
Restructuring and employee severance	2	15	155	31
Amortization and other acquisition-related costs	175	128	543	365
Impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets, net	(6)	2	62	15
Litigation (recoveries)/charges, net	64	18	155	37
Operating earnings	546	605	1,206	1,681
Other (income)/expense, net	(2)	(5)	(6)	(2)
Interest expense, net	84	46	251	134
Loss on extinguishment of debt	—	—	2	—
Earnings before income taxes	464	564	959	1,549
Provision for/(benefit from) income taxes	209	182	(466)	533
Net earnings	255	382	1,425	1,016
Less: Net earnings attributable to noncontrolling interests	—	(1)	(3)	(2)
Net earnings attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc.	\$ 255	\$ 381	\$ 1,422	\$ 1,014
Earnings per common share attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc.:				
Basic	\$ 0.81	\$ 1.21	\$ 4.52	\$ 3.19
Diluted	0.81	1.20	4.50	3.17
Weighted-average number of common shares outstanding:				
Basic	313	316	314	318
Diluted	315	318	316	320
Cash dividends declared per common share	\$ 0.4624	\$ 0.4489	\$ 1.3872	\$ 1.3467

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Unaudited)

(in millions)	Three Months Ended March 31,		Nine Months Ended March 31,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Net earnings	\$ 255	\$ 382	\$ 1,425	\$ 1,016
Other comprehensive income/(loss):				
Foreign currency translation adjustments and other	110	33	141	(47)
Amounts reclassified to earnings	(23)	—	(23)	—
Net unrealized gain/(loss) on derivative instruments, net of tax	3	2	2	27
Total other comprehensive income/(loss), net of tax	90	35	120	(20)
Total comprehensive income	345	417	1,545	996
Less: comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests	—	(1)	(3)	(2)
Total comprehensive income attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc.	\$ 345	\$ 416	\$ 1,542	\$ 994

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

(Unaudited)

(in millions)		March 31, 2018	June 30, 2017
Assets			
Current assets:			
Cash and equivalents	\$	2,175	\$ 6,879
Trade receivables, net		7,671	8,048
Inventories, net		11,962	11,301
Prepaid expenses and other		1,705	2,117
Total current assets		23,513	28,345
Property and equipment, net		2,521	1,879
Goodwill and other intangibles, net		14,299	9,207
Other assets		698	681
Total assets	\$	41,031	\$ 40,112
Liabilities, Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests and Shareholders' Equity			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$	18,741	\$ 17,906
Current portion of long-term obligations and other short-term borrowings		551	1,327
Other accrued liabilities		2,135	1,988
Total current liabilities		21,427	21,221
Long-term obligations, less current portion		9,027	9,068
Deferred income taxes and other liabilities		3,027	2,877
Redeemable noncontrolling interests		12	118
Shareholders' equity:			
Preferred shares, without par value:			
Authorized—500 thousand shares, Issued—none		—	—
Common shares, without par value:			
Authorized—755 million shares, Issued—327 million shares at March 31, 2018 and June 30, 2017, respectively		2,710	2,697
Retained earnings		5,958	4,967
Common shares in treasury, at cost: 16 million shares and 11 million shares at March 31, 2018 and June 30, 2017, respectively		(1,126)	(731)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(5)	(125)
Total Cardinal Health, Inc. shareholders' equity		7,537	6,808
Noncontrolling interests		1	20
Total shareholders' equity		7,538	6,828
Total liabilities, redeemable noncontrolling interests and shareholders' equity	\$	41,031	\$ 40,112

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(Unaudited)

(in millions)	Nine Months Ended March 31,	
	2018	2017
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net earnings	\$ 1,425	\$ 1,016
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	779	525
Loss on extinguishment of debt	2	—
Impairments and loss on sale of other investments	6	4
Impairments and loss on disposal of assets, net	62	15
Share-based compensation	64	73
Provision for bad debts	76	46
Change in fair value of contingent consideration obligation	(2)	—
Change in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects from acquisitions and divestitures:		
Increase in trade receivables	(632)	(107)
Increase in inventories	(865)	(1,010)
Increase in accounts payable	1,635	225
Other accrued liabilities and operating items, net	(336)	(327)
Net cash provided by operating activities	2,214	460
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Acquisition of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired	(6,142)	(113)
Additions to property and equipment	(246)	(293)
Purchase of available-for-sale securities and other investments	(7)	(188)
Proceeds from sale of available-for-sale securities and other investments	65	115
Proceeds from maturities of available-for-sale securities	—	49
Proceeds from divestitures, net of cash sold, and disposal of property and equipment	862	1
Net cash used in investing activities	(5,468)	(429)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Payment of contingent consideration obligation	(22)	(3)
Net change in short-term borrowings	(50)	25
Purchase of noncontrolling interests	(106)	(12)
Proceeds from long-term obligations, net of issuance costs	3	—
Reduction of long-term obligations	(403)	(60)
Proceeds from interest rate swap terminations	—	14
Net tax proceeds/(withholdings) from share-based compensation	(3)	20
Excess tax benefits from share-based compensation	—	37
Dividends on common shares	(436)	(435)
Purchase of treasury shares	(450)	(600)
Net cash used in financing activities	(1,467)	(1,014)
Effect of exchange rates changes on cash and equivalents	17	(5)
Net decrease in cash and equivalents	(4,704)	(988)
Cash and equivalents at beginning of period	6,879	2,356
Cash and equivalents at end of period	\$ 2,175	\$ 1,368

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

1. Basis of Presentation and Summary of

Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

Our condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of all majority-owned or controlled subsidiaries, and all significant intercompany transactions and amounts have been eliminated. References to "we," "our," and similar pronouns in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2018 (this "Form 10-Q") refer to Cardinal Health, Inc. and its majority-owned or controlled subsidiaries unless the context requires otherwise.

Our fiscal year ends on June 30. References to fiscal 2018 and 2017 in these condensed consolidated financial statements are to the fiscal years ending or ended June 30, 2018 and June 30, 2017, respectively.

Our condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") instructions to Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and include the information and disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP") for interim financial reporting. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect amounts reported in the condensed consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual amounts may differ from these estimated amounts. In our opinion, all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of the condensed consolidated financial statements have been included. Except as disclosed elsewhere in this Form 10-Q, all such adjustments are of a normal and recurring nature. In addition, financial results presented for this fiscal 2018 interim period are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the full fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. These condensed consolidated financial statements are unaudited and, accordingly, should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and related notes contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 (the "2017 Form 10-K").

Recent Financial Accounting Standards

In March 2018, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (the "FASB") issued amended accounting guidance to codify guidance pursuant to SEC staff accounting bulletin 118 ("SAB 118"), which was issued in connection with the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Tax Act") of December 2017. The guidance allows companies to use provisional estimates to record the effects of the Tax Act and also provides a measurement period (not to exceed one year from the date of enactment) to complete the accounting for the impacts of the Tax Act. We adopted this guidance in the second quarter of fiscal 2018 when it was initially issued as SAB 118. We are still completing our accounting for the tax effects of the Tax Act because all the necessary information is not currently available, prepared, or analyzed. As such, we have made reasonable estimates of the effects of the Tax Act on our financial results. As we complete our analysis

of the accounting for the tax effects of enactment of the Tax Act, we may record additional provisional amounts or adjustments to provisional amounts as discrete items in future periods. See [Note 8](#) for additional information regarding income taxes.

In August 2017, the FASB issued accounting guidance which is intended to improve and simplify accounting rules around hedge accounting. The guidance will be effective for us in the first quarter of fiscal 2020 and early adoption is permitted. We are currently evaluating the impact of this standard on our consolidated financial statements.

In January 2017, the FASB issued amended accounting guidance that simplifies the accounting for goodwill impairment by eliminating the step of measuring a goodwill impairment by estimating the implied fair value of goodwill. Instead, goodwill impairment will be measured as the amount by which the reporting unit's carrying value exceeds its fair value, limited to the carrying value of goodwill. We adopted this guidance in the second quarter of fiscal 2018. The adoption did not have an impact on our condensed consolidated financial statements.

In March 2016, the FASB issued amended accounting guidance that changed the accounting for certain aspects of share-based compensation to employees. The guidance requires all income tax effects of share-based awards to be recognized in the statement of earnings as awards vest or are settled. Additionally, the guidance increases the amount employers can withhold in shares to cover employee income taxes without requiring liability classification and allows a policy election for accounting for forfeitures. The primary impact of adoption is the recognition of excess tax benefits in the statement of earnings on a prospective basis, rather than as a component of equity. The impact on the presentation in the condensed consolidated statement of cash flows is also prospective. We adopted this guidance in the first quarter of fiscal 2018. The impact of adoption on the provision for/(benefit from) income taxes on our condensed consolidated statement of earnings was immaterial. The inclusion of excess tax benefits and deficiencies as a component of our income tax expense will increase volatility within our provision for/(benefit from) income taxes as the amount of excess tax benefits or deficiencies from share-based compensation awards depends on our stock price at the date the awards vest or settle.

In February 2016, the FASB issued amended accounting guidance that requires lessees to recognize most leases on the balance sheet as a lease liability and corresponding right-of-use asset. The guidance also requires disclosures that meet the objective of enabling financial statement users to assess the amount, timing, and uncertainty of cash flows arising from leases. This guidance will be effective for us in the first quarter of fiscal 2020, with early adoption permitted. The majority of our lease spend relates to certain real estate with the remaining lease spend primarily related to equipment. We are continuing to evaluate the impact of this standard on our consolidated financial statements and the methods of adoption.

In May 2014, the FASB issued amended accounting guidance related to revenue recognition which is effective for us in the first quarter of

fiscal 2019. This guidance is based on the principle that revenue is recognized in an amount that reflects the consideration to which an entity expects to be entitled in exchange for the transfer of goods or services to customers. The guidance also requires additional disclosure about the nature, amount, timing, and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from customer contracts, including significant judgments and changes in judgments and assets recognized from costs incurred to obtain or fulfill a contract. The FASB also subsequently issued several amendments to the standard, including clarification on principal versus agent considerations, performance obligations and licensing, and certain scope improvements and practical expedients.

During fiscal 2018 we have made significant progress on our evaluation and assessment of the amended revenue recognition guidance. Our revenue is primarily distribution revenue, which we recognize at a point in time when title transfers to customers and we have no further obligation to provide services related to such merchandise. Although our preliminary assessment is subject to change prior to our adoption of the amended guidance in the first quarter of fiscal 2019, we generally anticipate that the timing of recognition of distribution revenue will be substantially unchanged under the amended guidance and we do not expect the adoption of the amended accounting guidance to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

During the remainder of fiscal 2018 we will implement any additional required changes to processes to meet the new accounting, reporting and disclosure requirements, conclude the update of our internal controls and policies, and finalize our method of adoption.

2. Acquisitions

Patient Recovery Business

On July 29, 2017, we acquired the Patient Care, Deep Vein Thrombosis, and Nutritional Insufficiency businesses (the "Patient Recovery Business") from Medtronic plc for \$6.1 billion in cash. The Patient Recovery Business manufactures 23 categories of medical products sold into multiple healthcare channels, and includes numerous industry-leading brands, such as Curity, Kendall, Dover, Argyle and Kangaroo. The acquisition further expanded the Medical segment's portfolio of self-manufactured products. We closed the Patient Recovery Business acquisition in 28 principal countries on July 29, 2017, and acquired control of, for GAAP purposes, and the rights to the net economic benefit from the entire Patient Recovery Business in the remaining countries at the closing. We are in the process of transitioning legal ownership in the remaining non-principal countries, which we expect to complete by the end of calendar 2018. The results for the entire Patient Recovery Business in all countries are included in the condensed consolidated financial statements beginning July 29, 2017. We funded the acquisition through \$4.5 billion in new long-term debt, existing cash and borrowings under our existing credit arrangements.

Transaction and integration costs associated with the acquisition of the Patient Recovery business were \$25 million and \$85 million during the three and nine months ended March 31, 2018,

respectively, and are included in amortization and other acquisition-related costs in the condensed consolidated statements of earnings.

Fair Value of Assets Acquired and Liabilities Assumed

The allocation of the purchase price for the acquisition of the Patient Recovery Business is not yet finalized and is subject to adjustment as we complete the valuation analysis for this acquisition.

The valuation of identifiable intangible assets utilizes significant unobservable inputs and thus represents a Level 3 nonrecurring fair value measurement. The estimated fair value of the identifiable intangible assets was determined using income-based approaches, which includes market participant expectations of the cash flows that an asset could generate over its economic life, discounted back to present value using an appropriate rate of return. The weighted-average discount rate used to arrive at the present value of the identifiable intangible assets was 8.2 percent, and considers the inherent risk of each intangible asset relative to the internal rate of return and weighted-average cost of capital.

The following table summarizes the estimated fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed as of the acquisition date for the Patient Recovery Business:

(in millions)	Patient Recovery Business
Identifiable intangible assets:	
Customer relationships (1)	\$ 1,733
Trade names (2)	187
Developed technology and other (3)	732
Total identifiable intangible assets acquired	2,652
Cash and equivalents	22
Inventories	426
Prepaid expenses and other	252
Property and equipment, net	756
Other accrued liabilities	(307)
Deferred income taxes and other liabilities	(865)
Total identifiable net assets acquired/(liabilities assumed)	2,936
Goodwill	3,144
Total net assets acquired	\$ 6,080

- (1) The range of useful lives for customer relationships is 10 to 18 years.
- (2) The useful life of trade names is 15 years.
- (3) The useful life of developed technology is 15 years.

3. Restructuring and Employee Severance

The following table summarizes restructuring and employee severance costs:

(in millions)	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2018	2017
Employee-related costs (1)	\$ (1)	\$ 14
Facility exit and other costs (2)	3	1
Total restructuring and employee severance	\$ 2	\$ 15

(in millions)	Nine Months Ended March 31,	
	2018	2017
Employee-related costs (1)	\$ 18	\$ 27
Facility exit and other costs (2)	137	4
Total restructuring and employee severance	\$ 155	\$ 31

- (1) Employee-related costs primarily consist of termination benefits provided to employees who have been involuntarily terminated, duplicate payroll costs during transition periods and changes to related estimates.
- (2) Facility exit and other costs primarily consist of product distribution and lease contract termination costs, accelerated depreciation, equipment relocation costs, project consulting fees and costs associated with restructuring our delivery of information technology infrastructure services.

In September 2017, we entered into an agreement to transition the distribution of our Medical segment's surgeon gloves in certain international markets from a third-party distribution arrangement to a direct distribution model. The costs with this restructuring include \$125 million, on a pre-tax basis, in contract termination costs.

These costs are reflected in facility exit and other costs in the condensed consolidated statement of earnings during the nine months ended March 31, 2018. We paid \$65 million of the contract termination fee during November 2017 and we paid the remaining \$60 million of the contract termination fee in January 2018.

The following table summarizes activity related to liabilities associated with restructuring and employee severance:

(in millions)	Employee-Related Costs	Facility Exit and Other Costs	Total
Balance at June 30, 2017	\$ 41	\$ —	\$ 41
Additions	8	131	139
Payments and other adjustments	(31)	(127)	(158)
Balance at March 31, 2018	\$ 18	\$ 4	\$ 22

4. Divestitures

In November 2017, we signed a definitive agreement with Shanghai Pharmaceuticals Holding Co., Ltd. to sell our pharmaceutical and medical products distribution business in China ("China distribution business") for gross proceeds of \$1.2 billion. The transaction closed on February 1, 2018 for net proceeds of \$861 million after adjusting for third party indebtedness and preliminary transaction adjustments. The net proceeds are not reflective of tax obligations due in connection with the sale, for which we have recorded a liability of \$57

million. The purchase price is subject to adjustment based on working capital requirements as set forth in the definitive agreement, which would impact the loss related to this divestiture.

We determined that the sale of the China distribution business does not meet the criteria to be classified as discontinued operations. The China distribution business primarily operated within our Pharmaceutical segment, and a smaller portion operated within our Medical segment.

During the nine months ended March 31, 2018, we recognized a net loss of \$60 million related to this divestiture. This loss is comprised of the \$67 million disposal group write-down recognized during the six months ended December 31, 2017, offset by a \$7 million gain recognized during the three months ended March 31, 2018 resulting from fluctuations in working capital, debt and foreign currency from December 31, 2017 to the date of close.

5. Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

Goodwill

The following table summarizes the changes in the carrying amount of goodwill by segment and in total:

(in millions)	Pharmaceutical	Medical	Total
Balance at June 30, 2017	\$ 2,939	\$ 4,282	\$ 7,221
Goodwill acquired, net of purchase price adjustments	1	3,194	3,195
Foreign currency translation adjustments and other	28	55	83
Goodwill divested with the sale of our China distribution business	(347)	(54)	(401)
Balance at March 31, 2018	\$ 2,621	\$ 7,477	\$ 10,098

The increase in the Medical segment goodwill is primarily due to the Patient Recovery Business acquisition. Goodwill recognized in connection with the Patient Recovery Business acquisition primarily represents the expected benefits from certain synergies of integrating the business, the existing workforce of the acquired entity, and the expected growth from new customers.

During the nine months ended March 31, 2018, goodwill was reduced by \$401 million in connection with the sale of our China distribution business, discussed further in [Note 4](#).

Other Intangible Assets

The following tables summarize other intangible assets by class at:

(in millions)	March 31, 2018			
	Gross Intangible	Accumulated Amortization	Net Intangible	Weighted-Average Remaining Amortization Period (Years)
Indefinite-life intangibles:				
IPR&D, trademarks and other	\$ 62	\$ —	\$ 62	N/A
Total indefinite-life intangibles	62	—	62	N/A
Definite-life intangibles:				
Customer relationships	3,625	1,162	2,463	15
Trademarks, trade names and patents	684	237	447	15
Developed technology and other	1,669	440	1,229	12
Total definite-life intangibles	5,978	1,839	4,139	14
Total other intangible assets	\$ 6,040	\$ 1,839	\$ 4,201	N/A

(in millions)	June 30, 2017		
	Gross Intangible	Accumulated Amortization	Net Intangible
Indefinite-life intangibles:			
IPR&D, trademarks and other	\$ 61	\$ —	\$ 61
Total indefinite-life intangibles	61	—	61
Definite-life intangibles:			
Customer relationships	1,966	967	999
Trademarks, trade names and patents	509	195	314
Developed technology and other	916	304	612
Total definite-life intangibles	3,391	1,466	1,925
Total other intangible assets	\$ 3,452	\$ 1,466	\$ 1,986

The increase in definite-life intangibles is primarily due to the Patient Recovery Business acquisition. Total amortization of intangible assets was \$148 million and \$96 million for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$435 million and \$291 million for the nine months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. For acquisitions closed on or before March 31, 2018, estimated annual amortization of intangible assets for the remainder of fiscal 2018 through 2022 is as follows: \$139 million, \$554 million, \$523 million, \$451 million and \$418 million.

During the nine months ended March 31, 2018, other intangible assets were reduced by \$62 million in connection with the sale of our China distribution business, discussed further in [Note 4](#).

6. Available-for-Sale Securities

We invest in marketable securities, which are classified as available-for-sale and are carried at fair value in the condensed consolidated balance sheets. We held the following investments in marketable securities at fair value at:

(in millions)	March 31, 2018	June 30, 2017
Current available-for-sale securities:		
Treasury bills	\$ —	\$ 25
International bonds	—	3
Corporate bonds	—	30
U.S. agency bonds	—	3
Asset-backed securities	—	3
International equity securities	—	1
Total available-for-sale securities	\$ —	\$ 65

In July 2017, we liquidated our marketable securities. There were no unrealized gains or losses at March 31, 2018, and gross unrealized gains and losses were immaterial at June 30, 2017. During the nine months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, gross realized gains and losses were immaterial and we did not recognize any other-than-temporary impairments.

7. Long-Term Obligations and Other Short-Term Borrowings

Long-Term Debt

At March 31, 2018 and June 30, 2017, we had total long term obligations, including the current portion and other short-term borrowings, of \$9.6 billion and \$10.4 billion, respectively. All the notes represent unsecured obligations of Cardinal Health, Inc. and rank equally in right of payment with all of our existing and future unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness. Interest is paid pursuant to the terms of the obligations. These notes are effectively subordinated to the liabilities of our subsidiaries, including trade payables of \$18.7 billion.

In June 2017, we issued additional debt with the aggregate principal amount of \$5.2 billion to fund a portion of the acquisition of the Patient Recovery Business, to redeem the \$400 million 1.7% Notes due 2018 and for general corporate purposes. The notes issued in June 2017 were 1.948% Notes due 2019, 2.616% Notes due 2022, 3.079% Notes due 2024, 3.410% Notes due 2027, 4.368% Notes due 2047, and floating rate Notes due 2022.

Other Financing Arrangements

In addition to cash and equivalents and operating cash flow, other sources of liquidity include a \$2.0 billion commercial paper program, which is backed by a \$2.0 billion revolving credit facility and a \$1.0 billion committed receivables sales facility program. At March 31, 2018, we had nothing outstanding under the commercial paper program and no amounts outstanding under the revolving credit facility and committed receivables sales facility program.

In November 2016, we renewed our committed receivables sales facility program through Cardinal Health Funding, LLC ("CHF") through November 1, 2019. CHF was organized for the sole purpose

of buying receivables and selling undivided interests in those receivables to third-party purchasers. Although consolidated with Cardinal Health, Inc. in accordance with GAAP, CHF is a separate legal entity from Cardinal Health, Inc. and from our subsidiary that sells receivables to CHF. CHF is designed to be a special purpose, bankruptcy-remote entity whose assets are available solely to satisfy the claims of its creditors.

8. Income Taxes

Fluctuations in our provision for/(benefit from) income taxes as a percentage of pretax earnings ("effective tax rate") are generally due to changes in international and U.S. state effective tax rates resulting from our business mix and discrete items.

U.S. Tax Cuts and Jobs Act

On December 22, 2017, the United States enacted the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Tax Act"). The Tax Act makes broad and complex changes to the U.S. tax code that affect our fiscal year 2018 financial results in two primary ways. First, effective as of January 1, 2018, the Tax Act reduces the U.S. federal corporate tax rate from 35 percent to 21 percent. Second, it requires companies to pay a one-time U.S. repatriation tax on certain undistributed earnings of foreign subsidiaries. Because our fiscal year ends in June, we have a blended U.S. Federal statutory tax rate for fiscal 2018 of 28.1 percent under the Tax Act. The Tax Act also establishes new tax provisions that will affect us beginning July 1, 2018 including, (1) eliminating the U.S. manufacturing deduction; (2) establishing new limitations on deductible interest expense and certain executive compensation; (3) eliminating the corporate alternative minimum tax; (4) creating the base erosion anti-abuse tax; (5) creating a new provision designed to tax global intangible low-tax income ("GILTI"); (6) generally eliminating U.S. federal income taxes on dividends from foreign subsidiaries; and (7) changing rules related to uses and limitations of net operating loss carryforwards created in tax years beginning after December 31, 2017.

Regarding the new GILTI tax rules, we are allowed to make an accounting policy election to either (1) treat taxes due on future GILTI exclusions in U.S. taxable income as a current period expense when incurred or (2) reflect such portion of the future GILTI exclusions in U.S. taxable income that relate to existing basis differences in our measurement of deferred taxes. Our analysis of the new GILTI rules and how they may impact us is incomplete. Accordingly, we have not made a policy election regarding the treatment of the GILTI tax.

Remeasurement of Deferred Tax Assets and Liabilities

As a result of the enactment of a lower tax rate, we remeasured our U.S. deferred tax assets and liabilities based on the rates at which they are expected to reverse in the future. While we are still analyzing certain aspects of the Tax Act and refining our calculations, we have recorded a measurement period adjustment to our provisional net benefit of \$18 million in the three months ended March 31, 2018, for a total provisional net benefit of \$952 million in the nine months ended March 31, 2018, related to this required remeasurement. The provisional estimate is based on currently available information related to deferred tax assets and liabilities which is subject to change

as additional information becomes available, prepared, and analyzed.

Repatriation Tax on Undistributed Foreign Earnings

In connection with the required one-time U.S. repatriation tax on undistributed earnings of foreign subsidiaries, we recorded no additional adjustment during the three months ended March 31, 2018 to the provisional tax expense of \$41 million for the nine months ended March 31, 2018. The Tax Act permits the payment of this tax over an eight-year period beginning in fiscal 2019. Though these foreign earnings have been deemed to be repatriated from a U.S. federal tax perspective, we have not yet completed our assessment of the Tax Act on our plans to reinvest foreign earnings and as such have not changed our prior conclusion that the earnings are indefinitely reinvested. The repatriation tax is based on currently available information and technical guidance related to the new tax law. The provisional estimate will be updated when additional information related to undistributed foreign earnings, foreign taxes and foreign cash and equivalents becomes available, prepared and analyzed.

Effective Tax Rate

During the three months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, the effective tax rate was 45.1 percent and 32.3 percent, respectively. The effective tax rate for the three months ended March 31, 2018 was negatively impacted by a reduction in projected Cordis income and its impact on jurisdictional mix encompassing U.S. and international operations, as well as net unfavorable discrete items of \$18 million, partially offset by the favorable impact of the lower U.S. federal income tax rate from enactment of the Tax Act. The effective tax rate for the three months ended March 31, 2017 was impacted by net favorable discrete items of \$31 million.

During the nine months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, the effective tax rate was (48.6) percent and 34.4 percent, respectively. The effective tax rate for the nine months ended March 31, 2018 was favorably impacted by the provisional net benefit from enactment of the Tax Act.

The provisional net benefit from the Tax Act during the three and nine months ended March 31, 2018 includes the aforementioned remeasurement of our deferred tax assets and liabilities to the new federal statutory rate provisional measurement period adjustment of \$18 million and net tax benefit of \$952 million, respectively, the benefit from the impact of applying a lower federal tax rate to year-to-date U.S. pre-tax earnings and \$41 million provisional tax expense for the one-time repatriation tax applied to our undistributed foreign earnings.

Our effective tax rate for the nine months ended March 31, 2018 also includes \$57 million of tax expense recognized during the three months ended December 31, 2017 in connection with the sale of our China distribution business.

Unrecognized Tax Benefits

At March 31, 2018 and June 30, 2017, we had \$426 million and \$417 million of unrecognized tax benefits, respectively. The March 31, 2018 and June 30, 2017 balances include \$264 million and \$268 million of unrecognized tax benefits, respectively, that if recognized, would have an impact on the effective tax rate.

At March 31, 2018 and June 30, 2017, we had \$106 million and \$99 million, respectively, accrued for the payment of interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits, which we recognize in the provision for/(benefit from) income taxes in the condensed consolidated statements of earnings. These balances are gross amounts before any tax benefits and are included in deferred income taxes and other liabilities in the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

It is reasonably possible that there could be a change in the amount of unrecognized tax benefits within the next 12 months due to activities of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") or other taxing authorities, possible settlement of audit issues, reassessment of existing unrecognized tax benefits or the expiration of statutes of limitations. We estimate that the range of the possible change in unrecognized tax benefits within the next 12 months is between zero and a net decrease of \$35 million, exclusive of penalties and interest.

Other Tax Matters

We file income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction, various U.S. state jurisdictions and various foreign jurisdictions. With few exceptions, we are subject to audit by taxing authorities for fiscal years 2008 through the current fiscal year.

We are a party to a tax matters agreement with CareFusion Corporation ("CareFusion"), which has been acquired by Becton, Dickinson and Company. Under the tax matters agreement, CareFusion is obligated to indemnify us for certain tax exposures and transaction taxes prior to our fiscal 2010 spin-off of CareFusion. The indemnification receivable was \$148 million and \$142 million at March 31, 2018 and June 30, 2017, respectively, and is included in other assets in the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

As a result of the acquisition of the Patient Recovery Business, Medtronic plc is obligated to indemnify us for certain tax exposures and transaction taxes related to periods prior to the acquisition under the purchase agreement. The indemnification receivable was \$34 million at March 31, 2018.

9. Commitments, Contingent Liabilities and Litigation

Commitments

Generic Sourcing Venture with CVS Health Corporation ("CVS Health")

Red Oak Sourcing, LLC ("Red Oak Sourcing") is a U.S.-based generic pharmaceutical sourcing venture with CVS Health for an initial term through June 2024. Red Oak Sourcing negotiates generic pharmaceutical supply contracts on behalf of its participants. Due to the achievement of predetermined milestones, we are required to make quarterly payments of \$45.6 million to CVS Health for the initial term.

Legal Proceedings

We become involved from time to time in disputes, litigation, and regulatory matters.

We may be named from time to time in *qui tam* actions initiated by private third parties. In such actions, the private parties purport to act on behalf of federal or state governments, allege that false claims have been submitted for payment by the government and may receive an award if their claims are successful. After a private party has filed a *qui tam* action, the government must investigate the private party's

claim and determine whether to intervene in and take control over the litigation. These actions may remain under seal while the government makes this determination. If the government declines to intervene, the private party may nonetheless continue to pursue the litigation on his or her own purporting to act on behalf of the government.

From time to time, we become aware through employees, internal audits or other parties of possible compliance matters, such as complaints or concerns relating to accounting, internal accounting controls, financial reporting, auditing, or other ethical matters or relating to compliance with laws such as healthcare fraud and abuse, anti-corruption or anti-bribery laws. When we become aware of such possible compliance matters, we investigate internally and take appropriate corrective action. In addition, from time to time, we receive subpoenas or requests for information from various federal or state agencies relating to our business or to the business of a customer, supplier or other industry participants. Internal investigations, subpoenas or requests for information could lead to the assertion of claims or the commencement of legal proceedings against us or result in sanctions.

From time to time, we may determine that products we manufacture or market do not meet our specifications, regulatory requirements, or published standards. When we or a regulatory agency identify a potential quality or regulatory issue, we investigate and take appropriate corrective action. Such actions can lead to product recalls, costs to repair or replace affected products, temporary interruptions in product sales, action by regulators and product liability claims and lawsuits, including class actions. Even absent an identified regulatory or quality issue or product recall, we can become subject to product liability claims and lawsuits.

We accrue for contingencies related to disputes, litigation and regulatory matters if it is probable that a liability has been incurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Because these matters are inherently unpredictable and unfavorable developments or resolutions can occur, assessing contingencies is highly subjective and requires judgments about future events. We regularly review contingencies to determine whether our accruals and related disclosures are adequate. The amount of ultimate loss may differ from these estimates.

We recognize income from the favorable outcome of litigation when we receive the associated cash or assets.

We recognize estimated loss contingencies for certain litigation and regulatory matters and income from favorable resolution of litigation in litigation (recoveries)/charges in our condensed consolidated statements of earnings.

Opioid Lawsuits

Pharmaceutical wholesale distributors, including us, have been named as defendants in hundreds of lawsuits relating to the distribution of prescription opioid pain medications. These lawsuits have been filed in various federal, state, and other courts by a variety of plaintiffs, which are primarily counties, municipalities and political subdivisions from 46 states. Plaintiffs also include four state attorneys general, unions and other health and welfare funds, hospital systems and other healthcare providers. Of these lawsuits, 21 are purported class actions. The lawsuits seek equitable relief and monetary damages based on a variety of legal theories including various common law claims, such as negligence, public nuisance, unjust

enrichment as well as violations of controlled substance laws and various other statutes. Many also name pharmaceutical manufacturers, retail pharmacy chains and other entities as defendants.

The vast majority of these lawsuits have been filed in U.S. federal court and have been transferred for consolidated pre-trial proceedings in a Multi-District Litigation proceeding in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio. In April 2018, the court, among other things, ordered that motions to dismiss in a number of these lawsuits be briefed from June through August 2018 and that three lawsuits proceed to trial in March 2019 depending on the court's ruling on those motions. As part of these proceedings, we have been discussing with various parties and other stakeholders, including state attorneys general, possible prospective non-monetary injunctive relief and other solutions that we and others in the healthcare system either have already undertaken or may undertake in the future to help alleviate the national opioid epidemic.

We are vigorously defending ourselves in all of these opioid lawsuits. Since all of the above-referenced lawsuits are in early stages, we are unable to predict their outcome or estimate a range of reasonably possible losses.

In addition, 39 state attorneys general have formed a multi-state task force to investigate the manufacturing, distribution, dispensing and prescribing practices of opioid medications. We have received requests related to this multi-state investigation, as well as civil investigative demands, subpoenas or requests for information from these and other state attorneys general offices. We are cooperating with the offices conducting these investigations.

Product Liability Lawsuits

As of May 1, 2018, we are named as a defendant in 137 product liability lawsuits filed in Alameda County Superior Court in California involving claims by approximately 1,607 plaintiffs that allege personal injuries associated with the use of Cordis OptEase and TrapEase inferior vena cava (IVC) filter products. Another 16 lawsuits involving similar claims by approximately 17 plaintiffs are pending in other jurisdictions. These lawsuits seek a variety of remedies, including unspecified monetary damages. We are vigorously defending ourselves in these lawsuits.

At March 31, 2018, we had a total of \$247 million, net of expected insurance recoveries, accrued for losses and legal defense costs related to the Cordis IVC filter lawsuits. While we have recorded accruals based on our assessment of these matters, because these lawsuits are in early stages, we are unable to estimate a range of reasonably possible losses in excess of this accrued amount.

10. Fair Value Measurements

Assets and (liabilities) measured on a recurring basis

The following tables present the fair values for assets and (liabilities) measured on a recurring basis at:

(in millions)	March 31, 2018			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets:				
Cash equivalents	\$ 548	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 548
Available-for-sale securities (1)	—	—	—	—
Other investments (2)	115	—	—	115
Liabilities:				
Forward contracts (3)	—	(58)	—	(58)
Contingent consideration (4)	—	—	(14)	(14)

(in millions)	June 30, 2017			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets:				
Cash equivalents	\$ 739	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 739
Available-for-sale securities (1)	—	65	—	65
Other investments (2)	116	—	—	116
Liabilities:				
Forward contracts (3)	—	(21)	—	(21)
Contingent consideration (4)	—	—	(32)	(32)

- (1) We invest in marketable securities, which are classified as available-for-sale and are carried at fair value in the condensed consolidated balance sheets. Observable Level 2 inputs such as quoted prices for similar securities, interest rate spreads, yield curves and credit risk are used to determine the fair value. See [Note 6](#) for additional information regarding available-for-sale securities.
- (2) The other investments balance includes investments in mutual funds, which are used to offset fluctuations in deferred compensation liabilities. These mutual funds primarily invest in the equity securities of companies with large market capitalization and high quality fixed income debt securities. The fair value of these investments is determined using quoted market prices.
- (3) The fair value of interest rate swaps, foreign currency contracts and commodity contracts is determined based on the present value of expected future cash flows considering the risks involved, including non-performance risk, and using discount rates appropriate for the respective maturities. Observable Level 2 inputs are used to determine the present value of expected future cash flows. The fair value of these derivative contracts, which are subject to master netting arrangements under certain circumstances, is presented on a gross basis in the condensed consolidated balance sheets.
- (4) Contingent consideration represents the obligations incurred in connection with acquisitions. We do not deem the fair value of the contingent consideration obligations under any single acquisition to be significant. The estimate of fair value of the contingent consideration obligations requires subjective assumptions to be made regarding future business results, discount rates, discount periods, and probabilities assigned to various potential business result scenarios and was determined using probability assessments with respect to the likelihood of reaching various targets or of achieving certain milestones. The fair value measurement is based on significant inputs unobservable in the market and thus represents a Level 3 measurement. Changes in current expectations of progress could change the probability of achieving the targets within the measurement periods and result in an increase or decrease in the fair value of the contingent consideration obligation.

The following table presents those liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis using unobservable inputs (Level 3):

(in millions)	Contingent Consideration Obligation
Balance at June 30, 2017	\$ 32
Additions from acquisitions	5
Changes in fair value of contingent consideration (1)	(2)
Payment of contingent consideration	(22)
Balance at March 31, 2018	\$ 14

The sum of the components may not equal the total due to rounding.

(1) Amount is included in amortization and other acquisition-related costs in the condensed consolidated statements of earnings.

11. Financial Instruments

We utilize derivative financial instruments to manage exposure to certain risks related to our ongoing operations. The primary risks managed through the use of derivative instruments include interest rate risk, currency exchange risk and commodity price risk. We do not use derivative instruments for trading or speculative purposes. While the majority of our derivative instruments are designated as hedging instruments, we also enter into derivative instruments that are designed to hedge a risk, but are not designated as hedging instruments. These derivative instruments are adjusted to fair value through earnings at the end of each period. Our derivative and hedging programs are consistent with those described in the 2017 Form 10-K. The amount of ineffectiveness associated with these derivative instruments was immaterial for the three and nine months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017.

During the nine months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, we entered into pay-floating interest rate swaps with total notional amounts of \$650 million and \$100 million, respectively. These swaps have been designated as fair value hedges of our fixed rate debt and are included in other assets in the condensed consolidated balance sheet.

During the nine months ended March 31, 2017, we entered into forward interest rate swaps with a total notional amount of \$200 million to hedge probable, but not firmly committed, future transactions associated with our debt.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The carrying amounts of cash and equivalents, trade receivables, accounts payable and other accrued liabilities at March 31, 2018 and June 30, 2017 approximate fair value due to their short-term maturities.

The following table summarizes the estimated fair value of our long-term obligations and other short-term borrowings compared to the respective carrying amounts at:

(in millions)	March 31, 2018	June 30, 2017
Estimated fair value	\$ 9,576	\$ 10,713
Carrying amount	9,578	10,395

The fair value of our long-term obligations and other short-term borrowings is estimated based on either the quoted market prices

for the same or similar issues or other inputs derived from available market information, which represents a Level 2 measurement.

12. Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests

In connection with the acquisition of a 71 percent ownership interest in naviHealth during fiscal 2016, we recognized redeemable noncontrolling interest with a fair value of \$119 million at the acquisition date.

In August 2017, certain third-party noncontrolling interest holders exercised their put right on the noncontrolling interest representing 16 percent of naviHealth with a redemption value of \$103 million and a carrying value of \$109 million. We settled the put in September and our ownership in naviHealth increased to 98 percent.

The following table summarizes activity in redeemable noncontrolling interests:

(in millions)	Redeemable Noncontrolling Interest
Balance at June 30, 2017	\$ 118
Net earnings attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interests	2
Net purchase of redeemable noncontrolling interests	(103)
Adjustment of redeemable noncontrolling interests to redemption value	(5)
Balance at March 31, 2018	\$ 12

13. Shareholders' Equity

During the nine months ended March 31, 2018, we repurchased 6.5 million common shares having an aggregate cost of \$450 million. The average price paid per share was \$68.81. We funded the repurchases with available cash and short-term borrowings. These repurchases include \$300 million purchased under an accelerated share repurchase ("ASR") program, which began on February 14, 2018 and was completed on March 21, 2018. We repurchased 4.3 million shares under the ASR at an average price paid per share of \$69.26.

During the nine months ended March 31, 2017, we repurchased 8.1 million common shares having an aggregate cost of \$600 million. The average price paid per common share was \$74.08. We funded the repurchases with available cash.

The common shares repurchased are held in treasury to be used for general corporate purposes.

During the nine months ended March 31, 2017, we retired 37 million common shares in treasury. The retirement of these shares had no impact on total shareholders' equity; however, it did impact certain individual components of shareholders' equity as follows: \$2.5 billion decrease in common shares in treasury, \$302 million decrease in common shares, and \$2.2 billion decrease in retained earnings.

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss

The following table summarizes the changes in the balance of accumulated other comprehensive loss by component and in total:

(in millions)	Foreign Currency Translation Adjustments	Unrealized Gain/(Loss) on Derivatives, net of tax	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss
Balance at June 30, 2017	\$ (148)	\$ 23	\$ (125)
Other comprehensive income/(loss), before reclassifications	141	2	143
Amounts reclassified to earnings	(23)	—	(23)
Other comprehensive income/(loss), net of tax	118	2	120
Balance at March 31, 2018	\$ (30)	\$ 25	\$ (5)

Activity related to realized and unrealized gains and losses on available-for-sale securities, as described in [Note 6](#), was immaterial during the nine months ended March 31, 2018.

14. Earnings Per Share Attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc.

The following table reconciles the number of common shares used to compute basic and diluted earnings per share attributable to Cardinal Health, Inc.:

(in millions)	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2018	2017
Weighted-average common shares—basic	313	316
Effect of dilutive securities:		
Employee stock options, restricted share units and performance share units	2	2
Weighted-average common shares—diluted	315	318

(in millions)	Nine Months Ended March 31,	
	2018	2017
Weighted-average common shares—basic	314	318
Effect of dilutive securities:		
Employee stock options, restricted share units and performance share units	2	2
Weighted-average common shares—diluted	316	320

The potentially dilutive employee stock options, restricted share units and performance share units that were antidilutive were 5 million and 3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and 5 million and 3 million for the nine months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

15. Segment Information

Our operations are principally managed on a products and services basis and are comprised of two operating segments, which are the same as our reportable segments: Pharmaceutical and Medical. The factors for determining the reportable segments include the manner in which management evaluates performance for purposes of allocating resources and assessing performance combined with the nature of the individual business activities.

The following table presents revenue for each reportable segment and Corporate:

(in millions)	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2018	2017
Pharmaceutical	\$ 29,720	\$ 28,406
Medical	3,916	3,418
Total segment revenue	33,636	31,824
Corporate (1)	(3)	(3)
Total revenue	\$ 33,633	\$ 31,821

(in millions)	Nine Months Ended March 31,	
	2018	2017
Pharmaceutical	\$ 89,786	\$ 86,911
Medical	11,684	10,107
Total segment revenue	101,470	97,018
Corporate (1)	(10)	(8)
Total revenue	\$ 101,460	\$ 97,010

(1) Corporate revenue consists of the elimination of inter-segment revenue and other revenue not allocated to the segments.

We evaluate segment performance based on segment profit, among other measures. Segment profit is segment revenue, less segment cost of products sold, less segment distribution, selling, general and administrative ("SG&A") expenses. Segment SG&A expenses include share-based compensation expense as well as allocated corporate expenses for shared functions, including corporate management, corporate finance, financial and customer care shared services, human resources, information technology and legal and compliance. The results attributable to noncontrolling interests are recorded within segment profit. Corporate expenses are allocated to the segments based on headcount, level of benefit provided and other ratable allocation methodologies.

We do not allocate the following items to our segments: last-in first-out, or ("LIFO"), inventory charges/(credits); restructuring and employee severance; amortization and other acquisition-related costs; impairments and (gain)/loss on disposal of assets; litigation (recoveries)/charges, net; other income, net; interest expense, net; loss on extinguishment of debt; and provision for/(benefit from) income taxes.

In addition, certain investment spending, certain portions of enterprise-wide incentive compensation and other spending are not allocated to the segments. Investment spending generally includes the first-year spend for certain projects that require incremental investments in the form of additional operating expenses. We

encourage our segments and corporate functions to identify investment projects that will promote innovation and provide future returns. As approval decisions for such projects are dependent upon executive management, the expenses for such projects are often retained at Corporate. Investment spending within Corporate was \$7 million and \$2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$17 million and \$4 million for the nine months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

The following table presents segment profit by reportable segment and Corporate:

(in millions)	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2018	2017
Pharmaceutical	\$ 596	\$ 611
Medical	199	148
Total segment profit	795	759
Corporate	(249)	(154)
Total operating earnings	\$ 546	\$ 605

(in millions)	Nine Months Ended March 31,	
	2018	2017
Pharmaceutical	\$ 1,576	\$ 1,682
Medical	548	435
Total segment profit	2,124	2,117
Corporate	(918)	(436)
Total operating earnings	\$ 1,206	\$ 1,681

The following table presents total assets for each reportable segment and Corporate at:

(in millions)	March 31,		June 30,	
	2018		2017	
Pharmaceutical	\$ 20,573	\$ 21,848		
Medical	17,746	10,688		
Corporate	2,712	7,576		
Total assets	\$ 41,031	\$ 40,112		

16. Share-Based Compensation

We maintain stock incentive plans (collectively, the "Plans") for the benefit of certain of our officers, directors and employees.

The following table provides total share-based compensation expense by type of award:

(in millions)	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2018	2017
Restricted share unit expense	\$ 20	\$ 18
Employee stock option expense	7	4
Performance share unit expense	(4)	3
Total share-based compensation	\$ 24	\$ 25

The sum of the components may not equal the total due to rounding.

(in millions)	Nine Months Ended March 31,	
	2018	2017
Restricted share unit expense	\$ 56	\$ 53
Employee stock option expense	17	14
Performance share unit expense	(9)	6
Total share-based compensation	\$ 64	\$ 73

The total tax benefit related to share-based compensation was \$8 million and \$9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$20 million and \$25 million for the nine months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Restricted Share Units

Restricted share units granted under the Plans generally vest in equal annual installments over three years. Restricted share units accrue cash dividend equivalents that are payable upon vesting of the awards.

The following table summarizes all transactions related to restricted share units under the Plans:

(in millions, except per share amounts)	Restricted Share Units	Weighted-Average Grant Date Fair Value per Share
Nonvested at June 30, 2017	2	\$ 76.72
Granted	1	66.13
Vested	(1)	79.23
Canceled and forfeited	—	—
Nonvested at March 31, 2018	2	\$ 71.97

At March 31, 2018, the total pre-tax compensation cost, net of estimated forfeitures, related to nonvested restricted share units not yet recognized was \$73 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of two years.

Stock Options

Employee stock options granted under the Plans generally vest in equal annual installments over three years and are exercisable for ten years from the grant date. All stock options are exercisable at a price equal to the market value of the common shares underlying the option on the grant date.

The following table summarizes all stock option transactions under the Plans:

(in millions, except per share amounts)	Stock Options	Weighted-Average Exercise Price per Common Share
Outstanding at June 30, 2017	6	\$ 63.44
Granted	2	66.44
Exercised	(1)	43.08
Canceled and forfeited	—	—
Outstanding at March 31, 2018	7	\$ 64.82
Exercisable at March 31, 2018	5	\$ 59.55

At March 31, 2018, the total pre-tax compensation cost, net of estimated forfeitures, related to nonvested stock options not yet recognized was \$26 million, which is expected to be recognized over

a weighted-average period of two years. The following tables provide additional detail related to stock options:

(in millions)	March 31, 2018	June 30, 2017
Aggregate intrinsic value of outstanding options at period end	\$ 46	\$ 109
Aggregate intrinsic value of exercisable options at period end	46	106

(in years)	March 31, 2018	June 30, 2017
Weighted-average remaining contractual life of outstanding options	7	7
Weighted-average remaining contractual life of exercisable options	6	6

Performance Share Units

Performance share units vest over a three-year performance period based on achievement of specific performance goals. Based on the extent to which the targets are achieved, vested shares may range from zero to 200 percent of the target award amount. Performance share units accrue cash dividend equivalents that are payable upon vesting of the awards.

The following table summarizes all transactions related to performance share units under the Plans (based on target award amounts):

(in millions, except per share amounts)	Performance Share Units	Weighted-Average Grant Date Fair Value per Share
Nonvested at June 30, 2017	0.6	\$ 77.83
Granted	0.2	66.43
Vested (1)	(0.2)	71.57
Canceled and forfeited	(0.2)	—
Nonvested at March 31, 2018	0.4	\$ 66.14

(1) Vested based on achievement of 133 percent of the target performance goal.

At March 31, 2018, the total pre-tax compensation cost, net of

estimated forfeitures, related to nonvested performance share units not yet recognized was \$9 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of two years if targets are achieved.

17. Subsequent Events

In April 2018, the State of New York passed a budget which included the Opioid Stewardship Act (the "OSA"). The OSA created an aggregate \$100 million annual assessment on all manufacturers and distributors licensed to sell or distribute opioids in New York. Each licensed manufacturer and distributor will be required to pay a portion of the assessment based on its ratable share, as determined by the state, of the total morphine milligram equivalents sold or distributed in New York during the applicable calendar year. The initial payment is due on January 1, 2019 for opioids sold or distributed during calendar year 2017.

We accrue for contingencies if it is probable that a liability has been incurred and the amount can be reasonably estimated. At this time, we are unable to estimate amounts which we will owe under the OSA for calendar year 2017 or 2018 because the information necessary to determine our share of the assessment is not yet available.

Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description
3.1	<u>Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of Cardinal Health, Inc., as amended (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Cardinal Health's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2008, File No. 1-11373)</u>
3.2	<u>Cardinal Health, Inc. Restated Code of Regulations (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to Cardinal Health's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 30, 2016, File No. 1-11373)</u>
10.1	<u>Second Amendment, effective as of January 1, 2018, to the Cardinal Health Deferred Compensation Plan, as amended and restated effective as of January 1, 2016 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Cardinal Health's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 31, 2017, File No. 1-11373)</u>
10.2	<u>Aircraft Time Sharing Agreement, effective as of February 8, 2018, by and between Cardinal Health, Inc. and Michael C. Kaufmann</u>
12.1	<u>Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges</u>
31.1	<u>Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002</u>
31.2	<u>Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002</u>
32.1	<u>Certification of the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002</u>
99.1	<u>Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Information</u>
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document

Cardinal Health Website

Cardinal Health uses its website as a channel of distribution for material company information. Important information, including news releases, financial information, earnings and analyst presentations and information about upcoming presentations and events is routinely posted and accessible at ir.cardinalhealth.com. In addition, the website allows investors and other interested persons to sign up automatically to receive e-mail alerts when the company posts news releases, SEC filings and certain other information on its website.

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Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 9, 2018

Cardinal Health, Inc.

/s/ MICHAEL C. KAUFMANN

Michael C. Kaufmann

Chief Executive Officer

/s/ JORGE M. GOMEZ

Jorge M. Gomez

Chief Financial Officer

CARDINAL HEALTH, INC.
AIRCRAFT TIME SHARING AGREEMENT

This Aircraft Time Sharing Agreement ("Agreement") by and between Cardinal Health, Inc. ("Operator"), an Ohio corporation whose address is 7000 Cardinal Place, Dublin, Ohio 43017 and Michael C. Kaufmann ("User"), whose address is 7000 Cardinal Place, Dublin, Ohio 43017 (collectively the "Parties"), is effective February 8, 2018, and shall terminate on December 31, 2021, unless terminated sooner by either party pursuant to Article I below.

WHEREAS, Operator has the right of possession of the aircraft ("Aircraft"), equipped with engines and components as described in the Leased Aircraft Subject to the Aircraft Time Sharing Agreement attached hereto and made a part hereof, as Exhibit A;

WHEREAS, Operator employs a fully qualified flight crew to operate the Aircraft;

WHEREAS, Operator desires to provide to User, and User desires to have the use of said Aircraft with flight crew on a non-exclusive time sharing basis as defined in Section 91.501(c)(1) of the Federal Aviation Regulations ("FAR");

WHEREAS, this Agreement sets forth the understanding of the Parties as to the terms under which Operator will provide User with the use, on a periodic basis, of the Aircraft as described in Exhibit A hereto, currently operated by Operator; and

WHEREAS, the use of the Aircraft will at all times be pursuant to and in full compliance with the requirements of Part 91 (General Operating and Flight Rules) of FAR;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, the Parties agree as follows:

1. Termination.

Either party may terminate this Agreement for any reason upon written notice to the other, such termination to become effective thirty (30) days from the date of the notice; provided that this Agreement may be terminated on such shorter notice as may be required to comply with applicable laws, regulations, insurance requirements or in the event the insurance required hereunder is not in full force and effect.

2. Use of Aircraft.

(a) User may use the Aircraft from time to time, with the permission and approval of Operator's Flight Operations Department, for any and all lawful purposes allowed by FAR Part 91 (General Operating and Flight Rules) at such times as the Operator does not require the use of the Aircraft for the business purposes of Operator or an affiliate. User's use may include the use of the Aircraft by his family members (including children or grandchildren) and guests if they accompany him on the flight.

(b) User represents, warrants and covenants to Operator that:

1. User shall use each Aircraft for and on his own account only and shall not use any Aircraft for the purposes of providing transportation of passengers or cargo in air commerce for compensation or hire and shall not accept any reimbursement from a passenger or otherwise for charges under this Agreement;

2. User shall refrain from incurring any mechanics lien or other lien in connection with inspection, preventative maintenance, maintenance or storage of the Aircraft, whether permissible or impermissible under this Agreement, and User shall not attempt to convey, mortgage, assign, lease or any way alienate the Aircraft or create any kind of lien or security interest involving the Aircraft or do anything or take any action that might mature into such a lien;
3. During the term of this Agreement, User will abide by and conform to all such laws, governmental and airport orders, rules and regulations as shall from time to time be in effect relating in any way to the operation and use of the Aircraft by a time-sharing User.

(c) User shall provide Operator's Flight Operations Department with notice of his desire to use the Aircraft and proposed flight schedules pursuant to and in accordance with Operator's Corporate Aircraft Utilization Policy, as amended from time to time.

(d) Operator shall have sole and exclusive authority over the scheduling of the Aircraft, including which Aircraft is used for any particular flight.

(e) Operator shall not be liable to User or any other person for loss, injury or damage occasioned by the delay or failure to furnish the Aircraft and crew pursuant to this Agreement for any reason.

3. Time-Sharing Arrangement.

It is intended that this Agreement is and will meet the requirements of a "Time Sharing Agreement" as that term is defined in FAR Section 91.501(c)(1).

4. Cost of Use of Aircraft.

(a) In exchange for use of the Aircraft, User shall pay the following amounts for each flight, pursuant to FAR Section 91.501(d):

- (1) The cost of fuel, oil, lubricants and other additives.
- (2) Travel expenses of the crew, including food, lodging and ground transportation.
- (3) Hangar and tie-down costs when the Aircraft is required by the User to be away from the Aircraft's base of operation.
- (4) Insurance obtained for the specific flight.
- (5) Landing fees, airport taxes and similar assessments.
- (6) Customs, foreign permit and similar fees directly related to the flight.
- (7) In flight food and beverages.
- (8) Passenger ground transportation.
- (9) Flight planning and weather contract services.

- (10) An additional charge comprised of the allocable share attributable to such flight of the average quarterly cost of trip-related repairs and maintenance and other similar incremental costs, which shall not exceed 100% of the expenses listed in Paragraph 4(a)(1).

(b) Operator will invoice, and User will pay, for all appropriate charges.

(c) In addition to the rental rate referenced in Paragraph 4(a) above, User shall also be assessed the Federal Excise Taxes as imposed under Section 4261 of the Internal Revenue Code and any applicable state and local taxes associated with such flight(s) required by law to be collected and remitted by Operator ("Transportation Taxes").

5. Invoicing and Payment.

All payments to be made to Operator by User hereunder shall be paid in the manner set forth in this Paragraph 5. Operator will pay to suppliers, employees, contractors and government entities all expenses related to the operations of the Aircraft hereunder in the ordinary course. For all flights operated hereunder in each calendar month, Operator shall provide to User an initial invoice for the charges specified in Paragraph 4 of this Agreement (including Transportation Taxes), such invoice to be issued within thirty (30) days after the end of the calendar month in which such flights were completed. The initial invoice for the costs specified in Paragraph 4(a) above may be based, in whole or in part, on average or estimated costs. User shall pay Operator the full amount of such monthly invoice within thirty (30) days after receipt of the invoice. After the completion of each calendar quarter, Operator shall also provide to User final invoices for all flights operated hereunder in each calendar month of such calendar quarter. Such final invoices will be based on the actual costs for such flights, based on the billings received by Operator from third party vendors. To the extent that User is required to pay Operator any additional amounts under the final invoices, it will do so within thirty (30) days after receipt of the final invoice. In the event that the final invoice reduces the amounts paid as reimbursement under the initial invoices for such flights, the Operator shall return any overage or provide a credit to the User. All invoices shall separately itemize the expenses in items (1) through (10) of Paragraph 4(a) for the collective flights included in that invoice. User shall further pay all costs incurred by Operator in collecting any amounts due from User pursuant to the provisions of this Paragraph 5 after delinquency, including court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees.

6. Insurance and Limitation of Liability.

Operator represents that the flight operations for the Aircraft as contemplated in this Agreement will be covered by the Operator's aircraft all-risk physical damage insurance (hull coverage), aircraft bodily injury and property damage liability insurance, passenger, pilot and crew voluntary settlement insurance and statutory workers compensation and employer's liability insurance.

(a) Insurance.

1. Operator will maintain or cause to be maintained in full force and effect throughout the term of this Agreement aircraft liability insurance in respect of the Aircraft in an amount at least equal to \$100 million combined single limit for bodily injury to or death of persons (including passengers) and property damage liability. Operator will retain all rights and benefits with respect to the proceeds payable under policies of hull insurance that may be payable as a result of any incident or occurrence while an Aircraft is being operated on behalf of User under this Agreement.

2. Operator shall use best efforts to procure such additional insurance coverage as User may request naming User as an additional insured; provided, that the cost of such additional insurance shall be borne by User pursuant to Paragraph 4(a)(4) hereof.

(b) Limitation of Liability. User agrees that the insurance specified in paragraph 6(a) shall provide its sole recourse for all claims, losses, liabilities, obligations, demands, suits, judgments or causes of action, penalties, fines, costs and expenses of any nature whatsoever, including attorneys' fees and expenses for or on account of or arising out of, or in any way connected with, the use of the Aircraft by User, family members or guests, including injury to or death of any persons, including User, family members and guests which may result from or arise out of the use or operation of the Aircraft during the term of this Agreement ("Claims"). This Paragraph 6 shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(c) User agrees that when, in the reasonable view of Operator's Flight Operations Department or the pilots of the Aircraft, safety may be compromised, Operator or the pilots may terminate a flight, refuse to commence a flight or take other action necessitated by such safety considerations without liability for loss, injury, damage or delay.

(d) In no event shall Operator be liable to User or his family members, employees, agents, representatives, guests or invitees for any claims or liabilities, including property damage or injury and death, and expenses, including attorney's fees, in excess of the amount paid by Operator's insurance carrier in the event of such loss.

(e) OPERATOR SHALL IN NO EVENT BE LIABLE TO USER OR HIS FAMILY MEMBERS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, GUESTS OR INVITEES FOR ANY INDIRECT, SPECIAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES AND/OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES OF ANY KIND OR NATURE UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES OR FOR ANY REASON INCLUDING ANY DELAY OR FAILURE TO FURNISH THE AIRCRAFT OR CAUSED OR OCCASIONED BY THE PERFORMANCE OR NON-PERFORMANCE OF ANY SERVICES COVERED BY THIS AGREEMENT.

7. Covenants Regarding Aircraft Maintenance.

Operator shall, at its own expense, inspect, maintain, service, repair, overhaul and test the Aircraft in accordance with FAR Part 91. Each Aircraft will remain in good operating condition and in a condition consistent with its airworthiness certification, including all FAA-issued airworthiness directives and mandatory service bulletins. In the event that any non-standard maintenance is required at a time when a flight has been scheduled for User, Operator or Operator's Pilot-In-Command shall immediately notify User of the maintenance required, the effect on the ability to comply with User's dispatch requirements and the manner in which the Parties will proceed with the performance of such maintenance and conduct of the balance of the planned flight(s).

8. No Warranty.

NEITHER OPERATOR (NOR ITS AFFILIATES) MAKES, HAS MADE OR SHALL BE DEEMED TO MAKE OR HAVE MADE ANY WARRANTY OR REPRESENTATION, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, WRITTEN OR ORAL, WITH RESPECT TO ANY AIRCRAFT TO BE USED HEREUNDER OR ANY ENGINE OR COMPONENT THEREOF, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY WARRANTY AS TO DESIGN, COMPLIANCE WITH SPECIFICATIONS, QUALITY OF MATERIALS OR WORKMANSHIP, MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR ANY PURPOSE, USE OR

OPERATION, AIRWORTHINESS, SAFETY, PATENT, TRADEMARK OR COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT OR TITLE.

9. Operational Control.

Operator shall be responsible for the physical and technical operation of the Aircraft and the safe performance of all flights and shall retain full authority and control, including exclusive operational control, and possession of the Aircraft at all times during the term of this Agreement. In accordance with applicable FARs, the qualified flight crew provided by Operator will exercise all required and/or appropriate duties and responsibilities in regard to the safety of each flight conducted hereunder. The Pilot-In-Command shall have absolute discretion in all matters concerning the preparation of the Aircraft for flight and the flight itself, the load carried and its distribution, the decision whether or not a flight shall be undertaken, the route to be flown, the place where landings shall be made and all other matters relating to operation of the Aircraft. User specifically agrees that the flight crew shall have final and complete authority to delay or cancel any flight for any reason or condition which, in sole judgment of the Pilot-In-Command, could compromise the safety of the flight and to take any other action which, in the sole judgment of the Pilot-In-Command, is necessitated by considerations of safety. No such action of the Pilot-In-Command shall create or support any liability to User or any other person for loss, injury, damages or delay. The Parties further agree that Operator shall not be liable for delay or failure to furnish the Aircraft and crew pursuant to this Agreement which is caused by government regulation or authority, mechanical difficulty or breakdown, war, civil commotion, strikes or labor disputes, weather conditions, acts of God or other circumstances beyond Operator's reasonable control. User agrees that Operator's operation of aircraft is within the operation guidelines of the Operator's Flight Operations Department manual and the crews are responsible to operate within the guidelines of FAR 91 and the Operator's Flight Operations Department manual.

10. Governing Law.

The Parties hereto acknowledge that this Agreement shall be governed by and construed in all respects in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio.

11. Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts each of which will be deemed an original, all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

12. Notices and Communications.

All notices, requests, demands and other communications required or desired to be given hereunder shall be in writing (except as permitted pursuant to Paragraph 2(c)) and shall be deemed to be given: (i) if personally delivered, upon such delivery; (ii) if mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, postage pre-paid, addressed as (to the extent applicable for mailing) listed in the preamble hereto, upon the earlier to occur of actual receipt, refusal to accept receipt or three (3) days after such mailing; (iii) if sent by regularly scheduled overnight delivery carrier with delivery fees either prepaid or an arrangement, satisfactory with such carrier, made for the payment of such fees, addressed (to the extent applicable for overnight delivery) as listed in the preamble hereto, upon the earlier to occur of actual receipt or the next "Business Day" (as hereafter defined) after being sent by such delivery; or (iv) upon actual receipt when sent by fax. Notice given by other means shall be deemed to be given only upon actual receipt. Addresses may be changed by written notice given as provided herein and signed by the party giving the notice.

13. Further Acts.

Operator and User shall from time to time perform such other and further acts and execute such other and further instruments as may be required by law or may be reasonably necessary to: (i) carry out the intent and purpose of this Agreement; and (ii) establish, maintain and protect the respective rights and remedies of the other party.

14. Successors and Assigns.

Neither this Agreement nor any party's interest herein shall be assignable to any other party whatsoever, except that Operator may assign its interest to an affiliate without the consent of the User. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Parties hereto, their heirs, representatives and successors.

15. Severability.

In the event that any one or more of the provisions of this Agreement shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, those provisions shall be replaced by provisions acceptable to both Parties to this Agreement.

16. Flight Crew.

Operator is responsible for providing a qualified flight crew for all flight operations under this Agreement. The Operator will furnish two experienced and competent pilots who shall be under the direction and control of the Operator at all times.

17. Taxes.

The Parties acknowledge that reimbursement of all items specified in Paragraph 4, except for subsections (a)(7) and (a)(8) thereof, are subject to the Transportation Taxes. User shall pay to Operator (for payment to the appropriate governmental agency) any Transportation Taxes applicable to flights of the Aircraft conducted hereunder. Operator shall indemnify User for any claims related to the Transportation Taxes to the extent that User has paid Operator the amounts necessary to pay such taxes.

18. Right of Possession.

Operator has the right of possession to each Aircraft in Exhibit A pursuant to an Aircraft Lease Agreement. Nothing herein shall constitute a transfer of Operator's possessory rights to the Aircraft.

19. Truth-in-Leasing.

The Operator shall mail a copy of this Agreement for and on behalf of both Parties to: Federal Aviation Administration, Aircraft Registration Branch, Attention: Technical Section, P.O. Box 25724, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73125, within twenty-four (24) hours of its execution, as provided by FAR 91.23 (c)(1). Additionally, Operator agrees to comply with the notification requirements of FAR Section 91.23 by notifying by telephone or in person the Columbus, Ohio FAA Flight Standards District Office at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the first flight under this Agreement.

(a) OPERATOR CERTIFIES THAT EACH AIRCRAFT HAS BEEN INSPECTED AND MAINTAINED WITHIN THE 12-MONTH PERIOD PRECEDING THE DATE OF THIS AGREEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF PART 91 OF THE FEDERAL AVIATION

REGULATIONS AND THAT ALL APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS FOR EACH AIRCRAFT'S MAINTENANCE AND INSPECTION HEREUNDER WILL BE MET AND ARE VALID FOR THE OPERATIONS TO BE CONDUCTED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT DURING THE DURATION OF THIS AGREEMENT.

(b) OPERATOR, WHOSE ADDRESS APPEARS IN PARAGRAPH 12 ABOVE AND WHOSE AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE APPEARS BELOW, AGREES, CERTIFIES AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT WHENEVER EACH AIRCRAFT IS OPERATED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, OPERATOR SHALL BE KNOWN AS, CONSIDERED AND SHALL IN FACT BE THE OPERATOR OF THE AIRCRAFT AND THAT OPERATOR UNDERSTANDS ITS RESPONSIBILITIES FOR COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE FEDERAL AVIATION REGULATIONS.

(c) THE PARTIES UNDERSTAND THAT AN EXPLANATION OF FACTORS AND PERTINENT FEDERAL AVIATION REGULATIONS BEARING ON OPERATONAL CONTROL CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE NEAREST FAA FLIGHT STANDARDS DISTRICT OFFICE.

(d) OPERATOR AGREES TO KEEP A COPY OF THIS AGREEMENT IN THE AIRCRAFT AT ALL TIMES DURING THE TERM OF THIS AGREEMENT.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have each caused this Agreement to be duly executed on February 8, 2018.

OPERATOR:

Cardinal Health, Inc.

/s/ David P. King

By: David P. King

Its: Chairman of the Human Resources and Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors

USER:

Michael C. Kaufmann

/s/ Michael C. Kaufmann

EXHIBIT A

Cardinal Health, Inc.

Leased Aircraft Subject to Aircraft Time Sharing Agreement

Each of the undersigned is a party to the Aircraft Time Sharing Agreement dated February 8, 2018, by and between Cardinal Health, Inc. ("Operator") and Michael C. Kaufmann ("User") (together the "Parties"), and agrees that from and after February 8, 2018, until this Exhibit A shall be superseded and replaced through agreement of the Parties or the Aircraft Time Sharing Agreement shall be terminated pursuant to its terms, the Aircraft described below shall constitute the "Aircraft" described in and subject to the terms of the Aircraft Time Sharing Agreement.

N900CH 2004 Falcon 2000EX Serial#001

Engine #1 PCE - 0002 - CF

Engine #2 PCE - 0018 - CF

N800CH Learjet 75 Serial#034

Engine #1 P137188

Engine #2 P137187

N200CH 2016 Falcon 2000LXS Serial#319

Engine #1 PCE - CF0744

Engine #2 PCE - CF0746

OPERATOR:

Cardinal Health, Inc.

/s/ David P. King

By: David P. King

Its: Chairman of the Human Resources and Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors

USER:

Michael C. Kaufmann

/s/ Michael C. Kaufmann

Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges

(in millions, except ratios)	2014	2015	2016	2017	Nine months ended March 31, 2018
Earnings before income taxes	\$ 1,798	\$ 1,967	\$ 2,276	\$ 1,924	\$ 959
Plus fixed charges:					
Interest expense	129	137	178	187	249
Capitalized interest	1	2	6	9	3
Amortization of debt offering costs	4	8	6	6	8
Interest portion of rent expense	10	10	12	14	12
Fixed charges (1)	144	156	201	217	272
Plus: amortization of capitalized interest	3	2	3	4	3
Less: capitalized interest	(1)	(2)	(6)	(9)	(3)
Earnings (1)	\$ 1,944	\$ 2,124	\$ 2,473	\$ 2,135	\$ 1,231
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges (1) (2)	14	14	12	10	5

(1) The sum of the components may not equal the total due to rounding.

(2) The ratio of earnings to fixed charges is computed by dividing fixed charges into earnings from continuing operations before income taxes plus fixed charges and capitalized interest. Fixed charges include interest expense, amortization of debt offering costs and the portion of rent expense that is deemed to be representative of the interest factor. Interest expense recorded on tax exposures has been recorded in income tax expense and has therefore been excluded from the calculation.

I, Michael C. Kaufmann, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Form 10-Q of Cardinal Health, Inc.;
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(s) 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 control 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 control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control 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(s) 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 9, 2018

/s/ MICHAEL C. KAUFMANN

Michael C. Kaufmann

Chief Executive Officer

I, Jorge M. Gomez, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Form 10-Q of Cardinal Health, Inc.;
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(s) 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 control 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 control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control 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(s) 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 9, 2018

/s/ JORGE M. GOMEZ

Jorge M. Gomez

Chief Financial Officer

**Certification of the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as
Adopted
Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

Each of Michael C. Kaufmann, Chief Executive Officer of Cardinal Health, Inc. (the "Company"), and Jorge M. Gomez, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certifies, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, that:

- (1) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2018 containing the financial statements of the Company (the "Periodic Report"), which this statement accompanies, fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m or 78o(d)); and
- (2) the information contained in the Periodic Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: May 9, 2018

/s/ MICHAEL C. KAUFMANN

Michael C. Kaufmann

Chief Executive Officer

/s/ JORGE M. GOMEZ

Jorge M. Gomez

Chief Financial Officer

Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Information

As used in this exhibit, “we,” “our,” “us” and similar pronouns refer to Cardinal Health, Inc. and its subsidiaries, unless the context requires otherwise. Our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 (the “2017 Form 10-K”), our quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and our current reports on Form 8-K (along with any exhibits and amendments to such reports), as well as our news releases or any other written or oral statements made by or on behalf of us, may include, directly or by incorporation by reference, forward-looking statements that reflect our current view (as of the date the forward-looking statement is first made) about future events, prospects, projections or financial performance. The matters discussed in these forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected, anticipated or implied in or by such statements. These risks and uncertainties include:

- competitive pressures in the markets in which we operate, including pricing pressures;
- uncertainties relating to the pricing of generic pharmaceuticals;
- uncertainties relating to the timing, frequency and profitability of generic pharmaceutical launches;
- our ability to maintain the benefits of our generic pharmaceutical sourcing venture with CVS Health Corporation;
- with respect to our distribution services agreements with branded pharmaceutical manufacturers, changes in the amount of service fees we receive or, in cases where part of our compensation under these agreements is based on branded pharmaceutical price appreciation, changes in the frequency or magnitude of such price appreciation;
- changes in the timing or frequency of the introduction of branded pharmaceuticals;
- actions of regulatory bodies and other governmental authorities, including the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, certain agencies within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (including the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, the Office of Inspector General and the Office for Civil Rights), the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the U.S. Federal Trade Commission, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection, various state boards of pharmacy, state controlled substance authorities, state health departments, state insurance departments, state Medicaid departments or comparable regulatory bodies or governmental authorities or foreign equivalents that, in each case, could delay, limit or suspend product development, manufacturing, distribution, importation or sales or result in warning letters, recalls, seizures, injunctions or monetary sanctions;
- any compromise of our information systems or of those of a third-party service provider, including unauthorized access to or use or disclosure of company or customer information, and ancillary risks associated with our ability to effectively manage any issues arising from any such compromise;
- possible losses that may arise or expenses that we may incur from the resolution and defense of the lawsuits and investigations in which we have been named relating to the distribution of prescription opioid pain medication;
- potential damage to our reputation, adverse operational impacts or other effects that may result from the national opioid epidemic and the allegations that have been made about our role in such epidemic;
- potential adverse impact to our financial results resulting from enacted and proposed state taxes or other assessments on the sale and distribution of opioid medications;
- risks and uncertainties relating to the acquisition of the Patient Care, Deep Vein Thrombosis and Nutritional Insufficiency businesses from Medtronic plc (the “Patient Recovery Business”), including the ability to retain the acquired business’ customers and employees; the ability to successfully integrate the acquired business into our operations; the ability to achieve the expected synergies and accretion in earnings; unforeseen internal control, regulatory or compliance issues; and additional risks relating to regulatory matters, legal proceedings, tax laws or positions or foreign exchange rate volatility;
- difficulties or delays in the development, production, manufacturing, sourcing and marketing of new or existing products and services, including difficulties or delays associated with obtaining requisite regulatory consents or approvals associated with those activities;
- risks arising from possible violations of healthcare fraud and abuse laws;
- costs or claims resulting from potential errors or defects in our manufacturing of medical devices or other products or in our compounding, repackaging, information systems or pharmacy management services that may injure persons or damage property or operations, including costs from remediation efforts or recalls and related product liability claims and lawsuits, including class action lawsuits;
- risks arising from possible violations of the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and other similar anti-corruption laws in other jurisdictions and U.S. and foreign export control, trade embargo and customs laws;
- risks arising from our collecting, handling and maintaining patient-identifiable health information and other sensitive personal and financial information, which are subject to federal, state and foreign laws that regulate the use and disclosure of such information;
- risks arising from certain of our businesses being Medicare-certified suppliers or participating in other federal and state healthcare programs, such as state Medicaid programs and the federal 340B drug pricing program, which businesses are subject to accreditation and quality standards and other rules and regulations, including applicable reporting, billing, payment and record-keeping requirements;
- risks arising from certain of our businesses manufacturing pharmaceutical and medical products or repackaging pharmaceuticals that are purchased or reimbursed through, or are otherwise governed by, federal or state healthcare programs, which businesses are subject to federal and state laws that establish eligibility for reimbursement by such programs and other applicable standards and regulations;

- changes in laws or changes in the interpretation or application of laws or regulations, as well as possible failures to comply with applicable laws or regulations, including as a result of possible misinterpretations or misapplications;
- material reductions in purchases, non-renewal or early termination of contracts, or delinquencies or defaults by key customers;
- unfavorable changes to the terms of key customer or supplier relationships, or changes in customer mix;
- risks arising from changes in U.S. or foreign tax laws, including our ability to effectively implement and account for the recently enacted Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, unfavorable challenges to our tax positions and payments to settle these challenges, or failure to permanently repeal the U.S. medical device tax;
- uncertainties due to government healthcare reform, including possible repeal or replacement of major parts of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act;
- reductions or limitations on governmental funding at the state or federal level or efforts by healthcare insurance companies to limit payments for products and services;
- changes in manufacturers' pricing, selling, inventory, distribution or supply policies or practices;
- changes in legislation or regulations governing prescription drug pricing, healthcare services or mandated benefits;
- changes in hospital buying groups or hospital buying practices;
- changes in distribution or sourcing models for pharmaceutical and medical and surgical products, including an increase in direct and limited distribution;
- the risks of counterfeit products in the supply chain;
- changes to the prescription drug reimbursement formula and related reporting requirements for generic pharmaceuticals under Medicaid;
- increasing consolidation in the healthcare industry, which could give the resulting enterprises greater bargaining power and may increase pressure on prices for our products and services or result in the loss of customers;
- disruption, damage or lack of access to, or failure of, our or our third-party service providers' information systems, our critical facilities, including our national logistics center, or our distribution networks;
- manufacturing disruptions, whether due to regulatory action, production quality deviations, safety issues or raw material shortages or defects, or because a key product is manufactured at a single manufacturing facility with limited alternate facilities;
- risks to our business and information and controls systems in the event that the Pharmaceutical segment's multi-year systems replacement project or other business process improvements, infrastructure modernizations or initiatives to use third-party service providers for key systems and processes are not effectively implemented;
- the results, costs, effects or timing of any commercial disputes, government contract compliance matters, product liability claims or lawsuits, patent infringement claims, *qui tam* actions or other legal proceedings;
- possible losses relating to product liability lawsuits and claims regarding products for which we cannot obtain product liability insurance or for which such insurance may not be adequate to cover our losses, including the product liability lawsuits we are currently defending relating to alleged personal injuries associated with the use of Cordis inferior vena cava filter products;
- our ability to maintain adequate intellectual property protections;
- the costs, difficulties and uncertainties related to the integration of acquired businesses, including liabilities relating to the operations or activities of such businesses prior to their acquisition, and uncertainties relating to our ability to achieve the anticipated results from acquisitions;
- increased costs for commodities and other materials used in the Medical segment manufacturing, including various components, compounds, raw materials or energy such as oil-based resins, pulp, cotton, latex and other commodities;
- shortages in commodities, components, compounds, raw materials or energy used by our businesses, including supply disruptions of radioisotopes;
- the loss of, or default by, one or more key suppliers for which alternative suppliers may not be readily available;
- bankruptcy, insolvency or other credit failure of a customer or supplier that owes us a substantial amount;
- risks associated with global operations, including the effect of local economic environments, inflation, recession, currency volatility and global competition, in addition to risks associated with compliance with U.S. and international laws relating to global operations including currently proposed tariffs;
- risks associated with our use of and reliance on the global capital and credit markets, including our ability to access credit and our cost of credit, which may adversely affect our ability to efficiently fund our operations or undertake certain expenditures;
- our ability to introduce and market new products and our ability to keep pace with advances in technology;
- the costs, effects, timing or success of restructuring programs or plans;
- significant charges to earnings if goodwill or intangible assets become impaired;
- uncertainties relating to general political, business, industry, regulatory and market conditions; and

- other factors described in the “Risk Factors” section of the 2017 Form 10-K.

The words “expect,” “anticipate,” “intend,” “plan,” “believe,” “will,” “should,” “could,” “would,” “project,” “continue,” “likely,” and similar expressions generally identify “forward-looking statements,” which speak only as of the date the statements were made, and also include statements reflecting future results or guidance, statements of outlook and expense accruals. We undertake no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, except to the extent required by applicable law.