## Kimberly-Clark deMéxico,S.A.B.deC.V.

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## Kimberly-Clark de México, S.A.B. de C.V. SECOND QUARTER 2015 RESULTS

Highlights:

- Double digit growth in net sales, reaching a quarterly record of Ps. $\$ 8.0$ billion
- Gross profit rose $15.9 \%$, while the margin expanded a significant 190 basis points reflecting better prices and mix, cost reductions and operating efficiencies that offset the FX pressure
- EBITDA of Ps. $\$ 2.2$ billion; margin grew 150 basis points YoY and improved sequentially 50 basis points to $27.3 \%$


## FINANCIAL RESULTS

Prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)
Million pesos

|  | 2Q'15 | 2Q'14 | CHANGE \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NET SALES | \$8,027 | \$7,282 | 10.2 |
| GROSS PROFIT | 3,091 | 2,667 | 15.9 |
| OPERATING PROFIT | 1,765 | 1,470 | 20.1 |
| NET INCOME | 1,084 | 925 | 17.2 |
| EBITDA | 2,189 | 1,879 | 16.5 |

Net sales increased for the third consecutive quarter and were 10.2\% higher than last year. A positive price and mix contribution of $6.0 \%$ was the result of pricing initiatives taken during the quarter as well as of lower promotional activity. Volume growth was $4.2 \%$ as most categories posted healthy performance, reflecting the strength of our brands and an improvement in the overall consumption environment.

All our businesses grew. Consumer product revenues increased $7.6 \%$, professional $25.2 \%$ and exports $29.0 \%$. Both professional and exports include additional wadding sales from the startup of the tissue machine last year. Categories considered to have great growth potential continued to outperform.

Gross profit in the quarter increased $15.9 \%$, while the margin increased 190 basis points to $38.5 \%$. This reflects several benefits: i) higher selling prices; ii) lower raw material costs in dollar terms in several inputs such as virgin fibers, super absorbent materials and oil derivatives, among others; iii) lower energy costs; and iv) savings of approximately Ps. $\$ 250$ million during
the quarter from our cost reduction program. These positive effects absorbed increases in other raw materials and the significant depreciation of the peso, $21 \%$ year over year.

Operating expenses as a percentage of sales were pretty much in line with prior year, at 16.5\%, as we maintain our lean operations and continue to effectively invest behind our brands.

Operating income grew 20.1\%, while the margin increased 180 basis points to $22.0 \%$. This reflects the performance at the gross profit level.

Cost of financing was Ps. $\$ 181$ million in the second quarter, compared to Ps. $\$ 149$ million in the same period of last year, largely due to more interest expense from a higher total debt level and was benefitted by a Ps. $\$ 40$ million exchange gain resulting from a net monetary asset position in U.S. dollars.

Net income increased 17.2\%, reflecting the performance at the operating level, a higher cost of financing and a higher effective tax rate. Earnings per share for the quarter were $\$ 0.35$.

EBITDA rose $16.5 \%$ to Ps. $\$ 2.2$ billion in the quarter, while the margin grew 150 basis points to $27.3 \%$ and improved sequentially by 50 basis points.

During the last twelve months, we invested Ps. \$1,665 million (Ps. \$1,293 million in Capex, and Ps. $\$ 372$ million in our share buy-back program) and paid Ps. $\$ 4,428$ million in dividends to our shareholders.

In dollars, under US GAAP, net sales decreased 7\% in the quarter, operating profit increased $1 \%$ and net income was in line with last year.

As of June 30 the company held more than Ps. $\$ 9$ billion in cash and equivalents.
Total net debt as of June 30, 2015 was Ps. $\$ 9.6$ billion, compared to Ps. $\$ 9.5$ billion at December 2014. Long-term debt comprised $88 \%$ of the total and all debt was denominated in Mexican pesos.

Share Buyback Program Year to Date

| Shares repurchased | $\underline{2015}$ | $\underline{2014}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |

FINANCIAL RESULTS
Million pesos

|  | $6 \mathbf{N}^{\prime} 15$ | 6M'14 | CHANGE \% |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| NET SALES | $\$ 15,791$ | $\$ 14,544$ | 8.6 |
| GROSS PROFIT | 6,051 | 5,466 | 10.7 |
| OPERATING PROFIT | 3,427 | 3,039 | 12.8 |
| NET INCOME | 2,084 | 1,899 | 9.8 |
| EBITDA | 4,273 | 3,854 | 10.9 |

FINANCIAL POSITION

|  | As of June |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\underline{2015}$ | 2014 |
| Assets |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$9,048 | \$7,910 |
| Trade and other receivables | 5,712 | 5,653 |
| Inventories | 2,189 | 2,207 |
| Property, plant and equipment | 15,612 | 15,930 |
| Derivative financial instruments | 808 | - |
| Intangible assets and others | 1,621 | 1,449 |
| Total | \$34,990 | \$33,149 |
| Liabilities and equity |  |  |
| Current portion of long term debt | \$2,300 | \$2,300 |
| Trade payables | 3,379 | 3,280 |
| Employee benefits | 858 | 783 |
| Dividends payable | 1,173 | 3,308 |
| Provisions and other liabilities | 1,788 | 1,619 |
| Current tax payable | 462 | 153 |
| Long term debt | 16,396 | 14,138 |
| Derivative financial instruments | 115 | 387 |
| Deferred taxes | 1,581 | 1,687 |
| Other liabilities | 202 | 161 |
| Equity | 6,736 | 5,333 |
| Total | \$34,990 | \$33,149 |

CASH FLOWS
Million pesos

|  | Six months ended June |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  | $\underline{2015}$ | $\underline{2014}$ |
| Profit before tax | $\$ 3,024$ | $\$ 2,753$ |
| Depreciation | 846 | 815 |
| Other | 403 | 286 |
| Cash used in operations | $\underline{(1,960)}$ | $\underline{(2,503)}$ |
| Net cash flow from operating activities | 2,313 | 1,351 |
| Capital expenditures | $(458)$ | $(805)$ |
| Repurchase of shares | $(103)$ | $(665)$ |
| Debt issuance | 3,688 | 3,976 |
| Dividends paid | $(1,146)$ | $(1,094)$ |
| Payment of net interest \& other | $\underline{(296)}$ | $\underline{(243)}$ |
| Net increase in cash | 3,998 | 2,520 |
| Cash and equivalents at the beginning of period | 5,050 | 5,390 |
| Cash and equivalents at the end of period | 9,048 | 7,910 |

## Conference Call Information

The 2Q'15 conference call will be held on Friday, July 24, 2015 at 9:30 am Eastern time (8:30 am Central time / Mexico time). To participate in the call, please dial: US +1 (888) 318-6429, international +1 (334) 323-7224; conference ID: KIMBERLY.
A replay of the conference call will be available through July 31, 2015. To access the replay, please dial US +1 (877) 919-4059, international +1(334) 323-0140; conference ID: 51396320

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