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### **FORM 10-K**

(Mark One)

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

For The Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013

OR

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

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### **STEEL PARTNERS HOLDINGS L.P.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State of Incorporation)

590 Madison Avenue, 32<sup>nd</sup> Floor

**New York, New York** (Address of principal executive offices) **13-3727655** (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

10022

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 520-2300

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<u>Title of each class</u> Common units, \$0 par Name of each exchange on which registered New York Stock Exchange

### Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

### Common Units, no par value

Indicate by check mark if the Registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes  $\Box$  No  $\boxtimes$  Indicate by check mark if the Registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes  $\Box$  No  $\boxtimes$  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  $\boxtimes$  No  $\square$ 

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

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

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

Large accelerated filer	0	Non-accelerated filer	0
Accelerated filer	$\checkmark$	Smaller reporting company	0

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

The aggregate market value of our common units held by non-affiliates of registrant as of June 28, 2013 was approximately \$271.5 million.

On March 7, 2014, there were 30,794,072 common units outstanding.

### DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The information required by Items 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of Part III will be incorporated by reference to certain portions of a definitive proxy statement, which will be filed by the Registrant within 120 days after the close of its fiscal year.

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As used in this Form 10-K, unless the context otherwise requires the terms "we," "us," "our," "SPLP" and the "Company" refer to Steel Partners Holdings L.P., a Delaware limited partnership.

### PART I

#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This report includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), including, in particular, forward-looking statements under the headings "Item 7- Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and "Item 8 - Financial Statements and Supplementary Data." These statements appear in a number of places in this report and include statements regarding the Company's intent, belief or current expectations with respect to (i) its financing plans, (ii) trends affecting its financial condition or results of operations, and (iii) the impact of competition. The words "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "plan," "believe," "seek," "estimate," and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements; however, this report also contains other forward-looking statements in addition to historical information.

### Item 1. Business

All monetary amounts used in this discussion are in thousands unless otherwise indicated.

### Who We Are

Steel Partners Holdings L.P. ("SPLP" or the "Company") is a global diversified holding company that engages in multiple businesses, including diversified industrial products, energy, defense, supply chain management and logistics, banking, food products and services, oilfield services, sports, training, education, and the entertainment and lifestyle industries.

Each of our companies has its own management team with significant experience and proven success in their industries. Our subsidiary, SP Corporate Services LLC ("SP Corporate"), provides certain executive and corporate management services to us and some of our companies. We work with our businesses to increase corporate value over the long term for our unitholders and all stakeholders by implementing our unique strategy discussed in more detail below.

### **Our History**

SPLP is a limited partnership formed in the State of Delaware on December 16, 2008. SPLP is the successor through a merger on December 31, 2008 with WebFinancial Corporation ("Webfinancial"), a Delaware corporation that was incorporated in 1997. Webfinancial acquired WebBank in 1998.

In December 2008, in order to preserve an investment strategy that successfully served both the company and its investors since its inception, Steel Partners restructured its business. The result was the creation of Steel Partners Holdings L.P., a limited partnership formed in the State of Delaware in December 2008.

Effective July 15, 2009, the Company completed an exchange transaction in which we acquired the limited partnership interest of Steel Partners II, L.P. ("SPII") pursuant to which we acquired net assets of \$454,300 that were held by SPII, consisting of holdings in a variety of companies, in exchange for our common units which were distributed to certain former indirect investors in SPII (the "Exchange Transaction"). As a result, we became a global diversified holding company, with partners' capital of \$367,100 as of July 15, 2009, which has increased to \$616,582 as of December 31, 2013. Since July 15, 2009, we have concentrated our holdings into a select number of businesses.

On April 10, 2012, after fulfilling stringent regulatory and financial reporting requirements, the company became listed on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE: SPLP).

### **Our Structure**

SPLP is managed by SP General Services LLC (the "Manager"), pursuant to the terms of an amended and restated management agreement (the "Management Agreement") discussed in further detail in the section entitled "Executive Compensation - The Management Agreement." From its founding in 1990, the Manager and its affiliates have focused on increasing value for investors in the entities it has managed, including SPLP and SPII.

Our wholly-owned subsidiary, Steel Partners Holdings GP Inc., formerly known as Web LLC and Steel Partners Holdings GP LLC, or the "General Partner", is our general partner. The General Partner converted from a limited liability company to a corporation on September 21, 2010. The General Partner has a board of directors (the "Board of Directors"). The Board of Directors is currently comprised of seven members, five of whom are elected annually by our unitholders and two of whom are appointed by the Manager. Warren G. Lichtenstein, the Executive Chairman of our Manager, serves as the Chairman of the Board of Directors.

### **Our Strategy**

We continuously evaluate the retention and disposition of existing operations and investigate possible acquisitions of new businesses, often focusing on businesses that are selling substantially below intrinsic value. We consider possible synergies and economies of scale in operating and/or making determinations to acquire or dispose of companies. We seek additional means to reduce costs and to encourage integration of operations and the building of business relationships among our companies consistent with our desire that our unitholders benefit from the diversified holding company structure.

We strive to enhance the business operations of our companies and increase long-term value for unitholders and stakeholders through balance sheet improvements, strategic allocation of capital and operational and growth initiatives. Our operational initiatives include creating efficiencies through consolidated purchasing and materials sourcing provided by the *Steel Partners Purchasing Council*, which arranges shared purchasing programs and is reducing costs for, and providing other benefits to, a number of our companies. We are reducing our companies' operational costs, and enhancing growth and profitability, through the implementation of *Steel Partners Operational Excellence Programs*, which include the deployment of Lean Manufacturing, Design for Six Sigma, Six Sigma and Strategy Deployment. We are focused on reducing corporate overhead of our companies by centralizing certain administrative and corporate services through *Steel Partners Corporate Services* that provides management, consulting and advisory services.

Generally, we seek to actively acquire and maintain control over our companies through our ability to influence their policies. Depending on the size of our ownership interests in any given company, this may be achieved by obtaining board representation and overseeing and providing assistance to the existing management team. We generally view our companies as long-term holdings and we expect to realize value by operating them with a view towards fostering growth and maximizing their value rather than through the sale of ownership interests. The securities of some of the companies in which we have interests are traded on national securities exchanges, while others are privately held or not actively traded.

The following table presents the composition of our operating segments, which include the operations of our consolidated subsidiaries, as well as income or loss from equity method investments and other investments.

Diversified Industrial	Energy	<b>Financial Services</b>	Corporate and Other
Handy & Harman Ltd. ("HNH") <sup>(1)</sup>	Steel Excel Inc. ("Steel Excel") <sup>(1)</sup>	WebBank <sup>(1)</sup>	SPH Services, Inc. ("SPH Services") <sup>(1)</sup>
SL Industries, Inc. ("SLI") <sup>(2)</sup>	BNS Holding, Inc. ("BNS") (1), (3)		DGT Holdings Corp. ("DGT") <sup>(1)</sup>
JPS Industries, Inc. ("JPS") <sup>(2)</sup>			BNS Holdings Liquidating Trust ("BNS Liquidating Trust") (1). (3)
			ModusLink Global Solutions, Inc. (2)
			CoSine Communications, Inc. ("CoSine") <sup>(2)</sup>
			Fox & Hound Acquisition Corp. ("Fox & Hound") (2)
			SPII Liquidating Trust <sup>(2)</sup>
			Other Investments (4)

- (1) Consolidated subsidiary
- (2) Equity method investment
- (3) The operations of BNS are included in the Energy segment through June 30, 2012. The results of the BNS Liquidating Trust are included in the Corporate and Other segment beginning July 1, 2012.
- (4) Other investments classified in the Corporate and Other segment include various investments in available-for-sale securities in the Computer Software and Services, Aerospace/Defense, and Restaurant industries.

### **Our Businesses - Consolidated Subsidiaries**

### Handy & Harman Ltd.

### SPLP's Ownership Interest

SPLP has an ownership interest of approximately 54.9% as of December 31, 2013 in HNH. (NASDAQ (CM): HNH), formerly known as WHX Corporation, a Delaware corporation. On May 7, 2010, our ownership interest in HNH exceeded 50%, and as a result, HNH became a controlled subsidiary of SPLP and is consolidated from that date. Four of our representatives serve on HNH's eight-member board of directors, one of whom serves as Chairman. Our representatives also serve as the Executive Chairman (Principal Executive Officer), Chief Financial Officer (Principal Accounting Officer), Chief Legal Officer and as various Vice Presidents of HNH.

### **Description of Business**

HNH is a diversified manufacturer of engineered niche industrial products with leading market positions in many of the markets it serves. Through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, HNH focuses on high margin products and innovative technology and serves customers across a wide range of end markets. HNH sells its products and services through direct sales forces, distributors and manufacturer's representatives. It serves a diverse customer base, including the construction, electronics, telecommunications, transportation, utility, medical, semiconductor, aerospace, aviation, military electronics and food industries. HNH owns Handy & Harman Group Ltd. ("H&H Group"), which owns Handy & Harman ("H&H") and Bairnco Corporation ("Bairnco"). HNH manages its group of businesses on a decentralized basis with operations principally in North America. For the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011, HNH generated net sales of \$655,224, \$579,528 and \$579,764, respectively, which comprised 81%, 81% and 93% of SPLP's consolidated revenues, respectively.

### **HNH Products and Product Mix**

### Joining Materials

HNH's Joining Materials business primarily fabricates precious metals and their alloys into brazing alloys. Brazing alloys are used to join similar and dissimilar metals, as well as specialty metals and some ceramics, with strong, hermetic joints. The Joining Materials business offers these metal joining products in a wide variety of alloys, including gold, silver, palladium, copper, nickel, aluminum and tin. These brazing alloys are fabricated into a variety of engineered forms and are used in many industries, including electrical, appliance, transportation, construction and general industrial, where dissimilar material and metal joining applications are required. Operating income from precious metal products is principally derived from the "value added" of processing and fabricating and not from the purchase and resale of precious metals. The Joining Materials business enters into commodity futures and forward contracts to mitigate the impact of price fluctuations on its precious and certain non-precious metal inventories that are not subject to fixed price contracts. HNH believes that the business unit that comprises the Joining Materials business is the North American market leader in many of the markets that it serves.

#### Tubing

HNH's Tubing business manufactures a wide variety of steel tubing products. HNH believes that its Tubing business manufactures the world's longest continuous seamless stainless steel tubing coils, in excess of 5,000 feet, serving the petrochemical infrastructure and shipbuilding markets. In addition, HNH also believes it is the number one supplier of small diameter (less than 3 mm) coil tubing to industry leading specifications serving the aerospace, defense and semiconductor fabrication markets. This unit also manufactures welded carbon steel tubing in coiled and straight lengths with a primary focus on products for the automotive, heating, ventilation and cooling (HVAC), and oil and gas industries. In addition to producing bulk tubing, it produces value added fabrications for several of these industries.

### **Building Materials**

HNH's Building Materials business manufactures and supplies products primarily to the commercial construction and building industries. It manufactures fasteners and fastening systems for the U.S. commercial low slope roofing industry, which are sold to building and roofing material wholesalers, roofing contractors and private label roofing system manufactures, and a line of engineered specialty fasteners for the building products industry for fastening applications in the remodeling and construction of homes, decking and landscaping. HNH believes that its primary business unit in the Building Materials business is the market leader in fasteners and accessories for commercial low-slope roofing applications and that the majority of the net



sales for the segment are for the commercial construction repair and replacement market. The Building Materials business was formerly known as the Engineered Materials business.

### Arlon Electronic Materials

HNH's Arlon Electronic Materials business provides high performance materials for the printed circuit board ("PCB") industry and silicone rubberbased insulation materials used in a broad range of industrial, military/aerospace, consumer and commercial markets. It also supplies high technology circuit substrate laminate materials to the PCB industry. Products are marketed principally to original equipment manufacturers, distributors and PCB manufacturers globally. Arlon also manufactures a line of market leading silicone rubber materials used in a broad range of military, consumer, industrial and commercial products.

### Kasco Blades and Route Repair Services

HNH's Kasco Blades and Route Repair Services business provides meat-room blade products, repair services and resale products for the meat and deli departments of supermarkets, restaurants, meat and fish processing plants, and for distributors of electrical saws and cutting equipment, principally in North America and Europe. Kasco also provides wood cutting blade products for the pallet manufacturing, pallet recycler and portable saw mill industries in North America.

### **Business Strategy**

HNH's business strategy is to enhance the growth and profitability of the HNH business units and to build upon their strengths through internal growth and strategic acquisitions. HNH expects to continue to focus on high margin products and innovative technology. HNH also will continue to evaluate, from time to time, the sale of certain businesses and assets, as well as strategic and opportunistic acquisitions.

HNH uses a set of tools and processes called the HNH Business System to drive operational and sales efficiencies across each of its business units. The HNH Business System is designed to drive strategy deployment and sales and marketing based on lean principles. HNH pursues a number of ongoing strategic initiatives intended to improve its performance, including objectives relating to manufacturing improvement, idea generation, product development and global sourcing of materials and services. HNH utilizes lean tools and philosophies in operations and commercialization activities to increase sales, improve business processes, and reduce and eliminate waste, coupled with the tools targeted at variation reduction.

### Customers

HNH is diversified across industrial markets and customers. HNH sells to customers in the construction, electronics, telecommunications, transportation, utility, medical, semiconductor, aerospace, aviation, military electronics and food industries.

No customer accounted for more than 5% of HNH's consolidated net sales in 2013, 2012 or 2011. HNH's15 largest customers accounted for approximately 26% of consolidated HNH net sales in 2013.

### Foreign Revenue

The following table presents HNH revenue for the periods indicated:

	Revenue									
	Year Ended December 31,									
	2013 2012 201									
U.S.	\$	590,479	\$	512,470	\$	505,583				
Foreign (a)		64,745		67,058		74,181				
	\$	655,224	\$	579,528	\$	579,764				

(a) Foreign revenue is based on the country in which the legal subsidiary generating the revenue is domiciled.

### **Raw Materials**

Besides precious metals, the raw materials used in the operations of the Joining Materials, Tubing, Building Materials and Kasco operations consist principally of stainless, galvanized and carbon steel, copper, tin, nickel alloys, a variety of high-

performance alloys and various plastic compositions. HNH purchases all such raw materials at open market prices from domestic and foreign suppliers. HNH has not experienced any significant problem in obtaining the necessary quantities of raw materials. Prices and availability, particularly of raw materials purchased from foreign suppliers, are affected by world market conditions and government policies. The raw materials used by HNH in its non-precious metal products are generally readily available from more than one source.

The essential raw materials used in the Arlon business are silicone rubber, fiberglass cloths, non-woven glass mats, pigments, copper foils, various plastic films, special release liners, various solvents, Teflon<sup>TM</sup> or PTFE dispersion, skive PTFE film, polyimide resin, epoxy resins, other thermoset resins, ceramic fillers, as well as various chemicals. Generally, these materials are each available from several qualified suppliers. There are, however, several raw materials used in products that are purchased from chemical companies that are proprietary in nature. Other raw materials are purchased from a single approved vendor on a "sole source" basis, although alternative sources could be developed in the future if necessary. However, the qualification procedure for new suppliers can take several months or longer and could therefore interrupt production if the primary raw material source became unexpectedly unavailable. Current suppliers are located in the United States, Asia and Europe.

### **Capital Investments**

HNH believes that in order to be and remain competitive, its businesses must continuously strive to improve productivity and product quality, and control and/or reduce manufacturing costs. Accordingly, HNH expects to continue to incur capital investments that reduce overall manufacturing costs, improve the quality of products produced and broaden the array of products offered to the industries HNH serves, as well as replace equipment as necessary to maintain compliance with environmental, health and safety laws and regulations. HNH's capital expenditures for 2013, 2012 and 2011 for continuing operations were \$16,200, \$20,300 and \$12,000, respectively. HNH anticipates funding its capital expenditures in 2013 from funds generated by operations and borrowed funds. HNH anticipates its capital expenditures to be in the range between \$18,000 and \$23,000 per year for the next several years.

HNH requires significant amounts of electricity and natural gas to operate its facilities and is subject to price changes in these commodities. A shortage of electricity or natural gas, or a government allocation of supplies resulting in a general reduction in supplies, could increase costs of production and could cause some curtailment of production.

#### Employees

As of December 31, 2013 HNH employed 1,836 employees worldwide. Of these employees, 351 were sales employees, 484 were office employees, 132 were covered by collective bargaining agreements, and 869 were non-union operating employees.

### Competition

There are many companies, both domestic and foreign, which manufacture products of the type HNH manufactures. Some of these competitors are larger than HNH and have financial resources greater than it does. Some of these competitors enjoy certain other competitive advantages, including greater name recognition, greater financial, technical, marketing and other resources, a larger installed base of customers and well-established relationships with current and potential customers. Competition is based on quality, technology, service and price, and in some industries, new product introduction. HNH may not be able to compete successfully, and competition may have a negative impact on its business, operating results or financial condition by reducing volume of products sold and/or selling prices, and accordingly reducing revenues and profits.

In its served markets, HNH competes against large, as well as smaller-sized private and public companies. This results in intense competition in a number of markets in which it operates. Significant competition could in turn lead to lower prices, lower levels of shipments and/or higher costs in some markets that could have a negative effect on results of operations.

### **Sales Channels**

HNH distributes products to customers through its sales personnel, outside sales representatives and distributors in North and South America, Europe, Australia, Asia and several other international markets.

#### Patents and Trademarks

HNH owns patents and registered trademarks under which certain of its products are sold. In addition, HNH owns a number of U.S. and foreign mechanical patents related to certain of its products, as well as a number of design patents. HNH does not believe that the loss of any or all of these patents or trademarks would have a material adverse effect on its businesses. HNH's patents have remaining durations ranging from less-than-one year to 18 years, with expiration dates occurring in 2014 through 2032.

### **Environmental Regulation**

HNH is subject to laws and regulations relating to the protection of the environment. HNH does not presently anticipate that compliance with currently applicable environmental regulations and controls will significantly change its competitive position, capital spending or earnings during 2014. HNH believes it is in compliance with all orders and decrees it has consented to with environmental regulatory agencies. Please see "Item 1A - Risk Factors," "Item 3 - Legal Proceedings" and Note 21 - "Commitments and Contingencies" to the SPLP consolidated financial statements included in "Item 8 - Financial Statements and Supplementary Data."

### Steel Excel Inc.

### **Our Ownership Interest**

We have an ownership interest of approximately 55.1% as of December 31, 2013 in Steel Excel, a Delaware corporation formerly known as ADPT Corporation (OTC: SXCL.PK). On May 31, 2012, our ownership percentage exceeded 50%, and Steel Excel became a majority-owned subsidiary and is consolidated from that date forward (see Note 3 - "Acquisitions" to the SPLP financial statements located elsewhere in this Form 10-K). Three of our representatives serve on Steel Excel's six-member board of directors, one of whom serves as Chairman and another of whom serves as the Chief Executive Officer. Our representatives also serve as Chief Financial Officer and General Counsel. Steel Excel is part of our Energy segment. Energy segment revenues totaled \$120,029, \$92,834 and \$32,984 for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011, respectively, which comprised 15%, 13% and 5% of SPLP's consolidated revenues, respectively.

#### **Description of Business**

Through its wholly-owned subsidiary Steel Energy Ltd. ("Steel Energy"), Steel Excel's Energy business provides drilling and production services to the oil and gas industry. Through its wholly-owned subsidiary Steel Sports Inc., Steel Excel's Sports business provides event-based sports services and other health-related services. The Company also continues to identify business acquisition opportunities in other unrelated industries.

#### Sales

Steel Excel relies primarily on its local operations to sell and market its services. Because they have conducted business together over several years, the members of its local operations have established strong working relationships with certain of their clients. These strong client relationships provide a better understanding of region-specific issues and enable Steel Excel to better address customer needs. Steel Excel has two customers, that make up 10% or more of its net revenues, and its top 15 customers made up 81% and 89% of its net revenues for the year ended December 31, 2013 and during the seven month period owned by SPLP in 2012, respectively.

### **Government Regulation**

Steel Excel's businesses are subject to multiple federal, state, and local laws and regulations pertaining to worker safety, the handling of hazardous materials, transportation standards, and the environment. Among the various environmental laws Steel Excel is subject to, the Clean Water Act established the basic structure for regulating discharges of pollutants into the waters of the United States and quality standards for surface waters. Steel Excel's businesses could be required to obtain permits for the discharge of wastewater or stormwater. In addition, the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 imposed a multitude of requirements on responsible parties related to the prevention of oil spills and liability for damages resulting from such spills in the waters of the United States. These and comparable state laws provide for administrative, civil, and criminal penalties for unauthorized discharges and impose stringent requirements for spill prevention and response planning, as well as considerable potential liability for the costs of removal and damages in connection with unauthorized discharges.

The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, as amended, and comparable state

laws ("CERCLA" or "Superfund") impose liability without regard to fault or the legality of the original conduct on certain defined parties, including current and prior owners or operators of a site where a release of hazardous substances occurred and entities that disposed or arranged for the disposition of the hazardous substances found at the site. Under CERCLA, these parties may be subject to joint and several liability for the costs of cleaning up the hazardous substances that were released into the environment and for damages to natural resources. Further, claims may be filed for personal injury and property damages allegedly caused by the release of hazardous substances and other pollutants. We may encounter materials that are considered hazardous substances in the course of our operations. As a result, Steel Excel may incur CERCLA liability for cleanup costs and be subject to related third-party claims. Steel Excel also may be subject to the requirements of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended, and comparable state statutes ("RCRA") related to solid wastes. Under CERCLA or RCRA, Steel Excel could be required to clean up contaminated property (including contaminated groundwater) or to perform remedial activities to prevent future contamination.

Steel Excel's businesses are also subject to the Clean Air Act, as amended, and comparable state laws and regulations that restrict the emission of air pollutants and impose various monitoring and reporting requirements. These laws and regulations may require Steel Excel to obtain approvals or permits for construction, modification, or operation of certain projects or facilities and may require use of emission controls. Various scientific studies suggest that emissions of greenhouse gases, including, among others, carbon dioxide and methane, contribute to global warming. While it is not possible to predict how legislation or new regulations that may be adopted to address greenhouse gas emissions would impact Steel Excel's business, any new restrictions on emissions that are imposed could result in increased compliance costs for, or additional operating restrictions on, its customers and, which could have an adverse effect on its business.

Steel Excel is also subject to the Occupational Safety and Health Act, as amended, ("OSHA") and comparable state laws that regulate the protection of employee health and safety. OSHA's hazard communication standard requires that information about hazardous materials used or produced in its operations be maintained and provided to employees and state and local government authorities. Steel Excel believes they are in substantial compliance with OSHA and comparable state law requirements, including general industry standards, recordkeeping requirements, and monitoring of occupational exposure to regulated substances.

Steel Excel cannot predict the level of enforcement or the interpretation of existing laws and regulations by enforcement agencies in the future, or the substance of future court rulings or permitting requirements. In addition, Steel Excel cannot predict what additional laws and regulations may be put in place in the future, or the effect of those laws and regulations on its business and financial condition. Steel Excel believes it is in substantial compliance with applicable environmental laws and regulations. While Steel Excel does not believe that the cost of compliance is material to our business or financial condition, it is possible that substantial costs for compliance or penalties for non-compliance may be incurred in the future.

#### Competition

Steel Excel's business operates in a highly competitive industry that is influenced by price, capacity, reputation, and experience. With oil and natural gas prices and drilling activities at high levels, service companies are ordering new equipment to expand their capacity as they are seeing increased demand for their services and attractive returns on investment. To be successful, Steel Excel must provide services that meet the specific needs of oil and gas exploration and production companies at competitive prices. In addition, we need to maintain a safe work environment and a well-trained work force to remain competitive.

Steel Excel's energy services are affected by seasonal factors, such as inclement weather, fewer daylight hours, and holidays during the winter months. Heavy snow, ice, wind, or rain can make it difficult to operate and to move equipment between work sites, which can reduce its ability to provide services and generate revenues. These seasonal factors affect Steel Excel's competitors as well. Demand for services in the industry as a whole fluctuates with the supply and demand for oil and natural gas. In general, the need for Steel Excel's services increases when demand exceeds supply. The oil and gas exploration and production companies attempt to take advantage of a higher-priced environment when demand exceeds supply, which leads to an increased need for Steel Excel's services. Conversely, as supply equals or exceeds demand, the oil and gas exploration and production companies will cut back on their production resulting in a decline in their well servicing needs.

The market for the Steel Excel's Sports business' baseball facility services and soccer camps and leagues is very fragmented, and its competitors are primarily small local or regional operations. The market for its strength and conditioning services is fragmented, and its competitors vary from large national providers of such services to local providers of comparable or other niche services. The baseball facility services and soccer camps and leagues are affected by seasonal factors, with business volume declining from late autumn through early spring as a result of colder temperatures and fewer daylight hours. In

addition, inclement weather during peak seasons can have an adverse effect on the business since fields may not be available to reschedule any cancelled events. In 2013, Steel Excel completed the construction of an indoor baseball facility to enable it to provide year-round baseball services to partially mitigate the revenue declines experienced in non-peak months and during periods of inclement weather.

### Employees

As of December 31, 2013, Steel Excel had 819 employees, of which 763 were full-time employees and 56 were part-time employees. All of Steel Excel's employees are located in the United States. Steel Excel also hires additional full-time and part-time employees during peak seasonal periods. None of Steel Excel's employees are covered by collective bargaining agreements. Steel Excel considers its employee relations to be satisfactory.

### WebBank

### **Our Ownership Interest**

SPLP's wholly owned subsidiary, WebFinancial Holding Corporation, conducts financial operations through its wholly-owned subsidiary, WebBank ("WebBank"). WebBank is part of our Financial Services segment. For the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011 the Financial Services segment had revenues of \$28,185, \$21,155 and \$14,921, respectively, which comprised 4%, 3% and 2% of SPLP's consolidated revenues, respectively.

### **Description of Business**

WebBank is a Utah chartered industrial bank subject to comprehensive regulation, examination, and supervision of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") and the State of Utah Department of Financial Institutions ("UDFI"). WebBank is not considered a "bank" for Bank Holding Company Act purposes and, as such, SPLP is not regulated as a bank holding company. WebBank, whose deposits are insured by the FDIC, generates commercial and consumer loans.

WebBank continues to evaluate its different business lines and consider various alternatives to maximize the aggregate value of its businesses and increase value, including seeking acquisitions and/or merger transactions, as well as product line extensions, additions and/or divestitures.

### Sales

WebBank generates revenue through a combination of interest income and non-interest income. Interest income is primarily derived from interest and origination fees earned on loans and investments. Non-interest income is primarily derived from minimum activity fee income on contractual lending arrangements, premiums on the sale of loans, and loan servicing fees. For the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011, two contractual lending programs accounted for 46%, 56% and 58%, respectively, of WebBank's total revenue.

### **Government Regulation**

WebBank is subject to regulatory capital requirements administered by the FDIC. Under capital adequacy guidelines and the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action, WebBank must meet specific capital guidelines that involve quantitative measures of WebBank's assets, liabilities, and certain off-balance sheet items as calculated under regulatory accounting practices. WebBank's capital amounts and classification are also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk weightings, and other factors. Failure to meet minimum capital requirements can initiate certain actions by regulators that, if undertaken, could have a direct material adverse effect on WebBank's financial statements. In addition, federal banking laws and regulations generally would prohibit WebBank from making any capital distribution (including payment of a dividend) if WebBank would be undercapitalized thereafter. Undercapitalized depository institutions are subject to growth limitations and must submit a capital restoration plan, which must be guaranteed by the institution's holding company. In addition, an undercapitalized institution is subject to increased monitoring and greater regulatory approval requirements.

Currently, WebBank meets or exceeds all applicable regulatory capital requirements.

### Competition

WebBank competes with a broad range of banks across its various lines of business.

### **Employees**

As of December 31, 2013, WebBank had 34 employees.

### **BNS Liquidating Trust**

### **Our Ownership Interest**

We have an ownership interest of approximately 84.9% as of December 31, 2013 in BNS Liquidating Trust (previously BNS Holding, Inc.). In June 2012, BNS, in accordance with its shareholder approval plan, distributed its assets and commenced its liquidation. See "Description of Business" section below for additional details.

### **Description of Business**

BNS was a holding company whose operations ceased as of June 1, 2012 due to the sale of Sun Well Service, Inc. ("Sun Well") to Steel Excel on May 31, 2012 (see Note 3 - "Acquisitions" to the SPLP consolidated financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K). BNS' results include the operations of Sun Well (originally acquired by BNS on February 2, 2011) through the date of sale to Steel Excel. On June 18, 2012, BNS completed a distribution to its shareholders, pursuant to shareholder approval, and distributed cash of approximately \$10,300 to its minority shareholders and 2,027,500 shares of Steel Excel common stock to its majority shareholder, but no further distributions are anticipated. In June 2012, BNS formed a liquidating trust, the BNS Liquidating Trust, assigned its assets and liabilities to the Trust and initiated its dissolution. The Trust is owned by the BNS former shareholders in the same proportion as their former ownership in BNS.

### Employees

The BNS had no employees as of December 31, 2013.

### **DGT Holdings Corp.**

### **Our Ownership Interest**

We have an ownership interest of approximately 76.6% as of December 31, 2013 in DGT (OTC: DGTC.OB), a New York corporation. On July 5, 2011, our ownership interest in DGT exceeded 50%, and as a result, DGT became a controlled subsidiary of SPLP and is consolidated from that date. Two of our representatives serve on DGT's five-member board of directors, one of which serves as DGT's President, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, and one is Chairman.

### **Description of Business**

DGT's operations currently consist of a real estate business from rental buildings retained from the sale of its Power Conversion business on August 16, 2012 and the sale of its Medical Systems Group on November 3, 2011 (for additional information, see Note 4 - "Discontinued Operations" to the SPLP financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K). Continuing operations consist of the real estate business, investments, and general and administrative expenses.

### Employees

As of December 31, 2013, DGT had no employees.

### SPH Services, Inc.

### **Our Ownership Interest**

SPH Services, Inc. ("SPH Services") is our wholly-owned subsidiary. Three of our representatives serve as members, including Chairman, of the board of directors of SPH Services. These representatives also serve as SPH Services' Chief Executive Officer, President, Secretary, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.

### **Description of Business**

SPH Services which commenced operations on January 1, 2012. It was created to consolidate the executive and corporate functions of SPLP and certain of our affiliates, including SP Corporate and Steel Partners LLC, to provide legal, tax, accounting, treasury, consulting, auditing, administration, compliance, environmental health and safety, human resources, marketing, investor relations and similar services, to other affiliated companies. In connection with the formation of SPH Services, we acquired SP Corporate and Steel Partners LLC, our former manager, as well as certain assets from HNH.

SP Corporate has management services agreements with HNH, Steel Excel, WebBank, BNS, DGT and other related companies. Services provided to SPLP and its consolidated subsidiaries for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 are eliminated in consolidation. For additional information on these service agreements see Note 13 - "Related Party Transactions" to the SPLP consolidated financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K.

By consolidating corporate overhead and back office functions, SPLP believes it will achieve cost savings over time for its affiliated companies while delivering more efficient and effective services. As a result of the synergies associated with SP Corporate's specialization and capabilities across a broad range of corporate and executive functions that are provided to SPLP and other companies, SP Corporate believes that it will be able to create high value business partnerships by delivering higher quality services and more efficient transaction processing which will result in significant cost savings that can be achieved through standardization, clear processes and procedures, the elimination of non-value adding activities and economies of scale.

### Employees

As of December 31, 2013, SPH Services had 56 employees.

### **Our Business - Equity Method Investments**

### **Associated Companies**

Associated companies are investments in operating companies in which we own between 20% and 50% of the outstanding equity and have the ability to exercise significant influence, but not control, over the investee. As such, the investments in these operating companies are accounted for under the equity method of accounting (see Note 2 - "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" - to the SPLP financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K). The investments in associated companies are classified as Long-term investments in the Consolidated Balance Sheets (see Note 5 - "Investments" to the SPLP financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K).

### Accounted for at fair value, as of December 31, 2013:

### SL Industries, Inc.

We have an ownership interest of approximately 24.1% as of December 31, 2013 in SLI (AMEX:SLI), a New Jersey corporation. SLI designs, manufactures and markets power electronics, motion control, power protection, power quality electromagnetic and specialized communication equipment. SLI's products are used in a variety of medical, commercial and military aerospace, computer, datacom, industrial, telecom, transportation, utility, rail and highway equipment applications. Two of our representatives serve on SLI's five-member board of directors, one of whom serves as Chairman.

### JPS Industries, Inc.

We have an ownership interest of approximately 39.3% as of December 31, 2013 in JPS (OTC: JPST.PK), a Delaware corporation. JPS is a major U.S. manufacturer of extruded urethanes, ethylene vinyl acetates and mechanically formed glass and aramid substrate materials for specialty applications in a wide expanse of markets requiring highly engineered components. JPS's products are used in a wide range of applications including: printed electronic circuit boards; advanced composite materials; civilian and military aerospace components; filtration and insulation products; specialty commercial construction substrates; high performance glass laminates for security and transportation applications; photovoltaic solar modules; paint protection films; plasma display screens; medical, automotive and industrial components; and soft body armor for civilian and military applications.

During the second quarter of 2013, JPS stockholders elected 2 members of SPLP's management team to their board to serve 1-year terms, one of which will serve as chairman. As a result of the foregoing events, the investment in JPS, which was previously classified as an available-for-sale security in 2012, was reclassified to an associated company as of June 30, 2013.

SPLP elected the fair value option to account for JPS in order to more appropriately reflect the value of JPS in its financial statements and records any unrealized gains and losses in earnings.

### ModusLink Global Solutions, Inc.

We have an ownership interest of approximately 27.1% as of December 31, 2013 in MLNK (NASDAQ: MLNK), a Delaware corporation. MLNK provides supply chain and logistics services to companies in consumer electronics, communications, computing, medical devices, software, luxury goods and retail. In March 2013, pursuant to an agreement between the Company and MLNK, SPLP purchased 7,500,000 shares of MLNK common stock for \$4.00 per share. This investment, plus the 6,481,185 MLNK shares already owned by the Company and its subsidiaries, gave the Company a 27.1% ownership interest in MLNK common stock. Accordingly the investment, which was previously classified as an available-for-sale security, was reclassified to an associated company as of March 12, 2013. Two members of SPLP's management team serve on the five-member MLNK board of directors, one of whom serves as chairman.

### Fox & Hound Restaurant Group

We have an indirect ownership interest of approximately 50.0% as of December 31, 2013 in Fox & Hound Restaurant Group, a Delaware corporation ("Fox & Hound"). Fox & Hound is a privately held owner and operator of a chain of approximately 130 company-owned and 14 franchised social destination casual dining and entertainment-based restaurants in 32 states. Two of our representatives serve on Fox & Hound's four-member board of directors. During the third quarter of 2013, due to the current and projected operating performance of Fox & Hound, the Company wrote its investment down to zero. On December 15, 2013, Fox & Hound filed voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware. The Bankruptcy Court has approved a plan to sell the assets of Fox & Hound. The sale is expected to close on or about March 12, 2014. It is not expected that the Company will receive a distribution at the conclusion of the chapter 11 process.

### Other

The Company has an investment in a Japanese real estate partnership. In the second quarter of 2013, the Company reclassified this investment to an associated company.

### Accounted for under the traditional equity method as of December 31, 2013:

### CoSine Communications, Inc.

We have an ownership interest of approximately 48.6% as of December 31, 2013 in CoSine (OTC: COSN.PK), a Delaware corporation. Two of our representatives serve on CoSine's four-member board of directors, one of whom serves as the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer. CoSine is currently in the business of seeking to acquire one or more business operations.

### Other

In the first quarter of 2013, Steel Excel made an investment in a fitness equipment company. The investment was a 40% membership interest for a cash price of \$4,000. In the third quarter of 2013, Steel Excel made an investment of approximately \$5,200 for a 44.7% voting interest in iGo, Inc. ("iGo"), a mobile device accessories provider company.

### **SP II Liquidating Trust**

The Company's investment in each series of the SPII Liquidating Trust is accounted for at fair value under the equity method (see Note 2 -"Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" and Note 13 - "Related Party Transactions" to the SPLP financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K). The purpose of the SPII Liquidating Trust is to effect the orderly liquidation of certain assets previously held by SPII. SPLP's financial position, financial performance and cash flows will be affected to the extent SPII Liquidating Trust's results in realized or unrealized gains (losses) and by distributions it makes in each reporting period. These investments are classified as Long-term investments in the Consolidated Balance Sheets and the gains (losses) are recorded in Loss from other investments - related party in the Consolidated Statements of Operations (see Note 5 - "Investments" to the SPLP financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K).

### **Our Common Units**

Our common units are quoted on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) under the symbol "SPLP".

### **Other Information**

Our business address is 590 Madison Avenue, 32<sup>nd</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10022, and our telephone number is (212) 520-2300. Our website is www.steelpartners.com. The information contained in, or that can be accessed through, the website is not part of this Form 10-K. This Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and all amendments to those reports, are available to you free of charge through our website as soon as reasonably practicable after those materials have been electronically filed with, or furnished to, the SEC.

### Item 1A. Risk Factors

Our business is subject to a number of risks. You should carefully consider the following risk factors, together with all of the other information included or incorporated by reference in this report, before you decide whether to purchase our common units. These factors are not intended to represent a complete list of the general or specific risks that may affect us. It should be recognized that other risks may be significant, presently or in the future, and the risks set forth below may affect us to a greater extent than indicated. If any of the following risks occur, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially adversely affected. In such case, the trading price of our common units could decline, and you may lose all or part of your investment.

### **Risks Related to Our Structure**

### Our revenue, net income and cash flow are highly variable, which may prevent us from achieving steady earnings growth on a quarterly basis and may cause the price of the common units to be volatile.

Our revenue, net income and cash flow are highly variable. We may experience fluctuations in our results from quarter to quarter due to a number of factors, including changes in the values of our various operations, changes in our operating expenses, changes in asset values, changes in the competitive environment, and general economic and market conditions. Such fluctuations may lead to volatility in the trading price of the common units and cause our results for a particular period not to be indicative of our future performance. It may be difficult for us to achieve steady growth in net income and cash flow on a quarterly basis, which could lead to volatility in the price of our common units.

As our revenue, net income and cash flow are highly variable from period to period, we do not expect to provide any guidance. The lack of guidance may affect the expectations of analysts and could cause increased volatility in the price of the common units. Many of our operating companies are small cap and micro cap companies that are thinly traded and may trade at prices that do not reflect their intrinsic value. Such prices may affect the price at which our common units trade. In addition, some of our holdings are private companies for which there is no trading market.

### The unitholders have limited recourse to maintain actions against the General Partner, the Board of Directors, our officers and the Manager.

The Limited Partnership Agreement of SPLP, or the "Partnership Agreement," contains broad indemnification and exculpation provisions that limit the right of a unitholder to maintain an action against the General Partner, the Board of Directors, our officers and the Manager, or to recover losses or costs incurred by us as a result of their actions or failures to act.

### If we are dissolved, unitholders may not realize the value that may otherwise be realized over time.

We may be dissolved at the election of the Board of Directors by a majority of the directors. If we are dissolved, unitholders may not realize the value that may otherwise be realized over time.

### Our Partnership Agreement contains certain limitations on the voting rights of unitholders.

Our Partnership Agreement contains specific provisions that are intended to comply with regulatory limitations on the ownership of our securities as a result of our ownership of WebBank. Under the Partnership Agreement, a person or group that

acquires beneficial ownership of 10% or more of the common units without the prior approval of the Board of Directors may lose voting rights with respect to all of its common units in excess of 9.9%.

# We may have conflicts of interest with the minority shareholders of our businesses and decisions may need to be made by disinterested directors, without the participation of directors or officers associated with the Manager and SPH Services, which may be different from the decisions we would make. Companies in which we have interests but we do not control may make decisions that do not serve our interests and those of our unitholders.

The boards of directors and officers of our respective businesses, including directors and officers associated with our Manager and SPH Services, have fiduciary duties to their shareholders. As a result, they may make decisions that are in the best interests of their shareholders generally but which are not necessarily in the best interest of our unitholders. In dealings with us, the directors and officers of our businesses may have conflicts of interest and decisions may have to be made without their participation. Such decisions may be different from the decisions we would make and may not be in the best interests of our common unitholders, which may have an adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

### There are certain interlocking relationships among us and certain affiliates of Warren G. Lichtenstein, our Executive Chairman, which may present potential conflicts of interest.

Warren G. Lichtenstein, our Executive Chairman and a substantial unitholder, is the Chief Executive Officer of our Manager. As of December 31, 2013 Mr. Lichtenstein directly owned approximately 5% of our outstanding common units. In addition, affiliates of our Manager beneficially own approximately 26% of our outstanding units, although Mr. Lichtenstein disclaims beneficial ownership of any common units not directly held by him. We have entered into transactions and/or agreements with these entities. There can be no assurance that such entities will not have interests in conflict with our own.

### Certain members of our management team may be involved in other business activities that may involve conflicts of interest.

Certain individual members of our management team may, from time to time, be involved in the management of other businesses, including those owned or controlled by our Manager and its affiliates. Accordingly, these individuals may focus a portion of their time and attention on managing these other businesses. Conflicts may arise in the future between our interests and the interests of the other entities and business activities in which such individuals are involved.

### We, as a diversified holding company, may have substantial limitations on our ability to sell interests in the underlying operating companies.

We accumulate significant positions in underlying operating companies and have a significant role in the management of various underlying operating companies. As a result, we may face significant legal and market restrictions on selling our interests in the underlying operating companies. For example, employees of the Manager and SPH Services may also serve as managers or members of the board of directors of the underlying operating companies, and, thus, may receive material and confidential information concerning the operating companies that would preclude us, under federal securities laws, from trading securities of the relevant operating company. Some privately held businesses may be subject to shareholders agreements which may limit our ability to sell our interests in such companies. In addition, we may be limited in our ability to sell securities in an underlying operating company in light of the size of our ownership interest and the absence of liquidity in the market to absorb our ownership interest, or, alternatively, may be required to sell our ownership interest at a discounted and unfavorable price.

### Being classified as an "investment company" would subject us to numerous restrictions and requirements that would be inconsistent with the manner in which we operate our business, and could have a material adverse effect on our business and operations.

We plan to continue to conduct our business and operations in such a manner as not to be deemed an investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment Company Act").

Investment companies are subject to extensive, restrictive and potentially adverse regulations relating to, among other things, operating methods, management, capital structure, dividends and transactions with affiliates. An entity may generally be deemed to be an investment company for purposes of the Investment Company Act if (a) it is or holds itself out as being engaged primarily in the business of investing, reinvesting or trading in securities; or (b) absent an applicable exemption, it owns investment securities having a value exceeding 40% of certain assets (the "40% Test"). As a result of the Exchange Transaction, on July 14, 2009, we could no longer definitively conclude that we passed the 40% Test or were able to rely on any exception from the definition of an investment company.

The Company has taken actions, including liquidating certain of our assets and acquiring additional interests in existing or new subsidiaries or controlled companies, to comply with the 40% Test, or a relevant exception. Also, since the Company operates as a diversified holding company engaged in a variety of operating businesses, we do not believe we are primarily engaged in an investment company type business, nor do we propose to primarily engage in such a business. Our intent to operate as a diversified holding company, and comply with the 40% test, may limit our ability to make certain investments, compel us to divest certain holdings, or to take or forego certain actions that could otherwise be beneficial to us.

If we were deemed to be an investment company under the Investment Company Act, we may need to further adjust our business strategy and assets, including divesting certain desirable assets immediately to fall outside of the definition or within an exemption, to register as an investment company (and subject to the aforementioned restrictions and requirements) or to cease operations.

### **Risks Related to Our Business**

### We conduct operations or own interests in companies with operations outside of the U.S., which may expose us to additional risks not typically associated with companies that operate solely in the U.S.

We have operations or own interests in securities of companies with operations located outside the U.S. and they present certain risks not typically associated with U.S. operations, including risks relating to currency exchange matters, less developed or efficient financial markets than in the U.S., absence of uniform accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards, differences in the legal and regulatory environment, different publicly available information in respect of companies in non-U.S. markets, economic and political risks, and possible imposition of non-U.S. taxes. There can be no assurance that adverse developments with respect to such risks will not adversely affect our assets that are held in certain countries or the returns from these assets.

# Our businesses rely, and may rely, on their intellectual property and licenses to use others' intellectual property, for competitive advantage. If our businesses are unable to protect their intellectual property, are unable to obtain or retain licenses to use others' intellectual property, or if they infringe upon or are alleged to have infringed upon others' intellectual property, it could have a material adverse effect on their financial condition, business and results of operations.

The success of each of our businesses depends in part on its, or licenses to use others', brand names, proprietary technology and manufacturing techniques. These businesses rely on a combination of patents, trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets, confidentiality procedures and contractual provisions to protect their intellectual property rights. The steps they have taken to protect their intellectual property rights may not prevent third parties from using their intellectual property without their authorization or independently developing intellectual property that is similar. In addition, the laws of foreign countries may not protect our businesses' intellectual property rights effectively. Stopping unauthorized use of proprietary information and intellectual property, and defending claims of unauthorized use of others' proprietary information or intellectual property rights. Such unauthorized use could reduce or eliminate any competitive advantage our businesses have developed, cause them to lose sales or otherwise harm their business.

### If our businesses are unable to continue the technological innovation and successful commercial introduction of new products and services, their financial condition, business and results of operations could be materially adversely affected.

The industries in which our businesses operate experience periodic technological changes and ongoing product improvements. Their results of operations depend significantly on the development of commercially viable new products, product upgrades and their ability to integrate new technologies. Our future growth will depend on their ability to gauge the direction of, and effectively respond to, the technological progress in key end-use markets and upon their ability to successfully develop new generations of products. Our businesses must make ongoing capital investments and may need to seek better educated and trained workers, who may not be available in sufficient numbers. Failure to effectively respond to technological developments may result in reduced sales and sunk developmental costs.

### We are dependent on digital technologies to conduct our daily operations and maintain confidential information.

The Company relies on information technology systems to both manage its daily operations and to secure its intellectual property. A failure in or breach of operational or informational security systems or infrastructure, or those of our third party vendors and other service providers, as a result of information system failures or cyber attack, could disrupt business, result in the disclosure or misuse of confidential or proprietary information, including customer and vendor lists, damage our reputation and investor confidence, increase security and remediation costs and cause losses, including potential lawsuits, all of which could have a material adverse effect on our businesses, financial condition and results of operations.

### We do not have long-term contracts with all of our customers and clients, the loss of which could materially adversely affect our financial condition, business and results of operations.

Our businesses are based primarily upon individual orders and sales with our customers and clients and not long-term supply contracts. As such, our customers and clients could cease using services or buying products at any time and for any reason and we will have no recourse in the event a customer or client no longer wants to use our businesses' services or purchase products from us. If a significant number of our customers or clients elect not to use such services or purchase products, it could materially adversely affect our financial condition, business and results of operations. Some of our businesses also have significant exposure to certain key customers, the loss of which could negatively impact our financial condition, business and results of operations.

## Our businesses are and may be subject to federal, state and foreign environmental laws and regulations that expose them to potential financial liability. Complying with applicable environmental laws requires significant resources, and if our businesses fail to comply, they could be subject to substantial liability.

Some of the facilities and operations of our businesses are, and may be, subject to a variety of federal, state and foreign environmental laws and regulations, including laws and regulations pertaining to the handling, storage and transportation of raw materials, products and wastes, and hazardous materials and wastes, which require and will continue to require significant expenditures to remain in compliance with such laws and regulations. Any material violations of these laws can lead to substantial liability, revocations of discharge permits, fines or penalties, which could negatively impact our financial condition, business and results of operations.

### Some of our businesses are subject to certain risks associated with the movement of businesses offshore.

Some of our businesses are potentially at risk of losing business to competitors operating in lower cost countries. An additional risk is the movement offshore of some of our businesses' customers, leading them to procure products or services from more closely located companies. Either of these factors could negatively impact our financial condition, business and results of operations.

### Our business strategy includes acquisitions which entail numerous risks.

Our business strategy and the strategy of our businesses includes acquisitions and entails several risks, including the diversion of management's attention from other business concerns and the need to finance such acquisitions with additional equity and/or debt. Any future acquisitions may also result in material changes in the composition of our assets and liabilities or the assets and liabilities of our businesses and if unsuccessful could reduce the value of our common units. In addition, once found, acquisitions entail further risks, including unanticipated costs and liabilities of the acquired businesses that could materially adversely affect our results of operations; difficulties in assimilating acquired businesses; negative effects on existing business relationships with suppliers and customers and losing key employees of the acquired businesses.

### HNH sponsors a defined benefit pension plan which could subject it to substantial cash funding requirements in the future.

HNH's ongoing operating cash flow requirements include arranging for the funding of the minimum requirements of the WHX Corporation Pension Plan ("WHX Pension Plan"). The performance of the financial markets and interest rates impact defined benefit pension plan expense and funding obligations. Significant changes in market interest rates, decreases in the fair value of plan assets, investment losses on plan assets and changes in discount rates may increase funding obligations and adversely impact our financial statements. Required future contributions are determined based upon assumptions regarding such matters as discount rates on future obligations, assumed rates of return on plan assets and legislative changes. Actual future pension costs and required funding obligations will be affected by changes in the factors and assumptions described in the previous sentence, as well as other changes such as any plan termination or other acceleration events. See Liquidity and Capital Resources section of this Form 10-K for additional information.

### WebBank operates in a highly regulated environment. Recent and ongoing legislative and regulatory actions may significantly affect our liquidity or financial condition.

On July 21, 2010, President Barack Obama signed the Dodd-Frank Act into law. The Dodd-Frank Act is intended primarily to overhaul the financial regulatory framework following the global financial crisis and impacts all financial institutions, including WebBank. The Dodd-Frank Act, among other things, established the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection and Financial Stability Oversight Council, consolidated certain federal bank regulators and imposed increased corporate governance and executive compensation requirements. While many of the provisions in the Dodd-Frank Act are aimed at financial institutions significantly larger than ours, the amount and complexity of regulations has increased our regulatory compliance burden and therefore has increased the Bank's regulatory risk.

The Dodd-Frank Act also required the Government Accountability Officer ("GAO") to conduct a study, within 18 months of the enactment, of the various exemptions in the Bank Holding Company Act for certain types of depository institutions, including industrial banks such as WebBank. SPLP relies on this exemption to avoid regulation as a bank holding company. The GAO completed its study in January, 2012. It is not clear, what impact, if any, the GAO study would have on the continued availability of this exemption.

In addition, the Dodd-Frank Act added a new Section 13 to the Bank Holding Company Act, the so-called "Volcker Rule," which generally restricts certain banking entities (including affiliates of depository institutions) from engaging in proprietary trading activities and owning equity in or sponsoring any private equity or hedge fund. The Volcker Rule became effective July 21, 2012. The implementing regulations for the Volcker Rule were finalized by various regulatory agencies on December 10, 2013, although the Federal Reserve extended the conformance period until July 21, 2015. Under the regulations, we (and our affiliates) are restricted from engaging in proprietary trading, investing in third party hedge or private equity funds or sponsoring new funds unless our activities qualify for specified exemption under the rule or satisfy certain requirements under the rule. While we are a banking entity under the Volcker Rule, we do not expect the Volcker Rule to have a material impact on our business

Furthermore, under the Dodd-Frank Act, all companies that directly or indirectly control an FDIC-insured bank are required to serve as a source of financial strength for such institution. As a result, SPLP could be called upon by the FDIC to infuse additional capital into WebBank to the extent that WebBank fails to satisfy its capital requirements, even if doing so may adversely affect SPLP's ability to meet its other obligations. Currently, WebBank meets or exceeds all such requirements.

The U.S. Congress and state legislatures and federal and state regulatory authorities continually review banking laws, regulations and policies for possible changes. We cannot predict whether additional legislation will be enacted and, if enacted, the effect that it would have on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

### Increased volatility in raw materials costs and availability may continue to reduce revenues and profitability in our diversified industrial businesses.

Certain of our Diversified Industrial operations are subject to risks associated with increased volatility in raw material prices and availability of key raw materials. If the price for raw materials continues to increase and our operations are not able to pass these price increases to their customers, or are unable to obtain key raw materials, our results of operations may be negatively impacted.

### Our energy segment is highly dependent on the activity level of the North American oil and gas industry. Our markets may be adversely affected by industry conditions that are beyond our control.

The level of oil and natural gas exploration and production activity in the United States is volatile. Reduced discovery

rates of new oil and natural gas reserves, or a decrease in the development rate of reserves in our market areas, weakness in oil and natural gas prices, or our customers' perceptions that oil and natural gas prices will decrease in the future, could result in a reduction in the utilization of our equipment and result in lower revenues or rates for the services of our Energy segment. Our customers' willingness to undertake these activities depends largely upon prevailing industry conditions that are influenced by many factors over which we have no control.

### We and our businesses operate in highly competitive markets.

We operate in a variety of competitive industries and market sectors. Many of our competitors and the competitors of our businesses are substantially larger and have considerably greater financial, technical and marketing resources than we do. Some competitors may have a lower cost of funds than we or our businesses do and access to financing sources that may not be available to us or our businesses. In addition, some of our competitors and the competitors of our business of our businesses may have higher risk tolerances or different risk assessments, which could allow them to consider a wider variety of business opportunities than we or our businesses can.

### **Risks Related to Our Manager**

### We depend on Warren G. Lichtenstein, the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Manager and Jack Howard, the President of the Manager, the loss of whose services could have a material adverse effect on our business, results and financial condition.

Our success depends on the efforts, skills, reputation and business contacts of Warren G. Lichtenstein, the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Manager and Jack Howard, the President of the Manager. While the key members of the Manager have worked for the Manager and its affiliates for many years, our Manager does not have any employment agreements with any of the key members of its management team and their continued service is not guaranteed. The loss of the services of Mr. Lichtenstein or Mr. Howard could have a material adverse effect on our asset value, revenues, net income and cash flows and could harm our ability to maintain or grow our existing operations or pursue additional opportunities in the future.

### The interests of our Manager may not be aligned with our interests or those of our unitholders.

Our Manager receives an annual Management Fee at a rate of 1.5% of total partner's capital, payable on the first day of each quarter, subject to quarterly adjustment. Our Manager is entitled to receive a Management Fee regardless of our net income. In addition, our Manager was granted certain incentive units which may be classified into Class C common units of SPLP. The Manager may consider entering into or recommending riskier transactions that represent a potential higher reward in order for the Manager's units to be profitable. Any such riskier investment decisions or recommendations, if unsuccessful, could result in losses to us and a decline in the value of the common units.

### We cannot determine the amount of the Management Fee that will be paid over time with any certainty.

The Management Fee is calculated by reference in part to our total partner's capital. Our total partner's capital will be impacted by the performance of our businesses and other businesses we may acquire in the future, as well as the issuance of additional common units. Changes in our total partner's capital and in the resulting Management Fee could be significant, resulting in a material adverse effect on our results of operations. In addition, if our performance declines, assuming our total partner's capital, remains the same, the Management Fee will increase as a percentage of our net income.

### Our Manager's liability is limited under the Management Agreement, and we have agreed to indemnify our Manager against certain liabilities. Such indemnification may incentivize our Manager to take unnecessary risks with respect to actions for which it will be indemnified.

Under the Management Agreement, our Manager, its members, officers, employees, affiliates, agents and legal representatives are not liable for, and we have agreed to indemnify such persons from any loss or expense, including without limitations, any judgment, settlement, reasonable attorneys' fees and other costs and expenses incurred in connection with the defense of any actual or threatened proceeding, other than losses resulting from willful misconduct or gross negligence in the performance of such indemnified person's obligations and duties. Such indemnification may incentivize our Manager to take unnecessary risks with respect to actions for which it will be indemnified.

### **Risks Related to our Common Units**

### We may issue additional common units in the future without the consent of unitholders and at a discount to the market price of such common units. In particular, sales of significant amounts of the common units may cause the price of the common units to decline.

Under the terms of the Partnership Agreement, additional common units may be issued without the consent of unitholders at a discount to the market price. In addition, other classes of securities may be issued with rights that are senior to or which otherwise have preferential rights to the rights of the common units. Sales of significant amounts of the common units in the public market or the perception that such sales of significant amounts may occur could adversely affect its market price. Moreover, the perceived risk of any potential dilution could cause common unit holders to attempt to sell their common units and investors to "short" the common units, a practice in which an investor sells common units that he or she does not own at prevailing market prices, hoping to purchase common units later at a lower price to cover the sale. Any event that would cause the number of common units being offered for sale to increase would likely cause the common units' market price to further decline. These sales might also make it more difficult for us to sell additional common units in the future at a time and price that we deem appropriate.

### **Risks Related to Taxation**

All statutory references in this section are to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the "Code."

### Our unitholders may be subject to U.S. federal, state and other income tax on their share of our taxable income, regardless of whether they receive any cash distributions from us.

It is anticipated that we will be treated, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, as a partnership and not a publicly traded partnership taxable as a corporation. Our unitholders will be subject to U.S. federal, state, local and possibly, in some cases, foreign income tax on their allocable share of our taxable income, whether or not they receive cash distributions from us. We do not anticipate making any cash distributions or paying any cash dividends. Accordingly, our unitholders may be required to make tax payments in connection with their ownership of common units that significantly exceed their cash distributions in any given year.

### Our tax treatment is not assured. If we are taxed as a corporation, it could adversely impact our results of operations.

A partnership is not a taxable entity and distributions by a partnership to a partner are generally not taxable to the partnership or the partner unless the amount of cash distributed to such partner exceeds the partner's adjusted basis in its partnership interest. Section 7704 provides that generally publicly traded partnerships are taxed as corporations. However, an exception, referred to as the "Qualifying Income Exception," exists with respect to publicly traded partnerships of which 90 percent or more of the gross income for every taxable year consists of "qualifying income" as defined in the Code. We expect that we will meet the Qualifying Income Exception. However, the Qualifying Income Exception will not apply if we register, or are required to register, as an investment company under the Investment Company Act.

If the Qualifying Income Exception is not available to us, then we will be treated as a corporation instead of a partnership. In that event, the deemed incorporation of SPLP should be tax-free, unless the corporation is an investment company for tax purposes and the partners are treated as diversifying their interests. If we were taxed as a corporation, (i) our net income would be taxed at corporate income tax rates, thereby substantially reducing our profitability, (ii) our unitholders would not be allowed to deduct their share of losses of SPLP and (iii) distributions to our unitholders, other than liquidating distributions, would constitute dividends to the extent of our current or accumulated earnings and profits, and would be taxable as such.

### Our structure involves complex provisions of U.S. federal income tax law for which no clear precedent or authority may be available.

The U.S. federal income tax treatment of our unitholders depends in some instances on interpretations of complex provisions of U.S. federal income tax law for which no clear precedent or authority may be available. Our Partnership Agreement permits our General Partner to modify it from time to time, including the allocation of items of income, gain, loss and deduction (including unrealized gain and unrealized loss to the extent allowable under U.S. federal income tax law), without the consent of our unitholders, to address certain changes in U.S. federal income tax regulations, legislation or interpretation or

to preserve the uniformity of our common units. In some circumstances, such revisions could have a material adverse impact on some or all unitholders. In addition, we formed a subsidiary partnership, to which we contributed certain of our assets ("the "Subsidiary Partnership"). To preserve the uniformity of common units, we (but not the Subsidiary Partnership) will make an election permitted under Section 754 and we will adopt the remedial allocation method under Section 704(c) with respect to items of income, gain, loss and deduction attributable to assets contributed to us (which we will contribute to the Subsidiary Partnership), to account for any difference between the tax basis and fair market value of such assets at the time of contribution, or attributable to the "book-up" or "book-down" of our assets prior to their contribution to the Subsidiary Partnership, or while they were held by the Subsidiary Partnership, to account for the difference between the tax basis and fair market value of a mark-to-market event. We intend generally to make allocations under Section 704(c) to our unitholders in accordance with their respective percentage interests. However, built-in gain or built-in loss in existence and allocable to the assets we contributed to the Subsidiary Partnership, when recognized, will be allocated to our unitholders' built-in gains or built-in loss of common units from such unitholders will not inherit such unitholders' built-in gains or built-in losses as of that date as a result of the election under Section 754. However, it is not clear whether this position will be upheld if challenged by the IRS. While we believe it represents the right result, there is no law directly on point.

### Tax-exempt entities face unique tax issues from owning common units that may result in adverse tax consequences to them.

A holder of common units that is a tax-exempt organization may be subject to U.S. federal income taxation to the extent that its allocable share of our income consists of unrelated business taxable income ("UBTI"). We may borrow money. A tax-exempt partner of a partnership may be treated as earning UBTI if the partnership regularly engages in a trade or business that is unrelated to the exempt function of the tax-exempt partner, if the partnership derives income from debt-financed property or if the tax-exempt organization's partnership interest itself is debt-financed.

### Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

None.

### **Item 2. Properties**

All dollars used in this discussion are in thousands.

### HNH

As of December 31, 2013, HNH had 23 active operating plants in the United States, Canada, China, United Kingdom, Germany, France, Poland and Mexico, with a total area of approximately 1,558,653 square feet, including warehouse, office, sales, service and laboratory space. HNH also owns or leases sales, service, office and warehouse facilities at 8 other locations in the United States, which have a total area of approximately 249,158 square feet, and owns or leases 5 non-operating locations with a total area of approximately 321,150 square feet. Manufacturing facilities are located in: Camden and Bear, Delaware; Evansville, Indiana; Agawam, Massachusetts; Middlesex, New Jersey; Arden, North Carolina; Rancho Cucamonga, California; St. Louis, Missouri; Cudahy, Wisconsin; Itasca, Illinois; Warwick, Rhode Island; Toronto and Montreal, Canada; Matamoros, Mexico; Gwent, Wales, United Kingdom; Pansdorf, Germany; Riberac, France; Gliwice, Poland; and Suzhou, People's Republic of China. All plants are owned except for the Middlesex, Arden, Rancho Cucamonga, Montreal, Gliwice and two of the Suzhou plants, which are leased.

HNH considers its manufacturing plants and service facilities to be well maintained and efficiently equipped, and therefore suitable for the work being done. The productive capacity and extent of utilization of its facilities is dependent in some cases on general business conditions and in other cases on the seasonality of the utilization of its products. Capacity can be expanded at some locations.

### Steel Excel

Steel Excel's Energy business owns four buildings in Williston, ND, including one that serves as its headquarters and operations hub in the Bakken basin along with separate buildings with office and shop space. The Energy business also leases shop space in Colorado to support the local operation under an arrangement that expires in 2014. The Energy business also

leases shop space and office space under month-to-month arrangements on an as needed basis and owns and leases housing for temporary living arrangements for certain of its employees.

Steel Excel's Sports business has a lease for office space in Hermosa Beach, CA, that expires in November, 2014, which serves as its headquarters. Steel Excel's Sports business has a lease for approximately 27.9 acres of land in Yaphank, NY, for its baseball services operation that expires in December 2016. Under this lease Steel Excel has two extension options and a right of first refusal to purchase the parcel. The Sports business also has a lease for 2,300 square feet for its CrossFit® facility in Hermosa Beach, CA, that expires in July 2015 and a lease for 9,940 square feet for its CrossFit® facility in Torrance, CA, that expires in March 2023. Steel Excel believes that its facilities are adequate to meet its needs.

### BNS

As of December 31, 2013, BNS did not own or lease any properties.

### DGT

As discussed elsewhere in this Form 10-K, on August 16, 2012 DGT completed the sale of its RFI Corporation ("RFI") subsidiary. DGT continues to own 55,000 square feet of manufacturing and office property in Bay Shore, New York, which is currently held for sale. In addition, as discussed elsewhere in this Form 10-K, on November 3, 2011 DGT completed the sale of Villa Sistemi Medicali S.p.A. ("Villa"), its former Italian subsidiary. DGT continues to own 67,000 square feet of design and manufacturing space in Milan, Italy and currently leases the building to the buyer of Villa.

### WebBank

As of December 31, 2013, WebBank leases 8,000 square feet of office space headquartered in Salt Lake City, Utah. The term of the lease expires in March 2017. WebBank also leases office space in New Jersey through March 2014. WebBank believes that these facilities are adequate for its current needs and that suitable additional space will be available as required.

### **SPH Services**

As of December 31, 2013, SPH Services leases 20,764 square feet of office space headquartered in New York City, New York. The term of the lease expires in June 2015. SPH Services also leases office space in Los Gatos, California through March 2014, which is renewable each year.

### **Item 3. Legal Proceedings**

The information set forth under Note 21 - "Commitments and Contingencies" of our Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, included in Part II, Item 8, Financial Statements, of this Report, is incorporated herein by reference. For an additional discussion of certain risks associated with legal proceedings, see the section entitled Part I, Item 1A, Risk Factors, of this Report.

### Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable.

### PART II

### Item 5. Market for the Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

### **Market Information**

As of December 31, 2013, we had 31,129,065 common units issued and outstanding. Beginning on April 10, 2012, our common units, no par value, are quoted on the NYSE under the symbol "SPLP". The following table sets forth the information on the high and low sales prices of our common units during 2013 and 2012.

\$ 11.51 \$ 12.90
\$ 12.90
\$ 13.80
\$ 14.88
Low
\$ 11.69
\$ 10.67
\$ 10.15
\$ 11.15

(a) Our common units were quoted on the over-the-counter market on the Pink Sheets until April 10, 2012.

#### Holders

As of December 31, 2013, there were approximately 159 unitholders of record.

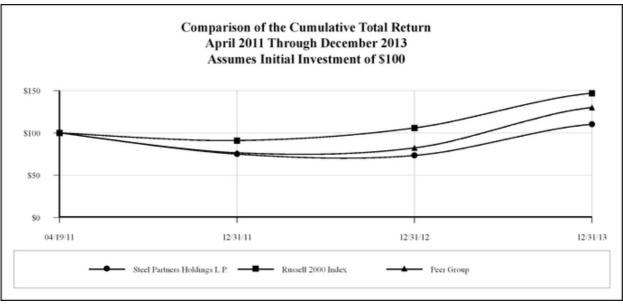
### Distributions

In connection with the Exchange Transaction, we agreed to distribute to the holders of our common units the Target Distribution, subject to certain limitations, during the period from July 16, 2009 to the Final Distribution Date. On April 6, 2011, we distributed to our unitholders of record as of March 25, 2011, approximately \$29,868 (net of approximately \$3,229 to treasury units), or \$1.18 per common unit, representing the final required distribution in full satisfaction of the Target Distribution.

We may, at our option, make further distributions to the unitholders although we currently have no plan to make any distributions in excess of the Target Distribution.

### **Unit Performance Graph**

The following graph compares the cumulative total return provided to unitholders on our common units since the common units began trading on April 19, 2011, relative to the cumulative total returns of the Russell 2000 index, and a customized peer group of seven companies that includes: Blackstone Group L.P., Leucadia National Corporation, Apollo Investment Corporation, Compass Diversified Holdings LLC, Gladstone Capital Corporation, Knights Capital Group, Inc. and Main Street Capital Corporation. An investment of \$100 (with reinvestment of all dividends) is assumed to have been made in our common units, in the peer group, and the index on April 19, 2011 and its relative performance is tracked through December 31, 2013. We did not declare or pay any dividends during the comparison period.



	4/19/2011	12/31/2011	12/31/2012	12/31/2013
Steel Partners Holdings L.P.	\$ 100	\$ 74.92	\$ 73.30	\$ 110.16
Russell 2000 Index	\$ 100	\$ 90.96	\$ 105.83	\$ 146.91
Peer Group	\$ 100	\$ 76.44	\$ 82.25	\$ 130.01

The unit price performance included in this graph is not necessarily indicative of future unit price performance

The performance graph shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference by means of any general statement incorporating by reference this Form 10-K into any filing under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, except to the extent that we specifically incorporate such information by reference, and shall not otherwise be deemed filed under such acts.

### **Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities**

On December 24, 2013, the Board of Directors of the general partner of the Company approved the repurchase of up to an aggregate of \$5,000 of the Company's common units (the "Repurchase Program"). Any purchases made under the Repurchase Program will be made from time to time on the open market at prevailing market prices or in negotiated transactions off the market, in compliance with applicable laws and regulations. In connection with the Repurchase Program, the Company has entered into a Stock Purchase Plan which will continue through March 26, 2014. The Repurchase Program has no termination date.

	(a)	(0)	(C)	(d)
			<b>Total Number of Shares</b>	Maximum Number (or
	Total Number of		(or Units) Purchased as part of Publicly	Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares (or Units) that May
Period	Shares (or Units) Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share (or Unit)	Announced Plans or Programs	Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
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October 1, 2013 through October 31, 2013	_	<u> </u>	_	\$—
November 1, 2013 through November 30, 2013 (1)	124,938	\$16.18	—	—
December 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013 (2)	190,412	\$17.41	6,015	4,894
Total	315,350		6,015	\$4,894

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(1) All units were purchased by DGT, an affiliate of the Company, in open market transactions for its own account.

(2) 184,397 units were purchased by DGT, an affiliate of the Company, in open market transactions for its own account. 6,015 units were purchased by the Company under the aforementioned Repurchase Program.

### Item 6. Selected Financial Data

The following table contains our selected historical consolidated financial data, which should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and the related notes thereto, and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The selected financial data as of and for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011 have been derived from our audited consolidated financial statements at those dates and for those periods, contained elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The historical selected financial data as of and for the generation of December 31, 2009 and the periods from January 1, 2009 to July 15, 2009 and July 16, 2009 to December 31, 2009 have been derived from our audited consolidated financial statements at those periods, not contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

SPLP entered into the Exchange Transaction pursuant to which SPII became a wholly-owned subsidiary of SPLP on July 15, 2009, subject to no further conditions. The Exchange Transaction is accounted for as a transaction between entities under common control and as such SPII's accounts are consolidated with SPLP for all periods presented. The operations of SPLP prior to taking into account the assets acquired as a result of the Exchange Transaction (the "Pre-Exchange Operations"), together with the operations related to the assets acquired as a result of the acquisition of SPII as of July 15, 2009 are accounted for and presented on an operating company basis of accounting, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP"). These operations are presented in the consolidated financial statements as "Diversified Industrial, Energy, Financial Services and Other".

SPLP accounted for the consolidation of SPII in the consolidated financial statements as "Investment Operations" on the basis of the specialized U.S. GAAP prescribed in Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 946, "Financial Services – Investment Companies" through July 15, 2009. After July 15, 2009, the date which SPII became a subsidiary of SPLP, SPLP accounts for the assets it acquired as part of the Exchange Transaction in accordance with its accounting policies as an operating company, and therefore it does not report Investment Operations in its consolidated financial statements after July 15, 2009.

The table below presents discontinued operations as follows:

- The year ended December 31, 2013 includes the operations of HNH's businesses: Continental Industries ("Continental"), Canfield Metal Coating Corporation ("CMCC") and Indiana Tube de Mexico, S. De R.L. de C.V. ("ITM") through their respective sale dates, as well as one of Steel Excel's sports businesses.
- The year ended December 31, 2012 includes the aforementioned HNH operations, as well as DGT's RFI subsidiary and DGT's Villa subsidiary through their respective sale dates.
- The year ended December 31, 2011 includes the aforementioned HNH operations, as well as DGT's RFI and Villa subsidiaries.
- The year ended December 31, 2010 includes the aforementioned HNH discontinued operations (from May 7, 2010 through December 31, 2010) as well as the gain on sale of BNS' former subsidiary, Collins Industries, Inc. ("Collins"), which was sold on February 18, 2010.
- The year ended December 2009 includes the operations of Collins.

	Year Ended December 31,								July 16, 2009 to December 31,	January 1, 2009 to July 15,			
		2013		2012		2011		2010		2009		2009	
STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS DATA (a)									_				
Revenues:													
Diversified Industrial, Energy, Financial Services and Corporate and Other	\$	805,174	\$	711,586	\$	624,184	\$	371,748	\$	14,424	\$	2,225	
Investment Operations		—		_		—		_		_		(51,681)	
Total revenues	\$	805,174	\$	711,586	\$	624,184	\$	371,748	\$	14,424	\$	(49,456)	
Net income (loss) from continuing operations	\$	44,985	\$	52,437	\$	78,651	\$	16,733	\$	(4,254)	\$	(57,527)	
(Loss) Income from discontinued operations		(165)		11,328		2,626		29,713		1,177			
Net income (loss)		44,820		63,765	_	81,277		46,446		(3,077)		(57,527)	
Net income attributable to redeemable partners' capital		_		_		_		_		_		54,064	
Less: Net income attributable to non-controlling interests:		(25,360)		(22,747)		(45,808)		(14,699)		(442)		_	
Net income (loss) attributable to common unitholders	\$	19,460	\$	41,018	\$	35,469	\$	31,747	\$	(3,519)	\$	(3,463)	
Net income (loss) per common unit - basic:													
Net income (loss) from continuing operations	\$	0.63	\$	1.17	\$	1.35	\$	0.65	\$	(0.16)	\$	(1.59)	
Net income from discontinued operations		0.02		0.21		0.06		0.61		0.02		—	
Net income (loss) attributable to common unitholders	\$	0.65	\$	1.38	\$	1.41	\$	1.26	\$	(0.14)	\$	(1.59)	
Basic weighted average common units outstanding		29,912,993		29,748,746		25,232,985		25,234,827		25,219,420		2,183,366	
Net income (loss) per common unit - diluted:													
Net income (loss) from continuing operations	\$	0.61	\$	1.17	\$	0.94	\$	0.60	\$	(0.16)	\$	(1.59)	
Net income from discontinued operations		0.02		0.21		0.05		0.56		0.02		_	
Net income (loss) attributable to common unitholders	\$	0.63	\$	1.38	\$	0.99	\$	1.16	\$	(0.14)	\$	(1.59)	
Diluted weighted average common units outstanding		30,798,113		29,774,527		29,669,582		27,482,804		25,219,420		2,183,366	

(a) Statement of operations data includes the consolidation of the results of acquired entities from their respective acquisition dates: the acquisition of HNH effective May 7, 2010, the acquisition of SWH, Inc. ("SWH") by BNS on February 2, 2011, the acquisition of DGT on July 5, 2011 and the acquisition of Steel Excel on May 31, 2012.

	December 31,									
		2013		2012		2011		2010		2009
BALANCE SHEET DATA				(In tho	usand	s, except per i	unit d	ata)		
Diversified Industrial, Energy, Financial Services and Corporate and Other:										
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	203,980	\$	198,027	\$	127,027	\$	180,684	\$	114,247
Marketable securities		178,485		199,128		—		—		—
Long-term investments		295,440		199,865		320,891		235,142		321,163
Total assets		1,521,590		1,378,359		1,129,843		1,091,865		731,903
Long-term debt		223,355		140,065		130,955		91,984		_
SPLP Partners' capital		616,582		527,344		415,797		405,732		416,913
SPLP Partners' capital per common unit	\$	19.81	\$	17.13	\$	16.51	\$	16.07	\$	16.53

### Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and related notes thereto that are available elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The following is a discussion and analysis of SPLP's consolidated results of operations for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011. In addition to historical consolidated financial information, the following discussion contains forward-looking statements that reflect our plans, estimates and beliefs. Our actual results could differ materially from those discussed in the forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause or contribute to these differences include those discussed below and elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, particularly in "Risk Factors" in Item 1A. All monetary amounts used in this discussion are in thousands except common units and share amounts.

### Overview

Steel Partners Holdings L.P. ("SPLP" or the "Company") is a global diversified holding company that engages in multiple businesses, including diversified industrial products, energy, defense, supply chain management and logistics, banking, food products and services, oilfield services, sports, training, education, and the entertainment and lifestyle industries.

### **Segment Information**

The following table presents the composition of our segments, which include the operations of our consolidated subsidiaries, as well as income or loss from equity method investments and other investments. Our segments are managed separately and offer different products and services.

Diversified Industrial	Energy	Financial Services	Corporate
Handy & Harman Ltd. ("HNH") $^{(1)}$	Steel Excel Inc. ("Steel Excel") <sup>(1)</sup>	WebBank <sup>(1)</sup>	SPH Services, Inc. ("SPH Services") <sup>(1)</sup>
SL Industries, Inc. ("SLI") <sup>(2)</sup>	BNS Holding, Inc. ("BNS") $^{(1),(3)}$		DGT Holdings Corp. ("DGT") <sup>(1)</sup>
JPS Industries, Inc. ("JPS") <sup>(2)</sup>			BNS Holdings Liquidating Trust ("BNS Liquidating Trust") $^{(1),(3)}$
			ModusLink Global Solutions, Inc. <sup>(2)</sup>
			CoSine Communications, Inc. ("CoSine") <sup>(2)</sup>
			Fox & Hound Acquisition Corp. ("Fox & Hound") $^{\scriptscriptstyle (2)}$
			SPII Liquidating Trust <sup>(2)</sup>
			Other Investments (4)

(1) Consolidated subsidiary

- (3) The operations of BNS are included in the Energy segment through June 30, 2012. The results of the BNS Liquidating Trust are included in the Corporate and Other segment beginning July 1, 2012.
- (4) Other investments classified in Corporate and Other include various investments in available-for-sale securities in the Computer Software and Services, Aerospace/Defense, and Restaurant industries.



<sup>(2)</sup> Equity method investment

### **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

The following is a summary of SPLP's consolidated operating results by segment:

	Year Ended December 31,						
		2013		2012		2011	
Revenue:							
Diversified industrial	\$	655,224	\$	579,528	\$	579,764	
Energy		120,029		92,834		32,984	
Financial services		28,185		21,155		14,921	
Corporate and other		1,736		18,069		(3,485)	
Total Revenue	\$	805,174	\$	711,586	\$	624,184	
Net income (loss) by segment:							
Diversified industrial	\$	62,278	\$	39,903	\$	46,981	
Energy		12,641		25,034		6,558	
Financial services		17,668		12,913		6,165	
Corporate		(37,358)		(8,580)		(46,021)	
Net income from continuing operations before income taxes		55,229		69,270		13,683	
Income tax provision (benefit)		10,244		16,833		(64,968)	
Net income from continuing operations		44,985		52,437		78,651	
(Loss) Income from discontinued operations		(165)		11,328		2,626	
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests in consolidated entities		(25,360)		(22,747)		(45,808)	
Net income attributable to common unitholders		19,460		41,018		35,469	
Other comprehensive income (loss)		59,446		(6,125)		(19,499)	
Comprehensive income attributable to common unitholders	\$	78,906	\$	34,893	\$	15,970	

### Diversified Industrial Segment

Our Diversified Industrial segment consists of the operations of HNH, a diversified holding company that owns a variety of manufacturing operations encompassing joining materials, tubing, engineered materials, electronic materials and cutting replacement products and services businesses. In addition, the segment results include income or loss from equity method investments held by SPLP. The following presents a summary of the Diversified Industrial segment operating results as reported in our consolidated financial statements:

	Year Ended December 31,						
		2013		2012		2011	
Net Sales	\$	655,224	\$	579,528	\$	579,764	
Cost of sales		471,476		410,620		422,679	
Gross profit		183,748		168,908		157,085	
Selling, general and administrative expenses		131,891		117,549		104,673	
Restructuring and impairment charges				—		460	
Interest expense, net		8,636		14,166		11,926	
Derivative activity (income) loss		(1,195)		(1,353)		397	
Other expense, net		395		439		1,360	
Net income from continuing operations before income taxes		44,021		38,107		38,269	
Income (loss) from associated companies:							
JPS		9,204		—			
SLI		9,053		1,796		(1,310)	
DGT		—		—		213	
API Group PLC						9,809	
Total Segment Income	\$	62,278	\$	39,903	\$	46,981	

### Comparison of the Years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012

Net sales for the year ended December 31, 2013 increased by \$75,696, or 13.1% when compared to 2012. Value added sales, defined as net sales less revenue from the direct purchase and resale of precious metals, increased by \$95,400 on higher volume, primarily from HNH's Joining Materials group, including the acquisition of Wolverine Joining, the Tubing group and the Building Materials group, and were partially offset by the impact of lower average precious metal prices of approximately \$19,800, principally due to silver. The average silver market price was approximately \$23.79 per troy ounce in 2013, as compared to \$31.22 per troy ounce in 2012. The acquisition of Wolverine Joining provided incremental net sales of approximately \$39,800 in the year ended December 31, 2013 and the December 31, 2012 acquisition of Hickman provided incremental net sales of \$17,100 in 2013.

Gross profit for the year ended December 31, 2013 increased by \$14,840, or 8.8%, when compared to 2012, and, as a percentage of net sales, decreased to 28.0% as compared to 29.1% in the same period in 2012. The decrease of approximately 1.1% was due to unfavorable product mix and reduced profit generated on the material portion of HNH's products in the Joining Materials group, due principally to lower precious metal prices, and unfavorable production variances in the Arlon group, which were partially offset by favorable product mix in the Tubing group and increased sales of higher-margin branded fasteners in the Building Materials group. The acquisition of Wolverine Joining provided incremental gross profit of approximately \$3,600 during the year ended December 31, 2013, and the acquisition of Hickman provided incremental gross profit of approximately \$7,500 in 2013.

Selling, general and administrative ("SG&A") expenses increased by \$14,342, or 12.2%, for the year ended December 31, 2013, compared to 2012. SG&A as a percentage of net sales decreased slightly driven by effective cost control on higher sales volume and an insurance reimbursement of \$1,100 received for previously incurred environmental remediation costs, which were partially offset by higher business development costs, including acquisition fees and integration costs related to HNH's acquisition of Wolverine Joining, as compared to 2012. Also, the lower average precious metal prices had a negative impact on SG&A as a percentage of net sales, as compared to the prior year.

Interest expense decreased by \$5,530, or 39.0%, for the year ended December 31, 2013, compared to 2012. Interest expense for the year ended December 31, 2013 included a loss associated with the redemption of HNH's Subordinated Notes, including the redemption premium and the write-off of remaining deferred finance costs and unamortized debt discounts. This loss was offset by a lower average interest rate in the year ended December 31, 2013, principally due to HNH's debt refinancing in the fourth quarter of 2012, which resulted in the write-off of \$1,100 in prior debt issuance costs in that period, and the redemption of the Subordinated Notes.

Derivative activity income was \$1,195 for the year ended December 31, 2013, and was a loss of \$1,353 in the same period of 2012. Of the gain in 2013, approximately \$1,988 was attributable to precious metal contracts, partially offset by a loss of \$793 on the embedded derivative features of HNH's Subordinated Notes and related warrants. Of the income in 2012, approximately \$522 was attributable to precious metal contracts and approximately \$831 was attributable to embedded derivative features of HNH's Subordinated Notes and related warrants.

### Comparison of the Years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011

Net sales for the year ended December 31, 2012 were relatively flat compared to the year ended December 31, 2011. Value added sales for the year ended December 31, 2012 increased \$11,100 driven by higher demand for HNH's products, primarily in the Engineered Materials group. Lower average precious metal prices, principally silver, had a negative effect of approximately \$11,400 on net sales for the year ended December 31, 2012. The average silver price was approximately \$31.22 per troy ounce in 2012, as compared to \$35.40 per troy ounce for the year ended December 31, 2011.

Gross profit for the year ended December 31, 2012 increased by \$11,823, or 7.5%, when compared to 2011, and, as a percentage of net sales, increased to 29.1% as compared to 27.1%, respectively. The gross margin improvement of 2.0% for the year ended December 31, 2012, was principally due to favorable product mix, effective cost control and improved operating efficiency at HNH's manufacturing plants, across all of its segments.

Selling, general and administrative ("SG&A") expenses increased by \$12,876, or 12.3%, for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to 2011. SG&A as a percentage of net sales was 2.2% higher for the year ended December 31, 2012. The increase in SG&A as a percentage of net sales in 2012 was primarily due to higher selling and promotion costs related to product sales of the Engineered Materials group, higher 2012 restricted stock awards, higher self-insured employee medical and workers' compensation insurance claim costs compared to 2011, as well as costs associated with HNH's business

development activities in 2012, which resulted in the Inmet and Hickman acquisitions. Also, the lower average precious metal prices had a negative impact on SG&A as a percentage of net sales, as compared to the prior year.

Interest expense increased by \$2,240, or 18.8%, for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to 2011. As a result of certain Subordinated Note repurchases during both 2012 and 2011, interest expense included a \$1,400 loss for the year ended December 31, 2012 and a \$200 gain in the year ended December 31, 2011 related to such repurchases. In addition, HNH wrote-off \$1,100 in prior debt issuance costs based on HNH's fourth quarter of 2012 debt refinancing. These unfavorable impacts on interest expense were partially offset by a lower average amount of borrowings outstanding and lower average interest rates on outstanding debt in 2012.

Derivative activity income was \$1,353 for the year ended December 31, 2012, and was a loss of \$397 in the same period of 2011. Of the income in 2012, approximately \$522 was attributable to precious metal contracts and approximately \$831 was attributable to embedded derivative features of HNH's Subordinated Notes and related warrants. Of the loss in 2011, approximately \$839 was attributable to a gain on the embedded derivative features of HNH's Subordinated Notes and approximately \$1,236 was attributable to a loss on precious metal contracts. The gain related to precious metal derivative contracts for the year ended December 31, 2012 resulted principally from an average silver price decrease during the year. While decreasing the use of hedging contracts with brokers, HNH has entered into more fixed-price sales agreements with its customers; thereby hedging silver prices in that manner.

### **Energy Segment**

SPLP's Energy segment consists of its consolidated subsidiaries Steel Excel, which was acquired on May 31, 2012, and BNS. The results of BNS for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011 include the results of Sun Well prior to its sale to Steel Excel. Steel Excel provides drilling and production services to the oil and gas industry. Through its wholly-owned subsidiary Steel Sports Inc., Steel Excel focuses on providing event-based sports and entertainment services and other health-related services, including baseball facility services, baseball and soccer camps and leagues, and strength and conditioning services. Steel Excel also continues to identify other new business acquisition opportunities. The operations of Steel Sports are not considered material to SPLP and are included in the Energy segment. The following presents a summary of the Energy segment operating results on a pro forma basis:

		Year Ended December 31,									
	_	2013		2012		2011					
		(Historical)		(Pro Forma)		(Pro Forma)					
Revenue:											
Steel Excel (a)	\$	120,029	\$	103,444	\$	49,771					
BNS (Historical) (b)		—		20,432		32,984					
Total Revenue	\$	120,029	\$	123,876	\$	82,755					
Net income from continuing operations before income taxes:	=										
Steel Excel (a)	\$	13,504	\$	11,181	\$	5,832					
BNS (Historical) (b)		—		3,678		6,558					
(Loss) Income of associated companies (c)		(863)		13,139		—					
Total segment income	\$	12,641	\$	27,998	\$	12,390					

(a) Steel Excel's reported revenue and net income from continuing operations before income taxes, included in SPLP's consolidated financial statements was \$72,402 and \$8,217 for the last seven months of year ended December 31, 2012.

(b) Includes five months and eleven months of Sun Well's operating results in 2012 and 2011, respectively.

(c) In 2013 represents Steel Excel's investments in a sports business and iGo. The amount in 2012 represents equity method income related to SPLP's investment in Steel Excel, prior to acquiring a majority interest on May 31, 2012. During 2011, SPLP's equity method income or losses from its investment in Steel Excel are classified in the Corporate and other segment, as Steel Excel did not have any significant operations at that time.

### **Financial Services Segment**

The Financial Services segment, for financial reporting purposes, consists of our consolidated and wholly-owned subsidiary, WebFinancial Holding Corporation, which conducts financial operations through its wholly-owned subsidiary, WebBank (which operates in niche banking markets), and WF Asset Corp (which consists of a portfolio of investments). WebBank provides commercial and consumer loans and services. WebBank's deposits are insured by the FDIC up to the current limits, and the bank is examined and regulated by the FDIC and UDFI.

The following presents a summary of the Financial Services segment operating results as reported in our consolidated financial statements:

	 2013		2012		2011
Revenue:	 				
Interest income (including fees)	\$ 18,898	\$	16,051	\$	10,749
Non-interest income	9,287		5,104		4,172
	 28,185		21,155		14,921
Costs and expenses:					
Interest	496		957		941
(Recovery of) provision for loan losses	(80)		(416)		8
Selling, general and administrative expenses	9,933		7,700		6,763
Asset impairment charge	168		1		1,044
	 10,517		8,242		8,756
Total segment income	\$ 17,668	\$	12,913	\$	6,165

### Net Interest Income, Margin and Interest Rate Spreads

Net interest income is the difference between interest earned on interest-bearing assets and interest incurred on interest-bearing liabilities. By its nature, net interest income is especially vulnerable to changes in the mix and amounts of interest-earning assets and interest bearing liabilities. In addition, changes in the interest rates and yields associated with these assets and liabilities can significantly impact net interest income. The following table summarizes the average balances, the amount of interest earned or incurred and the applicable yields for interest earning assets and the costs of interest-bearing liabilities that generate net interest income. For purposes of calculating the yields in these schedules, the average loan balances also include the principal amounts of nonaccrual and restructured loans. However, interest received on nonaccrual loans is included in income only to the extent that cash payments have been received and not applied to principal reductions. In addition, interest on restructured loans is generally accrued at reduced rates.

					Ye	ar Ended Dec	ember 31,				
		2013				2012				2011	
	Average	Interest			Average	Interest			Average	Interest	
Outsta		Earned/	Yield/		Outstanding	Earned/	Yield/	Outstanding		Earned/	Yield/
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	136,782	18,898	3 13.8%		130,661	16,049	11.4%		94,528	10,749	11.7%
	1,286				1,240				865		
\$	138,068	_		\$	131,901	-		\$	95,393	_	
		=								=	
\$	29,312	62	2 0.2%	\$	13,789	57	0.4%	\$	8,902	31	0.3%
	72,754	434	4 0.6%		70,677	900	1.3%		61,476	910	1.5%
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	102,066	490	6 0.5%		84,466	957	1.3%		70,378	941	1.5%
	3.347				18.887				3.148		
		_				-				_	
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	32,655				28,548				21,867		
\$	138,068	_		\$	131,901	_		\$	95,393		
		-				-		_		-	
		<u> </u>					-				
		\$ 18,402				\$ 15,092	-			\$ 9,808	
			13.3%				11.2%				10.1%
			13.5%				11.6%				13.9%
			8.2%				6.2%				7.5%
			29.5%				24.4%				28.3%
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WebBank has several lending arrangements with companies where it originates private label credit card and other loans for consumers and small businesses. These loans are classified as held for sale and are typically sold after origination. As part of these arrangements WebBank earns origination fees that are recorded in interest income, and which increase WebBank's yield on loans.

### Interest Income

Interest income increased by \$2,847, or 17.7%, in the year ended December 31, 2013, compared to 2012 due primarily to two new lending programs with favorable rates.

Interest income increased by \$5,302, or 49.3%, in the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to 2011. The increases were due primarily to two new lending programs with favorable rates. The programs began in the third quarter of 2012.

### Interest Expense

Interest expense represents interest accrued on WebBank depositor accounts.

Interest expense decreased \$461, or 48.2%, for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, compared to 2012, primarily due to a decrease in interest rates.

Interest expense increased \$16, or 1.7%, for the twelve months ended December 31, 2012, compared to 2011, due to increased deposits to fund asset growth.

The following table presents the effects of changing rates and volumes on WebBank's net interest income for the periods indicated. The rate column shows the effects attributable to changes in rate (changes in rate multiplied by prior volume). The volume column shows the effects attributable to changes in volume (changes in volume multiplied by prior rate). The total column represents the sum of the prior columns. For purposes of this table, changes attributable to both rate and volume, which cannot be segregated, have been allocated proportionately, based on the changes due to rate and the changes due to volume.

						Year End	ed D	ecember 31,						
			2013 vs 2012				2013	2 vs 2011				2011 vs. 2010		
		Increase/	Increase/	Total		Increase/		Increase/	Total		Increase/	Increase/		Total
Rate/Volume	_	(Decrease)	(Decrease)	Increase/		(Decrease)	(	Decrease)	Increase/		(Decrease)	(Decrease)	In	crease/
		Due to Volume	Due to Rate	(Decrease)		Due to Volume	D	ue to Rate	(Decrease)	]	Due to Volume	Due to Rate	(De	ecrease)
Interest Earning Assets:														
Loans Receivable	\$	4,572 \$	(1,691) \$	2,881	\$	1,675	\$	3,549	\$ 5,224	\$	917 \$	1,702	\$	2,619
Available For Sale Investments		5	(8)	(3)		_		_	_		19	_		19
Fed Funds Sold		(1)	1	_		_		_	_		(5)	(1)		(6)
Interest Bearing Deposits in other Banks		(24)	(5)	(29)		75		1	76		60	2		62
Total Interest-Earning Assets		4,552	(1,703)	2,849	_	1,750		3,550	5,300		991	1,703		2,694
Interest-Bearing Liabilities:														
Money Market Accounts		10	(5)	5		19		6	25		9	(1)		8
Time Deposits		27	(493)	(466)		(139)		130	(9)		216	(79)		137
Total Interest-Bearing Liabilities		37	(498)	(461)		(120)		136	16		225	(80)		145
Net Effect on Net Interest Income	\$	4,515 \$	(1,205) \$	3,310	\$	1,870	\$	3,414	\$ 5,284	\$	766 \$	1,783	\$	2,549

### Noninterest Income

Noninterest income increased \$4,183, or 82.0% for the year ended December 31, 2013, compared to 2012, due primarily to increased fee income from a new lending program.

Noninterest income increased \$932, or 22.3% for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to 2011, due primarily to increased fee income from a new lending program.

### (Recovery of) Provision for Loan Losses

At December 31, 2013, WebBank had an estimated \$2,564 of impaired loans, of which \$2,121 is guaranteed by the USDA or SBA, and an allowance for loan losses of \$424. At December 31, 2012 WebBank had an estimated \$2,915 of impaired loans, of which \$2,328 was guaranteed by USDA or SBA, and an allowance for loan losses of \$284.

The (recovery of) provision for loan losses is primarily related to WebBank's portfolio of local real estate loans. WebBank routinely obtains appraisals on underlying collateral of nonperforming loans and records a provision for losses if the value of the collateral declines below the value of the loans. WebBank was able to recover previously charged off loans and workout or sell nonperforming loans resulting in net benefit in the provision for loan losses of \$80 and \$416 for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. WebBank recorded a provision for loan losses of \$8 for the year ended December 31, 2011.

### Selling General and Administrative Expenses

The increase in SG&A expenses of \$2,233, or 29.0%, for the year ended December 31, 2013, compared to the year ended December 31, 2012, was due primarily to higher personnel expense in 2013, partially offset by a benefit in the reserve for off balance sheet credit exposures of \$175, lower professional fees and lower other miscellaneous costs.

The increase in SG&A expenses of \$937, or 13.9%, for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to the year ended December 31, 2011, was due to higher personnel expense in 2012, partially offset by a benefit in the reserve for off balance sheet credit exposures of \$440 and lower professional fees and other costs in 2012.

### **Balance Sheet Analysis**

### Loan Portfolio

As of December 31, 2013, net loans accounted for 44% of WebBank's total assets compared to 49% at the end of 2012. The following table presents WebBank's loans outstanding by type of loan as of December 31, 2013 and the five most recent year-ends.

						As	s of Decem	ber 31,						
		2013		2012			201	1		2010	)		200	9
	A	mount	%	Amount	%	A	mount	%	А	mount	%	A	mount	%
Real Estate Loans:														
Construction	\$	_	_	\$ _	_	\$	—	_	\$	988	3.3%	\$	3,646	10.2%
Commercial - Owner Occupied		4,671	6.1%	6,724	9.8%		8,340	18.8%		9,546	31.9%		10,425	29.3%
Commercial - Other		242	0.3%	 318	0.5%		300	0.7%		276	0.9%		2,273	6.4%
Total Real Estate Loans		4,913	6.4%	7,042	10.3%		8,640	19.5%		10,810	36.1%		16,344	45.9%
Commercial and Industrial:		46,702	60.9%	 9,832	14.4%		4,344	9.8%		6,219	20.8%		9,340	26.2%
Total Commercial and Industrial		46,702	60.9%	9,832	14.4%		4,344	9.8%		6,219	20.8%		9,340	26.2%
Consumer:														
Credit Cards		_		 _			_	_		_			517	1.5%
Total Consumer		_	_	_	_		_	_		_	_		517	1.5%
Loans Held for Sale:		25,125	32.7%	 51,505	75.3%		31,363	70.7%		12,903	43.1%		9,404	26.4%
Total Loans		76,740	100%	 68,379	100%		44,347	100%		29,932	100%		35,605	100%
Less:														
Deferred Fees and Discounts		_		21			(56)			(64)			(188)	
Allowance for Loan Losses		(424)		(285)			(529)			(1,541)			(2,193)	
Total Loans Receivable, Net	\$	76,316		\$ 68,115		\$	43,762		\$	28,327		\$	33,224	

The following table includes a maturity profile for the loans that were outstanding at December 31, 2013, substantially all of which have floating or adjustable interest rates:

			(	Commercial &		
Due During Years Ending December 31,	Real H		Industrial	Loans Held for Sale		
2014	\$	197	\$	1,462	\$	25,125
2015-2019		1,098		26,198		—
2020 and following		3,618		19,042		—
Total	\$	4,913	\$	46,702	\$	25,125

### Nonperforming Lending Related Asset

Total nonaccrual loans at December 31, 2013 increased by \$270 from December 31, 2012. The increase included \$255 for commercial owner occupied loans and \$15 for commercial and industrial loans.

					Dece	mber 31,			
	2013		2012			2011		2010	2009
Non-Accruing Loans:									
Commercial Real Estate - Construction	\$	_	\$		\$	_	\$	988	\$ 3,131
Commercial Real Estate - Owner Occupied		403		147		914		207	705
Commercial Real Estate - Other		_				_		_	213
Commercial and Industrial		109		94		97		419	610
Other		_				_		_	114
Total		512		241		1,011		1,614	 4,773
Accruing Loans Delinquent:									
90 Days or More		_		2,581		_		_	401
Total		_		2,581				_	 401
Restructured Loans:									
Commercial Real Estate - Owner Occupied		_		_		1		18	_
Commercial and Industrial		_		—		_		7	_
Total		_		_		1		25	 
Foreclosed Assets:									
Commercial Real Estate - Construction		—		_		—		_	232
Commercial Real Estate - Owner Occupied		149		68		333		38	170
Commercial and Industrial		—		_		—		53	_
Other		_		_		_		_	257
Total		149		68		333		91	 659
Total Non-Performing Assets	\$	661	\$	2,890	\$	1,345	\$	1,730	\$ 5,833
Total as a Percentage of Total Assets		0.4%		2.1%		1.1%		2.0%	 8.9%

### Summary of Loan Loss Experience

The methodologies used to estimate the Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses ("ALLL") depend upon the impairment status and portfolio segment of the loan. For the commercial and commercial real estate segments, a comprehensive loan grading system is used to assign loss given default grades to each loan. The credit quality indicators discussed subsequently are based on this grading system. Loss given default grades are based on both financial and statistical models and loan officers' judgment. Groupings of these grades are created for each loan class and calculate historic loss rates ranging from the previous 36 months.

After applying historic loss experience, as described above, we review the quantitatively derived level of ALLL for each segment using qualitative criteria. We track various risk factors that influence our judgment regarding the level of the ALLL across the portfolio segments. The following table summarizes activity in WebBank's allowance for loan and lease losses for the periods indicated:

		1	Decen	nber 31,		
	2013	2012		2011	2010	2009
Balance at Beginning of Period	\$ 283	\$ 529	\$	1,541	\$ 2,193	\$ 2,302
Charge Offs:						
Commercial Real Estate - Construction	—	—		(440)	(80)	(4,350)
Commercial Real Estate - Owner Occupied	—	(1)		(422)	(482)	(500)
Commercial Real Estate - Other	—	—			(268)	(545)
Commercial and Industrial	(63)	—		(727)	(714)	(1,379)
Other	—	—		_	—	—
Total Charge Offs	(63)	 (1)		(1,589)	(1,544)	(6,774)
Recoveries:						
Commercial Real Estate - Construction	—	—		466	961	—
Commercial Real Estate - Owner Occupied	23	47		27	2	_
Commercial Real Estate - Other	44	44		44	18	—
Commercial and Industrial	217	80		32	331	20
Total Recoveries	284	 171		569	1,312	20
Net (Charge Offs) Recoveries	221	 170		(1,020)	 (232)	 (6,754)
Additions Charged to Operations	(80)	(416)		8	(420)	6,645
Balance at End of Period	\$ 424	\$ 283	\$	529	\$ 1,541	\$ 2,193
Ratio of Net Charge Offs During the Period to Average Loans Outstanding During the Period	 (0.4)%	 (0.4)%		2.6%	 0.7%	 19.6%

The distribution of WebBank's allowance for losses on loans at the dates indicated is summarized as follows:

								D	ecember 31,								
			2013			2012			2011			2010			2009		
	Am	ount	% of Loans in Each Category o Total Loans		Amount	% of Loans in Each Category of Total Loans		Amount	% of Loans in Each Category of Total Loans		% of Loans in Each Category of Amount Total Loans		Each Category o		1	Amount	% of Loans in Each Category of Total Loans
Commercial Real Estate - Construction	\$		\$ —		\$ —	\$ —	9	\$ —		\$	200	3.3%	\$	85	10.2%		
Commercial Real Estate - Owner Occupied		77	6.19	%	187	9.8%		346	18.8%		293	31.9%		596	29.3%		
Commercial Real Estate - Other		28	0.39	%	34	0.5%		47	0.7%		8	0.9%		300	6.4%		
Commercial and Industrial		319	60.99	%	64	14.4%		136	9.8%		565	20.8%		737	26.2%		
Credit Cards		_	_		—			—	_		_	_		_	1.5%		
Loans Held for Sale		_	32.79	%	_	75.3%		_	70.7%		_	43.1%		_	26.4%		
Unallocated			_		—	—	_	_			475			475	_		
Total Loans	\$	424	1009	%	\$ 285	100%	9	\$ 529	100%	\$	1,541	100%	\$	2,193	100%		

# **Corporate and Other**

The Corporate and Other segment consists of several consolidated subsidiaries as well as various investments and cash and cash equivalents. Corporate revenues primarily consist of investment and other income, investment gains and losses and rental income. See Note 5 - "Investments" to the SPLP financial statements included elsewhere in this Form 10-K for additional information on the equity method investments and other investments classified within this segment.

SPH services provides legal, tax, accounting, treasury, consulting, auditing, administration, compliance, environmental health and safety, human resources, marketing, investor relations and similar services, to other affiliated companies.

DGT's operations currently consist of a real estate business from rental buildings retained from the sale of its Power Conversion business on August 16, 2012 and the sale of its Medical Systems Group on November 3, 2011. The operating

results for the Power Conversion Business and for the Medical Systems Group, as well as the gains on disposals of such units, are reported as discontinued operations for all periods presented. Continuing operations consist of the real estate business, investments, and general and administrative expenses.

The expenses related to the BNS Liquidating Trust are included in Corporate and Other from July 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012. For additional information on the BNS Liquidating Trust, see Note 16 - "Capital and Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)" to the SPLP financial statements included elsewhere in this Form 10-K.

Prior to December 31, 2012, the Corporate and Other segment also included the Company's direct and indirect investment in Barbican (which was sold in October 2012); BNS (through February 2, 2011, the date BNS acquired SWH), as well as associated company Steel Excel (through December 31, 2011). Associated company earnings for Steel Excel are classified in the Energy segment effective January 1, 2012 and the consolidated results of Steel Excel are included in the Energy segment Effective May 31, 2012 (the date it became a majority-owned subsidiary).

The following presents a summary of Corporate and Other segment operating results as reported in our consolidated financial statements:

	Year Ended December 31,							
		2013		2012		2011		
Revenue:								
Investment and other income	\$	665	\$	2,347	\$	867		
Net investment gains (losses)		1,071		15,722		(4,352)		
		1,736		18,069		(3,485)		
Costs and expenses:								
Interest		338		152		618		
Selling, general and administrative expenses		46,677		23,414		18,542		
Impairment charges		2,520		1,409		—		
Deferred fee liability to related party - increase (decrease)		—		11,448		(6,107)		
Other expense (income) (a)		491		133		(8,978)		
		50,026		36,556		4,075		
Loss from continuing operations before income (loss) from equity method investments and investments held at fair value		(48,290)		(18,487)		(7,560)		
Equity Method Investments:	_							
Income (Loss) of associated companies		10,392		(731)		(22,535)		
Loss from other investments - related party		(271)		(8,329)		(15,743)		
Total income (loss) from equity method investments		10,121		(9,060)		(38,278)		
Income (loss) from investments held at fair value		811		18,967		(183)		
Total segment income	\$	(37,358)	\$	(8,580)	\$	(46,021)		

(a) Amount in 2011 represents bargain purchase gain related to the acquisition of DGT (see Note 3 - "Acquisitions" to the SPLP financial statements included elsewhere in this Form 10-K).

# <u>Revenue</u>

Investment and other income is often based on a limited number of transactions, the timing and amounts of which are not always predictable. Net investment gains (losses) include realized gains and losses on sales of securities and write-downs of investments available-for-sale when there is deemed to be an other than temporary impairment. The Company's decision to sell securities and realize gains or losses generally includes its evaluation of strategic considerations, an individual security's value at the time and the prospect for changes in its value in the future. The timing of realized investment gains or losses is not predictable and does not follow any pattern from year to year. Interest and dividend income will vary depending on the type and amount of securities held from year to year.

Investment and other income decreased by \$1,682 or 71.7% for the year ended December 31, 2013, compared to 2012 due to higher dividend income recorded in 2012 as a result of an approximately \$2,000 dividend from SLI (see Note 5 - "Investments" to the SPLP financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K for additional information).

Investment and other income increased by \$1,480 or 170.7% for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to 2011 primarily due to higher dividend income in 2012 from the aforementioned dividend from SLI.

Net investment gains for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 were \$1,071 compared to \$15,722 in the same period of 2012. The net gains in 2013 were primarily due to gains of approximately \$1,200 on the sales of certain available-for-sale securities, partially offset by losses from foreign currency instruments. The net gains in 2012 were primarily due to the gain on the Company's investment in Steel Excel of approximately \$13,500 resulting from remeasuring our investment to fair value upon acquisition of the majority interest in Steel Excel on May 31, 2012. Net investment losses for the year ended December 31, 2011 were \$4,352 and were primarily due to losses on certain derivative investments, partially offset by a gain on our investment in DGT of \$7,921 resulting from the re-measurement of our investment upon the acquisition of a majority interest in DGT on July 5, 2011. See Note 3 - "Acquisitions" to the SPLP financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K for further information.

# Interest Expense

In prior periods the Company has sold securities short and in all periods has entered into foreign currency transactions which, in effect, in certain circumstances, may represent borrowings from the counterparty. Interest expense represents interest and other fees on such transactions.

## Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

SG&A expenses consist primarily of legal, accounting, audit, tax, professional fees, management fees and expense related to the Company's incentive units (see Note 16 - "Capital and Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)" to the SPLP financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K) in all periods and common unit option expense in 2011.

SG&A expenses increased by \$23,263 or 99.4% in the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, compared to 2012, primarily due to non-cash incentive unit expense (see Note 16 - "Capital and Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)" to the SPLP financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K).

SG&A expenses increased by \$4,872 or 26.3% in the twelve months ended December 31, 2012, compared to 2011, primarily due to the classification of DGT in the Corporate and Other segment for a full year in 2012 and the approximately \$1,700 reduction of option expense recorded in 2011.

#### **Impairment Charges**

In 2013, the Company recorded an impairment charge of \$1,510 related to its investment in a Japanese real estate partnership and an impairment charge of approximately \$1,010 related to an other-than-temporary decline in an available-for-sale security (see Note 5 - "Investments" to the SPLP financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K).

In 2012, the Company recorded an impairment charge of \$580 related to its investment in a Japanese real estate partnership (see Note 5 - "Investments" to the SPLP financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K). In addition, the Company recorded an other than temporary impairment of \$829 related to an available for sale security.

## Deferred Fee Liability to Related Party - Increase (Decrease)

Deferred fee liability to related party - increase (decrease) arose as a result of the assumption, in connection with the Exchange Transaction, of an obligation pursuant to a deferred fee agreement due to the Investment Manager, an affiliate of the Manager ("Deferred Fee Liability"). The increase in Deferred Fee Liability to related party of \$11,448 recorded for the year ended December 31, 2012 was due to an increase in an index related to the value of SPLP. On April 11, 2012, the Company and the Investment Manager terminated the Investor Services Agreement by mutual consent. As a result of the termination of the Investor Services Agreement the full amount in the Deferred Fee Liability became immediately payable. As a result, on April 11 and May 11, 2012, 6,403,002 and 536,645 class B common units, respectively, were issued to the Investment Manager. In connection with the termination of the Investor Services Agreement, the Investment Manager agreed not to sell any of the

common units issued as payment for the deferred fee during the one year period following the Termination Date. For additional information, see Note 13 - "Related Party Transactions" to the SPLP financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K.

# Equity Method Investments

#### Income (Loss) of Associated Companies

Income (loss) of associated companies included in the Corporate and Other segment is as follows:

	<b>Ownership at</b>								
	December 31,	Year Ended December 31,							
	2013		2011						
Steel Excel (a)	55.1%	\$		\$		\$	(22,092)		
ModusLink	27.1%		23,154		—		_		
CoSine	48.6%		(418)		(328)		(385)		
Fox & Hound (b)	50.0%		(11,521)		(403)		_		
Other			(823)		_		(58)		
		\$	10,392	\$	(731)	\$	(22,535)		

(a) Effective January 1, 2012, Steel Excel was reclassified to the Energy segment due to acquisitions of oil field servicing companies. The equity method loss in 2011 is still classified in Corporate and Other as Steel Excel did not have any significant operations in that period.

(b) Fox & Hound became an associated company in the first quarter of 2012 (see Note 5 - "Investments" to the SPLP financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K).

#### Loss From Other Investments - Related Party

Loss from other investments - related party represents the change in fair value that we recognize on our 43.75% investment in each series of the SPII Liquidating Trust (for additional information see Note 5 - "Investments" of the SPLP financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K). The income for the year ended December 31, 2013 was not significant. The loss in 2012 was primarily due to the series of the SPII Liquidating Trust that holds an interest in Fox & Hound Restaurant Group ("F&H"). On March 19, 2012, in conjunction with a long-term refinancing of its debt, Fox & Hound issued new common equity. As a result of the transaction, our interest in F&H through the SPII Liquidating Trust was diluted and reduced by approximately \$11,200, which was recorded in the first quarter of 2012. The loss in 2011 was primarily due to the series of the SPII Trusts that held an interest in Barbican and F&H.

### Income (Loss) From Investments Held at Fair Value

Income (loss) from investments held at fair value for the year ended December 31, 2013 includes income or loss that the Company recognizes on its direct investment in API and its investment in ModusLink warrants (see Note 5 - "Investments" to the SPLP financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K). Income (loss) from investments held at fair value for the year ended December 31, 2012 included income or loss that the Company recognizes on its direct investment in Barbican and API and, for the year ended December 31, 2011, includes income or loss related to Barbican only as API was part of the Diversified Industrial segment when it was classified as an associated company.

# **Income Taxes**

As a limited partnership, we are generally not responsible for federal and state income taxes and our profits and losses are passed directly to our limited partners for inclusion in their respective income tax returns. Provision has been made for federal, state, local or foreign income taxes on the results of operations generated by our corporate subsidiaries and these are reflected within continuing and discontinued operations. The difference between the effective tax rate and statutory federal rate of 35% is principally due to changes in the valuation allowances, various permanent differences included in the provisions of our subsidiaries, and partnership income not subject to taxation. The Company's tax provision represents the income tax expense or benefit of its consolidated subsidiaries. The Company's consolidated subsidiaries have recorded deferred tax valuation allowances to the extent that they believe that it is more likely than not that the benefits of its deferred tax assets will not be realized in future periods.

For the year ended December 31, 2013, a tax provision of \$10,244 from continuing operations was recorded and a tax provision from continuing operations of \$16,833 was recorded for the year December 31, 2012. For the year ended December 31, 2011 a tax benefit of \$64,968 was recorded. During 2011, the Company changed its judgment about the realizability of its deferred tax assets at certain subsidiaries. As a result, included in the Company's tax benefit in 2011 is approximately \$83,000 related to the release of valuation allowances primarily relating to NOL's. Of this amount, approximately \$73,000 was related to HNH and approximately \$9,400 was related to BNS. As noted below, BNS wrote off the remaining deferred tax asset in 2012.

At December 31, 2013, HNH has U.S. federal NOLs of approximately \$106,900 (approximately \$40,500 tax-effected), as well as certain state NOLs. The U.S. federal NOLs expire between 2024 and 2029. Also included in deferred income tax assets are tax credit carryforwards of \$3,300. HNH's net tax provisions from continuing and discontinued operations reflects utilization of approximately \$53,000 of Federal NOLs in 2013.

Steel Excel had Federal net operating loss carryforwards of approximately \$146,400 that expire in 2021 through 2031, and domestic state net operating loss carryforwards of approximately \$164,400 that expire in 2014 through 2031. Steel Excel also had Federal research and development credit carryforwards of approximately \$30,300 that expire in 2018 through 2029, and domestic state research and development credit carryforwards of approximately \$17,700 that do not expire. Steel Excel's ability to utilize its net operating loss and other credit carryforwards would be subject to limitation upon a change in control.

During 2012 and 2013 WebFinancial had significant earnings and utilized the vast majority of its Federal and state NOLS. Accordingly, WebFinancial recorded tax benefits in continuing operations of approximately \$1,043 associated with the reversals of its deferred tax valuation allowances.

At December 31, 2013, DGT had \$28,500 of federal net operating loss carryforwards that are scheduled to expire from 2020 to 2030. Because of the uncertainty of future earnings of DGT, a valuation allowance has been established for the net operating loss carryforwards.

# FINANCIAL CONDITION

We rely on our available liquidity to meet our short-term and long-term needs, and to make acquisitions of new businesses and additional investments in existing businesses. Except as otherwise disclosed herein, our operating businesses do not generally require material funds from us to support their operating activities, and we do not depend on positive cash flow from our operating segments to meet our liquidity needs. The components of our consolidated businesses and investments may change frequently as a result of acquisitions or divestitures, the timing of which is impossible to predict, but which often have a material impact on our consolidated statements of cash flows in any one period. Further, the timing and amounts of distributions from certain of our investments accounted for under the equity method are generally outside our control. As a result, reported cash flows from operating, investing and financing activities do not generally follow any particular pattern or trend, and reported results in the most recent period should not be expected to recur in any subsequent period.

# **Cash Flow Summary**

	Yea	r Eno	led Decembe	er 31,	
	 2013 2012				2011
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 94,952	\$	65,498	\$	5,488
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities	(170,929)		54,231		(81,062)
Net cash provided by (used in) by financing activities	82,057		(48,997)		22,192
Change in period	\$ 6,080	\$	70,732	\$	(53,382)

### Cash Flows from Operating Activities

Net cash provided by operating activities for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 was \$94,952. Net income of \$44,820 was impacted by certain non-cash items and an increase of \$11,598 relating to changes in certain operating assets and liabilities. Of this working capital increase, \$26,379 was due to a decrease on loans held for sale, \$4,092 was from an decrease in accounts receivable, \$806 was from an decrease in prepaid and other assets, \$2,324 was from an decrease in inventories, partially offset by \$20,255 from a decrease in accounts payable and accrued and other liabilities. Net income was also impacted by \$4,978 relating to net cash used by operating activities of discontinued operations.

Net cash provided by operating activities for the twelve months ended December 31, 2012 was \$65,498. Net income of \$63,765 was partially offset by a decrease of \$21,487 relating to changes in operating assets and liabilities. Of this working capital decrease, \$20,142 was from an increase on loans held for sale, \$13,893 was from a decrease in accounts payable and accrued and other liabilities, partially offset by a decrease in accounts receivable of \$14,947, and a decrease in inventories of \$117. Net income was also impacted by \$11,448 relating to the increase in the Deferred Fee Liability to related party and \$9,962 relating to net cash provided by operating activities of discontinued operations. The decrease in accounts receivable relates primarily to principally due to the impact of lower silver prices on HNH in 2012, compared with rising prices in 2011.

Net cash provided by operating activities for the twelve months ended December 31, 2011 was \$5,488. Significant items that decreased cash flow from operations included \$55,333 relating to changes in operating assets and liabilities (of which \$8,452 was from an increase in receivables, \$30,137 was from a decrease in accounts payable and accrued and other liabilities and \$18,460 was due to a net increase in loans held for sale). In addition, the deferred fee liability decreased by \$6,107 and net cash used by operating activities of discontinued operations was \$2,121.

#### Cash Flows from Investing Activities

Net cash used in investing activities for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 was \$170,929. Significant items included cash paid for acquisitions made by HNH and Steel Excel, of \$130,528, investments in associated companies of \$36,018, which primarily relates to our investment in ModusLink and Steel Excel's investment in an associated company, a net increase in loans receivable of \$34,619 and purchases of property plant and equipment of \$25,367. These cash uses from investing activities were partially offset by cash increases due to proceeds from the sales of discontinued operations of \$45,334 and net proceeds from investment sales and maturities of \$8,798.

Net cash provided by investing activities for the twelve months ended December 31, 2012 was \$54,231. Significant items included net cash acquired in acquisitions of \$29,941, primarily from the acquisition of Steel Excel, proceeds from the sales of discontinued operations of \$33,505 and investment sales net of purchases of \$46,665. These cash increases were partially offset by investments in associated companies of \$16,628, which represents our investment in Fox & Hound and additional investment in Steel Excel, and purchases of property plant and equipment of \$35,682.

Net cash used in investing activities for the twelve months ended December 31, 2011 was \$81,062. Significant cash outflows included investment purchases net of sales of \$141,239, acquisitions, net of cash acquired of \$35,751, additional investments in associated companies of \$23,072, offset in part by the release of restricted cash relating primarily to closing out foreign currency financial instruments of \$119,962, and proceeds received from the sale of discontinued operations of \$26,532.

## Cash Flows from Financing Activities

Net cash provided by financing activities for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 was \$82,057. This was due primarily to proceeds from term loans of \$105,000, proceeds from revolver borrowings of \$30,950 and a net increase in deposits of \$39,567, partially offset by subsidiary repurchases of their treasury stock of \$50,144, repayments of term loans of \$30,675 and repurchases of subordinated notes of \$11,323.

Net cash used in financing activities for the twelve months ended December 31, 2012 was \$48,997. This was due primarily to distributions paid to noncontrolling interest holders of BNS of \$10,316, repayments of term loans of \$95,833, lower bank deposits held by WebBank of \$16,273, repurchases of subordinated notes of \$10,847 and net revolver payments of \$23,849, partially offset by proceeds from term loans of \$116,838 and a net change in overdrafts of \$1,365.

Net cash provided by financing activities for the twelve months ended December 31, 2011 was \$22,192. This was due to higher bank deposits held by WebBank of \$33,189 and net proceeds from term loans and short-term debt of \$21,615, partially offset by common unit cash distributions of \$29,868.

## LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

# **Holding Company**

SPLP (excluding its operating subsidiaries, the "Holding Company") is a global diversified holding company whose assets principally consist of the stock of its direct subsidiaries, cash and cash equivalents and other non-controlling investments in debt and equity securities. Its principal potential sources of funds are available cash resources, investments, borrowings, public and private capital market transactions, repayment of subsidiary advances, distributions or dividends from subsidiaries, as well as dispositions of existing businesses and investments. The Holding Company's investments are subject to changes that may result in amounts realized from any future sales that are at times significantly different from the value we are reporting at December 31, 2013. These investments, including those accounted for under the equity method, can be impacted by market conditions, changes in the specific business environments of our investees or by the underlying performance of these businesses.

In addition to cash and cash equivalents, the Holding Company considers certain investments at fair value included in its consolidated balance sheet as being generally available to meet its liquidity needs. These investments are not as liquid as cash and cash equivalents, but they are generally convertible into cash within a reasonable period of time. As of December 31, 2013, the Holding Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$35,167 and investments of \$252,559. The Holding Company had \$25,090 of restricted cash, which serves as collateral with respect to foreign currency financial instruments. The Holding Company is not able to use these funds for other purposes, and the Holding Company does not consider this amount to be available to meet its liquidity needs.

The Holding Company generally does not have access to the cash flow generated by the Company's operating businesses for its needs, and the operating businesses generally do not rely on the Holding Company to support their operating activities. The Holding Company's available liquidity, and the investment income realized from the Holding Company's cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities is used to meet the Holding Company's recurring cash requirements, which are principally the payment of its overhead expenses.

The Holding Company and its operating businesses may use their available liquidity to make acquisitions of new businesses and other investments, but the timing and cost of any future investments cannot be predicted. The Company may seek external debt or equity financing and will rely on its existing liquidity to fund corporate overhead expenses and new acquisition opportunities. It may also dispose of existing businesses and investments. At December 31, 2013, the Holding Company and its consolidated subsidiaries had, in the aggregate, cash and cash equivalents of \$203,980 available for operations in the ordinary course of business and for the acquisition of interests in businesses.

# Discussion of Segment Liquidity and Capital Resources

# HNH

As of December 31, 2013, HNH's current assets totaled \$184,332, its current liabilities totaled \$80,225, and its working capital was \$104,107, as compared to working capital of \$111,811 as of December 31, 2012.

HNH generated \$49,163 of positive cash flow from operating activities in the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and \$58,439 of positive cash flow from operating activities in the comparable 2012 period. SPLP's consolidated financial statements reflect pre-tax income from continuing operations of \$44,021 and \$38,107 relating to HNH for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

HNH's debt is principally held by H&H Group, a wholly-owned subsidiary of HNH. HNH's subsidiaries borrow funds in order to finance capital expansion programs and for working capital needs. The terms of certain of those financing arrangements place restrictions on distributions of funds to HNH, the parent company, subject to certain exceptions including required pension payments to the WHX Pension Plan. HNH does not expect these restrictions to have an impact on HNH's ability to meet its cash obligations. HNH's ongoing operating cash flow requirements consist primarily of arranging for the funding of the minimum requirements of the WHX Pension Plan and paying HNH's administrative costs. HNH expects to have required minimum contributions to the WHX Pension Plan for 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and for the five years thereafter of \$24,000, \$21,400, \$16,800, \$15,500, \$13,700 and \$27,200, respectively. Such required contributions are estimated based upon assumptions regarding such matters as discount rates on future obligations, assumed rates of return on plan assets and legislative changes. Actual future pension costs and required funding obligations will be affected by changes in the factors and assumptions described in the previous sentence, as well as other changes such as any plan termination.

During November 2012, H&H Group entered into a \$205,000 senior secured credit facility, consisting of a revolving credit facility in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$90,000 and a term loan in an initial aggregate principal amount of \$115,000 (collectively, "Senior Credit Facility"). In connection with HNH's April 2013 acquisition of Wolverine Joining, the Senior Credit Facility was amended to increase the lenders' commitments under the revolving credit facility and term loan by \$20,000 and \$10,000, respectively. Funding of the purchase price for the acquisition was from cash on hand and borrowings under the amended Senior Credit Facility. On September 13, 2013, the Senior Credit Facility was further amended. This amendment, among other things, increased the lenders' commitments under the revolving credit facility to \$160,000, provided H&H Group with additional flexibility regarding its ability to utilize net cash proceeds from permitted asset sales, reset the amount of dividends and other distributions that may be made by H&H Group to HNH following the payment of \$7,000 of previously declared dividends, and amended certain financial covenants and the amortization schedule of the term loan. As of December 31, 2013, H&H Group's availability under its amended revolving credit facility was \$36,400.

HNH believes it has access to adequate resources to meet its needs for normal operating costs, capital expenditures, mandatory debt redemptions and working capital for its existing business. These resources include cash and cash equivalents, cash provided by operating activities and unused lines of credit. HNH's ability to satisfy its debt service obligations, to fund planned capital expenditures and required pension payments, and to make acquisitions will depend upon its future operating performance, which will be affected by prevailing economic conditions in the markets in which it operates, as well as financial, business and other factors, some of which are beyond its control. The ability of H&H Group to draw on the Senior Credit Facility is limited by a borrowing base of accounts receivable and inventory. In addition, the Senior Credit Facility is subject to certain mandatory prepayment provisions and restrictive and financial covenants. There can be no assurances that H&H Group will continue to have access to its lines of credit if its financial performance does not satisfy the relevant borrowing base criteria and financial covenants set forth in the financing agreement. If H&H Group does not meet certain of its financial covenants or satisfy its borrowing base criteria, and if it is unable to secure necessary waivers or other amendments from the respective lenders on terms acceptable to management, its ability to access available lines of credit could be limited, its debt obligations could be accelerated by the respective lenders and liquidity could be adversely affected.

HNH's management is utilizing the following strategies to continue to enhance liquidity: (1) continuing to implement improvements, using the HNH Business System, throughout all of HNH's operations to increase sales and operating efficiencies, (2) supporting profitable sales growth both internally and potentially through acquisitions and (3) evaluating from time to time and as appropriate, strategic alternatives with respect to its businesses and/or assets. HNH continues to examine all of its options and strategies, including acquisitions, divestitures and other corporate transactions, to increase cash flow and stockholder value.

# DGT

At October 27, 2013, its most recent fiscal period, DGT had \$7,561 in cash and cash equivalents and approximately \$40,758 of investments

DGT's operations currently consist of a real estate business from rental buildings retained from the sale of its Power Conversion business on August 16, 2012 and the sale of its Medical Systems Group on November 3, 2011. The operating results for the Power Conversion Business and for the Medical Systems Group, as well as the gains on disposals of such units, are reported as discontinued operations for all periods presented. Continuing operations consist of the real estate business, investments, and general and administrative expenses.

### Steel Excel

As of December 31, 2013, Steel Excel's working capital was \$251,148. Steel Excel's principal source of liquidity is cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities on hand.

At December 31, 2013, Steel Excel had \$252,087 in cash and marketable securities. The marketable securities included short-term deposits, corporate debt and equity instruments, United States government securities, and securities of government agencies. In the future, Steel Excel may make additional acquisitions of businesses, and may use a significant portion of its available cash balances for such acquisitions or for working capital needs thereafter.

On July 3, 2013, as amended in December 2013, Steel Excel's energy business entered into a credit agreement (the "Energy Credit Agreement") that provides a borrowing capacity of \$105,000 consisting of a \$95,000 secured term loan (the "Term Loan") and up to \$10,000 in revolving loans (the "Revolving Loans") subject to a borrowing base of 85% of the eligible accounts receivable. Steel Energy borrowed \$70,000 under the Term Loan in July 2013, the proceeds of which were combined with \$10,000 in intercompany loans from two subsidiaries and used to pay Steel Excel a dividend of \$80,000. Steel Energy

borrowed an additional \$25,000 under the Term Loan in December 2013, the proceeds of which were combined with cash provided by Steel Excel and Steel Energy and used to fund the acquisition of Black Hawk Energy Services, Inc. ("Black Hawk"). At December 31, 2013, the Company had \$10,000 of borrowing capacity under the Revolving Loans, all of which was available as no Revolving Loans were outstanding. As of December 31, 2013, the Company had \$92,500 outstanding under the Term Loan.

Borrowings under the Energy Credit Agreement are collateralized by substantially all the assets of Steel Energy and its wholly-owned subsidiaries Sun Well, Rogue Pressure Services, Ltd. (Rogue), and Black Hawk, and a pledge of all of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of Sun Well, Rogue, and Black Hawk. Borrowings under the Energy Credit Agreement are fully guaranteed by Sun Well, Rogue, and Black Hawk.

The Energy Credit Agreement runs through July 2018, with the Term Loan amortizing in quarterly installments of \$3,300 and a balloon payment due on the maturity date. Borrowings under the Energy Credit Agreement bear interest at annual rates of either (i) the Base Rate plus an applicable margin of 1.50% to 2.25% or (ii) LIBOR plus an applicable margin of 2.50% to 3.25%. The "Base Rate" is the greatest of (i) the prime lending rate, (ii) the Federal Funds Rate plus 0.5%, and (iii) the one-month LIBOR plus 1.0%. The applicable margin for both Base Rate and LIBOR is determined based on the leverage ratio calculated in accordance with the Energy Credit Agreement. LIBOR-based borrowings are available for interest periods of one, three, or six months. In addition, Steel Excel is required to pay commitment fees of between 0.375% and 0.50% per annum on the daily unused amount of the Revolving Loans.

The Energy Credit Agreement contains certain financial covenants, including (i) a leverage ratio not to exceed 3.00:1 for quarterly periods through June 15, 2015, 2.75:1 for quarterly periods through June 30, 2017, and 2.5:1 thereafter and (ii) a fixed charge coverage ratio of 1.15:1 for quarterly periods through December 31, 2016, and 1.25:1 thereafter. The Company was in compliance with all financial covenants as of December 31, 2013.

The Energy Credit Agreement also contains standard representations, warranties, and non-financial covenants. The repayment of the Term Loan can be accelerated upon (i) a change in control, which would include Steel Energy owning less than 100% of the equity of Sun Well or Rogue or SPLP owning, directly or indirectly, less than 35% of Steel Energy or (ii) other events of default, including payment failure, false representations, covenant breaches, and bankruptcy.

Steel Excel believes that its cash balances will be sufficient to satisfy its anticipated cash needs for working capital and capital expenditures for at least the next twelve months. Steel Excel anticipates making additional acquisitions and it may be required to use a significant portion of its available cash balances for such acquisitions or for working capital needs thereafter. The consummation of additional acquisitions, prevailing economic conditions, and financial, business and other factors beyond its control could adversely affect Steel Excel's estimates of its future cash requirements. As such, Steel Excel could be required to fund our cash requirements by alternative financing. In these instances, Steel Excel may seek to raise such additional funds through public or private equity or debt financings or from other sources. As a result, Steel Excel may not be able to obtain adequate or favorable equity financing, if needed, due in part to its shares of common stock currently trading on the OTCQB Market. Any equity financing we obtain may dilute existing ownership interests, and any debt financing could contain covenants that impose limitations on the conduct of Steel Excel's business. There can be no assurance that additional financing, if needed, would be available on terms acceptable to Steel Excel or at all.

# WebBank

WebBank manages its liquidity to provide adequate funds to meet anticipated financial obligations such as certificate of deposit maturities and to fund customer credit needs. WebBank had \$90,452 and \$66,938 in cash at the Federal Reserve Bank and in its Fed Funds account at its correspondent bank at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. WebBank had \$13,400 and \$8,400 in lines of credit from its correspondent banks at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. WebBank had \$13,400 and \$8,400 in lines of credit from its correspondent banks at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. WebBank had \$29,055 and \$3,726 available from the Federal Reserve discount window at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. WebBank had a total of \$132,907 and \$82,614 in cash, lines of credit, and access to the Federal Reserve Bank discount window at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively, which represents approximately 77% and 60%, respectively, of WebBank's total assets.

### **Contractual Commitments and Contingencies**

Our consolidated contractual obligations as of December 31, 2013 are identified in the table below:

	Payments Due By Period										
	Less Than 1 Year			- 3 Years	3	- 5 Years	Т	hereafter		Total	
Debt Obligations	\$	26,683	\$	64,088	\$	159,267	\$	_	\$	250,038	
Estimated interest expense <sup>(1)</sup>		7,582		14,013		3,848		—		25,443	
Deposits <sup>(2)</sup>		87,319		30,887				_		118,206	
Lease obligations		8,338		9,036		4,243		3,252		24,869	
Uncertain tax positions <sup>(3)</sup>		104		_				_		104	
Pension and other post-employment benefit plans		24,326		38,808		29,709		27,645		120,488	
Total	\$	154,352	\$	156,832	\$	197,067	\$	30,897	\$	539,148	

(1) The interest rates for the estimated interest expense were based on interest rates at December 31, 2013.

(2) Excludes interest.

(3) The Company is unable to predict the timing of payments related to uncertain tax positions.

#### **Environmental Liabilities**

Certain of BNS' and HNH's facilities are environmentally impaired. BNS and HNH have estimated their liability to remediate these sites to be \$4,603 and \$7,320, respectively, at December 31, 2013. For further discussion regarding these commitments, among others, see Note 21, "Commitments and Contingencies," to the SPLP financial statements included elsewhere in this Form 10-K.

# **Deposits**

Deposits at WebBank at December 31, 2013, and 2012 were as follows:

	20	)13	2012
Current	\$	87,319	\$ 43,744
Long-term		30,887	34,865
Total	\$	118,206	\$ 78,609

The increase in deposits at December 31, 2013 compared with 2012 is due to WebBank's strategic decision to increase its excess liquidity in relation to contractual lending programs and anticipated growth. The average original maturity for time deposits at December 31, 2013 was 22 months compared with 34 months at December 31, 2012. The following table details the maturity of time deposits as of December 31, 2013:

				Maturity				
	 < 3 Months	3 to 6 Months 6 to 12 Months				> 12 Months	Total	
			(I	Dollars in Thousands)				
Certificate of Deposits less than \$100	\$ 16,996	\$ 4,286	\$	14,324	\$	27,909	\$ 63	,515
Certificate of Deposits of \$100 or more	—	—		8,788		2,978	11	,766
Total Certificates of Deposits	\$ 16,996	\$ 4,286	\$	23,112	\$	30,887	\$ 75	,281

### **Off-Balance Sheet Risk**

It is not the Company's usual business practice to enter into off-balance sheet arrangements such as guarantees on loans and financial commitments, indemnification arrangements, and retained interests in assets transferred to an unconsolidated entity for securitization purposes. Certain customers and suppliers of HNH's Joining Materials business choose to do business on a "pool" basis. Such customers or suppliers furnish precious metal to subsidiaries of H&H for return in fabricated form or for purchase from or return to the supplier. When the customer's precious metal is returned in fabricated form, the customer is charged a fabrication charge. The value of pooled precious metal is not included in HNH's balance sheet. As of December 31, 2013, HNH's customer metal consisted of 247,103 ounces of silver, 576 ounces of gold, and 1,392 ounces of palladium.

SPLP uses the same credit policy in making commitments and conditional obligations as it does for on-balance sheet instruments.

WebBank is a party to financial instruments with off-balance sheet risk. In the normal course of business, these financial instruments include commitments to extend credit in the form of loans. Those instruments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit and interest rate risk in excess of the amount recognized on the consolidated balance sheets. The contract amounts of those instruments reflect the extent of involvement WebBank has in particular classes of financial instruments.

WebBank's exposure to credit loss in the event of nonperformance by the other party to the financial instrument for commitments to extend credit is represented by the contractual amount of those instruments.

At December 31, 2013 and 2012, WebBank's undisbursed loan commitments totaled \$28,011 and \$155,378, respectively. Commitments to extend credit are agreements to lend to a customer provided there is no violation of any condition established in the contract. Commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of a fee. Since certain of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. WebBank evaluates each customer's credit worthiness on a case-by-case basis. The amount of collateral obtained if deemed necessary by WebBank upon extension of credit is based on management's credit evaluation of the borrower.

# **Critical Accounting Policies**

A summary of our accounting policies is set forth in Note 2 - "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" to the SPLP consolidated financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K. In our view, the policies that involve the most subjective judgment or that have the potential to materially affect our financial statements are set forth below.

# Investments

For the Diversified Industrial, Energy, Financial Services and other operations, we evaluate our investments as consolidated subsidiaries, associated companies, available-for-sale or held-to-maturity. Held-to-maturity securities are those debt securities that the Company has the ability and intent to hold until maturity. Associated companies are companies where our ownership is between 20% and 50% of the outstanding equity and have the ability to exercise significant influence, but not control over the investee. All other securities not included in held-to-maturity or associated companies are classified as available-for-sale.

Held-to-maturity securities are recorded at amortized cost, adjusted for the amortization or accretion of premiums or discounts. Available-for-sale securities are recorded at fair value. Unrealized holding gains or losses on the majority of available-for-sale securities are excluded from earnings and reported, until realized, in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) as a separate component of SPLP partners' capital. Associated companies and other investments - related party are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. In applying the equity method for investments where the fair value option has not been elected, SPLP records the initial investment at cost and subsequently increases or decreases the investment by its proportionate share of the net income or loss of the investee. Dividends received from investees are recorded as reductions in the carrying value of the investment. For equity method investments which the Company has elected to measure at fair value, unrealized gains and losses are reported in the consolidated statement of operations as part of Income from equity method investments and include income (loss) of certain associated companies and Loss from other investments - related party.

## **Impairment of Investments**

We evaluate our investments for impairment on a quarterly basis and disclose when appropriate if the potential for impairment exists. Our determination of whether a security is other than temporarily impaired incorporates both quantitative and qualitative information; U.S. GAAP requires the exercise of judgment in making this assessment, rather than the application of fixed mathematical criteria. We consider a number of factors including, but not limited to, the length of time and the extent to which the fair value has been less than cost, the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer, the reason for the decline in fair value, changes in fair value subsequent to the balance sheet date, the ability and intent to hold investments to maturity, and other factors specific to the individual investment. Our assessment involves a high degree of judgment and accordingly, actual results may differ materially from those estimates and judgments.

Changes in the local and national economy, the federal and state legislative and regulatory environments for financial institutions, the stock market, interest rates and other external factors (such as natural disasters or significant world events) may

occur from time to time, often with great unpredictability. Such factors may materially impact the fair value of our assets and liabilities. Based on their respective balances as of December 31, 2013, we estimate that in the event of a 10% adverse change in the fair values of our marketable securities and long-term investments, the fair values would decrease by approximately \$17,850 and \$29,500, respectively.

## **Impairment Testing**

We review all of our long-lived assets, including goodwill and other intangible assets, for impairment indicators throughout the year and we perform impairment testing for goodwill and indefinite-lived assets annually and for all other long-lived assets whenever impairment indicators are present. If necessary, we record impairments of long-lived assets for the amount by which the fair value is less than the carrying value of these assets. For a description of our testing approaches see the "Goodwill, Intangibles and Long Lived Asset" section of Note 2 - "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" to the SPLP financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K.

Examples of events or circumstances that may be indicative of impairment include continuing adverse business conditions or legal factors; an adverse action or assessment by a regulator; unanticipated competition; loss of key personnel; the likelihood that a reporting unit or significant portion of a reporting unit will be sold or otherwise disposed; or results of testing for recoverability of a significant asset group within a reporting unit. At December 31, 2013, the book value of goodwill was \$106,768. During 2013 and 2012, there were goodwill impairments of \$3,600 and \$192 recorded by the Energy segment and no impairments of intangible assets. There were no impairments of goodwill or intangible assets in 2011.

#### **Business Combinations**

When we acquire a business, we allocate the purchase price to the assets acquired, liabilities assumed and any noncontrolling interests based on their fair values at the acquisition date. Significant judgment may be used to determine these fair values including the use of appraisals, discounted cash flow models, market value for similar purchases, or other methods applicable to the circumstances. The excess of any purchase price we pay over the fair value of the net assets acquired is recorded as Goodwill. If the fair value of the net assets exceeds the purchase price the excess is treated as a bargain purchase and recognized in income. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

Subsequent to the finalization of the purchase price allocation, any adjustments to the recorded values of acquired assets and liabilities would be reflected in the Company's consolidated statement of operations. Once final, the Company is not permitted to revise the allocation of the original purchase price, even if subsequent events or circumstances prove the Company's original judgments and estimates to be incorrect.

In addition, long-lived assets recorded in a business combination such as property and equipment, intangible assets and goodwill may be deemed to be impaired in the future resulting in the recognition of an impairment loss. The assumptions and judgments made by the Company when recording business combinations will have an impact on reported results of operations in the future.

# Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability (i.e. the "exit price") in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Fair value measurements are classified into three levels based on the reliability of inputs as follows:

Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company has the ability to access at the measurement date. An active market for the asset or liability is a market in which transactions for the asset or liability occur with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis. The valuation under this approach does not entail a significant degree of judgment ("Level 1").

Level 2 inputs are inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Level 2 inputs include: quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability (e.g. interest rates and yield curves observable at commonly quoted intervals or current market) and contractual prices for the underlying financial instrument, as well as other relevant economic measures ("Level 2").

Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability. Unobservable inputs are used to measure fair value to the extent that observable inputs are not available, thereby allowing for situations in which there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability at the measurement date ("Level 3").

In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, an investment's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to the investment. Significant transfers, if any, between the levels within the fair value hierarchy are recognized at the beginning of the reporting period.

### Legal, Environmental and Other Contingencies

The outcomes of legal proceedings and claims brought against us are subject to significant uncertainty. An estimated loss from a loss contingency such as a legal proceeding or environmental remediation obligation or claim is accrued by a charge to income if it is probable that an asset has been impaired or a liability has been incurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Disclosure of a contingency is required if there is at least a reasonable possibility that a loss has been incurred. In determining whether a loss should be accrued we evaluate, among other factors, the degree of probability of an unfavorable outcome and the ability to make a reasonable estimate of the amount of loss. Changes in these factors could materially impact our financial statements.

### **Income Taxes**

We converted into a limited partnership effective December 31, 2008. As a limited partnership, we are generally not responsible for federal and state income taxes and our profits and losses are passed directly to our limited partners for inclusion in their respective income tax returns. Our subsidiaries that are corporate subsidiaries are subject to federal and state income taxes. The table in Note 19 - "Income Taxes" to the SPLP consolidated financial statements, included elsewhere in this Form 10-K, reconciles a hypothetical calculation of federal income taxes based on the federal statutory rate of 35% applied to the (loss) / income from continuing operations before income taxes and associated companies. The tax effect of income passed through to common unitholders is subtracted from the hypothetical calculation.

Our subsidiaries that are subject to income taxes use the liability method of accounting for such taxes. Under the liability method, deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases and operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date. Our subsidiaries and associated companies evaluate the recoverability of deferred tax assets and establish a valuation allowance when it is more likely than not that some portion of the deferred tax assets will not be realized.

When tax returns are filed, it is highly certain that most positions taken would be sustained upon examination by the taxing authorities, while others are subject to uncertainty about the merits of the position taken or the amount of the position that would be ultimately sustained. The benefit of a tax position is recognized in the financial statements in the period during which, based on all available evidence, management believes it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained upon examination, including the resolution of appeals or litigation processes, if any. Tax positions taken are not offset or aggregated with other positions. Tax positions that meet the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold are measured as the largest amount of tax benefit that is more than 50% likely of being realized upon settlement with the applicable taxing authority. The portion of the benefits associated with tax positions taken that exceeds the amount measured as described above is reflected as a liability for unrecognized tax benefits in the accompanying balance sheet, along with any associated interest and penalties that would be payable to the taxing authorities upon examination.

# **Recent Accounting Standards**

See Note 2 - "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" to the SPLP financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K for information on recent accounting standards.

#### Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

In this "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure About Market Risk" section, all dollar amounts are in thousands, except for per share amounts.

Market risk is the risk of loss arising from adverse changes in market rates and prices, such as interest rates, foreign currency exchange rates and commodity prices. Our significant market risks are primarily associated with interest rates, equity prices and, to a lesser extent, derivatives. The following sections address the significant market risks associated with our business activities.

SPLP's quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risk include forward-looking statements with respect to management's opinion about the risk associated with the Company's financial instruments. These statements are based on certain assumptions with respect to market prices, interest rates and other industry-specific risk factors. To the extent these assumptions prove to be inaccurate, future outcomes may differ materially from those discussed herein.

#### **Risks Relating to Investments**

The Company's investments are primarily classified as marketable securities or long-term investments and are primarily recorded on the balance sheet at fair value. These investments are subject to equity price risk. The Company evaluates its investments for impairment on a quarterly basis. At December 31, 2013, marketable securities aggregated approximately \$178,500, of which \$95,300 represented mutual funds and corporate equities that are reported at fair value. A change in the equity price of these securities would result in a change in value of such securities in future periods.

Included in the Company's Long-term investments are available-for-sale equity securities, which are recorded in the balance sheet at an aggregate fair value of \$131,861 (see Note 5 - "Investments" to the SPLP financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K). A change in the equity price of these securities would result in a change in value of such securities in future periods.

The Company is also subject to equity price risk related to its associated company investments in ModusLink, SLI and JPS for which it has elected the fair value option. At December 31, 2013, these investments in associated companies are classified as Long-term investments in the consolidated balance sheets and are carried at a total fair value of \$131,061 (see Note 5 - "Investments" to the SPLP financial statements found elsewhere in this Form 10-K).

#### **Risks Relating to Interest Rates**

# WebBank

The Company through its WebBank subsidiary derives a portion of its income from the excess of interest collected over interest paid. The rates of interest WebBank earns on assets and pays on liabilities generally are established contractually for a period of time. Market interest rates change over time. Accordingly, WebBank's results of operations, like those of most financial institutions, are impacted by changes in interest rates and the interest rate sensitivity of its assets and liabilities. The risk associated with changes in interest rates and the ability to adapt to these changes is known as interest rate risk.

WebBank monitors and measures its exposure to changes in interest rates in order to comply with applicable government regulations and risk policies established by WebBank's Board of Directors, and in order to preserve shareholder value. In monitoring interest rate risk, WebBank analyzes assets and liabilities based on characteristics including size, coupon rate, repricing frequency, maturity date, and likelihood of prepayment.

If WebBank's assets mature or reprice more rapidly or to a greater extent than its liabilities, then net portfolio value and net interest income would tend to increase during periods of rising rates and decrease during periods of falling interest rates. Conversely, if WebBank's assets mature or reprice more slowly or to a lesser extent than its liabilities, then net portfolio value and net interest income would tend to decrease during periods of rising interest rates and increase during periods of falling interest rates.

WebBank currently focuses lending efforts toward originating competitively priced adjustable-rate or fixed-rate loan products with short to intermediate terms to maturity, generally 7 years or less. This theoretically allows WebBank to maintain a portfolio of loans that will have relatively little sensitivity to changes in the level of interest rates, while providing a reasonable spread to the cost of liabilities used to fund the loans.

The principal objective of WebBank's asset/liability management is to manage the sensitivity of Market Value of Equity (MVE) to changing interest rates. Asset/liability management is governed by policies reviewed and approved annually by WebBank's Board of Directors. WebBank's Board of Directors has delegated the responsibility to oversee the administration of these policies to WebBank's asset/liability committee, or ALCO. The interest rate risk strategy currently deployed by ALCO is to primarily use "natural" balance sheet hedging (as opposed to derivative hedging). ALCO fine tunes the overall MVE sensitivity by recommending lending and deposit strategies. WebBank then executes the recommended strategy by increasing or decreasing the duration of the loan and deposit products, resulting in the appropriate level of market risk WebBank's Board of Directors wants to maintain.

WebBank measures interest rate sensitivity as the difference between amounts of interest earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities that mature or reprice within a given period of time. The difference provides an indication of the extent to which an institution's interest rate spread will be affected by changes in interest rates. If the amount of interest rate sensitive assets exceeds the amount of interest rate sensitive liabilities, then the bank is considered to be asset sensitive. If the amount of interest rate sensitive liabilities exceeds the amount of interest rate sensitive assets, then the bank is considered to be liability sensitive. In a rising interest rate environment, an institution that is asset sensitive would be in a better position than an institution that is liability sensitive because the yield on its assets would increase at a faster pace than the cost of its interest bearing liabilities. During a period of falling interest rates, however, an institution that is asset sensitive assets reprice at a faster rate than its liabilities, which would tend to reduce the growth in its net interest income. The opposite is true if the institution is liability sensitive.

WebBank's Board of Directors and relevant government regulations establish limits on the level of acceptable interest rate risk at WebBank, to which management adheres. There can be no assurance, however, that, in the event of an adverse change in interest rates, WebBank's efforts to limit interest rate risk will be successful.

#### HNH

At HNH, the fair value of cash and cash equivalents, receivables, short-term borrowings and accounts payable approximate their carrying values and are relatively insensitive to changes in interest rates due to the short-term maturity of the instruments or the variable nature of underlying interest rates.

At December 31, 2013, HNH's portfolio of long-term debt was comprised primarily of variable rate instruments. Accordingly, the fair value of such instruments may be relatively sensitive to effects of interest rate fluctuations. An increase or decrease in interest expense from a 1% change in interest rates would be approximately \$1,000 on an annual basis based on HNH's debt outstanding as of December 31, 2013. In addition, the fair value of such instruments is also affected by investors' assessments of the risks associated with industries in which HNH operates, as well as its overall creditworthiness and ability to satisfy such obligations upon their maturity.

To manage their interest rate risk exposure and fulfill a requirement of H&H Group's Senior Credit Facility, HNH entered into two interest rate swap agreements to reduce our exposure to interest rate fluctuations. The terms of these agreements are described in Note 14 - "Debt and Capital Lease Obligations" to the SPLP financial statements found elsewhere in this From 10-K.

A reduction in long-term interest rates could materially increase HNH's cash funding obligations to the WHX Pension Plan.

# Steel Excel

Steel Excel is exposed to interest rate risk in connection with its borrowings under a credit facility that aggregated \$92,500 at December 31, 2013. Interest rates on funds borrowed under the credit facility vary based on changes to the prime rate, LIBOR, or the Federal funds rate. A change in interest rates of 1.0% would result in an annual change in income before taxes of \$925 based on the outstanding balance under the credit facility at December 31, 2013.

Steel Excel is also exposed to interest rate risk related to certain of its investments in marketable securities. At December 31, 2013, Steel Excel's marketable securities aggregated \$178,500, of which \$84,100 represented corporate obligations, commercial paper, and United States government securities that pay a fixed rate of interest and are reported at fair value. A change in interest rates would result in a change in the value of such securities in future periods. Although a change in interest rates in future periods will not affect the amount of interest income earned on the specific securities held at

December 31, 2013, a change in interest rates of 1.0% would result in an annual change in income before taxes of \$800 in future periods if comparable amounts were invested in similar securities.

### **Risks Relating to Commodity Prices**

In the normal course of business, HNH and its subsidiaries are exposed to market risk or price fluctuations related to the purchase of natural gas, electricity, precious metals, steel products and certain non-ferrous metals used as raw materials. HNH is also exposed to the effects of price fluctuations on the value of its commodity inventories, specifically, its precious metal inventory. The raw materials and energy which we use are largely commodities, subject to price volatility caused by changes in global supply and demand and governmental controls.

HNH's market risk strategy has generally been to obtain competitive prices for its products and services, sourced from more than one vendor, and allow operating results to reflect market price movements dictated by supply and demand.

HNH enters into commodity futures and forward contracts to mitigate the impact of price fluctuations on its precious and certain non-precious metal inventories that are not subject to fixed price contracts. Futures and forward contracts are the derivatives used for this objective. Certain of these derivatives are not designated as accounting hedges under Accounting Standards Codification Subtopic 815-10, *Derivatives and Hedging*. As of December 31, 2013, HNH had entered into futures contracts, with settlement dates ranging from February 2014 to March 2014, for silver with a total value of \$12,600, for gold with a total value of \$1,200 and for tin with a total value of \$900.

Certain customers and suppliers of HNH choose to do business on a "toll" basis. Such customers or suppliers furnish precious metal to subsidiaries of H&H for return in fabricated form or for purchase from or return to the supplier. When the customer's precious metal is returned in fabricated form, the customer is charged a fabrication charge. The value of pooled precious metal is not included in HNH's balance sheet. As of December 31, 2013, HNH's customer metal consisted of 247,103 ounces of silver, 576 ounces of gold, and 1,392 ounces of palladium. As of December 31, 2012, HNH's customer metal consisted of 208,433 ounces of silver, 541 ounces of gold, and 1,399 ounces of palladium.

To the extent that we have not mitigated our exposure to rising raw material and energy prices, we may not be able to increase our prices to our customers to offset such potential raw material or energy price increases, which could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and operating cash flows.

# **Risks Relating to Foreign Currency Exchange**

The Company, primarily through its HNH subsidiary, manufactures and sells its products in a number of countries throughout the world and, as a result, is exposed to movements in foreign currency exchange rates. The Company's major foreign currency exposures involve the markets in Asia, Europe, Canada and Mexico. The Company is subject to the risk of price fluctuations related to anticipated revenues and operating costs, firm commitments for capital expenditures and existing assets or liabilities denominated in currencies other than U.S. dollars. The Company and HNH have not generally used derivative instruments to manage these specific risks. For the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011, the Company incurred losses from foreign currency financial instruments of \$174, \$787 and \$4,903, respectively. Financial instruments include amounts payable in foreign currencies of \$25,090 and \$24,742 at December 31, 2013 and 2012, primarily relating to the British Pound, which are subject to the risk of exchange rate changes. These financial instruments are collateralized by an equivalent amount included in restricted cash and have no maturity date.

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Board of Directors and Shareholders Steel Partners Holdings L.P. New York, New York

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Steel Partners Holdings L.P. and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2013 and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, changes in capital and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Steel Partners Holdings L.P. and subsidiaries at December 31, 2013, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2013, based on criteria established in Internal *Control - Integrated Framework (1992)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission, and our report dated March 12, 2014 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ BDO USA, LLP

New York, New York March 12, 2014

Board of Directors and Shareholders Steel Partners Holdings L.P. New York, New York

We have audited Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2013, based on criteria established in Internal Control-Integrated Framework (1992) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (the COSO criteria). Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting appearing under Item 9A. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audit also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed 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. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, Steel Partners Holdings L.P. maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2013, based on the COSO criteria.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheet of Steel Partners Holdings L.P. as of December 31, 2013 and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, changes in capital, and cash flows for the year then ended, and our report dated March 12, 2014 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ BDO USA, LLP

New York, New York March 12, 2014

Board of Directors and Shareholders Steel Partners Holdings, L.P.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Steel Partners Holdings, L.P. (a Delaware corporation) and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2012, and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income (loss), changes in capital, and cash flows for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2012. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We did not audit the financial statements of Steel Excel Inc. and Subsidiaries (from May 31, 2012, date of consolidated total assets on our audits. We be be assets constituting \$563 million, , of the consolidated total assets as of December 31, 2012, and total revenues of \$93.6 million, and \$15.1 million, respectively, of the consolidated total revenues for the two years then ended. Those statements were audited by other auditors, whose reports have been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for Steel Excel Inc. and Subsidiaries, WebFinancial Holding Corporation and WF Asset Corp., is based solely on the reports of the other auditors.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits and the reports of the other auditors provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, based on our audits and the reports of the other auditors, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Steel Partners Holdings, L.P. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2012, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2012 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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New York, New York

March 21, 2013 (except Note 4, as to which the date is March 12, 2014)

Board of Directors and Stockholders Steel Excel, Inc. San Ramon, California

We have audited the consolidated balance sheet of Steel Excel Inc. (formerly ADPT Corporation) as of December 31, 2012 and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income (loss), stockholders' equity and cash flows for the year then ended (not presented herein). These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Steel Excel Inc. at December 31, 2012, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ BDO USA, LLP

San Jose, California March 8, 2013



Certified Public Accountants

# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders WebFinancial Holding Corporation and subsidiaries

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of WebFinancial Holding Corporation and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2012 and 2011 and the related consolidated statements of operations, equity and cash flows for the years then ended. WebFinancial Holding Corporation's management is responsible for these financial statements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of WebFinancial Holding Corporation as of December 31, 2012 and 2011and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### /s/HANSEN, BARNETT & MAXWELL P.C.

Salt Lake City, Utah February 21, 2013



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# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders WF Asset Corp

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of WF Asset Corp as of December 31,

2012 and 2011 and the related consolidated statements of operations, equity and cash flows for the years then ended. WF Asset Corp's management is responsible for these financial statements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of WF Asset Corp as of December 31, 2012 and 2011 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## /s/HANSEN, BARNETT & MAXWELL P.C.

Salt Lake City, Utah February 21, 2013



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# STEEL PARTNERS HOLDINGS L.P. Consolidated Balance Sheets (in thousands except common units)

	D	ecember 31, 2013	D	ecember 31, 2012
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	203,980	\$	198,027
Restricted cash		26,340		28,180
Marketable securities		178,485		199,128
Trade and other receivables (net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$1,981 in 2013 and \$2,004 in 2012)		102,413		84,014
Receivable from related parties		1,050		145
Loans receivable, net		26,360		51,899
Inventories, net		66,639		48,823
Deferred tax assets - current		21,722		24,029
Prepaid and other current assets		16,555		13,780
Assets of discontinued operations		4,406		45,850
Total current assets		647,950		693,875
Long-term loans receivable, net		49,956		16,216
Goodwill		106,768		63,622
Other intangibles, net		134,217		125,912
Deferred tax assets - non-current		33,096		77,101
Other non-current assets		43,013		24,186
Property, plant and equipment, net		211,150		177,582
Long-term investments		295,440		199,865
Total Assets	\$	1,521,590	\$	1,378,359

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

# STEEL PARTNERS HOLDINGS L.P. Consolidated Balance Sheets (in thousands except common units) (continued)

	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 39,273	\$ 33,984
Accrued liabilities	45,349	45,405
Financial instruments	25,090	24,742
Deposits	87,319	43,744
Payable to related parties	2,572	2,716
Short-term debt	650	1,124
Current portion of long-term debt	26,033	13,025
Deferred tax liabilities - current	3,045	1,022
Other current liabilities	4,586	4,629
Liabilities of discontinued operations	1,138	9,160
Total current liabilities	235,055	179,551
Long-term deposits	30,887	34,865
Long-term debt	223,355	140,065
Accrued pension liability	143,705	217,141
Deferred tax liabilities - non-current	3,218	5,736
Other liabilities	12,710	24,254
Total Liabilities	648,930	601,612
Commitments and Contingencies		
Capital:		
Partners' capital common units: 31,129,065 and 30,786,100 issued and outstanding (after deducting 5,373,241 and 4,154,371 held in treasury, at cost of \$78,977 and \$63,181) at December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012,		
respectively	574,998	545,206
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	41,584	(17,862)
Total Partners' Capital	616,582	527,344
Noncontrolling interests in consolidated entities	256,078	249,403
Total Capital	872,660	776,747
Total Liabilities and Capital	\$ 1,521,590	\$ 1,378,359

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

# STEEL PARTNERS HOLDINGS L.P. Consolidated Statements of Operations (in thousands except common units and per common unit data)

		Year Ended December 31,						
	2013		2012		2011			
Revenue								
Diversified industrial net sales	\$ 655,	224	\$ 579,528	\$	579,764			
Energy net sales	120,	029	92,834		32,984			
Financial services revenue	28,	185	21,155		14,921			
Investment and other income		665	2,347		867			
Net investment gains (losses)	1,	071	15,722		(4,352			
Total revenue	805,	174	711,586		624,184			
Costs and expenses								
Cost of goods sold	556,	374	470,885		440,965			
Selling, general and administrative expenses	216,	092	169,776		137,792			
Impairment charges	2,	689	1,602		1,505			
Finance interest expense		698	1,176		1,571			
(Recovery of) provision for loan losses		(80)	(415)		8			
Interest expense	5,	786	13,429		12,424			
Realized and unrealized (gain) loss on derivatives	(1,	195)	(1,352)		397			
Deferred fee liability to related party - increase (decrease)		_	11,448		(6,107			
Other (income) loss	(2,	093)	609		(7,808			
Total costs and expenses	778,	271	667,158		580,752			
Income from continuing operations before income taxes and equity method income (loss)	26,	903	44,428		43,43			
ncome tax provision (benefit)	10,		16,833		(64,96			
ncome from equity method investments and investments held at fair value:	.,				(- )			
Income (Loss) of associated companies, net of taxes	27.	786	14,204		(13,82)			
Loss from other investments - related party		271)	(8,329)		(15,74)			
Income (Loss) from investments held at fair value		811	18,967		(18)			
Net income from continuing operations		985	52,437		78,65			
Discontinued operations:	·	-			i			
(Loss) Income from discontinued operations, net of taxes	(6,	838)	4,165		1,65			
Gain on sale of discontinued operations, net of taxes		673	7,163		97:			
(Loss) Income from discontinued operations		165)	11,328		2,620			
Net income	44,	<u> </u>	63,765		81,27			
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests in consolidated entities:	,		,					
Continuing operations	(26,	245)	(17,575)		(44,64)			
Discontinued operations		885	(5,172)		(1,16)			
	(25,		(22,747)		(45,808			
Net income attributable to common unitholders	·		\$ 41,018	\$	35,469			
Net income per common unit - basic								
Net income from continuing operations	\$ (	.63	\$ 1.17	\$	1.3			
Net income from discontinued operations		.02	0.21	+	0.00			
Net income attributable to common unitholders			\$ 1.38	\$	1.4			
Net income per common unit - diluted								
Net income from continuing operations	\$ (	.61	\$ 1.17	\$	0.94			
Net income from discontinued operations		.01	0.21	Ψ	0.0			
Net income attributable to common unitholders			\$ 1.38	\$	0.0			
Weighted average number of common units outstanding - basic			29,748,746	Ŷ	25,232,98			
Weighted average number of common units outstanding - dasic	30,798,		29,746,746		29,669,58			
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See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

# STEEL PARTNERS HOLDINGS L.P. Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (in thousands)

	Year Ended December 31,						
		2013		2012		2011	
Net income	\$	44,820	\$	63,765	\$	81,277	
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:							
Unrealized gains on available for sale securities, net of tax (a)		44,193		8,337		14,114	
Currency translation adjustments		(2,812)		(477)		(4,896)	
Change in net pension liability and post-retirement benefit obligations, net of tax (b)		39,147		(32,881)		(56,045)	
Other comprehensive income (loss)		80,528		(25,021)		(46,827)	
Comprehensive income		125,348		38,744		34,450	
Comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interests		(46,442)		(3,851)		(18,480)	
Comprehensive income attributable to common unit holders	\$	78,906	\$	34,893	\$	15,970	

(a) Includes a net tax provision of \$6,565, a net tax benefit of \$5,826 and net tax provision of \$3,014 for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

(b) Includes a net tax provision of \$28,773, for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and a net tax benefit of \$16,635 and \$30,273, for the twelve months ended 2012 and 2011, respectively.

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

# STEEL PARTNERS HOLDINGS L.P. Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (in thousands)

	 Year Ended December 31,						
	 2013	2012	2011				
Cash flows from operating activities:							
Net income	\$ 44,820	\$ 63,765	\$	81,277			
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:							
Net investment (gains) losses	(1,071)	(15,722)		4,352			
(Recovery of) Provision for loan losses	(80)	(415)		8			
(Income) loss of associated companies	(27,786)	(14,204)		13,823			
Loss from other investments - related party	271	8,329		15,743			
(Income) Loss from investments held at fair value	(811)	(18,967)		183			
Gain on sale of discontinued operations	(6,673)	(7,163)		(971)			
Deferred income taxes	5,720	15,966		16,340			
Income tax benefit from release of deferred tax valuation allowance	(7,236)	(5,500)		(82,731)			
Non-cash income from derivatives	1,051	(1,379)		(811)			
Accrued interest not paid in cash	_	(125)		1,802			
Depreciation and amortization	35,351	27,341		20,738			
Loss (gain) on extinguishment of debt	1,782	_		(189)			
Amortization of debt related costs	852	2,551		2,216			
Reclassification of net cash settlements on derivative instruments	(2,346)	(193)		1,047			
Stock based compensation	34,282	7,452		4,509			
Impairment charges	2,689	1,602		1,505			
Bargain purchase gain	_	_		(8,978)			
Other	(2,439)	2,237		(814)			
Net change in operating assets and liabilities:							
Receivables	4,889	14,519		(9,799)			
Receivables from related parties	(797)	428		1,347			
Inventories	2,324	(117)		380			
Prepaid and other assets	(806)	1,463		676			
Accounts payable, accrued and other liabilities	(20,255)	(13,893)		(30,137)			
Payable to related parties	(136)	(3,745)		660			
Increase (decrease) in deferred fee liability to related party	_	11,448		(6,107)			
Net decrease (increase _in loans held for sale	26,379	(20,142)		(18,460)			
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities of discontinued operations	4,978	9,962		(2,121)			
Net cash provided by operating activities	94,952	65,498		5,488			
Cash flows from investing activities:	 			i			
Purchases of investments	(242,238)	(216,669)		(187,459)			
Proceeds from sales of investments	104,545	263,334		46,220			
Net increase in time deposits placed and other short-term investments	_			851			
Adurities of marketable securities	146,491	_		_			
Vet (increase) decrease in loans receivable	(34,619)	(3,796)		2,447			
Purchases of property and equipment	(25,367)	(35,682)		(20,712)			
Reclassification of restricted cash	(1,554)	(1,006)		119,962			
Vet cash settlements on derivative instruments	2,346	193		(1,047)			
Proceeds from sale of assets	1,081	7,731		1,648			
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(130,528)	29,941		(35,751)			
Purchases of subsidiary shares from noncontrolling interests	(100,020)	(5,452)		(8,827)			
nvestments in associated companies	(36,018)	(16,628)		(23,072)			
Proceeds from sales of discontinued operations	45,334	33,505		26,532			
Vet cash used in investing activities of discontinued operations	(102)			(1,466)			
		(574)					
Dther	 617	(666)		(388)			
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities	 (170,929)	54,231		(81,062)			

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements



# STEEL PARTNERS HOLDINGS L.P. Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (continued) (in thousands)

	Year Ended December 31,				
	 2013		2012		2011
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Common unit cash distributions	—		—		(29,868)
Proceeds from term loans	105,000		116,838		67,981
Repurchases of Subordinated Notes	(11,323)		(10,847)		—
Net revolver borrowings	30,950		(23,849)		(18,785)
Net borrowings of term loans - foreign	—		1,547		—
Repayments of term loans - foreign	(3,517)				(707)
Repayments of term loans - domestic	(27,158)		(95,833)		(26,874)
Return of capital paid to noncontrolling interest holders	—		(10,316)		—
Subsidiary's purchases of their treasury stock	(50,144)		(2,776)		—
Purchases of treasury units	(106)				—
Deferred finance charges	(2,139)		(2,743)		(2,395)
Net change in overdrafts	1,761		(1,365)		95
Net increase (decrease) in deposits	39,567		(16,273)		33,189
Net cash used in financing activities of discontinued operations	—		—		(219)
Other	(834)		(3,380)		(225)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	82,057		(48,997)		22,192
Net change for the period	6,080		70,732		(53,382)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(127)		268		(275)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	198,027		127,027		180,684
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 203,980	\$	198,027	\$	127,027
Cash paid during the period for:	 				
Interest	\$ 12,103	\$	13,185	\$	13,591
Taxes	\$ 16,720	\$	6,611	\$	5,053
Non-cash investing activities:					
Reclassification of investment in associated company to cost of an acquisition	\$ _	\$	137,532	\$	34,066
Net (increase) decrease in restricted cash from purchase of foreign currency financial instruments	\$ (377)	\$	(1,006)	\$	114,087
Net transfers between loans and other assets	\$ 119	\$	_	\$	569
Purchase of equipment through capital lease obligations	\$ _	\$	_	\$	969
Non-cash financing activities:					
Sale of property for mortgage note receivable	\$ —	\$	842	\$	—
Common units issued for directors compensation	\$ _	\$		\$	275

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

# STEEL PARTNERS HOLDINGS L.P. Consolidated Statements of Changes in Capital (in thousands except common units and treasury units)

Steel Partners Holdings L.P. Common Unit Holders

-		Steel Pa	rtner	s Holdings I	L.P. (	Common Unit	Hol	ders						
	Common	Treasur	y Unit	s	Other		Accumulated Other Comprehensive	Other		I	Non-controlling Interests in Consolidated		Total	
	Units	Units		Dollars		Capital		Income (Loss)		Capital		Entities		Capital
Balance at December 31, 2010	27,977,584	(2,726,030)	\$	(47,107)	\$	397,970	\$	7,762	\$	405,732	\$	24,580	\$	430,312
Units issued	14,180					275				275		_	\$	275
Net income						35,469				35,469		45,808		81,277
Unrealized loss on available-for-sale investments								11,831		11,831		2,283		14,114
Currency translation adjustment								(3,502)		(3,502)		(1,394)		(4,896)
Change in net pension and other benefit obligations								(35,149)		(35,149)		(28,217)		(63,366)
Change in net pension and retiree medical liability								7,321		7,321		_		7,321
DGT acquisition												22,670		22,670
Purchases of treasury units		(82,695)		(992)		(992)				(992)		—		(992)
Issuance of subsidiary shares												3,088		3,088
Purchase of subsidiary shares from noncontrolling interests						(4,632)				(4,632)		(4,195)		(8,827)
Other, net						(556)				(556)		_		(556)
Balance at December 31, 2011	27,991,764	(2,808,725)		(48,099)		427,534		(11,737)		415,797		64,623		480,420
Net income						19,460				41,018		22,747		63,765
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale investments								12,170		12,170		(3,833)		8,337
Currency translation adjustment								(214)		(214)		(263)		(477)
Changes in pension liabilities and post-retirement benefit obligations								(18,081)		(18,081)		(14,800)		(32,881)
Deferred fee liability settlement	6,939,647					70,195				70,195		_		70,195
Vesting of restricted units	9,060									_		_		_
Steel Excel acquisition										_		189,598		189,598
Return of capital to noncontrolling interest holders										_		(10,316)		(10,316)
Excess of fair value received over carrying value of Sun Well in the Steel Excel acquisition						22,278				22,278		3,959		26,237
Subsidiary's purchases of the Company's common units		(1,345,646)		(15,082)		(15,082)				(15,082)		_		(15,082)
Purchases of subsidiary shares, net of issuances						(3,223)				(3,223)		(2,237)		(5,460)
Other, net						2,486				2,486		(75)		2,411
Balance at December 31, 2012	34,940,471	(4,154,371)	\$	(63,181)		545,206		(17,862)		527,344		249,403		776,747
Net income						19,460				19,460		25,360		44,820
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale investments								39,422		39,422		4,771		44,193
Currency translation adjustment								(1,504)		(1,504)		(1,308)		(2,812)
Changes in pension liabilities and post-retirement benefit obligations								21,528		21,528		17,619		39,147
Acquisition by subsidiary										_		2,896		2,896
Incentive units and vesting of restricted units	1,561,835					26,957				26,957		_		26,957
Equity compensation - subsidiaries						4,391				4,391		3,547		7,938
Subsidiary's purchases of the Company's common units		(1,212,855)		(15,690)		(15,690)				(15,690)		_		(15,690)
Purchases of treasury units		(6,015)		(106)		(106)				(106)		_		(106)
Subsidiary's purchases of their treasury stock						(3,553)				(3,553)		(46,591)		(50,144)
Purchases of subsidiary shares from noncontrolling interests						(1,299)				(1,299)		383		(916)
Other, net						(368)				(368)		(2)		(370)
Balance at December 31, 2013	36,502,306	(5,373,241)	\$	(78,977)	\$	574,998	\$	41,584	\$	616,582	\$	256,078	\$	872,660

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

# 1. NATURE OF THE BUSINESS AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

# Nature of the Business

Steel Partners Holdings L.P. ("SPLP" or the "Company") is a global diversified holding company that engages in multiple businesses, including diversified industrial products, energy, defense, supply chain management and logistics, banking, food products and services, oilfield services, sports, training, education, and the entertainment and lifestyle industries.

The Company works with its businesses to increase corporate value for all stakeholders and shareholders by utilizing Steel Partners Operational Excellence programs, the Steel Partners Purchasing Council, Steel Partners Corporate Services, balance sheet improvements, capital allocation policies and growth initiatives. All of the Company's programs are focused on helping SPLP companies strengthen their competitive advantage and increase their profitability, while enabling them to achieve operational excellence and enhanced customer satisfaction.

SPLP operates through the following segments: Diversified Industrial, Energy, Financial Services, and Corporate and Other which are managed separately and offer different products and services. For additional details related to the Company's reportable segments see Note 18 - "Segment Information."

Steel Partners Holdings GP Inc. ("SPH GP"), a Delaware corporation, is the general partner of SPLP and is wholly-owned by SPLP. The Company is managed by SP General Services LLC (the "Manager"), pursuant to the terms of an amended and restated management agreement (the "Management Agreement") discussed in further detail in Note 13 - "Related party Transactions".

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its majority or wholly-owned subsidiaries, which include the following:

	Ownership as of December 31,			
	2013	2012		
BNS Holding, Inc. ("BNS") and BNS Liquidating Trust ("BNS Liquidating Trust") (a)	84.9%	84.9%		
DGT Holdings Corp. ("DGT") (b)	76.7%	59.2%		
Handy & Harman Ltd. ("HNH")	54.9%	54.3%		
SPH Services, Inc. ("SPH Services")	100.0%	100.0%		
Steel Excel Inc. ("Steel Excel")	55.1%	51.2%		
WebFinancial Holding Corporation ("WebFinancial")	100.0%	100.0%		

(a) In 2011, BNS changed its fiscal year end from October 31 to December 31. The twelve months ended December 31, 2011 includes two additional months for BNS, November and December of 2010.

(b) DGT's financial statements are recorded on a two-month lag, and as a result the balance sheet and statement of operations as of and for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 includes DGT's activity as of and for its twelve months ended October 27, 2013.

Acquired companies are presented from their dates of acquisition (see Note 3 - "Acquisitions"). Significant inter-company accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. The results of operations for businesses that have been disposed of are eliminated from the results of the Company's continuing operations and classified as discontinued operations for each period presented in the Company's consolidated income statement. Similarly, the assets and liabilities of such businesses are reclassified from continuing operations and presented as discontinued operations for each period presented in the Company no longer has continuing involvement in their operations and no longer has significant continuing cash flows from their operation. See note 4 - "Discontinued Operations" for additional information.



Certain prior period amounts in the Consolidated Statements of Operations, Balance Sheets and Statement of Cash Flows have been reclassified to conform to the comparable 2013 presentation.

# 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Company's consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP").

# **Use of Estimates in Preparation of Consolidated Financial Statements**

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenues, expenses, unrealized gains and losses during the reporting period. The more significant estimates include: (1) the valuation allowances of accounts receivable and inventory; (2) the valuation of goodwill, indefinite-lived intangible assets, long-lived assets and associated companies; (3) deferred tax assets; (4) environmental liabilities; (5) fair value of derivatives; (6) post-employment benefit liabilities; (7) estimates and assumptions used in the determination of fair value of certain securities, such as whether declines in value of securities are other than temporary; and (8) estimates of loan losses. Actual results may differ from the estimates used in preparing the consolidated financial statements; and, due to substantial holdings in and/or restrictions on certain investments, the value that may be realized could differ from the estimated fair value.

# **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash and deposits in depository institutions, financial institutions and banks. Cash at December 31, 2013 and 2012 also includes \$1,483 and \$3,022, respectively, of WebBank Federal Funds sold. The Company considers all highly liquid debt instruments with maturities of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents exclude amounts where availability is restricted by loan agreements or other contractual provisions. Cash equivalents are stated at cost, which approximates market. There is a significant concentration of cash that, during the periods presented, exceeded the federal deposit insurance limits and exposed the Company to credit risk. SPLP does not anticipate any losses due to this concentration of cash at December 31, 2013.

### **Restricted Cash**

Restricted cash primarily represents cash collateral for foreign currency forward positions (see Note 7 - "Financial Instruments" for additional information). Restricted cash is reported separately as a current asset in the consolidated balance sheets at December 31, 2013 and 2012.

# **Trade Accounts Receivable and allowance for Doubtful Accounts**

The Company's subsidiaries extend credit to customers in the normal course of business. Collateral is not generally required for trade accounts receivable. Allowances for accounts that may become uncollectible are made and such amounts are charged to the statement of operations. This estimated allowance is based primarily on management's evaluation of the financial condition of the customer, historical experience, credit quality, whether any amounts are currently past due, the length of time accounts may be past due, previous loss history and management's determination of a customer's current ability to pay its obligations. Trade accounts receivable balances are charged off against the allowance when it is determined that the receivable will not be recovered, and payments subsequently received on such receivables are credited to recovery of accounts written off. Interest is generally not charged on past due receivables. The Company believes that the credit risk with respect to trade accounts receivable is limited due to this credit evaluation process, the allowance for doubtful accounts that has been established, and the diversified nature of its customer base. As of December 31, 2013, the top 10 of the Company's largest customer balances accounted for 23% of the Company's trade receivables.

# Loans Receivable

WebBank grants commercial and consumer loans to customers. Loans that WebBank has the intent and ability to hold for the foreseeable future or until maturity or pay-off generally are reported at their outstanding unpaid principal balances adjusted for charge-offs, an allowance for loan losses, and any deferred fees or costs on originated loans. Interest income is accrued on the unpaid principal balance. Loan origination fees, net of certain direct origination costs, are deferred and recognized as an adjustment of the related loan yield. The accrual of interest on loans is generally discontinued at the time the

loan is 90 days delinquent unless the credit is well-secured and in process of collection. Loans are placed on nonaccrual or charged-off at an earlier date if collection of principal or interest is considered doubtful. All interest accrued but not collected for loans that are placed on nonaccrual is reversed against interest income. The interest on these loans is accounted for on the cash-basis or cost-recovery method, until qualifying for return to accrual. Loans are returned to accrual status when all the principal and interest amounts contractually due are brought current and future payments are reasonably assured.

WebBank has originated government guaranteed loans to customers under a United States Department of Agriculture ("USDA") program and Small Business Administration ("SBA") program. The USDA program guarantees 70% to 90% of each loan and the SBA loans provide guarantees of 75% to 85% of each loan. Generally, WebBank sells the guaranteed portion of each loan to a third party and retains the unguaranteed portion in its own portfolio. Loans held for sale are carried at the lower of cost or estimated market value in the aggregate. WebBank is required to retain a minimum of 5% of each USDA loan sold and 10% of each SBA loan sold and to service the loan for the investor. Based on the specific loan sale agreement that WebBank enters into with the investor, the difference between the yield on the loan and the yield paid to the buyer is the servicing fee. Fees earned for servicing loans for others are reported as income when the related loan payments are collected, less amortization of the servicing asset. Loan servicing costs are charged to expense as incurred. Servicing assets represent the allocated value of retained servicing rights on loans sold.

#### Loan Impairment and Allowance for Loan Losses

A loan is considered impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable that WebBank will be unable to collect the scheduled payments of principal and interest when due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Factors considered by WebBank in determining impairment include payment status, collateral value, and the probability of collecting scheduled principal and interest payments when due. Loans that experience insignificant payment delays and payment shortfalls generally are not classified as impaired. WebBank determines the significance of payment delays and payment shortfalls on a case-by-case basis. Impairment is measured on a loan by loan basis by either the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate, the loan's observable fair value, or the fair value of the collateral, less any selling costs, if the loan is secured by collateral. Large groups of smaller balance homogeneous loans are collectively evaluated for impairment.

The allowance for loan losses is established as losses are estimated to have occurred through a provision for loan losses and is charged to earnings. Loan losses are charged against the allowance when WebBank believes the uncollectibility of a loan or receivable balance is confirmed. Subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance. The allowance for loan losses is evaluated on a regular basis by WebBank and is inherently subjective as it requires estimates that are susceptible to significant revision as more information becomes available.

## Servicing Assets

The servicing assets of WebBank represent the allocated value of retained servicing rights on loans sold. Servicing assets are expensed in proportion to, and over the period of, estimated net servicing revenues. Impairment is evaluated based on stratifying the underlying financial assets by date of origination and term. Fair value is based upon discounted cash flows using market-based assumptions. Any impairment, if temporary, of a grouping is reported as a valuation allowance, to the extent that fair value is less than the capitalized amount for the grouping. The Bank has one class of servicing assets; the sold guaranteed portion of USDA and SBA loans. Servicing fees are included in other noninterest income. When loans are charged off, the related servicing asset is also removed as a charge to operations.

### **Investments**

#### Debt and Equity Securities

SPLP determines the appropriate classifications of its investments in debt and equity securities at the acquisition date and re-evaluates the classifications at each balance sheet date. SPLP classifies its investments as held-to-maturity or available-for-sale. Held-to-maturity investments are carried at amortized cost. All other securities are classified as available-for-sale, which are recorded at estimated fair value with unrealized holding gains or losses excluded from earnings and reported, until realized, in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) as a separate component of partners' capital.

Dividend and interest income are recognized when earned. Realized gains and losses on securities are included in earnings and are derived using the specific-identification method. Commission expense is recorded as a reduction of sales

proceeds on investment sales. Commission expense on purchases is included in the cost of investments in the consolidated balance sheets.

#### Other Than Temporary Impairment

If the Company believes a decline in the market value of any available-for-sale or held-to-maturity security below cost is other than temporary, a loss is charged to earnings, which establishes a new cost basis for the security. Impairment losses are included in Asset impairment charges in the consolidated statements of operations. SPLP's determination of whether a security is other than temporarily impaired incorporates both quantitative and qualitative information; U.S. GAAP requires the exercise of judgment in making this assessment, rather than the application of fixed mathematical criteria. The Company considers a number of factors including, but not limited to, the length of time and the extent to which the fair value has been less than cost, the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer, the reason for the decline in fair value, changes in fair value subsequent to the balance sheet date, the ability and intent to hold investments to maturity, and other factors specific to the individual investment. SPLP's assessment involves a high degree of judgment and accordingly, actual results may differ materially from those estimates and judgments.

## Equity Method Investments

SPLP uses the equity method of accounting for investments where it has the ability to exercise significant influence, but not control, over the operating and financial policies of the investee. Significant influence is generally presumed to exist if the Company has an ownership interest in the voting stock of the investee between 20% and 50%, although other factors, such as representation on the investee's board of directors, are considered in determining whether the equity method of accounting is appropriate. For the equity method investments where the fair value option has not been elected, SPLP records the investment at cost and subsequently increases or decreases the investment by its proportionate share of the net income or losses and other comprehensive income of the investee. Dividends received from investees are recorded as reductions in the carrying value of the investment. For equity method investments where the fair value option has been elected, unrealized gains and losses are reported in the consolidated statement of operations as part of income (loss) from equity method investments and includes income (loss) of certain associated companies and income (loss) from other investments - related party. In applying the equity method with respect to investments previously accounted for as available-for-sale, and if the fair value option has not been elected, the carrying value of the investment is adjusted as if the equity method had been applied from the time the investment was first acquired.

# **Variable Interest Entities**

For each Variable Interest Entity ("VIE") in which it holds a variable interest, the Company initially determines whether it is the primary beneficiary of the VIE by performing a quantitative and qualitative analysis of the Company's obligation to absorb expected losses and its right to receive expected residual benefits of the VIE and evaluating the VIE's capital structure, the contractual terms affecting the management and operation of the VIE, related party relationships of SPLP, and which interests create and absorb variability. The determination of whether the Company is the primary beneficiary of each variable interest entity is reviewed upon the occurrence of certain reconsideration events.

The Company holds variable interests in each series of the SPII Liquidating Trust (see Note 5 - "Investments"). The purpose of the SPII Liquidating Trust is to effect the orderly liquidation of certain assets previously held by SPII. The Company determined that each VIE in which it held a variable interest since January 1, 2010 met the deferral criteria of Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 810. Accordingly, these VIEs will continue to be assessed under the overall guidance on the consolidation of VIEs or other applicable guidance.

The Company has determined that it is not the primary beneficiary of any series of the SPII Liquidating Trust because it does not absorb a majority of the expected losses or receive a majority of the expected residual returns based on its equity ownership interests in each of the series. In addition, there are no related parties of SPLP that, when considered together as a group, would cause the Company and its related party group to absorb a majority of expected losses or receive a majority of the expected residual returns. There are also no other contractual arrangements that would cause the Company to absorb a majority of the expected losses or receive a majority the expected residual returns. The Company also does not have a defacto agency relationship with any series of the SPII Liquidating Trust.

## **Inventories**

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market. Cost is determined by the last-in, first-out ("LIFO") method for certain precious metal inventory held in the United States. Non-precious metal inventories and remaining precious metal inventory are stated at the lower of cost (determined by the first-in, first-out method or average cost method) or market. For precious metal inventory, no segregation among raw materials, work in process and finished products is practicable.

Non-precious metal inventories are evaluated for estimated excess and obsolescence based upon assumptions about future demand and market conditions and are adjusted accordingly. If actual market conditions are less favorable than those projected, write-downs may be required.

# **Derivatives and Risks**

# Precious Metals Risk

H&H's precious metal and commodity inventories are subject to market price fluctuations. H&H enters into commodity futures and forward contracts to mitigate the impact of price fluctuations on its precious and certain non-precious metal inventories that are not subject to fixed price contracts. The Company's hedging strategy is designed to protect it against normal volatility; therefore, abnormal price increases in these commodities or markets could negatively impact H&H's earnings. H&H does not enter into derivatives or other financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes. H&H accounts for these contracts as either fair value hedges or economic hedges under the guidance in ASC 815, *Derivatives and Hedging*.

*Fair Value Hedges.* The fair values of these derivatives are recognized as derivative assets and liabilities on the consolidated balance sheet. The net change in fair value of the derivative assets and liabilities and the change in the fair value of the underlying hedged inventory are recognized in the consolidated income statement, and such amounts principally offset each other due to the effectiveness of the hedges. The fair value hedges are associated primarily with HNH's precious metal inventory carried at fair value.

*Economic Hedges.* As these derivatives are not designated as accounting hedges under ASC 815, they are accounted for as derivatives with no hedge designation. The derivatives are marked to market and both realized and unrealized gains and losses are recorded in current period earnings in the consolidated income statement. The economic hedges are associated primarily with the Company's precious metal inventory valued using the LIFO method.

# Interest Rate Risk

HNH enters into interest rate swap agreements in order to economically hedge a portion of its debt, which is subject to variable interest rates. As these derivatives are not designated as accounting hedges under U.S. GAAP, they are accounted for as derivatives with no hedge designation. HNH records the expense (or gain) both from the mark-to-market adjustments and net settlements in interest expense in the consolidated income statement as the hedges are intended to offset interest rate movements.

# Financial Instruments/Foreign Currency Exchange Rate Risk

Financial instruments include amounts payable denominated in foreign currency and option contracts on equity securities. These financial instruments are valued at fair value with changes in fair value reported in net investment gains (losses) in the consolidated statements of operations. The foreign exchange instruments resulted from transactions entered into by SPLP for risk management purposes, are collateralized by an equivalent amount included in restricted cash and have no maturity date. HNH is subject to the risk of price fluctuations related to anticipated revenues and operating costs, firm commitments for capital expenditures and existing assets or liabilities denominated in currencies other than U.S. dollars. HNH has not generally used derivative instruments to manage this risk.

#### **Goodwill and Other Intangibles, net**

Goodwill and certain other intangible assets deemed to have indefinite lives are not amortized. Intangible assets with finite lives are amortized over their estimated useful lives.

### **Property, Plant and Equipment**

Property, plant and equipment is recorded at cost. Depreciation of property, plant and equipment is provided principally on the straight line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, which range as follows: machinery & equipment 3 to 15 years and buildings and improvements 10 to 30 years. Leasehold improvements are amortized over the shorter of the terms of the related leases or the estimated useful lives of the improvements. Interest cost is capitalized for qualifying assets during the assets' acquisition period. Maintenance and repairs are charged to expense and renewals and betterments are capitalized. Profit or loss on dispositions is credited or charged to other expenses.

#### **Impairment Testing**

All of the Company's long-lived assets, including goodwill and other intangible assets, are reviewed for impairment indicators throughout the year. Impairment testing is performed for goodwill and indefinite-lived assets annually and for all other long-lived assets whenever impairment indicators are present. The Company also estimates the depreciable lives of property, plant and equipment, and reviews the assets for impairment if events, or changes in circumstances, indicate that we may not recover the carrying amount of an asset. Long-lived assets consisting of land and buildings used in previously operating businesses are carried at the lower of cost or fair value and are included primarily in other non-current assets on the consolidated balance sheet. A reduction in the carrying value of such long-lived assets used in previously operating businesses is recorded as an asset impairment charge in the consolidated statement of operations.

The Company uses judgment in assessing whether assets may have become impaired between annual impairment tests. Circumstances that could trigger an interim impairment test include but are not limited to: the occurrence of a significant change in circumstances, such as continuing adverse business conditions or legal factors; an adverse action or assessment by a regulator; unanticipated competition; loss of key personnel; the likelihood that a reporting unit or significant portion of a reporting unit will be sold or otherwise disposed; or results of testing for recoverability of a significant asset group within a reporting unit.

#### Goodwill Impairment Testing

The testing of goodwill for impairment is performed at a level referred to as a reporting unit. Goodwill is allocated to each reporting unit based on actual goodwill valued in connection with each business combination consummated within each reporting unit.

If a two-step quantitative impairment test is performed, Step 1 of the impairment test involves comparing the fair values of the applicable reporting units with their carrying values, including goodwill. Estimating the reporting unit's fair value is based upon consideration of various valuation methodologies, including an income approach and market approach, as further described below. If the carrying amount of a reporting unit exceeds the reporting unit's fair value, Step 2 of the goodwill impairment test is performed to determine the amount of impairment loss. Step 2 of the goodwill impairment test involves comparing the implied fair value of the affected reporting unit's goodwill against the carrying value of that goodwill. In performing the first step of the impairment test, the Company also reconciles the aggregate estimated fair value of its reporting units to its enterprise value (which may include a control premium).

Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2011-08 provides an entity the option to first assess qualitative factors to determine whether the existence of events or circumstances leads to a determination that it is more likely than not (more than 50%) that the estimated fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount. If an entity elects to perform a qualitative assessment and determines that an impairment is more likely than not, the entity is then required to perform the two-step quantitative impairment test discussed above; otherwise no further analysis is required. An entity also may elect not to perform the qualitative assessment and, instead, proceed directly to the two-step quantitative impairment test. The ultimate outcome of the goodwill impairment review for a reporting unit is the same whether an entity chooses to perform the qualitative assessment or proceeds directly to the two-step quantitative impairment test.

#### Impairment Testing of Indefinite-Lived Intangible Assets

For intangible assets with indefinite lives, the Company calculates fair value using a discounted cash flow approach that requires significant management judgment with respect to future revenue and expense growth rates, changes in working capital use, inflation and the selection of an appropriate discount rate. Any excess of carrying value over the estimated fair value is recognized as an impairment loss.

Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2012-02 provides an entity the option to first assess qualitative factors to determine whether the existence of events or circumstances leads to a determination that it is more likely than not (more than 50%) that the estimated fair value of indefinite-lived intangible assets is less than their carrying amounts. If an entity elects to perform a qualitative assessment and determines that an impairment is more likely than not, the entity is then required to calculate the fair value as described above; otherwise no further analysis is required. An entity also may elect not to perform the qualitative assessment and, instead, proceed directly to a quantitative impairment test. The ultimate outcome of the impairment testing is the same whether an entity chooses to perform the qualitative assessment or proceeds directly to the quantitative impairment test.

#### Testing Approaches

The income approach is based on a discounted cash flow analysis ("DCF") and calculates the fair value by estimating the after-tax cash flows attributable to a reporting unit and then discounting the after-tax cash flows to a present value using a risk-adjusted discount rate. The discount rates, which are intended to reflect the risks inherent in future cash flow projections, used in the DCF are based on estimates of the weighted-average cost of capital of a market participant. Such estimates are derived from our analysis of peer companies and considered the industry weighted-average return on debt and equity from a market participant perspective.

A market approach values a business by considering the prices at which shares of capital stock, or related underlying assets, of reasonably comparable companies are trading in the public market, or the transaction price at which similar companies have been acquired.

Relative weights are then given to the results of each of these approaches, based on the facts and circumstances of the business being valued. The use of multiple approaches (income and market approaches) is considered preferable to a single method. The Company gives more weight to the income approach because it generally provides a reliable estimate of value for an ongoing business which has a reliable forecast of operations, and suitable comparable public companies are generally not available to be used under the market approach.

### **Business Combinations**

When the Company acquires a business, it allocates the purchase price to the assets acquired, liabilities assumed and any noncontrolling interests based on their fair values at the acquisition date. Significant judgment may be used to determine these fair values including the use of appraisals, discounted cash flow models, market value for similar purchases, or other methods applicable to the circumstances. The excess of any purchase price we pay over the fair value of the net assets acquired is recorded as Goodwill. If the fair value of the net assets exceeds the purchase price the excess is treated as a bargain purchase and recognized in income. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

Subsequent to the finalization of the purchase price allocation, any adjustments to the recorded values of acquired assets and liabilities would be reflected in the Company's consolidated statement of operations. Once final, the Company is not permitted to revise the allocation of the original purchase price, even if subsequent events or circumstances prove the Company's original judgments and estimates to be incorrect.

In addition, long-lived assets recorded in a business combination such as property and equipment, intangible assets and goodwill may be deemed to be impaired in the future resulting in the recognition of an impairment loss. The assumptions and judgments made by the Company when recording business combinations will have an impact on reported results of operations in the future.

# **Revenue Recognition**

HNH recognizes revenue when the title and risk of loss has passed to the customer, the price is fixed or determinable and collection is reasonably assured. This condition is normally met when product has been shipped or the service performed. An allowance is provided for estimated returns and discounts based on experience. Cash received from customers prior to shipment of goods, or otherwise not yet earned, is recorded as deferred revenue. Rental revenues are derived from the rental of production facilities and certain equipment to the food industry where customers prepay for the rental period - usually 3 to 6 month periods. For prepaid rental contracts, sales revenue is recognized on a straight-line basis over the term of the contract. Service revenues consist of repair and maintenance work performed on equipment used at mass merchants, supermarkets and restaurants.

HNH experiences a certain degree of sales returns that varies over time, but is able to make a reasonable estimation of expected sales returns based upon history. HNH records all shipping and handling fees billed to customers as revenue, and related costs are charged principally to cost of goods sold, when incurred. HNH has also entered into agreements with certain customers under which the Company has agreed to pay rebates to such customers. These programs are typically structured to incentivize the customers to increase their annual purchases from HNH. The rebates are usually calculated as a percentage of the purchase amount, and such percentages may increase as the customer's level of purchases rise. Rebates are recorded as a reduction of net sales in the consolidated income statement and are accounted for on an accrual basis. As of December 31, 2013 and 2012, accrued rebates payable totaled \$5,400 and \$4,500, respectively, and are included in accrued liabilities on the consolidated balance sheet. In limited circumstances, HNH is required to collect and remit sales tax on certain of its sales. HNH accounts for sales taxes on a net basis, and such sales taxes are not included in net sales in the consolidated income statement.

Steel Excel recognizes revenue upon providing the product or service related to its energy or sports businesses. Steel Excel recognizes revenue when persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, delivery has occurred or services have been rendered, the price is fixed or determinable and collection is reasonably assured. Revenue is recognized net of estimated allowances. Revenue is generated by short-term projects, most of which are governed by master service agreements ("MSAs") that are short-term in nature. The MSAs establish per day or per usage rates for equipment services. Revenue related to its energy business is recognized daily on a proportionate performance method, based on services rendered. Revenue is reported net of sales tax collected. For sports services revenues, Steel Excel does not recognize revenue until the tournament or league occurs. For sports products, Steel Excel recognizes revenue upon shipment.

#### Concentration of Revenue

No single customer accounted for 5% or more of the Company's consolidated revenues in 2013, 2012 or 2011. In 2013, 2012 and 2011 the 10 largest customers accounted for approximately 20%, 21% and 24%, respectively, of the Company's consolidated revenues.

#### **Fair Value Measurements**

The Company measures certain assets and liabilities at fair value (see Note 6 - "Fair Value Measurements"). Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability (i.e. the "exit price") in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Fair value measurements are classified into three levels based on the reliability of inputs as follows:

Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company has the ability to access at the measurement date. An active market for the asset or liability is a market in which transactions for the asset or liability occur with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis. The valuation under this approach does not entail a significant degree of judgment ("Level 1").

Level 2 inputs are inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Level 2 inputs include: quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability (e.g. interest rates and yield curves observable at commonly quoted intervals or current market) and contractual prices for the underlying financial instrument, as well as other relevant economic measures ("Level 2").

Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability. Unobservable inputs are used to measure fair value to the extent that observable inputs are not available, thereby allowing for situations in which there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability at the measurement date ("Level 3"). Investments which are generally included in this category include private investments, non-exchange traded derivative contracts, and currency and interest rate swaps. SPLP's valuation committee approves all Level 3 valuations.

Investments in equity securities are classified as Level 1 or Level 2 based on its trading activity in the period. Investments may move between Level 1 and Level 2 if the market activity increases or decreases in the period.

In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, an investment's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety



requires judgment and considers factors specific to the investment. Significant transfers, if any, between the levels within the fair value hierarchy are recognized at the beginning of the reporting period.

#### Fair Value Option

The Company has the one-time option to elect fair value for financial assets or liabilities as of the election date. Changes in fair value of these financial instruments are recorded as unrealized gain (loss) in the consolidated statements of operations. The factors considered in electing the fair value option include the availability of otherwise required financial information, differing fiscal year end of an investee and differing basis of financial reporting used by investee companies.

### **Stock-Based Compensation**

The Company accounts for stock options and restricted stock units granted to employees and non-employee directors as compensation expense, which is recognized in exchange for the services received. The compensation expense is based on the fair value of the equity instruments on the grant-date and is recognized as an expense over the service period of the recipients.

#### **Income Taxes**

SPLP and certain of its subsidiaries, as limited partnerships, are generally not responsible for federal and state income taxes and their profits and losses are passed directly to their partners for inclusion in their respective income tax returns. SPLP's subsidiaries that are corporate entities are subject to federal and state income taxes and file corporate income tax returns.

SPLP's subsidiaries that are subject to income taxes use the liability method of accounting for such taxes. Under the liability method, deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases and operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date. Such subsidiaries evaluate the recoverability of deferred tax assets and establish a valuation allowance when it is more likely than not that some portion of the deferred tax assets will not be realized.

When tax returns are filed, it is highly certain that most positions taken would be sustained upon examination by the taxing authorities, while others are subject to uncertainty about the merits of the position taken or the amount of the position that would be ultimately sustained. The benefit of a tax position is recognized in the consolidated financial statements in the period during which, based on all available evidence, management believes it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained upon examination, including the resolution of appeals or litigation processes, if any. Tax positions taken are not offset or aggregated with other positions. Tax positions that meet the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold are measured as the largest amount of tax benefit that is more than 50% likely of being realized upon settlement with the applicable taxing authority. The portion of the benefits associated with tax positions taken that exceeds the amount measured as described above is provided for and reflected as a liability for unrecognized tax benefits in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets, along with any associated interest and penalties that would be payable to the taxing authorities upon examination.

SPLP's policy is to record estimated interest and penalties related to the underpayment of income taxes as income tax expense in the statements of operations.

## **Other Taxes**

Certain foreign dividend income is subject to a withholding tax. Such withholding tax is netted against dividend income in the consolidated statements of operations.

### Net Income (Loss) per Common Unit

Net income (loss) per common unit - basic is computed by dividing net income (loss) by the weighted-average number of common units outstanding for the period. Net income (loss) per common unit - diluted gives effect to potentially dilutive units as if they had been outstanding during the period.

# **Foreign Currency Translation**

Assets and liabilities of foreign subsidiaries are translated at current exchange rates and related revenues and expenses are translated at average rates of exchange in effect during the year. Resulting cumulative translation adjustments are recorded as a separate component of Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss).

#### **Advertising Costs**

Advertising costs consist of sales promotion literature, samples, cost of trade shows and general advertising costs, and are included in selling, general and administrative expenses on the consolidated statements of operations. Advertising, promotion and trade show costs totaled approximately \$2,929, \$2,485 and \$2,266 for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

### Legal Contingencies

The Company provides for legal contingencies when the liability is probable and the amount of the associated costs is reasonably estimable. The Company regularly monitors the progress of legal contingencies and revises the amounts recorded in the period in which a change in estimate occurs.

#### **Environmental Liabilities**

The Company accrues for losses associated with environmental remediation obligations when such losses are probable and reasonably estimable. Accruals for estimated losses from environmental remediation obligations generally are recognized no later than completion of the remedial feasibility study.

Such accruals are adjusted as further information develops or circumstances change. Costs of future expenditures for environmental remediation obligations are not discounted to their present value. Recoveries of environmental remediation costs from other parties are recorded as assets when their receipt is deemed probable.

### **Recently Issued Accounting Standards**

There have been no new accounting pronouncements issued but not yet adopted by the Company that are expected to have a material impact on the Company's financial statements.

### **3. ACQUISITIONS**

#### 2013 Acquisitions

#### Wolverine Joining Technologies, LLC

On April 16, 2013, HNH and its indirect subsidiary, Lucas-Milhaupt Warwick LLC (collectively, the "Buyer"), entered into an asset purchase agreement ("Purchase Agreement") with Wolverine Tube, Inc. ("Wolverine") and its subsidiary, Wolverine Joining Technologies, LLC ("Wolverine Joining" and, together with Wolverine, "Seller"), pursuant to which the Buyer agreed to purchase substantially all of the assets of the Seller used in the business of Wolverine Joining, consisting of assets used for the development, manufacturing and sale of brazing, flux and soldering products and the alloys for electrical, catalyst and other industrial specialties, other than certain leased real property, and to assume certain liabilities related to such business. By acquiring Wolverine Joining, HNH increased its capacity to produce brazing filler metals and fluxes, and broadened its platform for continued global expansion. The purchase price for the acquisition was approximately \$59,700, reflecting a final working capital adjustment and certain other reductions totaling approximately \$300 as provided in the Purchase Agreement. The closing of this transaction occurred on April 26, 2013. Funding of the purchase price for the acquisition was from cash on hand and borrowings under HNH's senior secured credit facility, which was amended in connection with the acquisition as discussed in Note 14 - "Debt and Capital Lease Obligations."

In connection with the acquisition of Wolverine Joining, HNH currently expects to incur employee termination charges totaling approximately \$400 associated with HNH's integration activities. The majority of the costs have been recorded and paid as of December 31, 2013, and are reflected in selling, general and administrative expenses.

The following table summarizes the amounts of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed recognized at the acquisition date on a preliminary basis (in thousands):

Trade and other receivables	\$ 9,491
Inventories	17,864
Prepaid and other current assets	81
Property, plant and equipment	5,549
Goodwill	14,767
Other intangibles	13,657
Total assets acquired	61,409
Trade payables	(1,167)
Accrued liabilities	(495)
Net assets acquired	\$ 59,747

The preliminary purchase price allocation is subject to finalization of valuations of certain acquired assets. The goodwill of \$14,767 arising from the acquisition consists largely of the synergies expected from combining the operations of the Buyer and Seller. All of the goodwill is assigned to SPLP's Diversified Industrial segment and is expected to be deductible for income tax purposes. Other intangibles consist primarily of acquired trade names of \$4,600 and customer relationships of \$9,000. The intangible assets have been assigned 20-year useful lives based on the long operating history, broad market recognition and continued demand for the associated brands, and the limited turnover and long-standing relationships Wolverine Joining has with its existing customer base. The valuation of acquired trade names was performed utilizing a relief from royalty method, and significant assumptions used in the valuation include the customer attrition rate assumed and the expected level of future sales.

The amount of net sales and operating income of the acquired business included in the consolidated income statement for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 was approximately \$43,300 and \$1,600, respectively, including \$3,500 of intercompany sales which were eliminated in consolidation. The results of operations of the acquired business are reported within the Company's Diversified Industrial segment.

### PAM Fastening Technology, Inc.

On November 7, 2013, HNH, through its indirect subsidiary, OMG, Inc., acquired 100% of the stock of PAM Fastening Technology, Inc. ("PAM") for a cash purchase price of \$9,200, net of cash acquired. PAM is a distributor of screw guns, collated screws and hot melt systems to the manufacturing and building industries in North America. The assets acquired and liabilities assumed included net working capital of accounts receivable, inventories and trade payables; property, plant and equipment; and intangible assets, primarily trade names and customer relationships, valued at \$2,900, \$200 and \$5,100, respectively. This acquisition provides HNH with an add on product category to its existing fastening system product line. The amount of net sales and operating income of the acquired business included in the consolidated income statement for the year ended December 31, 2013 was approximately \$1,500 and \$200, respectively. The results of operations of the acquired business are reported within the Company's Diversified Industrial segment. In connection with the PAM acquisition, HNH has recorded goodwill totaling approximately \$3,400, which is not expected to be deductible for income tax purposes.

#### Steel Excel - Black Hawk Acquisition

On December 16, 2013, Steel Excel acquired the business and substantially all of the assets of Black Hawk Energy Services, Inc. ("Black Hawk"), a provider of drilling and production services to the oil and gas industry, for approximately \$60,800 in cash, subject to a post-closing working capital adjustment. The acquisition was funded with approximately \$35,800 from Steel Excel's cash reserves and \$25,000 in proceeds from additional borrowings under an existing credit facility (see Note 14 - "Debt and Capital Lease Obligations"). Steel Excel acquired Black Hawk to further solidify its presence in North Dakota in the Bakken basin and to expand its business into other regions, including Texas and New Mexico.



The estimated fair value of the assets and liabilities acquired in connection with the Black Hawk transaction was as follows:

	Amount
Accounts receivable	\$ 9,663
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	208
Property and equipment	30,581
Accounts payable	(1,333)
Accrued expenses	 (1,756)
Total net identifiable assets	37,363
Goodwill	23,400
Net assets acquired	\$ 60,763

The fair values recognized in connection with the Black Hawk transaction are provisional pending Steel Excel's continued evaluation, including assessing any identifiable intangible assets acquired, the value of which are included in goodwill as of December 31, 2013, and completing a valuation of the tangible and intangible assets. The fair value of trade accounts receivable was based on their carrying value at the date of acquisition and is expected to be fully collected. The goodwill recognized, which is expected to be fully deductible for tax purposes, arises from the growth potential Steel Excel's Energy business. The results of operations of Black Hawk have been included in Steel Excel's results of operations since the acquisition date. Revenues and operating income from Black Hawk included in Steel Excel's consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2013, totaled approximately \$2,500 and \$800, respectively.

### Steel Excel - Sports Acquisitions

During 2013, Steel Excel's sports business made two acquisitions totaling \$3,250 that were not material to SPLP's operations. Steel Excel has determined that one of these acquisitions is a variable interest entity and that Steel Excel is the primary beneficiary. Accordingly, Steel Excel accounts for its acquisition of its 30% membership interest as a business combination and has consolidated this company in accordance with ASC 805.

### 2012 Acquisitions

### Steel Excel Acquisition

On May 31, 2012, (the "Acquisition Date") Steel Excel acquired all of the capital stock of SWH, Inc. ("SWH"), a wholly owned subsidiary of BNS and the parent company of Sun Well Services, Inc. ("Sun Well"), for a net acquisition price of \$68,747. The acquisition price was paid through a combination of 2,027,500 shares of common stock of Steel Excel and \$7,922 in cash. The \$68,747 exceeded the carrying value of Sun Well by \$26,237. Pursuant to ASC 810-10-45-23 this was deemed a transaction between entities under common control, and accordingly the excess of fair value received over the carrying value of Sun Well of \$26,237 was credited to Capital. Also, Sun Well's assets and liabilities were maintained at their historical basis in the consolidated financial statements.

As a result of the transaction, Steel Excel became a majority-owned controlled subsidiary and is consolidated with SPLP from that date. Prior to obtaining a controlling interest on the Acquisition Date, SPLP owned 4,584,399 shares of Steel Excel (42.0% of the outstanding shares), and its investment was accounted for under the equity method at fair value. The additional shares of Steel Excel acquired on the Acquisition Date brought the total number of shares owned by SPLP to 6,611,899, representing 51.1% of the outstanding shares of Steel Excel.

The Company's previously held equity interest and the noncontrolling interest in Steel Excel were valued at \$30 per share, which is the fair value of Steel Excel shares specified in the Share Acquisition Agreement.

The acquisition-date fair value of the Company's equity interest in Steel Excel was \$137,532 prior to the 2,027,500 shares acquired on the Acquisition Date. As a result of remeasuring our equity interest to fair value, the Company recognized an investment gain of \$13,524 in 2012 which is included in Net investment (loss) gain in the consolidated statements of operations.

The following table summarizes the consideration paid for the controlling interest in Steel Excel:

	Consi	deration Paid
Acquisition-date fair value of previously held equity interest	\$	137,532
Fair value of SWH transferred to Steel Excel		68,747
Less: cash received from Steel Excel for SWH		(7,922)
Total	\$	198,357

The following table summarizes the fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the Acquisition Date and the fair value of the noncontrolling interest in Steel Excel on the Acquisition Date:

	Amount
Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 41,963
Marketable securities	217,526
Accounts receivable	23,435
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	3,129
Property, plant and equipment	74,880
Goodwill	48,468
Identifiable intangible assets	22,793
Other assets	4,088
Total assets acquired	\$ 436,282

Liabilities:	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 10,842
Debt	17,968
Other long-term liabilities	19,517
Total liabilities assumed	 48,327
Fair value of non-controlling interests	 189,598
Net assets acquired	\$ 198,357

# HNH Acquisitions

Zaklad Przetwórstwa Metali INMET Sp. z o.o.

On November 5, 2012, a subsidiary of Handy & Harman ("H&H") acquired 100% of the stock of Zaklad Przetwórstwa Metali INMET Sp. z o.o., a Polish manufacturer of brazing alloys and contact materials, for a cash purchase price of \$4,000, net of cash acquired. The assets acquired and liabilities assumed included net working capital of accounts receivable, inventories and trade payables totaling \$3,100; property, plant and equipment of \$2,200; as well as assumed debt of \$1,600. This acquisition provides H&H with a new family of fabricated joining materials and a broader presence in the European market. The amount of net sales and operating loss of the acquired business included in the consolidated income statement for the year ended December 31, 2013 was approximately \$18,000 and \$600, respectively, including \$8,700 of intercompany sales which were eliminated in consolidation, as compared to net sales and operating loss of \$1,700 and \$100, respectively, for the period from acquisition through December 31, 2012, including \$1,200 of intercompany sales which were eliminated in consolidation. The results of operations of the acquired business are reported within the Company's Diversified Industrial segment.

# W.P. Hickman Company

On December 31, 2012, a subsidiary of H&H acquired substantially all of the assets of W.P. Hickman Company ("Hickman"), a North American manufacturer of perimeter metal roof edges for low slope roofs. The initial purchase price was

\$8,400, which reflects proceeds from a final working capital adjustment of \$300 received in February 2013. The assets acquired and liabilities assumed included net working capital of accounts receivable, inventories and trade payables; property, plant and equipment; and intangible assets, primarily trade names and customer relationships, valued at \$2,600, \$1,200 and \$1,800, respectively. This acquisition provides H&H with an add on product category to its existing roofing business. The amount of net sales and operating income of the acquired business included in the consolidated income statement for the year ended December 31, 2013 was approximately \$17,100 and \$1,300, respectively. The results of operations of the acquired business are reported within the Company's Building Materials segment. In connection with the Hickman acquisition, HNH has recorded goodwill totaling \$2,800 which is expected to be deductible for income tax purposes.

There is additional contingent consideration that could be due from the Company under the Hickman asset purchase agreement if the combined net sales of certain identified products exceed the parameters set forth in the asset purchase agreement in 2013 and 2014. In no event shall the additional contingent consideration exceed \$1,500. In accordance with ASC 805, Business Combinations, the estimated fair value, \$200, related to the contingent portion of the purchase price was recognized at the acquisition date. There was no significant change in the estimated fair value of this liability during the year ended December 31, 2013.

## 2011 Acquisitions

During 2011, the Company made the following acquisitions:

• On July 5, 2011, SPLP acquired for cash 193,305 additional shares of DGT common stock for \$1,933, bringing total shares owned as of July 5, 2011 to 1,977,023 representing 51.1% of the outstanding shares. Accordingly, the accounting for the investment in DGT was changed from the equity method to a majority-owned controlled subsidiary and is consolidated with SPLP from that date.

As of July 5, 2011, SPLP's investment had a carrying value of approximately \$13,500. The fair value of our equity interest in DGT was \$21,389 prior to the 193,305 shares purchased on July 5, 2011. As a result of remeasuring our equity interest to fair value, the Company recognized an investment gain of \$8,177 which is included in Net investment (loss) gain in the 2011 consolidated statements of operations.

The fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired by SPLP of \$32,687 exceeded the fair value of SPLP's basis upon acquisition of the controlling interest in DGT of \$23,709. Accordingly, the acquisition was accounted for as a bargain purchase and, as a result, the Company recognized a gain of \$8,978 in 2011 associated with the acquisition. The gain was included in Other income in the 2011 consolidated statements of operations.

- Pursuant to an Asset Purchase Agreement dated March 23, 2011, a subsidiary of HNH acquired certain assets and assumed certain liabilities of Tiger Claw, Inc., a company that among other businesses, develops and manufactures hidden fastening systems for deck construction. The final purchase price was \$8,500 and was paid in cash. The assets acquired included, among other things, machinery, equipment, inventories, certain contracts, accounts receivable and intellectual property rights, all as related to the acquired business and as provided in the asset purchase agreement.
- On February 2, 2011, BNS acquired all of the capital stock of SWH for \$50,463 in cash. SWH owns all of the capital stock of Sun Well, its sole asset. Sun Well is a work-over rig provider to oil and gas exploration companies throughout the Williston Basin in North Dakota. SWH was acquired to further the Company's position as a global diversified holding company. Revenue and net income of SWH included in the Consolidated statement of operations for the twelve months ended December 31, 2011 are \$32,984 and \$4,536, respectively.

The allocation of the purchase price of SWH's assets acquired and liabilities assumed is as follows:

Assets:	Amount
Current assets	\$ 8,066
Property, plant and equipment	18,258
Goodwill	24,836
Identifiable intangible assets	8,991
Other assets - restricted cash	2,572
Total assets acquired	 62,723
Total liabilities acquired	12,260
Net assets acquired	\$ 50,463

The following unaudited pro forma results of operations for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011 assumes that the above acquisitions were made at the beginning of the year prior to acquisition. This unaudited pro forma information does not purport to be indicative of the results that would have been obtained if the acquisitions had actually occurred at the beginning of the year prior to acquisition, nor of the results that may be reported in the future. The 2013 supplemental pro forma earnings were adjusted to exclude \$600 of acquisition-related costs incurred in 2013 and \$500 of nonrecurring expense related to the fair value adjustment to acquisition-date inventories. The 2012 supplemental pro forma earnings were adjusted to include these charges.

	Year Ended December 31,							
		2013		2012		2011		
Revenue	\$	890,577	\$	858,269	\$	638,718		
Net income attributable to common unitholders		26,190		46,624		41,240		
Net income per common unit - basic		0.88		1.57		1.63		
Net income per common unit - diluted		0.85		1.57		1.18		

# 4. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

Assets and Liabilities of discontinued operations at December 31, 2013 include certain assets and liabilities relating to HNH's discontinued operations, a sports business owned by Steel Excel and a building owned by DGT, which is held for sale. Amounts at December 31, 2012 consist of three of HNH's businesses: Continental Industries ("Continental"), Canfield Metal Coating Corporation ("CMCC") and Indiana Tube de Mexico, S. De R.L. de C.V. ("ITM").

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	 2013		2012	
Assets of discontinued operations:				
Trade and other receivables	\$ 	\$	6,372	
Inventories			7,097	
Other current assets	618		1,438	
Goodwill	_		6,041	
Other intangibles, net	_		11,098	
Property, plant and equipment, net	3,724		13,683	
Other assets	64		121	
Total assets	\$ 4,406	\$	45,850	
Liabilities of discontinued operations:				
Trade payables and accrued liabilities	1,138		9,160	
Total liabilities	\$ 1,138	\$	9,160	

Summary results for our discontinued operations included in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations are detailed in the table below.

		Year Ended December 31,								
		2013 (a)		2012 (b)		2011 (с)				
Sales	\$	21,134	\$	97,464	\$	121,735				
Net (loss) income		(6,838)		4,165		1,655				
(Loss) gain after taxes and noncontrolling interests		(2,890)		2,129		932				
Gain on sale of discontinued operations after taxes and noncontrolling interests		3,610		4,026		526				
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(a) Includes the operations of Continental, CMCC and ITM through their respective sale dates as well as the operations of a sports business owned by Steel Excel.

(b) Includes the operations of Continental, CMCC and ITM. Also includes DGT's RFI Corporation ("RFI") subsidiary and DGT's Villa Sistemi Medicali S.p.A. ("Villa") subsidiary through their respective sale dates. SPLP's net gain on the sale of RFI, which was recorded in SPLP's fourth quarter of 2012 due to the recording of DGT's results of operations on a two-month lag, was approximately \$4,600. SPLP's net after-tax gain on the sale of Villa, which was recorded in SPLP's year ended December 31, 2012, was \$2,585.

(c) Includes the operations of Continental, CMCC, ITM and DGT's RFI and Villa subsidiaries.

## HNH's Discontinued Operations

### Canfield Metal Coating Corporation

In June 2013, HNH divested substantially all of the assets and existing operations of its CMCC business unit, a wholly-owned subsidiary of H&H, for a cash sales price totaling approximately \$9,500 less transaction fees, reflecting a preliminary working capital adjustment of approximately \$500. Located in the State of Ohio, CMCC manufactured electro-galvanized and painted cold rolled sheet steel products primarily for the construction, entry door, container and appliance industries. It was part of SPLP's Diversified Industrial reporting segment.

### Indiana Tube Mexico

In July 2013, HNH divested substantially all of the equipment owned or utilized by ITM for the manufacture of refrigeration condensers for a cash sales price totaling \$3,700, less transaction fees. ITM's operations, which were part of SPLP's Diversified Industrial segment, were discontinued in June 2013. The purchase price for ITM's equipment is payable in two equal installments of \$1,850, the first paid at the closing date for the transaction and the second payable upon final equipment transfer, which occurred in September 2013.

In connection with the shut-down of ITM's operations, HNH initiated a series of restructuring activities, which will include the termination of all of ITM's employees and certain building lease termination costs. The estimated total cost of these restructuring activities is \$900, which was accrued as of June 30, 2013. Payment for the majority of these costs occurred during the third quarter of 2013, and the remaining restructuring payments were completed by the end of 2013.

In 2008, the HNH decided to exit the welded specialty tubing market in Europe and close its Indiana Tube Denmark Subsidiary ("ITD"). During 2009, ITD ceased operations and sold or disposed of its inventory and most of its equipment. HNH completed the final liquidation of ITD in July 2013 and recognized \$2,600 in foreign currency translation gains in earnings during the third quarter of 2013, which were previously reported in Accumulated other comprehensive loss on the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

#### **Continental Industries**

In January 2013, HNH divested substantially all of the assets and existing operations of its Continental Industries business unit , a wholly-owned subsidiary of H&H, for a cash sales price totaling approximately \$37,400 less transaction fees, reflecting a working capital adjustment of approximately \$100 paid in the third quarter of 2013. Proceeds of \$3,700 are currently held in escrow pending resolution of certain indemnification provisions contained in the sales agreement and are included in Trade and other receivables on the consolidated balance sheet. Located in the State of Oklahoma, Continental Industries manufactures plastic and steel fittings and connectors for natural gas, propane and water distribution service lines

along with exothermic welding products for electrical grounding, cathodic protection and lightning protection. It was part of SPLP's Diversified Industrial segment.

## <u>Kasco-France</u>

During the third quarter of 2011, HNH sold its stock of Eurokasco, S.A.S. ("Kasco-France"), a part of its Kasco segment, to the former management team for one Euro plus 25% of any pre-tax earnings over the next 3 years. No additional consideration is expected to be collected for 2013 or 2012. Additionally, Kasco-France signed a 5 year supply agreement to purchase certain products from Kasco. As a result of the sale, the Company recorded an after tax loss of \$266.

# Arlon AFD

On February 4, 2011, Arlon LLC ("Arlon"), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of HNH, sold substantially all of its assets and existing operations located primarily in the State of California related to its Adhesive Film Division for an aggregate sale price of \$26,543. Net proceeds of approximately \$24,200 from this sale were used to repay indebtedness under HNH's revolving credit facility. A gain on the sale of these assets of \$3,494, net of tax, was recorded in 2011.

#### Arlon ECP and SignTech

On March 25, 2011, Arlon and its subsidiaries sold substantially all of their assets and existing operations located primarily in the State of Texas related to Arlon's Engineered Coated Products Division and SignTech subsidiary for an aggregate sale price of \$2,500. In addition, Arlon sold a coater machine to the same purchaser for a price of \$500. A loss of \$2,256, net of tax, was recorded in 2011. The net proceeds from these asset sales were used to repay indebtedness under HNH's revolving credit facility.

Amounts held in escrow in connection with the asset sales, totaling \$3,000, are recorded in Trade and other receivables on the consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2011, and were received by HNH in the second quarter of 2012.

The total gain as a result of these asset sales in 2011 of \$971, net of tax, as a result of the sales of the California and Texas based businesses of Arlon, and Kasco-France, is reported in discontinued operations on the consolidated statements of operations in 2011. The discontinued operations had an aggregate loss in 2011 from their operations of \$508, net of tax.

#### 5. INVESTMENTS

#### A. Short-Term Investments

#### Marketable Securities

The Company's short-term investments primarily consist of its marketable securities portfolio held by its subsidiary, Steel Excel. Steel Excel's marketable securities as of December 31, 2013, and December 31, 2012, were classified as "available-for-sale" securities, with changes in fair value recognized in stockholders' equity as Other comprehensive income (loss). Classification of marketable securities as a current asset is based on the intended holding period and realizability of the investment.

The Company's portfolio of marketable securities at December 31, 2013 and 2012 was as follows:

	December 31, 2013									December 31, 2012																								
		Cost		Gross Unrealized Gains		Gross Unrealized Losses	F	air value	Cost		Cost		Cost		Cost		Cost		Cost		Cost		Cost		Cost		Cost		Gross Unrealized Gains			Gross Unrealized Losses	F	air value
Available for sale securities																																		
Short-term deposits	\$	60,909	\$	_	\$	_	\$	60,909	\$	48,596	\$	_	\$	_	\$	48,596																		
Mutual funds		15,723		5,060		_		20,783		10,368		1,452		_		11,820																		
United States government securities		50,356		23		_		50,379		99,525		20		(68)		99,477																		
Equity securities		69,720		10,020		(5,181)		74,559		20,822		1,217		(1,922)		20,117																		
Commercial paper		1,799		—		_		1,799		22,292		5		(6)		22,291																		
Corporate obligations	_	31,356		885		(276)		31,965		48,683		308		(277)		48,714																		
Total marketable securities		229,863		15,988		(5,457)		240,394		250,286		3,002		(2,273)		251,015																		
Amounts classified as cash equivalents		(61,909)		_		_		(61,909)		(51,887)		_		_		(51,887)																		
Amounts classified as marketable securities	\$	167,954	\$	15,988	\$	(5,457)	\$	178,485	\$	198,399	\$	3,002	\$	(2,273)	\$	199,128																		

The Company's investment portfolio consists of both corporate and government securities that generally mature within three years. The longer the duration of these securities, the more susceptible they are to changes in market interest rates and bond yields. As market interest rates and bond yields increase, those securities purchased with a lower yield-at-cost will be in an unrealized loss position. Steel Excel has considered all available evidence and determined that the marketable securities in which unrealized losses were recorded in the period ended December 31, 2013 were not deemed to be other-than-temporary.

The Company sold \$75,800 of marketable securities in the twelve months ended December 31, 2013. Sales of marketable securities for the year ended December 31, 2013 resulted in gross gains of \$6,984 and gross losses of \$4,376. These gains and losses are included in Other Income on the Consolidated Statement of Operations. The amortized cost and estimated fair value of investments in available-for-sale securities as of December 31, 2013, by contractual maturity, were as follows:

	Cost	Estimated Fair Value
Mature in one year or less	\$ 40,581 \$	40,617
Mature after one year through three years	21,097	21,251
Mature after three years	21,833	22,274
Total debt securities	 83,511	84,142
Securities with non contractual maturities	146,352	156,252
	\$ 229,863 \$	240,394



# **B. Long-Term Investments**

The following table summarizes the Company's long-term investments as of December 31, 2013 and 2012. For those investments at fair value, the carrying amount of the investment equals its respective fair value.

			Investme	ent Balance		Income (Loss) Recorded in Stater Operations Year Ended December 31,				nent of
			December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012		2013		2012		2011
(A) AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE SECURITIES										
Fair Value Changes Recorded in OCI:										
Equity securities - U.S. (1), (2)										
Computer Software and Services			\$ 2,665	\$ 3,824						
Aerospace/Defense			75,341	38,256						
Manufacturing				28,032						
Restaurants			22,456	15,012						
Other			558	35,704	_					
			101,020	120,828	_					
Fair Value Changes Recorded in Consolidated Statement of Operations:										
API Group PLC ("API") (1)			30,841	32,678	\$	(1,837)	\$	16,859	\$	_
Barbican Group Holdings Limited						_		2,108	_	(183)
			131,861	153,506	\$	(1,837)	\$	18,967	\$	(183)
(B) EQUITY METHOD INVESTMENTS										
Investments in Associated Companies:	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012								
At Cost:	Owne	rship								
CoSine	48.6%	46.8%	5,876	6,668		(418)		(328)		(385)
DGT	76.6%	59.2%				—		—		213
Other (7)			8,339	_		(863)		—		(58)
At Fair Value:										
ModusLink Global Solutions, Inc. ("MLNK") (1)	27.1%	14.8%	79,972	_		23,154		—		_
SL Industries, Inc. ("SLI") (1)	24.1%	24.1%	26,960	17,907		9,053		1,796		(1,310)
JPS Industries, Inc. ("JPS") (2)	39.3%	39.3%	24,129	-		9,204		—		_
Fox & Hound (3)	50.0%	50.0%		10,521		(11,521)		(403)		—
АРІ	32.4%	32.4%				_		_		9,809
Other (3)	43.8%	%	2,243	—		(823)		—		—
Steel Excel								13,139		(22,092)
			147,519	35,096	\$	27,786	\$	14,204	\$	(13,823)
Other Investments at Fair Value - Related Party:										
SPII Liquidating Trust - Series B (Barbican) (3)			_	16	\$	(16)	\$	2,382	\$	(8,745)
SPII Liquidating Trust - Series D ( Fox & Hound)(3)			507	542		(35)		(11,242)		(5,433)
SPII Liquidating Trust - Series G (SPCA) (3), (4)			5,771	6,016		(245)		489		(2,027)
SPII Liquidating Trust - Series H (SPJSF) (3), (5)			3,950	3,891		60		394		(174)
SPII Liquidating Trust - Series I (3), (6)				798		(35)		(352)		636
			10,228	11,263	\$	(271)	\$	(8,329)	\$	(15,743)
(C) OTHER INVESTMENTS										
ModusLink Warrants (3)			5,832	_	\$	2,648	\$		\$	
Total Long-Term Investments			\$ 295,440	\$ 199,865	_					
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(1) Level 1 investment. Equity securities totaling \$98,355 and \$79,352 were classified as Level 1 investments as of December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

(2) Level 2 investment. Equity securities totaling \$2,665 and \$41,476 were classified as Level 2 investments as of December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

(3) Level 3 investment. For additional information related to the Company's Level 3 investments, see Note 6 - "Fair Value Measurements."

(4) Steel Partners China Access I L.P.

(5) Steel Partners Japan Strategic Fund, L.P.

(6) Sold in the second quarter of 2013. See Note 13 - "Related Party Transactions" for additional information.

(7) In 2013, represents Steel Excel's investments in a sports business and iGo, Inc. ("iGo") of 40% and 44.7%, respectively.

The following table presents activity for the available-for-sale securities presented in the table above for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011:

	 Year Ended December 31,				
	 2013		2012		2011
(A) AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE SECURITIES					
Fair Value Changes Recorded in OCI:					
Proceeds from sales	\$ 3,964	\$	29,317	\$	143,096
Gross gains from sales	\$ 1,245	\$	2,985	\$	20,850
Gross losses from sales	 				(2,439)
Net investment gain	\$ 1,245	\$	2,985	\$	18,411
Change in net unrealized holding gains included in other comprehensive income	\$ 53,955	\$	336	\$	17,575
Reclassified out of Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss):					
Unrealized gains	\$ 14,217	\$	3,118	\$	9,275
Unrealized losses	 (2,632)		(828)		
Total	\$ 11,585	\$	2,290	\$	9,275

# (A) AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE SECURITIES

### Fair Value Changes Recorded in OCI

For purposes of determining gross realized gains and losses, the cost of securities sold is based on specific identification. Gross unrealized gains and gross unrealized losses are reported in Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) in the consolidated balance sheets. In 2013 and 2012 the Company recognized other than temporary impairment losses of approximately \$1,010 and \$829, respectively related to two available-for-sale securities which are included in Asset impairment charges in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

The cost basis and unrealized gains and losses related to our available for sale securities is as follows:

	December 31, 2013						December 31, 2012									
		Cost	G	ross Unrealized Gains		Gross Unrealized Losses	Fa	ir Value		Cost	τ	Gross Unrealized Gains	I	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Va	alue
Computer Software and Services	\$	2,312	\$	353	\$	_ \$	5	2,665	\$	4,447	\$	4	\$	(627) \$	3	3,824
Aerospace/Defense		11,675		63,666		_		75,341		11,675		26,581		_	38	8,256
Manufacturing		—		—		—		_		16,278		11,754		—	28	8,032
Restaurants		5,974		16,482		—		22,456		5,974		9,038		_	15	5,012
Other		575		—		(17)		558		43,177		101		(7,574)	35	5,704
	\$	20,536	\$	80,501	\$	(17) \$	5	101,020	\$	81,551	\$	47,478	\$	(8,201) \$	120	0,828

# Fair Value Changes Recorded in Consolidated Statement of Operations

Available for sale securities also includes the Company's investment in API and Barbican. The investment in Barbican was sold in the fourth quarter of 2012. Changes in the fair value of the API and Barbican investments are reported in the consolidated statement of operations as Income (loss) from investments held at fair value.

# (B) EQUITY METHOD INVESTMENTS

### **Investments in Associated Companies**

The Company's investments in associated companies are accounted for under the equity method of accounting (see Note 2 - "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" for additional information). The Company elected to record certain investments under the equity method at fair value beginning on the dates these investments became subject to the equity method of accounting. Associated companies are included in either the Diversified Industrial segment, Energy segment or in Corporate and Other. Certain associated companies have a fiscal year end that differs from December 31. SPLP's equity in other comprehensive income (loss) of associated companies was \$0, \$0 and \$5,833 for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

Additional information for each of SPLP's investments in associated companies that have impacted the Consolidated Statement of Operations during 2013, 2012 or 2011 follows:

# Equity Method

- CoSine is currently in the business of seeking to acquire one or more business operations. SPLP recorded \$(373), \$52 and \$68 as its share of capital changes for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011, respectively. The aggregate market value of the Company's interest in CoSine was \$9,894 and \$9,559 at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.
- On July 5, 2011, SPLP purchased 193,305 DGT shares for cash on the open market for \$1,933, which brought total shares owned by SPLP to 1,977,023 (51.1% of the outstanding shares), and DGT became a majority-owned controlled subsidiary. DGT's accounts are consolidated with the accounts of SPLP from July 5, 2011 and accordingly, SPLP's investment in DGT was removed from investments in associated companies as of that date. SPLP recorded \$231 as its share of capital changes including other comprehensive income/loss for the twelve months ended December 31, 2011.
- In the first quarter of 2013, Steel Excel made an investment in a fitness equipment company. The investment was a 40% membership interest for a cash price of \$4,000. In the third quarter of 2013, Steel Excel made an investment of approximately \$5,200 for a 44.7% voting interest in iGo, a mobile device accessories provider company. These investments are being accounted for as associated companies as Steel Excel does not have control over their operations.

### Equity Method, At Fair Value:

MLNK provides supply chain and logistics services to companies in consumer electronics, communications, computing, medical devices, software, luxury goods and retail. In March 2013, pursuant to an agreement ("Investment Agreement") between the Company and MLNK, SPLP purchased 7,500,000 shares of MLNK common stock for \$4.00 per share. This investment, plus the 6,481,185 MLNK shares already owned by the Company and its subsidiaries, gave the Company a 27.1% ownership interest in MLNK common stock. Also, at its annual meeting on March 12, 2013, the MLNK shareholders elected two members of SPLP's management team to the MLNK board of directors, one of which serves as chairman.

As a result of the foregoing events, SPLP concluded it has significant influence over the operating and financial policies of MLNK and therefore its investment is subject to the equity method of accounting. SPLP has elected the fair value option to account for MLNK in order to more appropriately reflect the value of MLNK in its financial statements, and will record future unrealized gains and losses in earnings. Accordingly the investment, which was previously classified as an available-for-sale security, was reclassified to an associated company as of March 12, 2013. Approximately \$4,800 of unrealized losses were reclassified out of Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) and recorded in Income (loss) of associated companies, net of taxes in the Consolidated Statement of Operations in the year ended December 31, 2013.

In accordance with the Investment Agreement, MLNK also issued the Company warrants to purchase an additional 2,000,000 shares at \$5.00 per share. See the "Other Investments" section of this Note for a further description of these warrants and their valuation for financial statement reporting.

- SLI is a publicly traded company that designs, manufactures and markets power electronics, motion control, power protection, power quality electromagnetic and specialized communication equipment. In 2012, the Company received a dividend of approximately \$2,000 from SLI which is recorded in Investment and other income in the Consolidated Statement of Operations.
- JPS is a U.S. manufacturer of extruded urethanes, ethylene vinyl acetates and mechanically formed glass and aramid substrate materials for specialty applications in a wide expanse of markets requiring highly engineered components. During the second quarter of 2013, JPS stockholders elected two members of SPLP's management team to their board to serve one-year terms, one of which will serve as chairman. As a result of the foregoing events, SPLP has concluded that it now has significant influence over the operating and financial policies of JPS and therefore its investment is subject to the equity method of accounting. Accordingly, the investment in JPS, which was previously classified as an available-for-sale security, was reclassified to an associated company as of June 30, 2013. Approximately \$13,200 of unrealized gains were reclassified out of Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) and recorded in Income (loss) of associated companies, net of taxes in the Consolidated Statement of Operations in the year ended December 31, 2013.

SPLP elected the fair value option to account for JPS in order to more appropriately reflect the value of JPS in its financial statements and records unrealized gains and losses in earnings.

- Fox & Hound is a privately held owner and operator of a chain of approximately 130 company-owned and 14 franchised social destination casual dining and entertainment-based restaurants in 32 states. On March 19, 2012, the Company invested \$10,923 to acquire an indirect interest in Fox & Hound as part of a recapitalization which involved the issuance by Fox & Hound of new common equity in conjunction with a long-term refinancing of Fox & Hound's debt. The Company elected to record its investment in Fox & Hound on the equity method at fair value in order to more appropriately reflect the value of Fox & Hound in its financial statements. During the third quarter of 2013, due to the current and projected operating performance of Fox & Hound, the Company wrote its investment down to zero. On December 15, 2013, Fox & Hound filed voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware. The Bankruptcy Court has approved a plan to sell the assets of Fox & Hound. The sale is expected to close on or about March 12, 2014. It is not expected that the Company will receive a distribution at the conclusion of the chapter 11 process.
- Effective December 31, 2011, the Company determined that it no longer had significant influence over the operating and financial polices of API. The Company discontinued the equity method of accounting for API and began classifying API as a Long-term investment and reports changes in fair value in the consolidated statement of operations.
- The Company has an investment in a Japanese real estate partnership. In the second quarter of 2013, the Company reclassified this investment to an associated company. SPLP has elected the fair value option to account for this investment in order to more appropriately reflect the value of the investment in its financial statements and will record future unrealized gains and losses in earnings. Prior to the second quarter of 2013, this investment was accounted for as an investment at cost and included in Other non-current assets on the consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2012 with a balance of \$4,576. During the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, due to declines observed in this business, the Company recorded impairments of \$1,510 and \$581, respectively, which are included in Asset impairment charges in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.
- During the second quarter of 2012, SPLP acquired an additional 2,227,500 shares of Steel Excel, a publicly traded company. As a result SPLP's ownership increased to 51.1% of the outstanding shares and Steel Excel became a majority-owned controlled subsidiary (for additional information on the transaction between Steel Excel and BNS, see Note 3 "Acquisitions").

The below summary balance sheet amounts are for the nearest practicable period. The below summary income statement amounts include results for associated companies for the periods in which they were accounted for as an associated company, or the nearest practicable corresponding period. This summary data may be unaudited and may contain a lag.

### Additional Disclosures Related to Associated Company Financial Statements

	 Decemb				
	 2013		2012		
Summary of balance sheet amounts:					
Current assets	\$ 477,886	\$	96,280		
Noncurrent assets	179,295		252,005		
Total assets	\$ 657,181	\$	348,285		
Current liabilities	\$ 269,629	\$	61,201		
Noncurrent liabilities	 77,260		170,857		
Total liabilities	346,889		232,058		
Parent equity	 310,292		116,227		
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 657,181	\$	348,285		
	 Year	Ende	d December	31,	
	2013		2012		2011
Summary income statement amounts:					
Revenue	\$ 922,579	\$	488,852	\$	161,659
Gross profit	152,364		74,070		14,722
(Loss) income from continuing operations	(4,262)		(4,788)		10,823
Net (loss) income	(5,663)		(13,477)		1,153

### **Other Investments at Fair Value - Related Party**

Other investments - related party, consist of the Company's investment in each series of the SPII Liquidating Trust (see Note 13 - "Related Party Transactions") accounted for under the equity method. The purpose of the SPII Liquidating Trust is to effect the orderly liquidation of certain assets previously held by Steel Partners II, L.P. ("SPII"). SPLP's financial position, financial performance and cash flows will be affected by the extent to which the operations of the SPII Liquidating Trust results in realized or unrealized gains (losses) and by distributions it makes in each reporting period. The Company holds variable interests in each series of the SPII Liquidating Trust.

Each series of the SPII Liquidating Trust is separate and distinct with respect to its assets, liabilities and net assets. Each individual series has no liability or claim with respect to the liabilities or assets of the other series. Each series shares in the costs, assets and liabilities, if any, that are not specifically attributable to a particular series. Each series generally holds the securities related to a specific investment and cash for operating expenses of the series. The investments in the SPII Liquidating Trust are not redeemable and distributions will be received from the SPII Liquidating Trust as the underlying assets held are sold over a period which is not determinable. There are no unfunded capital commitments with respect to these investments. The fair values for the investments in the SPII Liquidating Trust have been estimated using the net asset value of such interests as reported by the SPII Liquidating Trust. The following tables provide combined summarized data with respect to the other investments - related party accounted for under the equity method, at fair value:

	December 31,					
	2013 2012					
Summary of balance sheet amounts:						
Total assets	\$	23,412	\$	25,824		
Total liabilities		(34)		(37)		
Net Asset Value	\$	23,378	\$	25,787		
			Year E	nded December	81,	
		2013		2012		2011
Summary income statement amounts:						
Net decrease in net assets from operations	\$	(1,077)	\$	(18,996)	\$	(35,959)

# (C) OTHER INVESTMENTS

In connection with the acquisition of ModusLink common shares in March 2013, the Company received warrants ("ModusLink Warrants") to acquire an additional 2,000,000 shares at an exercise price of \$5.00 per share. The ModusLink Warrants are accounted for as an asset at fair value with changes in fair value recognized each period in (Loss) Income from investments at fair value in the consolidated statement of operations. The warrants have a life of 5 years and were valued using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. Assumptions used in the current valuation were as follows: 1) volatility of 58.8% 2) term of 4.2 years 3) risk free interest rate of 1.750% based on the U.S. Treasury bill yield, and 4) an expected dividend of \$0.

# LIMITED PARTNERSHIP INVESTMENT

In July 2013, Steel Excel invested \$25,000 in a limited partnership that co-invested with other private investment funds in a public company. Steel Excel accounts for this investment under the cost method as the limited partnership has no operations and Steel Excel does not have significant influence over the operations of the public company investee. Such investment had an approximate fair value of \$26,000 at December 31, 2013, based on the net asset value included in the monthly statement it receives from the partnership. These amounts are included in Other non-current assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

# 6. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis in the consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2013 and 2012 are summarized by type of inputs applicable to the fair value measurements as follows:

<u>December 31, 2013</u>	Level 1 Le		Level 2	Level 3		Total	
Assets:							
Marketable securities (a)	\$	139,786	\$	15,334	\$ 23,365	\$	178,485
Long-term investments (a)		209,168		53,754	18,303		281,225
Investments in certain funds		—		—	844		844
Precious metal and commodity inventories recorded at fair value		14,766		—	—		14,766
Commodity contracts on precious metal and commodity inventories		1,620		—	—		1,620
Total	\$	365,340	\$	69,088	\$ 42,512	\$	476,940
Liabilities:							
Financial instruments	\$	—	\$	25,090	\$ —	\$	25,090
Interest rate swap agreement		—		214	—		214
Total	\$	—	\$	25,304	\$ _	\$	25,304

<u>December 31, 2012</u>	Level 1	Level 2		Level 3		Total
Assets:						
Marketable securities (a)	\$ 128,123	\$ 69,222	\$	1,783	\$	199,128
Long-term investments (a)	112,030	59,383		21,784		193,197
Investments in certain funds				1,021		1,021
Commodity contracts on precious metals and commodity inventories	127					127
Total	\$ 240,280	\$ 128,605	\$	24,588	\$	393,473
Liabilities:						
Financial instruments	\$ —	\$ 24,742	\$		\$	24,742
Derivative features of subordinated notes	_			184		184
Commodity contracts on precious metals and commodity inventories	_	27				27
Total	\$ _	\$ 24,769	\$	184	\$	24,953
	 	 	-			

(a) For additional detail of the marketable securities and long-term investments see Note 5 - "Investments."

Investments with a fair value of \$26,690 were transferred from Level 1 to Level 2 based upon a reduction in the number of shares traded.

The fair value of the Company's financial instruments, such as cash and cash equivalents, trade and other receivables and trade payables, approximate carrying value due to the short-term maturities of these assets and liabilities. Carrying cost approximates fair value for long-term debt which has variable interest rates.

The precious metal and commodity inventories associated with HNH's fair value hedges (see Note 7 - "Financial Instruments") are reported at fair value. Fair value of these inventories is based on quoted market prices on commodity exchanges and are considered Level 1 measurements. The derivative instruments that HNH purchases in connection with its precious metal and commodity inventories, specifically commodity futures and forwards contracts, are also valued at fair value. The futures contracts are Level 1 measurements since they are traded on a commodity exchange. The forward contracts are entered into with a counterparty and are considered Level 2 measurements.

The Company's interest rate swap agreements associated with its Senior Credit Facility are considered Level 2 measurements as the inputs are observable at commonly quoted intervals. Prior to the redemption of the Subordinated Notes and related Warrants, the embedded derivative features of the Subordinated Notes and Warrants (see Note 14 - "Debt and Capital Lease Obligations") were valued at fair value on a recurring basis and were considered Level 3 measurements.

Following is a summary of changes in financial assets measured using Level 3 inputs:

	Long - Term Investments											
		Investments in Associated Companies (a)	Other Investments - Related Party (b)		ModusLink Warrants (c)		Marketable Securities and Other (d)		Other Investments			Total
<u>Assets</u>												
Balance at December 31, 2011	\$	—	\$	42,653	\$	—	\$		\$	13,623	\$	56,276
Purchases		10,923		—		—		2,804		—		13,727
Sales		—		(23,061)				_		(15,731)		(38,792)
Unrealized gains		—		3,265		—				2,108		5,373
Unrealized losses		(402)		(11,594)						—		(11,996)
Balance at December 31, 2012		10,521		11,263		—		2,804		_		24,588
Additions - fair value elections in 2013		3,065		_				_				3,065
Purchases		1,000		—		3,184		45,383		—		49,567
Sales		—		(764)				(23,034)		—		(23,798)
Realized gain on sale		—		—				1,556		—		1,556
Unrealized gains		—		60		3,578				—		3,638
Unrealized losses		(12,343)		(331)		(930)		(2,500)		—		(16,104)
Balance at December 31, 2013	\$	2,243	\$	10,228	\$	5,832	\$	24,209	\$	_	\$	42,512

(a) Unrealized losses are recorded in Income (Loss) of associated companies, net of taxes in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

(b) Unrealized gains and losses are recorded in Loss from other investments-related party in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

(c) Unrealized gains and losses are recorded in Other income (loss) in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

(d) Realized gain on sale is recorded in Other income (loss) in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Following is a summary of changes in financial liabilities measured using Level 3 inputs:

	Liabil	ferred Fee ity to Related Party (a)	Derivative of Suboro Notes	linated	 mon Unit Liability (c)	Total
Balance at December 31, 2011	\$	58,747	\$	694	\$ 1,785	\$ 61,226
Increase (Decrease) in fair value reported in the consolidated statement of operations as expense (income)		11,448		(831)	(1,785)	8,832
Deferred fee settlement		(70,195)		—	—	(70,195)
Other		—		(47)	—	(47)
Balance at December 31, 2012		_		(184)	 _	 (184)
Increase (Decrease) in fair value reported in the consolidated statement of operations as expense (income)		_		184	_	184
Balance at December 31, 2013	\$		\$	_	\$ _	\$ —

(a) See Note 13 - "Related Party Transactions"

(b) See Note 7 - "Financial Instruments"

(c) See Note 16 - "Capital and Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income ("Loss") - Common Unit Option Liability.

### Long-Term Investments - Valuation Techniques

The Company primarily uses two valuation methods to estimate the fair value of its equity securities measured using Level 3 inputs. The Company estimates the value of its indirect investment in Fox & Hound primarily using a discounted cash flow method adjusted for additional information related to debt covenants, solvency issues, etc. The Company estimates the value of its interest in the SPII Liquidating Trust based on the net asset value of each series of the Trust. The ModusLink Warrants are valued using the Black-Scholes option pricing model (for additional information see Note 5 - "Investments").

### Marketable Securities and Other - Valuation Techniques

In November 2012, Steel Excel invested \$6,000 in convertible debentures of School Specialty Inc. ("School Specialty") with a face amount of \$11,900. On January 28, 2013, School Specialty filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code, and in subsequent months Steel Excel invested approximately \$21,300 as part of the debtor-in-possession loan to School Specialty. Upon School Specialty emerging from bankruptcy on June 11, 2013, Steel Excel received 26,457 shares of common stock of the post-bankruptcy entity in exchange for the convertible debentures, and received \$17,500 in cash and 49,136 shares of common stock of the post-bankruptcy entity in exchange for its investment in the debtor-in-possession loan. The fair value of the common stock of the post-bankruptcy entity received was \$109 per share. In connection with these transactions, Steel Excel recognized a loss on disposal of the subordinated debentures of approximately \$3,200 and a gain on disposal of the investment in the debtor-in-possession loan of approximately \$1,600, both of which are included as a component of Other expense (income), net in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2013. In addition, Steel Excel invested \$9,800 in notes of the post-bankruptcy entity in June 2013. Steel Excel's investments in the common stock and notes of the post-bankruptcy entity are included as Level 3 corporate securities and Level 3 corporate obligations, respectively, as of December 31, 2013.

### Assets Measured at Fair Value on a Nonrecurring Basis

The Company's non-financial assets measured at fair value in 2013 and 2012 on a non-recurring basis include the assets acquired and liabilities assumed in the acquisitions described in Note 3 – "Acquisitions". Significant judgments and estimates are made to determine the acquisition date fair values which may include the use of appraisals, discounted cash flow techniques or other information the Company considers relevant to the fair value measurement. See Note 2 - "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" for discussion on significant estimates and impairment testing.

As of December 31, 2013 and 2012, WebBank has impaired loans of \$2,564, of which \$2,196 is guaranteed by the USDA or SBA and \$2,915, of which \$2,328 is guaranteed by the USDA or SBA, respectively. These loans are measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis using Level 3 inputs. See the Impaired Loans section of Note 8 - "Trade, Other and Loans Receivable" for additional discussion of loan impairment measurements.

# 7. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

### Foreign Currency Exchange Rate Risk

Financial instruments include \$25,090 and \$24,742 at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively, of amounts payable in foreign currencies which are subject to the risk of exchange rate changes. These financial instruments resulted from transactions entered into for risk management purposes, are collateralized by an equivalent amount included in restricted cash and have no maturity date. The liabilities are accounted for at fair value on the balance sheet date with changes in fair value reported in the consolidated statement of operations included in Net investment gains (losses). The liabilities are not designated as hedging instruments. The foreign currency financial instrument liabilities at December 31, 2013 and 2012 are as follows:

		December	r <b>31, 2013</b>		December	r 31, 2012
Currency	Carryir	ng Amount	<b>Notional Amount</b>	Carr	ying Amount	Notional Amount
Japanese Yen	\$	1,374	¥144,717	\$	1,695	¥146,991
Pound Sterling		23,716	£14,311		23,047	£14,186
Total	\$	25,090		\$	24,742	

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Information is summarized below for foreign currency financial liabilities and related restricted cash:

## Foreign exchange transactions:

Foreign exchange transactions:	rear Elided December 51,					
		2013		2012		
Balance, beginning of period	\$	24,742	\$	23,736		
Net investment losses		174		787		
Receipt of dividends, net of interest expense		203		219		
Other		(29)		—		
Balance of foreign currency financial instruments liability and related restricted cash, end of period						
(a)	\$	25,090	\$	24,742		

(a) The financial instruments payable in foreign currencies are entered into with a counterparty and are considered Level 2 measurements. Carrying value approximates fair value.

### Precious Metal and Commodity Inventories

H&H's precious metal and commodity inventories are subject to market price fluctuations. H&H enters into commodity futures and forward contracts on its precious metal inventory and certain commodity inventory that is not subject to fixed-price contracts with its customers in order to economically hedge against price fluctuations. HNH's hedging strategy is designed to protect it against normal volatility; therefore, abnormal price increases in these commodities or markets could negatively impact H&H's earnings. H&H does not enter into derivatives or other financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes.

As of December 31, 2013, HNH had the following outstanding forward or future contracts with settlement dates ranging from February 2014 to March 2014:

Commodity	Amount	
Silver	650,000 ounces \$	12,600
Gold	1,000 ounces \$	1,200
Copper	350,000 pounds \$	1,200
Tin	40 metric tons \$	900

H&H accounts for these contracts as either fair value hedges or economic hedges under the guidance in ASC 815, Derivatives and Hedging.

*Fair Value Hedges.* Of the total futures contracts outstanding, 570,000 ounces of silver and substantially all of the copper contracts are designated and accounted for as fair value hedges under ASC 815. The fair values of these derivatives are recognized as derivative assets and liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet. The net change in fair value of the derivative assets and liabilities and the change in the fair value of the underlying hedged inventory are recognized in the consolidated income statement, and such amounts principally offset each other due to the effectiveness of the hedges.

*Economic Hedges.* The remaining outstanding futures contracts for silver, and all of the contracts for gold and tin, are accounted for as economic hedges. As these derivatives are not designated as accounting hedges under ASC 815, they are accounted for as derivatives with no hedge designation. The derivatives are marked to market and both realized and unrealized gains and losses are recorded in current period earnings in the consolidated income statement.

The futures contracts are exchange traded contracts acquired through a third party broker. Accordingly, HNH has determined that there is minimal credit risk of default. HNH estimates the fair value of its derivative contracts through the use of market quotes or broker valuations when market information is not available. HNH maintains collateral on account with the third-party broker. Such collateral consists of both cash that varies in amount depending on the value of open futures contracts, as well as ounces of precious metal held on account by the broker.

### Debt Agreements

As discussed in Note 14 - "Debt and Capital Lease Obligations," Handy & Harman Group Ltd. ("H&H Group") has entered into two interest rate swap agreements as economic hedges of its debt, but has elected not to account for the interest rate swap agreements as hedges under ASC 815. HNH records the expense (or gain) both from the mark-to-market adjustments and

net settlements in interest expense on the consolidated income statement as the hedges are intended to offset interest rate movements.

HNH's Subordinated Notes had call premiums as well as Warrants associated with them. The Company treated the fair value of these features together as both a discount on the debt and a derivative liability at inception of the loan agreement. The discount was being amortized over the life of the notes as an adjustment to interest expense, and the derivative was marked to market at each balance sheet date. As discussed in Note 14 - "Debt and Capital lease Obligations," on March 26, 2013, the Company discharged its obligations associated with the Subordinated Notes and Warrants, and therefore, all discounts and derivative accounts related to the Subordinated Notes and Warrants are now zero.

#### **Option Contracts**

SPLP acquired the stock of two companies in conjunction with its acquisition of the assets of SPII on July 15, 2009. Subsequently, in place of these holdings, SPLP invested in buying calls and selling puts in these two companies to create similar risk/reward characteristics of a direct investment in the common stock of the two companies. As of December 31, 2013 and 2012 there are no call or put options outstanding. During 2011, the option contracts were exchange traded in active markets and the Company estimated the fair value of the options through the use of quoted prices obtained on internationally recognized exchanges.

Information is summarized below for the option contracts for the year ended December 31, 2011:

	Year Ended December 31,
	2011
Proceeds from sales	\$ 18,099
Realized gains (losses):	
Gross gains from sales	\$ 2,580
Gross losses from sales	(27,031)
Net realized investment gain	 (24,451)
Unrealized gains (losses):	
Change in unrealized gains	1,982
Change in unrealized losses	(2,202)
Net unrealized investment gains (loss)	(220)
Net investment loss	\$ (24,671)

### Securities Sold, Not Yet Purchased

There are no amounts outstanding at December 31, 2013 and 2012 for securities sold, not yet purchased. For risk management purposes during the year ended December 31, 2011, the Company sold securities short in order to economically hedge the risk of a decline in the stock market. Securities sold, not yet purchased represent obligations of the Company to deliver the specified security at the contracted price and, thereby, create a liability to repurchase the security in the market at prevailing prices. Accordingly, these transactions result in off-balance-sheet risk as the Company's ultimate obligation to satisfy the sale of securities sold, not yet purchased, at fair value may exceed the amount recognized in the consolidated balance sheet. The securities sold, not yet purchased were exchange traded in active markets and the Company estimated the fair value of the securities through the use of quoted prices obtained on internationally recognized exchanges.

Information is summarized below for securities sold, not yet purchased for the twelve months ended December 31, 2011:

	Year Ended ecember 31,
	 2011
Proceeds from sales	\$ 20,045
Realized gains (losses):	
Gross gains from sales	\$ 14
Gross losses from sales	(1,422)
Net realized investment loss	(1,408)
Unrealized gains (losses):	
Change in unrealized gains	_
Change in unrealized losses	—
Net unrealized investment gain	 
Net investment loss	\$ (1,408)

Fair Value of Derivative Instruments in the Consolidated Balance Sheets:

		December 31,							
Derivative	<b>Balance Sheet Location</b>		2013	2012					
Foreign currency financial instruments (a)	Financial instruments	\$	25,090	\$	24,742				
Commodity contracts (a), (b)	Other current assets	\$	1,778	\$	(127)				
Commodity contracts (a)	Other current liabilities	\$	(158)	\$	27				
Interest rate swap agreements	Other current liabilities	\$	(214)	\$	_				
Derivative features of subordinated notes (a)	Long-term debt	\$	_	\$	(184)				

(a) Carrying amount equals fair value.

(b) Designated as hedging instruments as of December 31, 2013.

Effect of derivative instruments on the Consolidated Statements of Operations:

		Year Ended December 31,										
			2013	2012		2011						
Derivative	Statement of Operations Location	Ga	in (loss)	Gain (loss)	G	ain (loss)						
Foreign currency financial instruments	Net investment gains (losses)	\$	(174)	\$ (787)	\$	(4,903)						
Commodity contracts	Cost of goods sold		2,528	—		—						
Commodity contracts	Realized and unrealized (gain) loss on derivatives		1,988	521		(1,236)						
Interest rate swap agreements	Interest expense		(328)	—		—						
Call options	Net investment gains (losses)			—		(8,539)						
Put options	Net investment gains (losses)			—		(16,131)						
Securities sold, not yet purchased	Net investment gains (losses)			—		(1,408)						
Derivative features of subordinated notes	Realized and unrealized (gain) loss on derivatives		(793)	831		839						
Total derivatives		\$	3,221	\$ 565	\$	(31,378)						

## Financial Instruments with Off-Balance Sheet Risk

WebBank is a party to financial instruments with off-balance sheet risk. In the normal course of business, these financial instruments include commitments to extend credit in the form of loans. Those instruments involve to varying degrees, elements of credit and interest rate risk in excess of the amount recognized on the consolidated balance sheets. The contract amounts of those instruments reflect the extent of involvement WebBank has in particular classes of financial instruments.

At December 31, 2013 and 2012, WebBank's undisbursed loan commitments totaled \$28,011 and \$155,378, respectively. Commitments to extend credit are agreements to lend to a customer provided there is no violation of any condition established in the contract. WebBank's commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of a fee. Since certain of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. WebBank evaluates each customer's credit worthiness on a case-by-case basis. The amount of collateral obtained if deemed necessary by WebBank upon extension of credit is based on management's credit evaluation of the borrower.

WebBank's exposure to credit loss in the event of nonperformance by the other party to the financial instrument for commitments to extend credit is represented by the contractual amount of those instruments. WebBank uses the same credit policy in making commitments and conditional obligations as it does for on-balance sheet instruments.

WebBank also estimates an allowance for potential losses on off-balance sheet contingent credit exposure. WebBank determines an allowance for this contingent credit exposure based on historical experience and portfolio analysis. The allowance was \$465 and \$740 at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively, and is included within Other current liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets. Increases or decreases in the allowance are included in Selling, general and administrative expenses in the consolidated statements of operations. The amount included in Selling, general and administrative expenses for credit losses on off-balance sheet contingent credit exposure was a benefit of \$175, \$440 and \$22 for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

# 8. TRADE, OTHER AND LOANS RECEIVABLE

#### Trade and Other Receivables

	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Trade and other receivables (net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$1,981 in 2013 and \$2,004 in 2012)	\$ 96,736	\$ 81,820
Other receivables	5,677	2,194
Total	\$ 102,413	\$ 84,014

### Loans Receivable

Major classification of WebBank's loans receivable at December 31, 2013 and 2012 are as follows:

		Total							rrent		Non-current				
	Dec	ember 31, 2013	%	December 31, 2012		%	D	ecember 31, 2013	December 31, 2012		December 31, 2013		Decer	ecember 31, 2012	
Real estate loans:															
Commercial - owner occupied	\$	4,671	6%	\$	6,724	10%	\$	197	\$	198	\$	4,474	\$	6,526	
Commercial – other		242	%		318	%				9		242		309	
Total real estate loans		4,913	6%		7,042	10%		197		207		4,716		6,835	
Commercial and industrial		46,702	61%		9,832	15%		1,462		451		45,240		9,381	
Loans held for sale		25,125	33%		51,505	75%		25,125		51,505				_	
Total loans		76,740	100%		68,379	100%		26,784		52,163		49,956		16,216	
Less:															
Deferred fees and discounts		_			21			_		21		_		_	
Allowance for loan losses		(424)			(285)			(424)		(285)		—		_	
Total loans receivable, net (a)	\$	76,316		\$	68,115		\$	26,360	\$	51,899	\$	49,956	\$	16,216	

(a) The carrying value is considered to be representative of fair value because the rates of interest are not significantly different from market interest rates for instruments with similar maturities. The fair value of loans receivable, net was \$76,303 and \$71,111 at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

### Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses

The Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses ("ALLL") represents an estimate of probable and estimable losses inherent in the loan and lease portfolio as of the balance sheet date. Losses are charged to the ALLL when recognized. Generally, commercial loans are charged off or charged down at the point at which they are determined to be uncollectible in whole or in part. The amount of the ALLL is established by analyzing the portfolio at least quarterly, and the provisions for loan losses is adjusted so that the ALLL is at an appropriate level at the balance sheet date.

The methodologies used to estimate the ALLL depend upon the impairment status and portfolio segment of the loan. For the commercial and commercial real estate segments, a comprehensive loan grading system is used to assign loss given default grades to each loan. The credit quality indicators discussed subsequently are based on this grading system. Loss given default grades are based on both financial and statistical models and loan officers' judgment. Groupings of these grades are created for each loan class and calculate historic loss rates ranging from the previous 36 months.

After applying historic loss experience, as described above, the quantitatively derived level of ALLL is reviewed for each segment using qualitative criteria. Various risk factors are tracked that influence judgment regarding the level of the ALLL across the portfolio segments. Primary qualitative factors that may be reflected in the quantitative models include:

- Asset quality trends
- Risk management and loan administration practices
- Risk identification practices
- Effect of changes in the nature and volume of the portfolio
- Existence and effect of any portfolio concentrations
- National economic and business conditions
- Regional and local economic and business conditions
- Data availability and applicability

Changes in these factors are reviewed to ensure that changes in the level of the ALLL are consistent with changes in these factors. The magnitude of the impact of each of these factors on the qualitative assessment of the ALLL changes from quarter to quarter according to the extent these factors are already reflected in historic loss rates and according to the extent these factors diverge from one another. Also considered is the uncertainty inherent in the estimation process when evaluating the ALLL.

Changes in the allowance for loan and lease losses are summarized as follows:

		Real E	Estate						
	Commercial - Owner Occupied		С	ommercial - Other	 mmercial & ndustrial	τ	nallocated	Т	otal
December 31, 2011	\$	347	\$	46	\$ 136	\$	_		529
Charge-offs		1		_	—				1
Recoveries		46		44	80		—		170
Provision		(207)		(56)	(152)				(415)
December 31, 2012		187		34	64		_		285
Charge-offs		_		_	 (64)		_		(64)
Recoveries		22		44	217				283
Provision		(132)		(50)	102				(80)
December 31, 2013	\$	77	\$	28	\$ 319	\$	_	\$	424

The ALLL and outstanding loan balances according to the Company's impairment method are summarized as follows:

	Real					
<u>December 31, 2013</u>	 mercial - • Occupied		mercial - Other	 nmercial & Idustrial		Total
Allowance for loan losses:						
Individually evaluated for impairment	\$ _	\$	_	\$ —	\$	
Collectively evaluated for impairment	77		28	319		424
Total	\$ 77	\$	28	\$ 319	\$	424
Outstanding Loan balances:						
Individually evaluated for impairment (1)	\$ 2,426	\$	_	\$ 138	\$	2,564
Collectively evaluated for impairment	2,245		242	46,564		49,051
Total	\$ 4,671	\$	242	\$ 46,702	\$	51,615
					_	

(1) \$2,121 is guaranteed by the USDA or SBA.

	Real E					
<u>December 31, 2012</u>	 nmercial - er Occupied	Co	mmercial - Other	Commercial & Industrial		Total
Allowance for loan losses:						
Individually evaluated for impairment	\$ _	\$	—	\$	—	\$ _
Collectively evaluated for impairment	187		34		64	285
Total	\$ 187	\$	34	\$	64	\$ 285
Outstanding Loan balances:						 
Individually evaluated for impairment (1)	\$ 2,728	\$	—	\$	186	\$ 2,914
Collectively evaluated for impairment	3,996		318		9,646	13,960
Total	\$ 6,724	\$	318	\$	9,832	\$ 16,874

(1) \$2,328 is guaranteed by the USDA or SBA.

# Nonaccrual and Past Due Loans

Loans are generally placed on nonaccrual status when payment in full of principal and interest is not expected, or the loan is 90 days or more past due as to principal or interest, unless the loan is both well secured and in the process of collection.

A nonaccrual loan may be returned to accrual status when all delinquent interest and principal become current in accordance with the terms of the loan agreement; and the loan, if secured, is well secured; the borrower has paid according to the contractual terms for a minimum of six months; and analysis of the borrower indicates a reasonable assurance of the ability to maintain payments. Payments received on nonaccrual loans are applied as a reduction to the principal outstanding.

Loans are reported as past due when either principal or interest is due and unpaid for a period of 30 days or more. Loans past due 90 days or more and still accruing interest were \$0 and \$2,581 at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.



Nonaccrual loans are summarized as follows:

		nber 31, 2012
\$ 402	\$	147
402		147
109		94
\$ 511	\$	241
	402 109	2013         2           \$         402         \$           402         109         109

Past due loans (accruing and nonaccruing) are summarized as follows:

<u>December 31, 2013</u>	0	urrent	30-89 days past due		90+ days past due	Total past due (2)		Total loans		Recorded investment in accruing loans 90+ days past due		Nonaccrual loans that are current (1)	
Real Estate Loans:													
Commercial - Owner Occupied	\$	4,668	\$ _	\$	3	\$	3	\$	4,671	\$		\$	399
Commercial - Other		242			—		—		242				—
Total Real Estate Loans		4,910	 _		3		3		4,913		_		399
Commercial and Industrial		46,536	57		109		166		46,702		—		_
Total Loans	\$	51,446	\$ 57	\$	112	\$	169	\$	51,615	\$	—	\$	399

(1) Represents nonaccrual loans that are not past due more than 30 days; however, full payment of principal and interest is still not expected. (2) \$90 is guaranteed by the USDA or SBA.

<u>December 31, 2012</u>	0	Current	30-89 days past due		s 90+ days past due		Total past due (2)		Total loans		Recorded investment in accruing loans 90+ days past due (3)		 Nonaccrual loans that are current (1)
Real Estate Loans:													
Commercial - Owner Occupied	\$	3,996	\$	—	\$	2,728	\$	2,728	\$	6,724	\$	2,581	\$ —
Commercial - Other		318		—		—		—		318		—	—
Total Real Estate Loans		4,314		_		2,728		2,728		7,042		2,581	_
Commercial and Industrial		9,738		—		94		94		9,832		—	—
Total Loans	\$	14,052	\$	_	\$	2,822	\$	2,822	\$	16,874	\$	2,581	\$ —

(1) Represents nonaccrual loans that are not past due more than 30 days; however, full payment of principal and interest is still not expected.

(2) \$2,317 is guaranteed by the USDA or SBA.

(3) \$2,126 is guaranteed by the USDA or SBA.

## Credit Quality Indicators

In addition to the past due and nonaccrual criteria, loans are analyzed using a loan grading system. Generally, internal grades are assigned to loans based on financial/statistical models and loan officer judgment. The Company reviews and grades all loans with unpaid principal balances of \$100 or more once per year. Grades follow definitions of Pass, Special Mention, Substandard, and Doubtful. The definitions of Pass, Special Mention, Substandard, and Doubtful are summarized as follows:

• *Pass*: A Pass asset is a higher quality asset and does not fit any of the other categories described below. The likelihood of loss is considered remote.

- *Special Mention*: A receivable in this category has a specific weakness or problem but does not currently present a significant risk of loss or default as to any material term of the loan or financing agreement.
- *Substandard*: A substandard receivable has a developing or currently minor weakness or weaknesses that could result in loss or default if deficiencies are not corrected or adverse conditions arise.
- *Doubtful*: A doubtful receivable has an existing weakness or weaknesses that have developed into a serious risk of significant loss or default with regard to a material term of the financing agreement.

Outstanding loan balances (accruing and nonaccruing) categorized by these credit quality indicators are summarized as follows:

<u>December 31, 2013</u>	 Pass	Special Mention	sta	Sub- ndard (1)	 Doubtful	 Total loans
Real Estate Loans:						
Construction	\$ 2,246	\$ —	\$	2,425	\$ —	\$ 4,671
Commercial - Owner Occupied	242	—		—	—	242
Commercial - Other	—	—		—	—	
Total Real Estate Loans	2,488	_		2,425	 _	4,913
Commercial and Industrial	44,176	2,387		139	_	46,702
Total Loans	\$ 46,664	\$ 2,387	\$	2,564	\$ _	\$ 51,615

(1) \$2,121 is guaranteed by the USDA or SBA.

<u>December 31, 2012</u>	 Pass	 Special Mention	S	Sub- tandard (1)	Doubtful			Total loans
Real Estate Loans:								
Construction	\$ 	\$ _	\$	_	\$	—	\$	—
Commercial - Owner Occupied	3,947	48		2,729		—		6,724
Commercial - Other	318					—		318
Total Real Estate Loans	 4,265	48		2,729		_		7,042
Commercial and Industrial	9,646			186		—		9,832
Total Loans	\$ 13,911	\$ 48	\$	2,915	\$	_	\$	16,874

(1) \$2,328 is guaranteed by the USDA or SBA.

#### Impaired Loans

Loans are considered impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable that WebBank will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement, including scheduled interest payments. When loans are impaired, an estimate of the amount of the balance that is impaired is made and a specific reserve is assigned to the loan based on the estimated present value of the loan's future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate, the observable market price of the loan, or the fair value of the loan's underlying collateral less the cost to sell. When the impairment is based on amount on the fair value of the loan's underlying collateral, the portion of the balance that is impaired is charged off, such that these loans do not have a specific reserve in the ALLL. Payments received on impaired loans that are accruing are recognized in interest income, according to the contractual loan agreement. Payments received on impaired loans that are on nonaccrual are not recognized in interest income, but are applied as a reduction to the principal outstanding. Payments are recognized when cash is received.

Information on impaired loans is summarized as follows:

			Recorded i	nvestm	ent				
<u>December 31, 2013</u>	pr	Unpaid inciple alance	rith no owance		rith wance	 l recorded stment (1)	 elated owance	re	verage corded vestment
Real Estate Loans:									
Commercial - Owner Occupied	\$	2,626	\$ 2,425	\$		\$ 2,425	\$ 	\$	2,555
Total Real Estate Loans		2,626	2,425		_	 2,425	 _		2,555
Commercial and Industrial		354	129		10	139			150
Total Loans	\$	2,980	\$ 2,554	\$	10	\$ 2,564	\$ 	\$	2,705

(1) \$2,196 is guaranteed by the USDA or SBA.

			Recorded	investı	nent					
<u>December 31, 2012</u>	pr	Jnpaid incipal alance	vith no lowance	with allowance		Total recorded investment (1)		Related Allowance		Average recorded nvestment
Real Estate Loans:										 
Commercial - Owner Occupied	\$	2,981	\$ 2,729	\$	—	\$	2,729	\$		\$ 3,199
Total Real Estate Loans		2,981	2,729		_		2,729		_	3,199
Commercial and Industrial		542	169		17		186			198
Total Loans	\$	3,523	\$ 2,898	\$	17	\$	2,915	\$	_	\$ 3,397

(1) \$2,328 is guaranteed by the USDA or SBA.

# 9. INVENTORIES

A summary of inventories is as follows:

	D	ecember 31, 2013	D	ecember 31, 2012
Finished products	\$	21,887	\$	19,229
In – process		9,840		8,344
Raw materials		15,246		14,346
Fine and fabricated precious metal in various stages of completion		19,802		9,599
		66,775		51,518
LIFO reserve		(136)		(2,695)
	\$	66,639	\$	48,823

### Fine and Fabricated Precious Metal Inventory

In order to produce certain of its products, HNH purchases, maintains and utilizes precious metal inventory. HNH records certain precious metal inventory at the lower of last-in, first-out ("LIFO") cost or market, with any adjustments recorded through cost of goods sold. The market value of the precious metal inventory exceeded LIFO cost by \$136 as of December 31, 2013 and \$2,695 as of December 31, 2012. The increase in the amount of precious metal inventory was principally attributable to the acquisition of Wolverine Joining (see Note 3 - "Acquisitions"), whose precious metal inventory is accounted for at fair value.

Certain customers and suppliers of HNH choose to do business on a "pool" basis, and furnish precious metal to HNH for return in fabricated form ("customer metal") or for purchase from or return to the supplier. When the customer metal is

returned in fabricated form, the customer is charged a fabrication charge. The value of this customer metal is not included in the Company's balance sheet. To the extent HNH is able to utilize customer precious metal in its production process, such customer metals replaces the need for HNH to purchase its own inventory. As of December 31, 2013, HNH's customer metal consisted of 247,103 ounces of silver, 576 ounces of gold, and 1,392 ounces of palladium. As of December 31, 2012, HNH's customer metal consisted of 208,433 ounces of silver, 541 ounces of gold, and 1,399 ounces of palladium.

	D	ecember 31, 2013	I	December 31, 2012
Supplemental inventory information:				
Precious metals stated at LIFO cost	\$	5,090	\$	5,460
Precious metals stated under non-LIFO cost methods, primarily at fair value		13,687		—
Market value per ounce:				
Silver		19.49		30.20
Gold		1,201.50		1,675.40
Palladium		711.00		702.85

# **10. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, NET**

A summary of property, plant and equipment, net is as follows:

	Dec	ember 31, 2013	De	ecember 31, 2012
Land	\$	11,658	\$	10,059
Buildings and improvements		59,252		52,983
Machinery, equipment and other		192,619		143,281
Construction in progress		8,615		10,059
		272,144		216,382
Accumulated depreciation and amortization		(60,994)		(38,800)
Net property, plant and equipment	\$	211,150	\$	177,582

Depreciation expense was \$23,318, \$17,375 and \$13,204 for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

# **11. GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLES**

A reconciliation of the change in the carrying value of goodwill is as follows:

	December 31, 2013										
		Diversified		Energy		Corporate		Total			
Balance at beginning of year	\$	15,112	\$	48,429	\$	81	\$	63,622			
Acquisitions		18,169		28,994		—		47,163			
Impairment (a)		—		(3,577)		—		(3,577)			
Currency translation adjustment		14		—		—		14			
Other adjustments (b)		(454)		—		—		(454)			
Balance at end of period	\$	32,841	\$	73,846	\$	81	\$	106,768			

(a) Represents an impairment related to one of Steel Excel's sports businesses.

(b) Represents final purchase price allocation adjustments, including a final working capital adjustment, associated with the prior year HNH acquisition of Hickman. For additional information, see Note 3 - "Acquisitions."

		Decembe	r 31,	, 2012	
	 Diversified	Energy		Corporate	Total
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 11,838	\$ 24,837	\$	81	\$ 36,756
BNS sale of SWH to Steel Excel	—	(24,836)		—	(24,836)
Acquisition of Steel Excel	—	48,468		—	48,468
Acquisition of Hickman	3,267	—		—	3,267
Other acquisitions	—	154		—	154
Impairment	—	(192)		—	(192)
Currency translation adjustment/other	7	(2)		_	5
Balance at end of year	\$ 15,112	\$ 48,429	\$	81	\$ 63,622

A summary of intangible assets other than goodwill is summarized as follows:

	December 31, 2013							December 31, 2012						
		Gross Carrying Amount		Accumulated Amortization		Net	Gross Carrying fet Amount			Accumulated Amortization		Net		
Product and customer relationships	\$	117,424	\$	22,816	\$	94,608	\$	102,756	\$	14,664	\$	88,092		
Trademarks		28,915		3,978		24,937		23,610		2,016		21,594		
Patents and technology		19,338		5,635		13,703		19,025		4,063		14,962		
Other		2,516		1,547		969		2,446		1,182		1,264		
	\$	168,193	\$	33,976	\$	134,217	\$	147,837	\$	21,925	\$	125,912		

Trademarks with indefinite lives as of December 31, 2013 and 2012 were \$8,020. Amortization expense related to intangible assets was \$12,033, \$9,966 and \$7,534 for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

The estimated amortization expense for each of the five succeeding years and thereafter is as follows:

	Pro	oducts and			
	C	Customer		Patents and	
	Re	lationships	Trademarks	Technology	Other
2014	\$	8,372 \$	1,914 \$	1,276 \$	358
2015		8,007	1,903	1,276	358
	2016	7,638	1,894	1,276	160
	2017	7,288	1,217	1,276	75
	2018	7,178	789	1,276	18
Thereafter		56,125	9,200	7,323	—
Total	\$	94,608 \$	16,917 \$	13,703 \$	969

# **12. BANK DEPOSITS**

A summary of WebBank deposits is as follows:

	1	December 31, 2013	I	December 31, 2012
Time deposits year of maturity:				
2013	\$		\$	25,838
2014		47,372		9,094
2015		14,284		14,264
2016		13,625		11,507
2017		—		—
Total time deposits		75,281		60,703
Money market deposits		42,925		17,906
Total deposits (a)	\$	118,206	\$	78,609
Current	\$	87,319	\$	43,744
Long-term		30,887		34,865
Total deposits	\$	118,206	\$	78,609
Time deposit accounts under \$100	\$	63,515	\$	53,897
Time deposit accounts \$100 and over		11,766		6,806
Total time deposits	\$	75,281	\$	60,703

(a) The carrying value is considered to be representative of fair value because the rates of interest are not significantly different from market interest rates for instruments with similar maturities. The fair value of Deposits was \$135,893 and \$104,707 at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

### **13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

#### Management Agreement

Until December 31, 2011, SPLLC was the manager of SPLP. Effective January 1, 2012, SPLLC assigned its interest in the management agreement to SP General Services LLC (the "Manager"), formerly an affiliate of SPLLC. On October 10, 2013, the Company, SPH Group LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, and the Manager entered into the Fifth Amended and Restated Management Agreement, effective as of May 11, 2012, to clarify the manner in which the annual incentive fee is calculated and paid to the Manager. (See Note 16 - "Capital and Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss" for information on the incentive fee). Effective January 1, 2012, the Manager receives a fee at an annual rate of 1.5% of total partner's capital ("Management Fee"), payable on the first day of each quarter and subject to quarterly adjustment. The Management Agreement will continue until December 31, 2013 and will be automatically renewed thereafter for successive one-year terms unless otherwise determined at least 60 days prior to each renewal date by a majority of the independent directors. Prior to January 1, 2012, the Management Fee was at a rate of 1.5% per annum payable monthly and was calculated based on the sum of the net asset value of the common units and any amounts in the deferred fee accounts as of the last day of the prior calendar month.

SPLP will bear (or reimburse the Manager with respect to) all its reasonable costs and expenses of the managed entities, the Manager, SPLP GP or their affiliates, including but not limited to: legal, tax, accounting, auditing, consulting, administrative, compliance, investor relations costs related to being a public entity rendered for SPLP or SPH GP as well as expenses incurred by the Manager and SPH GP which are reasonably necessary for the performance by the Manager of its duties and functions under the Management Agreement and certain other expenses incurred by managers, officers, employees and agents of the Manager or its affiliates on behalf of SPLP. For the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011, the Manager earned a Management Fee of \$8,178, \$7,412 and \$8,119, respectively. Unpaid amounts for management fees included in Payable to related parties were \$2,049 and \$2,097 at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The Manager incurred \$1,310, \$1,179 and \$2,833 of reimbursable expenses during the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011, respectively, in connection with its provision of services under the Management Agreement. Unpaid amounts for

reimbursable expenses were \$477 and \$573 at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively, and are included in Payable to related parties.

### **Corporate Services**

On January 1, 2012, SPH Services, a new subsidiary of SPLP, was created to consolidate the executive and corporate functions of SPLP and certain of its affiliates, including SP Corporate Services LLC ("SP Corporate") and SPLLC, and to provide such services to other portfolio companies. SP Corporate, through Management Services Agreements with these companies, provides services which include assignment of C-Level management personnel, as well as a variety of services including legal, tax, accounting, treasury, consulting, auditing, administrative, compliance, environmental health and safety, human resources, marketing, investor relations and other similar services. The fees payable under these agreements are initially based on the level of services expected to be provided. They are subject to annual review and adjustment and are approved by the respective company's board of directors. The agreements automatically renew for successive one-year periods unless and until terminated in accordance with agreement. Under certain circumstances, the termination may result in payment of a termination fee to SP Corporate.

Consolidated companies that have agreements with SP Corporate include HNH, Steel Excel, SPLP, DGT, WebBank and BNS. During 2013, annual amounts billed to these companies were \$8,885, \$3,600, \$3,000, \$518, \$250 and \$278, respectively, and are eliminated in consolidation. In October 2013, SP Corporate entered into a management services agreement with iGo for \$372 per year. Also, in January 2014, SP Corporate amended its agreement with Steel Excel (see Note 22 - "Subsequent Events" for additional information).

In addition to its servicing agreements with SPLP and its consolidated subsidiaries, SP Corporate has management services agreements with other companies considered to be related parties, including CoSine, NOVT, Ore Holdings, Inc., J. Howard Inc., SL Industries, Inc. and Steel Partners, Ltd. During 2013, SP Corporate charged approximately \$1,307 to these companies.

Services provided to SPLP and its subsidiaries for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 are eliminated in consolidation. Additional details regarding the services provided by SP Corporate during 2011 are as follows:

- For the twelve months ended December 31, 2011, SP Corporate earned \$1,038 for providing SPLP with certain management, consulting, advisory services, accounting, investor relations, compliance and other services related to the operation of SPLP.
- During 2011, HNH provided management and advisory services with respect to operations, strategic planning, finance and accounting, sale and acquisition activities and other aspects of the businesses of HNH. For the twelve months ended December 31, 2011, HNH incurred \$1,740 under the management and services fee.
- For the twelve months ended December 31, 2011, WebBank incurred \$250 under a servicing agreement with SP Corporate.
- BNS incurred \$1,083 (includes \$500 for assistance provided to BNS related to a financing arrangement) for the period November 1, 2010 through December 31, 2011 (as discussed in Note 1 – "Nature of the Business and Basis of Presentation", BNS changed its fiscal year to a calendar year and the twelve months ended September 30, 2011 includes two additional months of statement of operations activity). BNS incurred \$385 for the period November 1, 2009 through October 31, 2010 (its fiscal year).
- Effective October 1, 2011, Steel Excel contracted with SP Corporate to provide Steel Excel with financial management and administrative services, including the services of a chief financial officer. Under the terms of the services agreement, SP Corporate was receiving \$35 monthly for the provision of such services. On May 31, 2012, Steel Excel acquired all of the capital stock of SWH, the parent company of Sun Well. As a result of the transaction, Steel Excel became a majority-owned controlled subsidiary and is consolidated with SPLP from that date (for additional information on the transaction between Steel Excel and BNS, see Note 3 "Acquisitions"). Any Fees charged to Steel Excel subsequent to May 31, 2012 are eliminated in consolidation.

### SPII Liquidating Trust

SPLP holds interests in the SPII Liquidating Trust, an entity that holds certain investments which it acquired in connection with the Exchange Transaction, which the Manager and its affiliate serve as the manager and liquidating trustee, respectively, without compensation other than reimbursement for out-of-pocket expenses. The SPII Liquidating Trust has an



investment in Steel Partners Japan Strategic Fund, L.P. and in Steel Partners China Access I L.P. See Note 5 - "Investments" for additional information.

In the second quarter of 2013, the SPII Liquidating Trust sold its remaining investments comprising Trust I to a related party, Steel Partners Ltd. The Company received proceeds of \$764 representing its proportionate interest in the Trust. There was no gain or loss on the transaction.

#### Mutual Securities

Pursuant to the Management Agreement, the Manager was responsible for selecting executing brokers. Securities transactions for SPLP are allocated to brokers on the basis of reliability and best price and execution. The Manager has selected Mutual Securities as an introducing broker and may direct a substantial portion of the managed entities' trades to such firm among others. An officer of the Manager and SPH GP is affiliated with Mutual Securities. The Manager only uses Mutual Securities when such use would not compromise the Manager's obligation to seek best price and execution. SPLP has the right to pay commissions to Mutual Securities, which are higher than those that can be obtained elsewhere, provided that the Manager believes that the rates paid are competitive institutional rates. Mutual Securities also served as an introducing broker for SPLP's trades. The Commissions paid by SPLP to Mutual securities were approximately \$310, \$239 and \$1,105 for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011, respectively. Such commissions are included in the net investment gains (losses) in the consolidated statements of operations. The portion of the commission paid to Mutual Securities ultimately received by such officer is net of clearing and other charges.

#### Other

On March 31, 2012, Steel Partners, Ltd. assigned its rights, obligations and title to its New York City office lease to SPH Services. In connection with the assignment, Steel Partners, Ltd. agreed to remit \$3,286 to SPH Services, subject to adjustment, which represents the present value of the lease payment obligations over the fair value of the leased facilities. In addition, for a total consideration of \$1,203, Steel Partners, Ltd. sold to SPH Services the fixed assets held by it relating to the New York City location, which includes furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements. This amount is included in payable to related parties as of December 31, 2013. The Company agreed to reimburse Steel Partners, Ltd. \$254 for occupancy costs for the three months ended March 31, 2012. This amount was paid to Steel Partners, Ltd in the third quarter of 2012.

SPLP has an arrangement whereby it holds an asset on behalf of a related party in which it has an investment. The asset had a fair value of \$28,515 and \$30,172 at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Under the terms of this arrangement, the related party is the sole beneficiary and SPLP does not have an economic interest in the asset and SPLP has no capital at risk with respect to such asset, other than indirectly through its indirect investment in such related party. No amounts related to this arrangement are recorded on the Consolidated balance sheet. For the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, SPLP was indirectly compensated for providing this arrangement by the payment of a fee. The fees were not material.

The Company's non-management directors receive an annual retainer of \$150, of which \$75 is paid in cash and \$75 is paid in restricted common units of SPLP. The restricted units vest over a three year period. These directors are also paid fees of \$1 for each board committee meeting attended. The chairmen of the Audit Committee, Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee and Compensation Committee are paid an additional fee of \$60, \$5 and \$5 annually, respectively. For the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011 non-management directors' fees expensed were \$855, \$570 and \$437, respectively. Unpaid non-management directors' fees are included in Payable to related parties and were \$46 and \$44 at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

At December 31, 2013, several related parties and consolidated subsidiaries had deposits totaling \$19,229 in WebBank. These deposits earned \$159 in interest through December 31, 2013. Deposits of \$17,195 and interest of \$150 has been eliminated in consolidation. At December 31, 2012, several related parties and consolidated subsidiaries had deposits totaling \$27,559 in WebBank. These deposits earned \$146 in interest through December 31, 2012. Deposits of \$25,537 and interest of \$112 has been eliminated in consolidation.

SPLP has an estimated liability of \$116 as of December 31, 2013 and 2012 included in other current liabilities which, pursuant to the Amended Exchange Agreement, is indemnified by Steel Partners II (Onshore) LP ("SPII Onshore"). As a result, the Company recorded an amount receivable from SPII Onshore reported as Receivable from related parties in the consolidated balance sheet.

## Deferred Fee Liability to Related Party

Pursuant to an assignment and assumption agreement effective as of July 15, 2009, SPLP assumed from Steel Partners II (Offshore) Ltd. ("SPII Offshore"), an entity previously affiliated with SPII, a liability due WGL Capital Corp. (the "Investment Manager") an affiliate of the Manager, pursuant to a deferred fee agreement (the "Deferred Fee Liability"), in the amount of \$51,594. In exchange for assuming the liability, SPLP received consideration of equal value from SPII Offshore comprised of \$4,487 in cash and 2,725,533 common units of SPLP (valued at \$17.28 per common unit as determined in connection with the implementation of the Exchange Transaction) which are held by SPLP as treasury units.

The amount of the Deferred Fee Liability was indexed to the value of SPLP. The deferred fee was a fair value liability and increased or decreased quarterly by the same percentage as the increase or decrease in the index. The Deferred Fee Liability increased \$11,448 in the year ended December 31, 2012, and is reported in the consolidated statements of operations as Deferred fee liability to related party-increase. On April 11, 2012 (the "Termination Date"), the Company and the Investment Manager terminated the Investor Services Agreement by mutual consent. Instead of receiving the deferred fee in cash, the Investment Manager elected for the total amount to be paid in common units of the Company. For additional information see Note 16 - "Capital and Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)."

### Investment Manager

SPLP was a party to an investor services agreement (the "Investor Services Agreement") during 2011 and through April 11, 2012, the day in which the Company and the Investment Manager terminated the Investor Services Agreement by mutual consent - See "*Deferred Fee Liability to Related Party*" section above. Pursuant to the Investor Services Agreement, the Investment Manager performed certain investor relations services on SPLP's behalf and SPLP paid the Investment Manager a fee in an amount of \$50 per year (the "Investor Services Fee"). The Management Fee payable to the Manager pursuant to the Manager earned an Investor Services Fee of \$13 and \$50 for the twelve months ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. There were no unpaid amounts for the Investor Services Fee at December 31, 2012.

# 14. DEBT AND CAPITAL LEASE OBLIGATIONS

Debt and capital lease obligations consists of the following:

	December 31, 2013		December 31, 2012
Short term debt:			
Foreign	\$ 30	4	\$ 778
3/4% Convertible Senior Subordinated Notes	34	6	346
Total short-term debt	65	0	1,124
Long-term debt - non related party:			
Term Loans	208,50	0	115,000
First Lien Term Loans	30,95	0	15,340
10% Subordinated Notes, net of unamortized discount	-	_	9,049
Other debt - domestic	8,28	0	8,597
Foreign loan facilities	1,65	8	4,713
Total debt to non related party	249,38	8	152,699
Less portion due within one year	26,03	3	13,025
Long-term debt to non related party	223,35	5	139,674
Long-term debt - related party:			
10% Subordinated Notes, net of unamortized discount	-	_	391
Total long-term debt	223,35	5	140,065
Total debt	\$ 250,03	8	\$ 154,214
Capital lease facility			
Current portion of capital lease	\$ 95	3	\$ 1,039
Long-term portion of capital lease	73	4	1,645
	\$ 1,68	7	\$ 2,684

Long-term debt obligations as of December 31, 2013 matures in each of the next five years as follows:

	 Total	 2014	 2015	 2016	 2017	 2018	 Thereafter
Long-term debt	\$ 249,388	\$ 26,033	\$ 35,183	\$ 28,905	\$ 119,623	\$ 39,644	\$ —

# SPLP Credit Facility

On October 23, 2013 the Company entered into a Credit Agreement (the "Credit Facility") with PNC Bank, National Association ("PNC"), as administrative agent for the lenders thereunder. The Credit Facility provides for a revolving credit facility with borrowing availability of up to \$50,000 which the Company may use for its working capital and investment needs and for the reimbursement of letters of credit. Amounts outstanding under the Credit Facility bear interest at LIBOR plus 1.00%, and are collateralized by first priority security interests of certain of the Company's deposit accounts and publicly traded securities. The Credit Facility also includes provisions for the issuance of letters of credit up to \$10,000, with any such issuances reducing total borrowing availability. There were no letters of credit outstanding at December 31, 2013. The Credit Facility provides for a commitment fee to be paid on unused borrowings and also contains customary affirmative and negative covenants, including a minimum cash balance covenant, restrictions against the payment of dividends and customary events of default. Any amounts outstanding under the Credit Facility are due and payable in full on October 23, 2016. There were no amounts outstanding under the Credit Facility as of December 31, 2013.

# HNH Debt

## Senior Credit Facility

On November 8, 2012, H&H Group, a wholly owned subsidiary of HNH, entered into a \$205,000 senior secured credit

facility, consisting of a revolving credit facility ("Revolving Facility") in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$90,000 and a term loan ("Senior Term Loan") in an aggregate principal amount of \$115,000 (collectively, "Senior Credit Facility"). On April 26, 2013, in connection with the acquisition of Wolverine Joining (see Note 3 - "Acquisitions"), HNH's Senior Credit Facility was amended, and on September 13, 2013, the Senior Credit Facility was further amended. These amendments, among other things, increased the lenders' commitments under the Revolving Facility to \$160,000 and their commitments under the Senior Term Loan to \$125,000, provided H&H Group with additional flexibility regarding its ability to utilize net cash proceeds from permitted asset sales, reset the amount of dividends and other distributions that may be made by H&H Group to HNH following the payment of \$7,000 of previously declared dividends, and amended certain financial covenants and the amortization schedule of the term loan. The term loan, as amended, requires quarterly principal payments of \$3,100, \$3,900, \$3,900 and \$3,900 in 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017, respectively.

The Senior Credit Facility will expire, with remaining outstanding balances due and payable, on November 8, 2017. The Senior Credit Facility is guaranteed by substantially all existing and thereafter acquired or created domestic and Canadian wholly-owned subsidiaries of H&H Group, which approximated \$390,000 at December 31, 2013. The Senior Credit Facility restricts H&H Group's ability to transfer cash or other assets to HNH, subject to certain exceptions including required pension payments to the WHX Corporation Pension Plan ("WHX Pension Plan"). Borrowings under the Senior Credit Facility bear interest, at H&H Group's option, at a rate based on LIBOR or the Base Rate, as defined, plus an applicable margin as set forth in the loan agreement (2.75% and 1.75%, respectively, for LIBOR and Base Rate borrowings at December 31, 2013). The Revolving Facility provides for a commitment fee to be paid on unused borrowings, and usage under the Revolving Facility is governed by a defined Borrowing Base. The Revolving Facility also includes provisions for the issuance of letters of credit up to \$15,000 with any such issuances reducing availability under the Revolving Facility. The Senior Credit Facility is subject to certain mandatory prepayment provisions and restrictive and financial covenants, which include a maximum ratio limit on Total Leverage and a minimum ratio limit on Fixed Charge Coverage, as defined, as well as a minimum liquidity level.

At December 31, 2013, letters of credit totaling \$3,300 had been issued. \$3,100 of the letters of credit guarantee various insurance activities, and \$100 are for environmental and other matters. Remaining excess availability under the Borrowing Base totaled \$36,400 at December 31, 2013. The weighted-average interest rates on the Senior Term Loan and Revolving Facility were 3.00% and 3.13%, respectively, at December 31, 2013, and HNH was in compliance with all debt covenants at December 31, 2013.

In connection with lending requirements under the Senior Credit Facility, H&H Group entered into an interest rate swap agreement in February 2013 to reduce its exposure to interest rate fluctuations. Under the interest rate swap, HNH receives one-month LIBOR in exchange for a fixed interest rate of 0.569% over the life of the agreement on an initial \$56,400 notional amount of debt, with the notional amount decreasing by \$1,100, \$1,800 and \$2,200 per quarter in 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively. The agreement expires in February 2016. In connection with the amendments made to the Senior Credit Facility in connection with the Wolverine Joining acquisition, H&H Group entered into a second interest rate swap agreement in June 2013 to reduce its exposure to interest rate fluctuations. Under the interest rate swap, HNH receives one-month LIBOR in exchange for a fixed interest rate of 0.598% over the life of the agreement on an initial \$5,000 notional amount of debt, with the notional amount decreasing by \$100, \$200 and \$200 per quarter in 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively. The agreement on an initial \$5,000 notional amount of debt, with the notional amount decreasing by \$100, \$200 and \$200 per quarter in 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively. The agreement expires in February 2016.

### Subordinated Notes

On October 15, 2010, H&H Group refinanced the prior indebtedness of H&H and Bairnco to the SPII Liquidating Series Trusts (Series A and Series E)("Steel Trusts"), each constituting a separate series of the SPII Liquidating Trust as successor-in-interest to Steel Partners II, L.P. In accordance with the terms of the associated exchange agreement, H&H Group made an approximately \$6,000 cash payment in partial satisfaction of prior indebtedness to the Steel Trusts and exchanged the remainder of such prior obligations for units consisting of (a) \$72,900 aggregate principal amount of 10% subordinated secured notes due 2017 ("Subordinated Notes") issued by H&H Group pursuant to an indenture, dated as of October 15, 2010 (as amended and restated effective December 13, 2010)("Indenture"), and (b) warrants, exercisable beginning October 15, 2013, to purchase an aggregate of 1,500,806 shares of the Company's common stock, with an exercise price of \$11.00 per share ("Warrants"). The Subordinated Notes were redeemable until October 14, 2013, at H&H Group's option, upon payment of the principal amount of the notes, plus all accrued and unpaid interest thereon and an applicable premium set forth in the Indenture. All obligations outstanding under the Subordinated Notes bore interest at a rate of 10% per annum, 6% of which was payable in cash and 4% of which was payable in-kind.

On October 14, 2011, H&H Group redeemed \$25,000 principal amount of its outstanding Subordinated Notes on a pro-rata basis among all holders thereof at a redemption price of 102.8% of the principal amount and accrued but unpaid payment-in-

kind-interest thereof, plus accrued and unpaid cash interest. Until October 15, 2013, the Subordinated Notes were not detachable from the Warrants that were issued with the Subordinated Notes as units ("Units"). Accordingly, a pro-rata portion of Warrants were also redeemed on October 14, 2011, as well as in subsequent redemptions. During 2011, the Company redeemed a total of approximately \$35,100 of Subordinated Notes, including the October redemption. In 2012, H&H Group repurchased an aggregate \$10,800 of Subordinated Notes, plus accrued interest. A (loss) gain of \$(1,400) and \$200 on repurchases of the Subordinated Notes is included in interest expense in the consolidated income statements for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

On March 26, 2013, H&H Group instructed Wells Fargo Bank, National Association ("Wells Fargo"), as trustee and collateral agent, to deliver an irrevocable notice of H&H Group's election to redeem all of its outstanding Subordinated Notes to the holders of the Subordinated Notes. Pursuant to the terms of that certain amended and restated indenture, dated as of December 13, 2010, as amended ("Indenture"), by and among H&H Group, the guarantors named therein and Wells Fargo, as trustee and collateral agent, H&H Group has instructed Wells Fargo to redeem, on April 25, 2013, approximately \$31,800 principal amount of Subordinated Notes, representing all of the outstanding Subordinated Notes, at a redemption price equal to 112.6% of the principal amount and accrued but unpaid payment-in-kind-interest thereof, plus accrued and unpaid cash interest. As indicated above, the Subordinated Notes were part of a unit , and accordingly the Warrants which comprised a portion of the Units were also redeemed. On March 26, 2013, H&H Group irrevocably deposited with Wells Fargo funds totaling \$36,900 for such redemption and interest payment in order to satisfy and discharge its obligations under the Indenture from both a legal and accounting perspective. Approximately \$25,000 of this deposit related to SPLP's holdings of the Subordinated Notes. SPLP received the proceeds on April 26, 2013.

### Other Debt

A subsidiary of H&H has two mortgage agreements, each collateralized by real property. The mortgage balance on the first facility was \$6,500 and \$6,800 at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The mortgage bears interest at LIBOR plus a margin of 2.70%, or 2.87% at December 31, 2013, and matures in 2015. The mortgage balance on the second facility was \$1,700 and \$1,800 at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The mortgage bears interest at LIBOR plus a margin of 2.70%, or 2.86% at December 31, 2013, and matures in 2017.

## Steel Excel Debt

On July 3, 2013, Steel Excel's energy business entered into a credit agreement (the "Energy Credit Agreement") with Wells Fargo Bank National Association, RBS Citizens, N.A., and Comerica Bank. The Energy Credit Agreement provided for a borrowing capacity of \$80,000 consisting of a \$70,000 secured term loan (the "Term Loan") that was fully drawn by Steel Excel's energy business on July 3, 2013, and up to \$10,000 in revolving loans (the "Revolving Loans") subject to a borrowing base of 85% of the eligible accounts receivable. Borrowings under the Energy Credit Agreement are collateralized by substantially all the assets of Steel Excel's wholly-owned subsidiary, Steel Energy Ltd. ("Steel Energy") and its wholly-owned subsidiaries Sun Well Service, Inc. ("Sun Well") and Rogue Pressure Services, Inc. ("Rogue"), and a pledge of all of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of Sun Well and Rogue, and are fully guaranteed by Sun Well and Rogue. The proceeds of the Term Loan at closing, along with proceeds from intercompany loans to Steel Energy from Sun Well and Rogue, were used to pay Steel Excel a dividend of \$80,000 and certain fees and expenses related to the Energy Credit Agreement.

In December 2013, Steel Energy entered into an amendment to the Energy Credit Agreement (together with the Energy Credit Agreement, the "Amended Credit Agreement") pursuant to which the borrowing capacity for the Term Loan was increased by an additional \$25,000. The additional amounts under the Term Loan were fully drawn by Steel Energy upon closing and the proceeds, together with cash provided by the Company and Steel Energy, were used to fund the acquisition of Black Hawk A(see Note 3 - "Acquisitions"). The Company incurred fees totaling approximately \$1,400 in connection with the Amended Credit Agreement that are being amortized over the life of the arrangement as a component of interest expense.

Borrowings under the Amended Credit Agreement are collateralized by substantially all the assets of Steel Energy and its wholly-owned subsidiaries Sun Well, Rogue, and Black Hawk, and a pledge of all of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of Sun Well, Rogue, and Black Hawk. Borrowings under the Amended Credit Agreement are fully guaranteed by Sun Well, Rogue, and Black Hawk. The carrying value as of December 31, 2013, of the assets pledged as collateral by Steel Energy and its subsidiaries under the Amended Credit Agreement was approximately \$163,609.

The Amended Credit Agreement has a term that runs through July 2018, with the Term Loan amortizing in quarterly installments of \$3,300 and a balloon payment due on the maturity date. At December 31, 2013, \$92,500 was outstanding under the Term Loan and no amount was outstanding under the Revolving Loans.

Borrowings under the Amended Credit Agreement bear interest at annual rates of either (i) the Base Rate plus an applicable margin of 1.50% to 2.25% or (ii) LIBOR plus an applicable margin of 2.50% to 3.25%. The "Base Rate" is the greatest of (i) the prime lending rate, (ii) the Federal Funds Rate plus 0.5%, and (iii) the one-month LIBOR plus 1.0%. The applicable margin for both Base Rate and LIBOR is determined based on the leverage ratio calculated in accordance with the Amended Credit Agreement. LIBOR-based borrowings are available for interest periods of one, three, or six months. In addition, Steel Excel is required to pay commitment fees of between 0.375% and 0.50% per annum on the daily unused amount of the Revolving Loans. The interest rate on the borrowings under the Amended Credit Agreement was 3.0% at December 31, 2013. For the year ended December 31, 2013, Steel Excel incurred interest expense of \$1,400 in connection with the Amended Credit Agreement, consisting of \$1,100 in interest on the Term Loans and \$300 of amortization of deferred financing fees.

The Amended Credit Agreement contains certain financial covenants, including (i) a leverage ratio not to exceed 3.00:1 for quarterly periods through June 15, 2015, 2.75:1 for quarterly periods through June 30, 2017, and 2.5:1 thereafter and (ii) a fixed charge coverage ratio of 1.15:1 for quarterly periods through December 31, 2016, and 1.25:1 thereafter. Steel Excel was in compliance with all financial covenants as of December 31, 2013.

The Amended Credit Agreement also contains representations, warranties and covenants, including, among other things, covenants relating to (i) financial reporting and notification, (ii) payment of obligations, (iii) compliance with law, (iv) maintenance of properties and (v) payment of restricted payments. The repayment of the Term Loan can be accelerated upon (i) a change in control, which would include Steel Energy owning less than 100% of the equity of Sun Well or Rogue or SPLP owning, directly or indirectly, less than 35% of Steel Excel's energy business or (ii) other events of default, including payment failure, false representations, covenant breaches, and bankruptcy.

## Sun Well Debt

Sun Well, a wholly owned operating subsidiary of Steel Excel, Inc. previously had a credit agreement with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association that included a term loan of \$20,000 and a revolving line of credit for up to \$5,000. All amounts due under the Sun Well Credit Agreement were fully repaid in 2013 and the facility was terminated as of July 3, 2013, upon closing of the Energy Credit Agreement. For the year ended December 31, 2013, Steel Excel incurred interest expense of \$300 in connection with the Sun Well Credit Agreement. Upon termination of the Sun Well Credit Agreement, the Company recognized a loss on extinguishment of \$500 from the write off of unamortized deferred financing costs, which was reported as a component of Other income in the consolidated statements of operations for the year ended December 31, 2013.

# **15. PENSION BENEFIT PLANS**

HNH maintains several qualified and non-qualified pension plans and other post-retirement benefit plans. HNH's significant pension, health care benefit and defined contribution plans are discussed below. HNH's other pension and post-retirement plans are not significant individually or in the aggregate.

#### Qualified Pension Plans

HNH sponsors a defined benefit pension plan, the WHX Pension Plan, covering many of H&H's employees and certain employees of H&H's former subsidiary, Wheeling-Pittsburgh Corporation ("WPC"). The WHX Pension Plan was established in May 1998 as a result of the merger of the former H&H plans, which covered substantially all H&H employees, and the WPC plan. The WPC plan, covering most USWA-represented employees of WPC, was created pursuant to a collective bargaining agreement ratified on August 12, 1997. Prior to that date, benefits were provided through a defined contribution plan, the Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corporation Retirement Security Plan ("RSP Plan"). The assets of the RSP Plan were merged into the WPC plan as of December 1, 1997. Under the terms of the WHX Pension Plan, the benefit formula and provisions for the WPC and H&H participants continued as they were designed under each of the respective plans prior to the merger.

The qualified pension benefits under the WHX Pension Plan were frozen as of December 31, 2005 and April 30, 2006 for hourly and salaried nonbargaining participants, respectively, with the exception of a single operating unit. In 2011, the benefits were frozen for the remainder of the participants.

WPC employees ceased to be active participants in the WHX Pension Plan effective July 31, 2003, and as a result such employees no longer accrue benefits under the WHX Pension Plan.

Bairnco Corporation had several pension plans, which covered substantially all of its employees. In 2006, Bairnco froze the Bairnco Corporation Retirement Plan and initiated employer contributions to its 401(k) plan. On June 2, 2008, two Bairnco plans (Salaried and Kasco) were merged into the WHX Pension Plan. The remaining plan that has not been merged with the WHX Pension Plan covers certain employees at a facility located in Bear, Delaware (the "Bear Plan"), and the pension benefits under the Bear Plan have been frozen. Bairnco's Canadian subsidiary provides retirement benefits for its employees through a defined contribution plan. In addition, HNH's European subsidiaries provide retirement benefits for employees consistent with local practices. The foreign plans are not significant in the aggregate and therefore are not included in the following disclosures.

Pension benefits are based on years of service and the amount of compensation earned during the participants' employment. However, as noted above, the qualified pension benefits have been frozen for all participants. Pension benefits for the WPC bargained participants include both defined benefit and defined contribution features, since the plan includes the account balances from the RSP Plan. The gross benefit, before offsets, is calculated based on years of service and the benefit multiplier under the plan. The net defined benefit pension plan benefit is the gross amount offset for the benefits payable from the RSP Plan and benefits payable by the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation from previously terminated plans. Individual employee accounts established under the RSP Plan are maintained until retirement. Upon retirement, participants who are eligible for the WHX Pension Plan and maintain RSP Plan account balances will normally receive benefits from the WHX Pension Plan. When these participants become eligible for benefits under the WHX Pension Plan, their vested balances in the RSP Plan becomes assets of the WHX Pension Plan. Although these RSP Plan assets cannot be used to fund any of the net benefit that is the basis for determining the defined benefit plan's net benefit obligation at the end of the year, the HNH has included the amount of the RSP Plan accounts at December 31, 2013 of \$19,400 on a gross basis as both assets and liabilities of the plan as of December 31, 2013.

Certain current and retired employees of H&H are covered by post-retirement medical benefit plans, which provide benefits for medical expenses and prescription drugs. Contributions from a majority of the participants are required, and for those retirees and spouses, HNH's payments are capped. The measurement date for plan obligations is December 31.

The following table presents the components of pension expense and components of other post-retirement benefit (income) expense for the HNH benefit plans included the following:

	Pension Benefits Year Ended December 31,						Other Post-Retirement Benefits							
							Year Ended December 31,							
		2013		2012		2011		2013		2012		2011		
Service cost	\$	_	\$	_	\$	218	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_		
Interest cost		18,594		21,652		22,553		98		163		171		
Expected return on plan assets		(23,964)		(27,007)		(27,246)						_		
Amortization of actuarial loss		5,061		2,852		_		8		86		41		
Total	\$	(309)	\$	(2,503)	\$	(4,475)	\$	106	\$	249	\$	212		

Actuarial assumptions used to develop the components of defined benefit pension expense and other post-retirement benefit expense were as follows:

	Pe	ension Benefits		<b>Other Post-Retirement Benefits</b>							
	2013	2012	2011	2013	2012	2011					
Discount rates:											
WHX Pension Plan	3.50%	4.15%	4.95%	N/A	N/A	N/A					
Other post-retirement benefit plans	N/A	N/A	N/A	3.65%	4.20%	5.10%					
Bear Plan	4.00%	4.55%	5.50%	N/A	N/A	N/A					
Expected return on assets	7.50%	8.00%	8.00%	N/A	N/A	N/A					
Health care cost trend rate - initial	N/A	N/A	N/A	7.25%	7.50%	7.50%					
Health care cost trend rate - ultimate	N/A	N/A	N/A	5.00%	5.00%	5.00%					
Year ultimate reached	N/A	N/A	N/A	2022	2022	2016					

The measurement date for plan obligations is December 31. The discount rate is the rate at which the plans' obligations could be effectively settled and is based on high quality bond yields as of the measurement date.

Summarized below is a reconciliation of the funded status for HNH's qualified defined benefit pension plans and other post-retirement benefit plans:

	Pension	Ben	efits		Other Post-Re	tirement Benefits	
	 2013		2012		2013		2012
Change in benefit obligation:							
Benefit obligation at January 1	\$ 547,456	\$	532,619	\$	4,208	\$	4,092
Service cost	—		—		—		—
Interest cost	18,594		21,651		98		163
Actuarial (gain) loss	(34,739)		36,227		(1,403)		150
Participant contributions	_		—		4		9
Plan change	—		—		(1,506)		—
Benefits paid	(34,495)		(36,058)		(317)		(206)
Insurance contract termination	—		(6,983)		—		—
Transfer from Canfield Salaried SEPP	 724						
Benefit obligation at December 31	\$ 497,540	\$	547,456	\$	1,084	\$	4,208
Change in plan assets:							
Fair value of plan assets at January 1	\$ 330,471	\$	346,408	\$		\$	
Actual returns on plan assets	43,924		10,924				—
Participant contributions	_		—		4		9
Benefits paid	(34,495)		(36,058)		(317)		(206)
Company contributions	13,349		16,180		313		197
Insurance contract termination			(6,983)		—		—
Transfer from Canfield Salaried SEPP	724		—		—		—
Fair value of plan assets at December 31	353,973		330,471		—		_
Funded status	\$ (143,567)	\$	(216,985)	\$	(1,084)	\$	(4,208)
Accumulated benefit obligation ("ABO") for qualified							
defined benefit pension plans :							
ABO at January 1	\$ 547,456	\$	532,619	\$	4,208	\$	4,092
ABO at December 31	\$ 497,540	\$	547,456	\$	1,084	\$	4,208
Amounts recognized in the statement of financial position:							
Current liability	\$ _	\$	—	\$	(111)	\$	(211)
Noncurrent liability	(143,567)		(216,985)		(973)		(3,997)
Total	\$ (143,567)	\$	(216,985)	\$	(1,084)	\$	(4,208)
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The weighted average assumptions used in the valuations at December 31 were as follows:

	Pension B	enefits	Other Post-R Benef	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Discount rates:				
WHX Pension Plan	4.40%	3.50%	N/A	N/A
Bear Plan	4.95%	4.00%	N/A	N/A
Other post-retirement benefit plans	N/A	N/A	4.10%	3.65%
Health care cost trend rate - initial	N/A	N/A	7.25%	7.25%
Health care cost trend rate - ultimate	N/A	N/A	5.00%	5.00%
Year ultimate reached	N/A	N/A	2022	2022

The effect of a 1% increase (decrease) in health care cost trend rates on other post-retirement benefits obligations is \$500 and \$(400), respectively.

Pretax amounts included in "Accumulated other comprehensive loss (income)" at December 31, 2013 and 2012 were as follows:

	Pension Be	5	Other Post-Retirement Benefits						
	 2013	2012			2013		2012		
Prior service credit	\$ _	\$	_	\$	(1,506)	\$	_		
Net actuarial loss	96,408		156,168		440		1,851		
Accumulated other comprehensive loss (income)	\$ 96,408	\$	156,168	\$	(1,066)	\$	1,851		

The pretax amount of actuarial losses included in "Accumulated other comprehensive loss" at December 31, 2013 that is expected to be recognized in net periodic benefit cost in 2014 is \$2,323

Other changes in plan assets and benefit obligations recognized in "Comprehensive (income) loss" are as follows:

	Pension Benefits						<b>Other Post-Retirement Benefits</b>					
		2013		2012		2011		2013		2012		2011
Current year actuarial (income) loss	\$	(54,698)	\$	52,309	\$	93,030	\$	(1,403)	\$	150	\$	649
Amortization of actuarial (income) loss		(5,061)		(2,852)				(8)		(86)		(41)
Current year prior service credit		—		—				(1,506)		—		_
Total recognized in comprehensive (income) loss	\$	(59,759)	\$	49,457	\$	93,030	\$	(2,917)	\$	64	\$	608

The actuarial losses occurred principally because the historical investment returns on the assets of the WHX Pension Plan have been lower than the actuarial assumptions.

Benefit obligations were in excess of plan assets for all pension plans at both December 31, 2013 and 2012. The accumulated benefit obligation for all defined benefit pension plans was approximately \$497,540 and \$547,456 at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Additional information for plans with accumulated benefit obligations in excess of plan assets:

	Pensio	efits	Other Post-Retirement Benefits					
	 2013		2012		2013		2012	
Projected benefit obligation	\$ 497,540	\$	547,456	\$	1,084	\$	4,208	
Accumulated benefit obligation	\$ 497,540	\$	547,456	\$	1,084	\$	4,208	
Fair value of plan assets	\$ 353,973	\$	330,471	\$	_	\$	—	

In determining the expected long-term rate of return on assets, HNH evaluated input from various investment professionals. In addition, HNH considered its historical compound returns as well as HNH's forward-looking expectations. HNH determines its actuarial assumptions for its pension and other post-retirement plans on December 31 of each year to calculate liability information as of that date and pension and other post-retirement expense for the following year. The discount rate assumption is derived from the rate of return on high-quality bonds as of December 31 of each year.

HNH's investment policy is to maximize the total rate of return with a view to long-term funding objectives of the pension plan to ensure that funds are available to meet benefit obligations when due. Pension plan assets are diversified to the extent necessary to minimize risk and to achieve an optimal balance between risk and return. There are no target allocations. The WHX Pension Plan's assets are diversified as to type of assets, investment strategies employed and number of investment managers used. Investments may include equities, fixed income, cash equivalents, convertible securities, and private investment funds. Derivatives may be used as part of the investment strategy. HNH may direct the transfer of assets between investment managers in order to re-balance the portfolio in accordance with asset allocation guidelines established by the HNH.

The fair value of pension investments is defined by reference to one of three categories (Level1, Level 2 or Level 3) based on the reliability of inputs, as such terms are defined in Note 2 - "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies." The WHX/Bear Pension Plan's assets at December 31, 2013 and 2012, by asset category, are as follows:

	WHX/Bear I (in the							
Fair Value Measurements as of December 31, 2013:	 Assets	(Lial	oilities) at Fair Va	alue a	s of December 3	31, 201	3	
Asset Class	 Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total	
Equity securities:								
U.S. large cap	\$ 27,389	\$	596	\$	_	\$	27,985	
U.S. mid-cap growth	62,477		—		—		62,477	
U.S. small-cap value	14,460		2,031		_		16,491	
International large cap value	16,355		—		—		16,355	
Equity contracts	96		—		—		96	
Fixed income securities:								
Corporate bonds and loans	33		63,405		503		63,941	
Other types of investments:								
Common trust funds (1)	—		98,610		—		98,610	
Fund of funds (2)	—		41,898		—		41,898	
	120,810		206,540		503		327,853	
Shorts	(62,776)		(938)		—		(63,714)	
Total	\$ 58,034	\$	205,602	\$	503		264,139	
Cash & cash equivalents							94,130	
Net payables							(4,296)	
Total pension assets						\$	353,973	

Fair Value Measurements as of December 31, 2012:

	 Assets (Liabilities) at Fair Value as of December 31, 2012											
Asset Class	 Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total					
Equity securities:												
U.S. large cap	\$ 20,572	\$	543	\$	_	\$	21,115					
U.S. mid-cap growth	36,065		—		209		36,274					
U.S. small-cap value	15,295		138		—		15,433					
International large cap value	16,118		116		—		16,234					
Equity contracts	308		—		—		308					
Preferred stocks	530		2,016		—		2,546					
Fixed income securities:												
Corporate bonds and loans	415		51,052		548		52,015					
Bank debt	_		—		—		—					
Other types of investments:												
Common trust funds (1)	_		68,830		—		68,830					
Fund of funds (2)			37,142		_		37,142					
	 89,303		159,837		757		249,897					
Futures contracts, net	(58,148)		5,478		_		(52,670)					
Total	\$ 31,155	\$	165,315	\$	757		197,227					
Cash & cash equivalents							133,590					
Net payables							(346)					
Total pension assets						\$	330,471					
						_						

(1) Common trust funds are comprised of shares or units in commingled funds that are not publicly traded. The underlying assets in these funds are primarily publicly traded equity securities, fixed income securities and commodity-related securities and are valued at their Net Asset Values ("NAV") that are calculated by the investment manager or sponsor of the fund.

(2) Fund of funds consist of fund-of-fund LLC or commingled fund structures. The underlying assets in these funds are primarily publicly traded equity securities, fixed income securities and commodity-related securities. The LLCs are valued based on NAVs calculated by the fund and are not publicly available.

HNH's policy is to recognize transfers in and transfers out of Level 3 as of the date of the event or change in circumstances that caused the transfer. Changes in the WHX/Bear Pension Plan assets for which fair value is determined using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) were as follows during 2013 and 2012:

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Changes in Fair Value Measurements Using Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)

Year Ended December 31, 2013	U.S. Large Cap	U.S. Mid Cap Growth	Corporate Bonds and Loans
Beginning balance as of January 1, 2013	\$	\$ 209	\$ 548
Transfers into Level 3	—	—	—
Transfers out of Level 3	—	—	—
Gains or losses included in changes in net assets	—	23	85
Purchases, issuances, sales and settlements			
Purchases	—	—	—
Issuances	—	—	—
Sales	—	(232)	(130)
Settlements	—	—	—
Ending balance as of December 31, 2013	\$	\$ —	\$ 503

Year Ended December 31, 2012	U.S. Large Cap	U.S. Mid Cap Growth	Corporate Bonds and Loans
Beginning balance as of January 1, 2012	\$ 593	\$ —	\$ —
Transfers into Level 3	—	—	_
Transfers out of Level 3	—	—	—
Gains or losses included in changes in net assets	673	145	11
Purchases, issuances, sales and settlements			
Purchases	—	—	547
Issuances	—	64	—
Sales	(1,202)	—	(10)
Settlements	(64)	—	—
Ending balance as of December 31, 2012	\$ —	\$ 209	\$ 548



The following table presents the category, fair value, redemption frequency, and redemption notice period for those assets whose fair value is estimated using the NAV per share (or its equivalents) as of December 31, 2013 and 2012.

## Fair Value Estimated using NAV per Share (or its equivalent)

Class Name	Description	 ir Value ember 31, 2013	mber 31, December 31,		December 31,		Redemption frequency	Redemption Notice Period
Fund of funds	Equity long/short hedge funds	\$ 5,707	\$	4,862	Quarterly	45 day notice		
Fund of funds	Fund of fund composites	\$ 36,190	\$	32,280	Quarterly	45 day notice		
Common trust funds	Equity long/short hedge funds	\$ 12,635	\$	_	Annually	90 day notice		
Common trust funds	Event driven hedge funds	\$ 69,255	\$	55,853	Annually	45 day notice		
Common trust funds	Event driven hedge funds	\$ 16,720	\$	12,977	Monthly	90 day notice		
Separately managed fund	Separately managed fund	\$ 34,991	\$	33,324	Monthly	30 day notice		
Separately managed fund	Separately managed fund	\$ 77,093	\$	64,490	Quarterly	45 day notice		

### Unfunded Commitments

As of December 31, 2013, the Plan had an unfunded commitment for additional capital of approximately \$39,000 to an event driven hedge fund. The commitment was funded in January 2014 through an in-kind transfer from one of the Plan's separately managed funds.

## Contributions

Employer contributions consist of funds paid from employer assets into a qualified pension trust account. HNH's funding policy is to contribute annually an amount that satisfies the minimum funding standards of ERISA.

HNH expects to have required minimum contributions for 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, and thereafter of \$24,300, \$21,700, \$17,100, \$15,800, \$13,900, and \$27,600, respectively. Required future contributions are based upon assumptions such as discount rates on future obligations, assumed rates of return on plan assets and legislative changes. Pension costs and required funding obligations will be affected by changes in the factors and assumptions described in the previous sentence, as well as other changes such as any plan termination.

# **Benefit Payments**

Estimated future benefit payments for the benefit plans over the next ten years are as follows:

	P	Pension	<b>Other Post-Retirement</b>
Years	E	Benefits	Benefits
2014	\$	34,813	\$ 111
2015		34,640	118
2016		34,456	112
2017		34,247	100
2018		34,018	94
2019-2023		163,182	366

## 401(k) Plans

Beginning January 1, 2012, certain employees participate in a SPLP sponsored savings plan which qualifies under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. SPLP presently makes a contribution to match 50% if the first 6% of the employees contribution. The charge to expense for SPLP's matching contribution totaled \$220 in 2013 and \$248 in 2012.

In addition, certain employees participate in a HNH sponsored savings plan which qualifies under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. This savings plan allows eligible employees to contribute from 1% to 75% of their income on a pretax basis. HNH presently makes a contribution to match 50% of the first 6% of the employee's contribution. The charge to expense for HNH's matching contribution amounted to \$1,400 in 2013, \$1,800 in 2012 and \$2,000 in 2011.

# 16. CAPITAL AND ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

The Company has three classes of common units - regular Common Units, Class B Common Units and Class C Common Units. Class B Common Units and Class C Common Units are identical to the regular Common Units in all respect except that net tax losses are not allocated to a holder of Class B Common Units or Class C Common Units, liquidating distributions made by the Company to such holder may not exceed the amount of its capital account allocable to such Common Units, and such holder may not sell such Common Units in the public market. At such time that the amount of the capital account allocable to a Class B Common Unit or Class C Common Unit is equal to the amount of the capital account allocable to a regular Common Unit shall convert automatically into a regular Common Unit. At December 31, 2013 there are 22,647,345 Class A units, 6,939,647 Class B units and 1,542,073 Class C units outstanding.

#### Common Unit Repurchase Program

On December 24, 2013, the Board of Directors of the general partner of the Company, approved the repurchase of up to an aggregate of \$5,000 of the Company's common units (the "Repurchase Program"). Any purchases made under the Repurchase Program will be made from time to time on the open market at prevailing market prices or in negotiated transactions off the market, in compliance with applicable laws and regulations. In connection with the Repurchase Program, the Company has entered into a Stock Purchase Plan which will continue through March 26, 2014. The Repurchase Program has no termination date. The company purchased 6,015 units for a total purchase price of approximately \$106 under the Repurchase Program during 2013.

## Common Unit Distributions

In connection with the Exchange Transaction, SPLP agreed to distribute to the holders of its common units up to \$87,506 (the "Target Distribution"), subject to certain limitations, during the period from July 16, 2009 to April 30, 2011. On April 6, 2011, SPLP completed the Target Distribution and distributed to its unitholders of record as of March 25, 2011, \$29,868 (net of \$3,228 relating to treasury units), or \$1.18 per common unit. With the Target Distribution having been met, the Company may, at its option, make future distributions to unitholders, although it currently has no plans to make any future distributions.

## Common Units Issuance - Directors

Effective as of March 21, 2011, SPLP issued to its independent directors an aggregate of 7,315 common units at a per unit value of \$18.80, which was determined based on the net asset value of SPLP common units as of September 30, 2010 and an aggregate of 6,865 common units at a per unit value of \$20.03, which was determined based on the net asset value of SPLP common units as of December 31, 2010.

For the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011 each of the Company's non-management directors earned annual equity compensation in the amount of \$75 in the form of restricted common units of the Company. The restrictions vest over a three year period, with one-third of the units vesting on the anniversary date of the grants. The total value of the units granted was \$375 in 2013, 2012 and 2011. Total expense for the vesting of the restricted common units issued was approximately \$344, \$120 and \$275 for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011, respectively.



## Common Units Issuance - Deferred Fee Liability

On April 11, 2012, the Company and the Investment Manager terminated the Investor Services Agreement, dated as of July 15, 2009, by mutual consent. Instead of receiving the deferred fee in cash, the Investment Manager elected for the total amount to be paid in common units of the Company. Under the Deferred Fee Agreement, the number of common units issued is determined by applying a 15% discount to the market price of the common units, which represents the fair value of the common units giving effect to the discount for lack of marketability. As a result, on April 11 and May 11, 2012, 6,403,002 and 536,645 class B common units, respectively, were issued to the Investment Manager. In connection with the termination of the Investor Services Agreement, the Investment Manager agreed not to sell any of the common units issued as payment for the deferred fee during the one year period following the Termination Date.

## Common Unitholders — Allocation of Net Income (Loss)

For each period presented net (loss) income attributable to common unit holders is allocated to the common unitholders on a pro rata basis based on the number of units held.

## Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

Changes, net of tax, in Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) are as follows:

	availa	alized gain on able-for-sale ecurities				hange in net sion and other efit obligations	Total
Balance at December 31, 2012	\$	44,521	\$	(1,863)	\$	(60,520)	\$ (17,862)
Current period other comprehensive income (a)		53,289		33		21,528	74,850
Reclassification adjustments (b), (c)		(13,867)		(1,537)			(15,404)
Balance at December 31, 2013	\$	83,943	\$	(3,367)	\$	(38,992)	\$ 41,584

(a) Net of tax provision of approximately \$18,660.

(b) Net of tax provision of approximately \$529.

(c) Includes a net reclassification gain to Other income of \$1,559, a reclassification of net unrealized gain of \$11,507 to Income (loss) of associated companies, net of tax, a reclassification of \$991 to Net investment gains (losses) and a reclassification of \$1,347 to Gain on sale of discontinued operations.

At December 31, 2013 and 2012, Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) includes amounts related to companies accounted for under the traditional equity method of \$2 of income and \$1 of loss, respectively, for unrealized gain/loss on available-for-sale securities.

For the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, the impact on comprehensive income related to companies accounted for under the traditional equity method was \$3. For the twelve months ended December 31, 2012, there was no impact on comprehensive income related to companies accounted for under the equity method. For the twelve months ended December 31, 2011, comprehensive income includes amounts for companies accounted for under the equity method of \$19 for unrealized loss on available-for-sale securities, \$1,960 for currency translation adjustments and \$7,321 for change in net pension and retiree medical liability.

### Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Entities

Noncontrolling interests in consolidated entities at December 31, 2013 and 2012 represent the interests held by the noncontrolling shareholders of the BNS Liquidating Trust, HNH, DGT and Steel Excel.

# Incentive Unit Expense

Effective January 1, 2012, SPLP issued to the Manager partnership profits interests in the form of incentive units, a portion of which will be classified as Class C common units of SPLP upon the attainment of certain specified performance goals by SPLP which are determined as of the last day of each fiscal year. If the performance goals are not met for a fiscal year, no portion of the incentive units will be classified as Class C common units for that year. The number of outstanding incentive

units is equal to 100% of the common units outstanding, including common units held by non-wholly owned subsidiaries. The performance goals and expense related to the classification of a portion of the incentive units as Class C units is measured on an annual basis, but is accrued on a quarterly basis. Accordingly, the expense accrued is adjusted to reflect the fair value of the Class C common units on each interim calculation date. In the event the cumulative incentive unit expense calculated quarterly or for the full year is an amount less than the total previously accrued, the Company would record a negative incentive unit expense in the quarter when such over accrual is determined. The expense is recorded in Selling, general and administrative expenses in the consolidated statement of operations. Incentive unit expense of approximately \$26,600 and \$100, representing the classification of approximately 1,534,000 and 8,000 Class C common units with respect to the incentive units, was recorded for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

#### Common Unit Option Liability

The common unit options expired on December 31, 2011, and as a result, the derivative liability decreased \$1,785, which is recorded in Selling, General and Administrative expenses. Prior to the options expiring, the options were accounted for as a derivative liability at fair value. There were no common unit options outstanding as of December 31, 2013 or 2012.

#### BNS Liquidating Trust

On June 18, 2012, following BNS' sale of SWH to Steel Excel (see Note 3 - "Acquisitions"), BNS completed a distribution to its shareholders, pursuant to shareholder approval noted above, and distributed cash of approximately \$10,300 to its minority shareholders and 2,027,500 shares of Steel Excel common stock to its majority shareholder. In June 2012, BNS formed the BNS Liquidating Trust, assigned its assets and liabilities to the Liquidating Trust, and BNS initiated its dissolution. The BNS Liquidating Trust is owned by the BNS former shareholders, in the same proportion as their former shareholdings. The BNS Liquidating Trust will continue to be included in the consolidated financial statements of SPLP, as SPLP owned approximately 84.9% of the BNS Liquidating Trust and of BNS as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. SPLP has provided a contingent promissory note to the Liquidating Trust in an amount not to exceed \$3,000. This note will only be funded to the extent that the Liquidating Trust is unable to meet its ongoing obligations and is eliminated in SPLP's consolidated financial statements. The Liquidating Trust had assets of approximately \$4,385 and liabilities of approximately \$2,081 at December 31, 2013.

## Subsidiary Purchases of the Company's Common Units

During the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, a subsidiary of the Company purchased 1,212,855 and 1,345,646, respectively, of the Company's common units at a total cost of \$15,690 and \$15,082, respectively. The purchases of these units are reflected as treasury unit purchases in the Company's consolidated financial statements.

# **17. NET INCOME PER COMMON UNIT**

The following data was used in computing net income per common unit shown in the consolidated statements of operations:

	Year Ended December 31,							
	 2013		2012		2011			
Net income from continuing operations	\$ 44,985	\$	52,437	\$	78,651			
Decrease in deferred fee liability (a)	—		—		(6,107)			
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests in consolidated entities - Continuing Operations	 (26,245)		(17,575)		(44,641)			
Net income from continuing operations	18,740		34,862		27,903			
(Loss) Income from discontinued operations	 (165)		11,328		2,626			
Net loss (income) attributable to noncontrolling interests in consolidated entities - Discontinued Operations	885		(5,172)		(1,167)			
	720		6,156		1,459			
Net income attributable to common unitholders	\$ 19,460	\$	41,018	\$	29,362			
Net income per common unit - basic								
Net income from continuing operations	\$ 0.63	\$	1.17	\$	1.35			
Net income from discontinued operations	0.02		0.21		0.06			
Net income attributable to common unitholders	\$ 0.65	\$	1.38	\$	1.41			
Net income per common unit – diluted								
Net income from continuing operations	\$ 0.61	\$	1.17	\$	0.94			
Net income from discontinued operations	0.02		0.21		0.05			
Net income attributable to common unitholders	\$ 0.63	\$	1.38	\$	0.99			
Weighted average common units outstanding - basic	 29,912,993	-	29,748,746	_	25,232,985			
Adjustment for deferred fee liability (a)	_		_		4,021,933			
Adjustment for distribution payable (b)	—				414,110			
Incentive Units	826,986		_		—			
Unvested restricted stock	 58,134		25,781		554			
Denominator for net income per common unit - diluted	 30,798,113		29,774,527		29,669,582			

(a) Includes common units assuming a common unit settlement of the deferred fee liability as described in Note 13 - "Related Party Transactions."

(b) Includes common units assuming a common unit settlement of the distribution payable. The Target Distribution liability is described in Note 16 - "Capital and Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)" and was settled in April 2011.

# **18. SEGMENT INFORMATION**

The following table presents the composition of our segments, which include the operations of our consolidated subsidiaries, as well as income or loss from equity method investments and other investments. Our segments are managed separately and offer different products and services. No single customer accounted for 10% or more of the Company's consolidated revenues during the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011.

		Financial	
Diversified Industrial	Energy	Services	Corporate and Other
Handy & Harman Ltd. ("HNH") <sup>(1)</sup>	Steel Excel Inc. ("Steel Excel") <sup>(1)</sup>	WebBank (1)	SPH Services, Inc. ("SPH Services") <sup>(1)</sup>
SL Industries, Inc. ("SLI") <sup>(2)</sup>	BNS Holding, Inc. ("BNS") $^{(1),(3)}$		DGT Holdings Corp. ("DGT") <sup>(1)</sup>
JPS Industries, Inc. ("JPS") <sup>(2)</sup>			BNS Holdings Liquidating Trust ("BNS Liquidating Trust") $^{(1), (3)}$
			Modus Link Global Solutions, Inc. <sup>(2)</sup>
			CoSine Communications, Inc. ("CoSine") <sup>(2)</sup>
			Fox & Hound Acquisition Corp. ("Fox & Hound") $^{\scriptscriptstyle (2)}$
			SPII Liquidating Trust <sup>(2)</sup>
			Other Investments (4)

(1) Consolidated subsidiary

(2) Equity method investment

- (3) The operations of BNS are included in the Energy segment through June 30, 2012. The results of the BNS Liquidating Trust are included in the Corporate and Other segment beginning July 1, 2012.
- (4) Other investments classified in Corporate and Other include various investments in available-for-sale securities in the Computer Software and Services, Aerospace/Defense, and Restaurant industries.

#### Diversified Industrial

HNH is a diversified holding company that owns a variety of manufacturing operations encompassing joining materials, tubing, engineered materials, electronic materials and cutting replacement products and services businesses. See Note 5 - "Investments" for additional information on the equity method investments classified within this segment.

#### Energy

Steel Excel's Energy business provides drilling and production services to the oil and gas industry. Through its wholly-owned subsidiary Steel Sports Inc., Steel Excel focuses on providing event-based sports and entertainment services and other health-related services, including baseball facility services, baseball and soccer camps and leagues, and strength and conditioning services. Steel Excel also continues to identify other new business acquisition opportunities. The operations of Steel Sports are not considered material and are included in the Energy segment. Steel Excel was previously accounted for as an associated company at fair value prior to SPLP increasing its ownership over 50%. Seven months of Steel Energy's results are included in the Energy segment for the year ended December 31, 2012.

BNS is currently a holding company with no operations as of June 1, 2012 due to the sale of Sun Well to Steel Excel on May 31, 2012 (see Note 3 - "Acquisitions"). BNS' results include the operations of Sun Well prior to the sale of Sun Well to Steel Excel on May 31, 2102.

#### Financial Services

The Financial Services segment primarily consists of our consolidated and wholly-owned subsidiary WebBank, which operates in niche banking markets. WebBank provides commercial and consumer loans and services. WebBank's deposits are insured by the FDIC, and the bank is examined and regulated by the FDIC and UDFI.

# Corporate and Other

Corporate assets, revenues and overhead expenses are not allocated to the segments. Corporate revenues primarily consist of investment and other income, investment gains and losses and rental income. See Note 5 - "Investments" for additional information on the equity method investments and other investments classified within this segment.

SPH services provides legal, tax, accounting, treasury, consulting, auditing, administration, compliance, environmental health and safety, human resources, marketing, investor relations and similar services, to other affiliated companies. In 2013 SPH Services charged the Diversified Industrial, Energy and Financial services and segments approximately \$8,900, \$3,600 and \$250, respectively for these services. In 2012 SPH Services charged the Diversified Industrial, Energy Industrial, Energy and Financial

services segments approximately \$11,000, \$2,000 and \$250 respectively for these services. These amounts are eliminated in consolidation.

DGT's operations currently consist of a real estate business from rental buildings retained from the sale of its Power Conversion business on August 16, 2012 and the sale of its Medical Systems Group on November 3, 2011. The operating results for the Power Conversion Business and for the Medical Systems Group, as well as the gains on disposals of such units, are reported as discontinued operations for all periods presented. Continuing operations consist of the real estate business, investments, and general and administrative expenses.

The expenses related to the BNS Liquidating Trust are included in Corporate and Other from July 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012. For additional information on the BNS Liquidating Trust, see Note 16 - "Capital and Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss."

Prior to December 31, 2012, the Corporate and Other segment also included the Company's direct and indirect investment in Barbican (which was sold in October 2012); BNS (through February 2, 2011, the date BNS acquired SWH), as well as associated company Steel Excel (through December 31, 2011). Associated company earnings for Steel Excel are classified in the Energy segment effective January 1, 2012 and the consolidated results of Steel Excel are included in the Energy segment Effective May 31, 2012 (the date it became a majority-owned subsidiary). Segment information is presented below:

	Year Ended December 31,							
		2013	_	2012		2011		
Revenue:								
Diversified industrial	\$	655,224	\$	579,528	\$	579,764		
Energy		120,029		92,834		32,984		
Financial services		28,185		21,155		14,921		
Corporate and other		1,736		18,069		(3,485)		
Total	\$	805,174	\$	711,586	\$	624,184		
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes:								
Diversified industrial	\$	62,278	\$	39,903	\$	46,981		
Energy		12,641		25,034		6,558		
Financial services		17,668		12,913		6,165		
Corporate and other		(37,358)		(8,580)		(46,021)		
Income from continuing operations before income taxes		55,229		69,270		13,683		
Income tax provision (benefit)		10,244		16,833		(64,968)		
Net income (loss) from continuing operations	\$	44,985	\$	52,437	\$	78,651		
Income (loss) from equity method investments:								
Diversified industrial	\$	18,257	\$	1,796	\$	8,712		
Energy		(863)		13,139		_		
Corporate and other		10,121		(9,060)		(38,278)		
Total	\$	27,515	\$	5,875	\$	(29,566)		

Additional segment information as follows:

	Interest expense		Capital expenditures	D	Depreciation and amortization	Dec	ember 31, 2013 Goodwill				
Diversified industrial	\$	8,636	\$	16,226	\$	20,558	\$	32,841			
Energy		(2,986)		8,932		13,492		73,846			
Financial services		496		57		125					
Corporate and other		338		152		1,176		81			
Total	\$	6,484	\$	25,367	\$	35,351	\$	106,768			
	Year ended December 31, 2012										

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	Inter	Interest expense		Capital expenditures		Depreciation and amortization		cember 31, 2012 Goodwill
Diversified industrial	\$	14,165	\$	20,295	\$	17,163	\$	15,112
Energy		(669)		14,027		9,227		48,429
Financial services		957		37		131		—
Corporate and other		152		1,323		820		81
Total	\$	14,605	\$	35,682	\$	27,341	\$	63,622

	Year ended December 31,								
	Inter	est expense		Capital Expenditures	Depreciation and Amortization				
Diversified industrial	\$	11,914	\$	12,086	\$	18,138			
Energy		509		8,227		2,508			
Financial services		941		399		92			
Corporate and other		631		—		_			
Total	\$	13,995	\$	20,712	\$	20,738			

	December 31,				
		2013		2012	
Identifiable Assets Employed:					
Diversified industrial	\$	597,584	\$	499,382	
Energy		502,274		426,940	
Financial services		173,861		138,249	
Corporate and other		243,465		267,938	
Segment totals		1,517,184		1,332,509	
Discontinued operations		4,406		45,850	
Total	\$	1,521,590	\$	1,378,359	

The following table presents geographic revenue and long-lived asset information as of and for the year ended December 31, 2013 and 2012. In addition to property, plant and equipment, the amounts in 2013 and 2012 include \$9,400 and \$8,200, respectively, of inactive properties from previous operating businesses, and other non-operating assets that are carried at the lower of cost or fair value and are included primarily in other non-current assets in the consolidated balance sheets.

	2013					2012				2011	
		Long-lived Revenue assets				Long-lived Revenue assets			]	Revenue	
Geographic information:											
United States	\$	739,979	\$	183,296	\$	644,421	\$	148,862	\$	550,003	
Foreign		65,195		27,854		67,165		28,720		74,181	
Total	\$	805,174	\$	211,150	\$	711,586	\$	177,582	\$	624,184	

Foreign revenue is based on the country in which the legal subsidiary is domiciled. Neither revenue nor long-lived assets from any single foreign country was material to the consolidated revenues of the Company.

# **19. INCOME TAXES**

Details of the provision for (benefit from) income taxes are follows:

	Year Ended December 31,				,	
	2013 2012 2			2011		
Income from continuing operations before income taxes and equity method income (loss):						
Domestic	\$	24,951	\$	37,963	\$	35,286
Foreign		1,952		6,465		8,146
Total	\$	26,903	\$	44,428	\$	43,432
Income taxes:						
<u>Current:</u>						
Federal	\$	6,623	\$	4,278	\$	301
State		2,263		3,561		1,003
Foreign		(6,158)		(165)		841
Total income taxes, current		2,728		7,674		2,145
Deferred:						
Federal		5,340		9,027		(64,637)
State		924		24		(2,847)
Foreign		1,252		108		371
Total income taxes, deferred		7,516		9,159		(67,113)
Income tax provision (benefit)	\$	10,244	\$	16,833	\$	(64,968)

The following is a reconciliation of income tax expense computed at the federal statutory rate to the provision for income taxes:

	Year Ended December 31,			,		
		2013		2012		2011
Income from continuing operations before income taxes and equity method income (loss)	\$	26,903	\$	44,428	\$	43,432
Federal income tax provision at statutory rate	\$	9,416	\$	14,982	\$	15,088
Loss passed through to common unitholders (a)		12,268		3,512		618
		21,684		18,494		15,706
State income taxes		2,487		3,005		1,377
Change in valuation allowance		(7,320)		(7,245)		(82,658)
Foreign tax rate differences		(4)		(931)		(227)
Elimination of deferred tax assets upon corporate subsidiary liquidation		—		7,236		—
Dividend income		—		—		929
Uncertain tax positions		(6,110)		8		43
Permanent differences and other		(493)		(3,734)		(138)
Income tax provision (benefit)	\$	10,244	\$	16,833	\$	(64,968)

(a) Represents loss for which no tax benefit is recognizable by SPLP and certain of its subsidiaries which are taxed as pass-through entities. Such loss is allocable directly to SPLP's common unitholders.

Deferred income taxes result from temporary differences in the financial basis and tax basis of assets and liabilities. The amounts shown on the following table represent the tax effect of temporary differences between the consolidated tax return basis of assets and liabilities and the corresponding basis for financial reporting, as well as tax credit and operating loss carryforwards.

		December 31,	
	2	2013 201	
Deferred Tax Assets:			
Operating loss carryforwards	\$ 2	113,749 \$	5 111,035
Postretirement and postemployment employee benefits		59,405	76,736
Tax credit carryforwards		36,749	39,474
Accrued costs		5,564	5,473
Inventories		2,064	2,986
Impairment of long-lived assets		2,636	2,528
Environmental costs		1,220	2,377
Other		7,698	17,123
Gross deferred tax assets		229,085	257,732
Deferred Tax Liabilities:			
Intangible assets	\$	(47,616)	(40,020)
Fixed assets		(31,880)	(19,722)
Unremitted foreign earnings		(7,569)	(29,959)
Other		(11,421)	(10,655)
Gross deferred tax liabilities		(98,486)	(100,356)
Valuation allowance		(82,044)	(61,120)
Net deferred tax assets	\$	48,555 \$	
Classified in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as follows:			
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Prepaids and other current assets	\$ —	\$ 1,884
Deferred tax assets - current	21,722	24,029
Deferred tax assets - non-current	33,096	77,101
Deferred tax liabilities - current	3,045	1,022
Deferred tax liabilities - non-current	3,218	5,736
	\$ 48,555	\$ 96,256

During 2013, 2012 and 2011, the Company changed its judgment about the realizability of its deferred tax assets at certain subsidiaries. In accordance with U.S. GAAP under ASC 740, the effect of a change in the beginning-of-the-year balance of a valuation allowance that results from a change in circumstances that causes a change in judgment about the realizability of the related deferred tax asset in future years should be included in income from continuing operations in the period of the change. As described in more detail below, in 2013, 2012 and 2011, the Company recorded tax benefits in continuing operations of approximately \$7,320, \$5,500 and \$83,000 associated with the reversal of its deferred tax valuation allowances at certain subsidiaries.

# HNH

At December 31, 2013, HNH has U.S. federal NOLs of approximately \$106,900 (approximately \$40,500 tax-effected), as well as, certain state NOLs. The U.S. federal NOLs expire between 2024 and 2029. Upon its emergence from bankruptcy in 2005, HNH experienced an ownership change as defined by Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code upon its emergence from bankruptcy. Section 382 imposes annual limitations on the utilization of net operating carryforwards post-ownership change. HNH believes it qualifies for the bankruptcy exception to the general Section 382 limitations. Under this exception, the annual limitation imposed by Section 382 resulting from an ownership change will not apply; instead the NOLs must be reduced by certain interest expense paid to creditors who became stockholders as a result of the bankruptcy reorganization. Thus, HNH's U.S. federal NOLs of \$106,900 as of December 31, 2013 include a reduction of \$31,000 (\$10,800 tax-effect). HNH's 2013 tax

provisions from continuing and discontinued operations reflect utilization of approximately \$53,000 of Federal NOLs. Also included in deferred income tax assets are tax credit carryforwards of \$3,300.

HNH recorded tax benefits in continuing operations associated with the reversal of its deferred tax valuation allowances during 2011. Previously, HNH had established a deferred income tax valuation allowance against its deferred income tax assets. The valuation allowance was recorded because the realizability of the deferred income tax benefit of HNH's NOLs and other deferred income tax assets was not considered "more likely than not." In the fourth quarter of 2011, HNH changed its judgment about the realizability of its deferred income tax assets and reversed its deferred tax valuation allowance. However, in certain jurisdictions, HNH did not consider it more likely than not that all of its state net operating loss carryforwards will be realized in future periods and have retained a valuation allowance against those.

HNH provides income taxes on the undistributed earnings of non-U.S. corporate subsidiaries except to the extent that such earnings are permanently invested outside the United States. As of December 31, 2013, \$14,100 of accumulated undistributed earnings of non-U.S. corporate subsidiaries were permanently invested. At existing applicable income tax rates, additional taxes of approximately \$4,900 would need to be provided if such earnings were remitted.

### Steel Excel

Steel Excel had Federal net operating loss carryforwards of approximately \$146,400 that in 2021 through 2031, and domestic state net operating loss carryforwards of approximately \$164,400 that will expire in 2014 through 2031. Steel Excel also has federal research and development credit carryforwards of approximately \$30,300 that expire in 2018 through 2029, and domestic state research and development credit carryforwards of approximately \$17,700 that do not expire. Of the total Federal net operating loss carryforwards, approximately \$10,400 related to deductions for stock-based compensation, the tax benefit of which will be credited to additional paid-in capital when realized. Steel Excel's ability to utilize its net operating loss and other credit carryforwards would be subject to limitation upon a change in control. Federal income taxes and foreign withholding taxes associated with the repatriation of earnings of foreign subsidiaries have been fully provided.

Steel Excel established a valuation allowance to reserve its net deferred tax assets at December 31, 2013 and 2012 based on its assessment that it is more likely than not that such benefit will not be fully realized. This assessment was based on, but not limited to, Steel Excel's operating results for the past three years, uncertainty in Steel Excel's projections of taxable income, uncertainty in general economic conditions in general and in the oil and gas industry in particular, and the effects of multiple acquisitions and Steel Excel's ability to effectively integrate the acquired entities.

Steel Excel recorded tax benefits in continuing operations associated with the reversal of its deferred tax valuation allowances in 2013 and 2012. The valuation allowance release in 2013 was related to deferred tax liabilities recognized in connection with unrealized gains on marketable securities included as a component of other comprehensive income and the valuation allowance release in 2012 was primarily from a reversal of a portion of its valuation allowance for deferred tax assets as a result of deferred tax liabilities recognized on the identifiable intangible assets acquired in connection with its acquisition of Sun Well.

#### WebFinancial

During 2012 and 2013 WebFinancial had significant earnings and utilized the vast majority of its Federal and state NOLS. Accordingly, WebFinancial recorded tax benefits in continuing operations of approximately \$1,034 associated with the reversals of its deferred tax valuation allowances.

## DGT

At October 27, 2013, DGT's fiscal year-end, (see Note 1 - "Nature of the Business and Basis of Presentation"), DGT had approximately \$28,500 of federal net operating loss carryforwards that are scheduled to expire from 2020 to 2030. Because of the uncertainty of future earnings of DGT, a valuation allowance has been established for the net operating loss carryforwards.

# **Unrecognized Tax Benefits**

U.S. GAAP provides that the tax effects from an uncertain tax position can be recognized in the financial statements only if the position is more likely than not of being sustained on audit, based on the technical merits of the position. The change in the amount of unrecognized tax benefits (related solely to HNH and Steel Excel) for 2013 and 2012 was as follows:

Balance at December 31, 2011	\$ 2,306
Additions for tax positions related to current year	368
Additions due to interest accrued	100
Addition due to acquisition of Steel Excel	29,903
Increases in liabilities, net	25
Payments	(3,526)
Due to lapsed statute of limitations	(484)
Balance at December 31, 2012	28,692
Additions for tax positions related to current year	 404
Additions due to interest accrued	80
Payments and settlements	(890)
Due to lapsed statute of limitations	(7,786)
Other	 (35)
Balance at December 31, 2013	\$ 20,465

# HNH Unrecognized Tax Benefits

At December 31, 2013 and 2012, HNH had approximately \$1,300 and \$2,273, respectively, of unrecognized tax benefits, all of which would affect the Company's effective tax rate if recognized.

HNH recognizes interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions in its income tax expense. As of December 31, 2013 and 2012, approximately \$100 and \$400, respectively, of interest related to uncertain tax positions was accrued. No penalties were accrued. It is reasonably possible that the total amount of unrecognized tax benefits will decrease by as much as \$300 during the next twelve months as a result of the lapse of the applicable statutes of limitations in certain taxing jurisdictions. Adjustments to the reserve could occur in light of changing facts and circumstances with respect to the on-going examinations discussed below.

HNH is generally no longer subject to federal, state or local income tax examinations by tax authorities for any year prior to 2010, except as set forth below. However, NOLs generated in prior years are subject to examination and potential adjustment by the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") upon their utilization in future years' tax returns.

The IRS initiated an examination of HNH's federal consolidated income tax return for 2010 in the second quarter of 2012, which was settled during 2013 with minor adjustments. In 2014, the IRS will conduct a limited review of HNH's 2012 federal consolidated income tax return. HNH does not currently believe an increase in the reserve for uncertain tax positions is necessary. In addition, certain subsidiaries were examined by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts ("Commonwealth") for the years 2003 to 2005, and HNH settled that examination during 2013 for approximately \$300. The Commonwealth also examined the 2008 tax return and issued an assessment for approximately \$300 which HNH is disputing. Examinations of 2009 and 2010 are also being conducted by the Commonwealth, as well as examinations by the State of New York and the State of Missouri for 2009 to 2011. These examinations are currently in progress, and HNH does not believe an increase in the reserve for uncertain tax positions are currently in progress.

# Steel Excel Unrecognized Tax Benefits

Steel Excel's total gross unrecognized tax benefits were \$19,121 and \$26,419 at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively, of which \$100, if recognized, would affect the provision for income taxes. In 2013, Steel Excel reversed approximately \$7,300 of reserves for foreign taxes upon the expiration of the statute of limitations. Steel Excel recognizes interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions in its income tax provision. For the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, and 2011, the amount of such interest and penalties recognized was immaterial.

Steel Excel is subject to U.S. federal income tax as well as income taxes in many domestic states and foreign jurisdictions in which they operate or formerly operated in. As of December 31, 2013, fiscal years 1999 onward remain open to examination by the U.S. taxing authorities and fiscal years 2009 remain open to Singapore.

## Other Subsidiaries

SPLP's other subsidiaries file federal tax returns as well as state, local and foreign tax returns in various jurisdictions. Federal tax returns for all consolidated subsidiaries, including WFHC, BNS, DGT, and SPH Services remain open and subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service for all tax years after 2009. In addition, net operating losses generated in prior years are subject to examination and potential adjustment by the Internal Revenue Service upon their utilization in future years' tax returns. State income tax returns for most jurisdictions remain open generally for all tax years after 2009. Certain state income tax returns remain open and subject to examination for tax years after 2007.

### **20. REGULATORY MATTERS**

### SPLP

The Company historically has conducted its business, and continues to conduct its business and operations, in such a manner so as not to be deemed an investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Act").

Under the Act, the Company is required to meet certain qualitative tests related to the Company's assets and/or income, and to refrain from trading for short-term speculative purposes. The Company has taken actions, including liquidating certain of our assets and acquiring additional interests in existing or new subsidiaries or controlled companies, to comply with these tests, or a relevant exception. Also, since the Company operates as a diversified holding company engaged in a variety of operating businesses, we do not believe we are primarily engaged in an investment company type business, nor do we propose to primarily engage in such a business.

If the Company is unable to bring itself into conformity with the relevant tests or otherwise remain outside of the Act's registration requirement, the Company may be forced to register as an investment company or seek other alternatives, such as making significant changes to the Company's business model to avoid investment company registration. Such significant changes could have a material adverse effect on the Company's performance.

#### WebBank

WebBank is subject to various regulatory capital requirements administered by federal banking agencies. Failure to meet minimum capital requirements can initiate certain actions by regulators that, if undertaken, could have a direct material effect on WebBank's financial statements. Under capital adequacy guidelines and the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action, WebBank must meet specific capital guidelines that involve quantitative measures of its assets, liabilities, and certain off-balance sheet items as calculated under regulatory accounting practices. WebBank's capital amounts and classification are also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk weightings, and other factors.

Quantitative measures established by regulation to ensure capital adequacy require WebBank to maintain minimum amounts and ratios of Total and Tier 1 capital (as defined in the regulations) to risk-weighted assets (as defined), and of Tier I capital (as defined) to average quarterly assets (as defined). As of December 31, 2013, WebBank exceeded all the capital adequacy requirements to which it is subject.

As of December 31, 2013, WebBank was categorized as well-capitalized under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. There are no conditions or events, since the most recent FDIC notification, which have changed WebBank's prompt corrective action category. To remain categorized as well-capitalized, WebBank will have to maintain minimum total risk-based, Tier 1 risk-based, and Tier 1 leverage capital.

# 21. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

### **Operating Lease Commitments**

The Company certain facilities under non-cancelable operating lease arrangements. Rent expense recognized in the consolidated statement of operations for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 was \$8,331 and \$8,123, respectively. Future minimum operating lease and rental commitments under non-cancelable operating leases for SPLP consolidated operations are as follows:

Payments due by period	Amount
Less than 1 year	\$ 8,338
1-3 years	9,036
3-5 years	4,243
More than 5 years	3,252
Total	\$ 24,869

In addition, the Company is the lessor for one property. Future non-cancelable leases on that property provide for rent of approximately \$440 for each of the next four years.

#### **Environmental Matters**

As discussed in more detail below, HNH and BNS have been designated as potentially responsible parties ("PRPs") by federal and state agencies with respect to certain sites with which they may have had direct or indirect involvement. These claims are in various stages of administrative or judicial proceedings and include demands for recovery of past governmental costs and for future investigations and remedial actions. In many cases, the dollar amounts of the claims have not been specified and, with respect to a number of the PRP claims, have been asserted against a number of other entities for the same cost recovery or other relief as was asserted against the HNH and BNS. The Company accrues costs associated with environmental matters, on an undiscounted basis, when they become probable and reasonably estimable. As of December 31, 2013, and 2012, on a consolidated basis, the Company has accrued \$4,603 and \$7,320, respectively, which represents its current estimate of the probable cleanup liabilities, including remediation and legal costs. In addition, the Company has insurance coverage available for several of these matters and believes that excess insurance coverage may be available as well.

Estimates of the Company's liability for remediation of a particular site and the method and ultimate cost of remediation require a number of assumptions that are inherently difficult to make, and the ultimate outcome may be materially different from current estimates.

### HNH Environmental Matters

Certain subsidiaries of H&H Group have existing and contingent liabilities relating to environmental matters, including capital expenditures, costs of remediation and potential fines and penalties relating to possible violations of national and state environmental laws. Those subsidiaries have substantial remediation expenses on an ongoing basis, although such costs are continually being readjusted based upon the emergence of new techniques and alternative methods. HNH had approximately \$3,200 accrued related to estimated environmental remediation costs as of December 31, 2013. In addition, HNH has insurance coverage available for several of these matters and believes that excess insurance coverage may be available as well. During the year ended December 31, 2013, HNH recorded an insurance reimbursement receivable of \$1,100 for previously incurred remediation costs, which was collected during the quarter ended December 31, 2013. Based upon information currently available, the H&H Group subsidiaries do not expect that their respective environmental matters will have a material adverse effect on the financial position, results of operations or cash flows of such subsidiaries or HNH, but there can be no such assurances. HNH anticipates that the H&H Group subsidiaries will pay any such amounts out of their respective working capital, although there is no assurance that they will have sufficient funds to pay them. In the event that the H&H Group subsidiaries are unable to fund their liabilities, claims could be made against their respective parent companies, including H&H Group and/or HNH, for payment of such liabilities.

In addition, certain subsidiaries of H&H Group have been identified as potentially responsible parties ("PRPs") under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA") or similar state statutes at sites and are parties to administrative consent orders in connection with certain properties. Those subsidiaries may be subject to joint and several liabilities imposed by CERCLA on PRPs. Due to the technical and regulatory complexity of remedial activities and the difficulties attendant in identifying PRPs and allocating or determining liability among them, the subsidiaries are unable to reasonably estimate the ultimate cost of compliance with such laws.

Among the sites where certain subsidiaries of H&H Group may have existing and material environmental liabilities are the following:

H&H has been working with the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection ("CTDEP") with respect to its obligations under a 1989 consent order that applies to a property in Connecticut that H&H sold in 2003 ("Sold Parcel") and an adjacent parcel ("Adjacent Parcel") that together with the Sold Parcel comprises the site of a former H&H manufacturing facility. Remediation of all soil conditions on the Sold Parcel was completed on April 6, 2007. On September 11, 2008, the CTDEP advised H&H that it had approved H&H's December 28, 2007 Soil Remediation Action Report, as amended, thereby concluding the active remediation of the Sold Parcel. The remaining remediation and monitoring costs for the Sold Parcel are expected to approximate \$100. With respect to the Adjacent Parcel, H&H has been conducting an ecological risk assessment and an environmental field investigation in order to assess viable remediation options. The total remediation costs for the Adjacent Parcel cannot be reasonably estimated at this time. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the resolution of this matter will not be material to the financial position, results of operations or cash flows of H&H or HNH.

In 1986, Handy & Harman Electronic Materials Corporation ("HHEM"), a subsidiary of H&H, entered into an administrative consent order ("ACO") with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection ("NJDEP") with regard to certain property that it purchased in 1984 in New Jersey. The ACO involves investigation and remediation activities to be performed with regard to soil and groundwater contamination. Thereafter, in 1998, HHEM and H&H settled a case brought by the local municipality in regard to this site and also settled with certain of its insurance carriers. HHEM is actively remediating the property and continuing to investigate effective methods for achieving compliance with the ACO. A remedial investigation report was filed with the NJDEP in December 2007. By letter dated December 12, 2008, the NJDEP issued its approval with respect to additional investigation and remediation activities discussed in the December 2007 remedial investigation report. HHEM anticipates entering into discussions with the NJDEP to address that agency's potential natural resource damage claims, the ultimate scope and cost of which cannot be estimated at this time. Pursuant to a settlement agreement with the former owner/operator of the site, the responsibility for site investigation and remediation costs, as well as any other costs, as defined in the settlement agreement, related to or arising from environmental contamination on the property (collectively, "Costs") are contractually allocated 75% to the former owner/operator (with separate guaranties by the two joint venture partners of the former owner/operator for 37.5% each) and 25% jointly to HHEM and H&H after the first \$1,000. The \$1,000 was paid solely by the former owner/operator. As of December 31, 2013, over and above the \$1,000, total investigation and remediation costs of approximately \$3,600 and \$1,200 have been expended by the former owner/operator and HHEM, respectively, in accordance with the settlement agreement. Additionally, HHEM is currently being reimbursed indirectly through insurance coverage for a portion of the Costs for which HHEM is responsible. HHEM believes that there is additional excess insurance coverage, which it intends to pursue as necessary. HHEM anticipates that there will be additional remediation expenses to be incurred once a final remediation plan is agreed upon. There is no assurance that the former owner/operator or guarantors will continue to timely reimburse HHEM for expenditures and/or will be financially capable of fulfilling their obligations under the settlement agreement and the guaranties. The final Costs cannot be reasonably estimated at this time, and accordingly, there can be no assurance that the resolution of this matter will not be material to the financial position, results of operations or cash flows of HHEM or HNH.

In August 2006, H&H received a notice letter from the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") formally naming H&H as a PRP at a superfund site in Massachusetts ("Superfund Site"). H&H is part of a group of thirteen other PRPs ("PRP Group") that work cooperatively regarding remediation of the Superfund Site. On June 13, 2008, H&H executed a participation agreement, consent decree and settlement trust that all of the other PRPs have signed as well. The PRP Group has both chemical and radiological PRPs. H&H is a chemical PRP, not a radiological PRP. The remediation of radiological contamination at the Superfund Site, under the direction of the Department of Energy, has been completed and a final status survey was submitted to the EPA in August 2012 and subsequently approved. The PRP Group mobilized onto the site in June 2013 and performed its required cleanup obligations between June 2013 and December 2013, at which time the PRP Group demobilized from the site. Estimates for the final remediation costs were calculated, and H&H's total assessed share for the remaining remediation was \$2,200, which was paid in August 2013. HNH's financial guarantee for this matter was

removed following payment receipt. There is still a possibility that some radiological contaminated soil may become the responsibility of the chemical PRPs, which could result in an additional, maximum assessment of approximately \$200 based on current estimates. Because the assessment is an estimate and dependent upon several factors, including administrative closure costs, the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection ("MADEP") and EPA oversight costs, and continued collaboration and financial support from the town of Attleboro, the party responsible for the subsequent operations and maintenance activities at the Superfund Site, there can be no assurance that final resolution of this matter will not be material to the financial position, results of operations or cash flows of H&H or HNH.

HHEM is continuing to comply with a 1987 consent order from the MADEP to investigate and remediate the soil and groundwater conditions at a commercial/industrial property in Massachusetts. On June 30, 2010, HHEM filed a Response Action Outcome ("RAO") report to close the site since HHEM's licensed site professional concluded that groundwater monitoring demonstrated that the groundwater conditions have stabilized or continue to improve at the site. On June 20, 2013, HHEM received the MADEP's Notice of Audit Findings and Notice of Noncompliance ("Notice"). HHEM and its consultant met with the MADEP on July 29, 2013 to resolve any differences identified in the Notice. As a result of that meeting and subsequent discussions, HHEM will conduct additional sampling, testing, site investigations and install additional off-site wells. Once the additional work is completed and assessed, HHEM will submit a follow-up response letter to the MADEP by June 30, 2014. The cost of this additional work is estimated at \$200. Additional costs could result from these testing activities and final acceptance of the remediation plan by the MADEP, which cannot be reasonably estimated at this time.

### BNS Sub Environmental Matters

On August 12, 2008, a then-subsidiary of BNS ("BNS Sub") was identified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") as a potentially responsible party ("PRP") as an alleged drum reconditioning customer of New England Container Corp. ("NECC"). BNS Sub is presently investigating the matter and has joined a group of other alleged NECC drum reconditioning customers. The NECC drum reconditioning PRP's have incurred and will continue to incur costs in the investigation and each PRP has been assessed a pro-rata fee for its cost share of the assessment. BNS Sub believes that it has an adequate environmental liability accrual associated with the site, which is reflected in the remediation estimate discussed above. The liability accrual is part of the Liquidating Trust formed by BNS.

On June 4, 2013 BNS LLC was identified by the EPA as a PRP as an alleged waste generator that disposed of wastes at the Operable Unit Two of the Peterson/Puritan, Inc. Superfund Site which includes the J.M. Mills Landfill in Cumberland, RI,. BNS LLC is currently investigating the matter and has joined a group of other alleged "Potentially Responsible Parties."

### Litigation Matters

## HNH Litigation Matters

In the ordinary course of business, HNH is subject to periodic lawsuits, investigations, claims and proceedings, including, but not limited to, contractual disputes, employment, environmental, health and safety matters, as well as claims associated with HNH's historical acquisitions and divestitures. There is insurance coverage available for many of the foregoing actions. Although HNH cannot predict with certainty the ultimate resolution of lawsuits, investigations, claims and proceedings asserted against it, they do not believe any currently pending legal proceeding to which they are a party will have a material adverse effect on their business, prospects, financial condition, cash flows, results of operations or liquidity.

## **BNS Litigation Matters**

BNS Sub has been named as a defendant in 1,234 and 1,160 alleged asbestos-related toxic-tort claims as of December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The claims were filed over a period beginning 1994 through September 30, 2013. In many cases these claims involved more than 100 defendants. Of the claims filed, 1,023 and 926 were dismissed, settled or granted summary judgment and closed as of December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Of the claims settled, the average settlement was less than \$3. There remained 211 and 234 pending asbestos claims as of December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. There can be no assurance that the number of future claims and the related costs of defense, settlements or judgments will be consistent with the experience to date of existing claims.

BNS Sub has insurance policies covering asbestos-related claims for years beginning 1974 through 1988 with estimated aggregate coverage limits of \$183,000, with \$2,082 and \$2,282 at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively, in estimated remaining self insurance retention (deductible). There is secondary evidence of coverage from 1970 to 1973 although

there is no assurance that the insurers will recognize that the coverage was in place. Policies issued for BNS Sub beginning in 1989 contained exclusions related to asbestos. Under certain circumstances, some of the settled claims may be reopened. Also, there may be a significant delay in receipt of notification by BNS Sub of the entry of a dismissal or settlement of a claim or the filing of a new claim. BNS Sub believes it has significant defenses to any liability for toxic-tort claims on the merits. None of these toxic-tort claims have gone to trial and, therefore, there can be no assurance that these defenses will prevail. In addition, there can be no assurance that the number of future claims and the related costs of defense, settlements or judgments will be consistent with the experience to date of existing claims; and, that BNS Sub will not need to increase significantly its estimated liability for the costs to settle these claims to an amount that could have a material effect on the consolidated financial statements.

BNS Sub annually receives retroactive billings or credits from its insurance carriers for any increase or decrease in claims accruals as claims are filed, settled or dismissed, or as estimates of the ultimate settlement and defense costs for the then-existing claims are revised. As of December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively, BNS Sub has accrued \$1,403 and \$1,020 relating to the open and active claims against BNS Sub. This accrual represents the Company's best estimate of the likely costs to defend against or settle these claims by BNS Sub beyond the amounts accrued by the insurance carriers and previously funded, through the retroactive billings by BNS Sub. However, there can be no assurance that BNS Sub will not need to take additional charges in connection with the defense, settlement or judgment of these existing claims or that the costs of future claims and the related costs of defense, settlements or judgments will be consistent with the experience to date relating to existing claims. These claims are now being managed by the Liquidating Trust formed by BNS (see Note 16 - "Capital and Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss").

# 22. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On January 9, 2014, the Board of Directors of Steel Excel approved an adjustment the annual fee payable by Steel Excel to SP Corporate Services LLC from \$3,600 to \$8,000, effective as of January 1, 2014. SP Corporate provides Steel Excel with the services of Jack L. Howard as Steel Excel's Principal Executive Officer and James F. McCabe, Jr. as Steel Excel's Chief Financial Officer, and certain other employees and corporate services, including, without limitation, legal, tax, accounting, treasury, consulting, auditing, administrative, compliance, environmental health and safety, human resources, marketing, investor relations and other similar services. The fees payable under the Agreement are subject to an annual review and such adjustments as may be agreed upon by SP Corporate and Steel Excel.

# 23. QUARTERLY FINANICIAL DATA (unaudited)

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Quarter	 Revenue	 Net Income (Loss) From Continuing Operations		er Common Unit Basic		er Common Jnit Diluted	N	let Income (Loss) Attributable to Common Unit Holders		er Common Unit Basic	-	Common it Diluted
<u>2013</u>												
First	\$ 183,462	\$ (13,436)	\$	(0.49)	\$	(0.49)	\$	(11,950)	\$	(0.40)	\$	(0.40)
Second	218,482	24,328		0.57		0.57		16,097		0.53		0.53
Third	210,311	(11,841)		(0.54)		(0.54)		(15,446)		(0.52)		(0.52)
Fourth	192,919	45,934		1.09		1.03		30,759		1.04		0.99
	\$ 805,174	\$ 44,985					\$	19,460				
<u>2012</u>												
First	\$ 163,346	\$ 45,851	\$	1.74	\$	1.74	\$	45,970	\$	1.83	\$	1.83
Second	201,626	(1,930)		(0.25)		(0.25)		(7,419)		(0.24)		(0.24)
Third	183,705	7,861		0.09		0.09		3,487		0.11		0.11
Fourth	162,909	655		(0.13)		(0.13)		(1,020)		(0.03)		(0.03)
	\$ 711,586	\$ 52,437					\$	41,018				

#### Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

On September 12, 2013, Steel Partners Holdings L.P., a Delaware corporation (the "Registrant"), following a competitive bidding process, notified Grant Thornton LLP ("GT") that the Registrant was dismissing GT as its independent registered public accounting firm effective immediately. The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of Steel Partners Holdings GP, Inc., as General Partner of the Registrant, approved the dismissal.

The reports of GT on the financial statements of the Registrant for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011 contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and were not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principle.

During the fiscal years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011 and through September 12, 2013, there were no:

(i) disagreements with GT on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure or auditing scope or procedure, which disagreements, if not resolved to the satisfaction of GT, would have caused them to make reference to the subject matter of the disagreement(s) in connection with its reports on the financial statements for such years; or

(ii) "reportable events" (as defined in Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K).

On September 12, 2013, the Registrant engaged BDO USA LLP ("BDO") as the Registrant's independent registered public accountant effective immediately. The engagement was approved by the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of Steel Partners Holdings GP, Inc., as General Partner of the Registrant, and was made after a competitive bidding process and evaluation. During the Registrant's two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period through September 12, 2013, the Registrant did not consult BDO with respect to any of the matters or events listed in Regulation S-K Item 304(a)(2). During such periods, BDO has been the independent registered public accounting firm for Steel Excel, Inc. and its subsidiaries, a consolidated, majority owned subsidiary of the Registrant.

### Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

## **Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

As required by Rule 13a-15(b) under the Exchange Act, we conducted an evaluation under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer concluded that as of December 31, 2013 our disclosure controls and procedures are effective in ensuring that all information required to be disclosed in reports that we file or submit 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 our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, in a manner that allows timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

### Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Exchange Act. Our internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of the Company's consolidated financial statements for external reporting purposes in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, the Company conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of the internal control over financial reporting of the Company as referred to above as of December 31, 2013 as required by Rule 13a-15(c) under the Exchange Act. In making this assessment, the Company used the criteria set forth in the framework in Internal Control - Integrated Framework (1992) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Based on its evaluation under the framework in Internal Control - Integrated Framework, management concluded that the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2013.

BDO, the independent registered public accounting firm, who audited the Company's consolidated financial statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, has issued a report on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2013, which is included herein.

# **Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

No change in internal control over financial reporting occurred during the quarter ended December 31, 2013 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company 's internal control over financial reporting.

# **Inherent Limitations Over Controls**

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

## Item 9B. Other Information

None.

#### PART III

# Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance

The Company's definitive proxy statement which will be filed with the SEC pursuant to Registration 14A within 120 days of the end of the Company's fiscal year is incorporated herein by reference.

# Item 11. Executive Compensation

The Company's definitive proxy statement which will be filed with the SEC pursuant to Registration 14A within 120 days of the end of the Company's fiscal year is incorporated herein by reference.

# Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters

The Company's definitive proxy statement which will be filed with the SEC pursuant to Registration 14A within 120 days of the end of the Company's fiscal year is incorporated herein by reference.

# Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence

The Company's definitive proxy statement which will be filed with the SEC pursuant to Registration 14A within 120 days of the end of the Company's fiscal year is incorporated herein by reference.

# Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services

The Company's definitive proxy statement which will be filed with the SEC pursuant to Registration 14A within 120 days of the end of the Company's fiscal year is incorporated herein by reference.

PART IV

# Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules

## (a) Financial Statements

The following financial statements of Steel Partners Holdings L.P., and subsidiaries, are included in Part II, Item 8 of this report:

Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2013 and 2012

Consolidated Statements of Operations for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Capital for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

# (b) Exhibits.

The following documents are filed as exhibits hereto:

Exhibit No.	Description
2.1	Share Acquisition Agreement, dated as of April 30, 2012, by and among Steel Excel Inc., BNS Holding, Inc., SWH, Inc. and SPH Group Holdings LLC. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 of Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s' Current Report on Form 8-K, filed June 6, 2012).
3.1	Certificate of Limited Partnership (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s Registration Statement on Form 10 filed December 15, 2011).

3.2	Amendment to the Certificate of Limited Partnership, dated April 2, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s Registration Statement on Form 10 filed December 15, 2011).
3.3	Amendment to the Certificate of Limited Partnership, dated January 20, 2010 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.3 to Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s Registration Statement on Form 10 filed December 15, 2011).
3.4	Amendment to the Certificate of Limited Partnership, dated October 15, 2010 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.4 to Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s Registration Statement on Form 10 filed December 15, 2011).
3.5	Third Amended and Restated Limited Partnership Agreement of Steel Partners Holdings L.P., dated as of July 14, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.5 to Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s Registration Statement on Form 10 filed December 15, 2011).
10.1	Third Amended and Restated Management Agreement by and between Steel Partners Holdings L.P. and Steel Partners LLC, dated January 1, 2012 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s' Form 10-K, filed March 21, 2012).
10.2	License Agreement by and between Steel Partners LLC and Steel Partners Holdings L.P., dated January 1, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s Registration Statement on Form 10 filed December 15, 2011).
10.3	Assignment and Assumption Agreement by and among Steel Partners II (Offshore) Ltd., WGL Capital Corp. and Steel Partners Holdings L.P., dated July 15, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to Amendment No. 1 of Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s Registration Statement on Form 10 filed January 20, 2012).
10.4	Second Amended and Restated Deferred Fee Agreement, dated as of October 31, 2002, as amended and restated as of January 1, 2005, and as further amended and restated as of July 15, 2009, by and between Steel Partners Holdings L.P. and WGL Capital Corp (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to Amendment No. 1 of Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s Registration Statement on Form 10 filed January 20, 2012).
10.5	Investor Services Agreement by and among Steel Partners Holdings L.P., Steel Partners LLC and WGL Capital Corp., dated July 15, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 to Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s Registration Statement on Form 10 filed December 15, 2011).
10.6	Advance Agreement by and between Steel Partners Holdings L.P. and Steel Partners II Master Fund L.P., dated June 28, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.7 to Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s Registration Statement on Form 10 filed December 15, 2011).
10.7	Amended and Restated Services Agreement by and between Steel Partners Holdings L.P. and SP Corporate Services, LLC, effective as of dated July 15, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.8 to Amendment No. 1 of Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s Registration Statement on Form 10 filed January 20, 2012).
10.8	Letter Agreement by and between Steel Partners Holdings L.P. and Steel Partners II GP LLC, dated July 15, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.9 to Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s Registration Statement on Form 10 filed December 15, 2011).
10.9	Management Services Agreement by and between SP Corporate Services LLC and Handy & Harman Ltd. and Handy & Harman Group Ltd., dated as of January 1, 2012 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.10 to Amendment No. 1 of Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s Registration Statement on Form 10 filed January 20, 2012).
10.10***	Employment Agreement by and among WHX Corporation, Handy & Harman, and James McCabe, Jr. dated as of February 1, 2007 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s' Form 10-Q, filed May 15, 2012).
10.11***	Amendment to Employment Agreement by and among WHX Corporation, Handy & Harman, and James F. McCabe, Jr., effective January 1, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 of Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s' Form 10-Q, filed May 15, 2012).
10.12***	Second Amendment to Employment Agreement by and among WHX Corporation, Handy & Harman, and James F. McCabe, Jr., effective January 4, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 of Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s' Form 10-Q, filed May 15, 2012).
10.13	Fourth Amended and Restated Management Agreement by and among Steel Partners Holdings L.P., SPH Group LLC and SP General Services LLC, dated as of May 11, 2012 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 of Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s' Form 10-Q, filed May 15, 2012).
10.14	First Amendment to Management Services Agreement between Handy & Harman Ltd., Handy & Harman Group Ltd. and SP Corporate Services LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Current Report on Form 8-K filed April 2, 2013).

10.15	Fifth Amended and Restated Management Agreement by and among Steel Partners Holdings L.P., SPH Group LLC and SP General Services LLC, dated as of May 11, 2012. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Current Report on Form 8-K, filed October 15, 2013).
10.16	Fourth Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Steel Partners Holdings L.P. dated as of July 14, 2009. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Current Report on Form 8-K, filed October 15, 2013).
10.17	Management Services Agreement between SP Corporate Services LLC and iGo, Inc. effective October 1, 2013. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to Current Report on Form 8-K, filed October 15, 2013).
10.18	Credit Agreement, dated as of October 23, 2013, by and among SPH Group Holdings LLC, Steel Partners Holdings L.P., the lenders thereunder and PNC Bank, National Association, in its capacity as administrative agent for the lenders thereunder (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to Current Report on Form 8-K, filed October 28, 2013).
10.19	Pledge Agreement, dated as of October 23, 2013, by and among SPH Group Holdings LLC, Steel Partners Holdings L.P., and PNC Bank, National Association, as agent for the benefit of the lenders (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.2 to Current Report on Form 8-K, filed October 28, 2013).
21*	Subsidiaries of Steel Partners Holdings L.P.
24*	Power of Attorney (included in the signature page)
31.1*	Certification by the Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2*	Certification by the Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.1*	Certification by the Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.2*	Certification by 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.
99.1	2012, 2011 and 2010 Financial Statements of Steel Excel Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.2 of Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s' Form 10-K, filed March 23, 2013).
99.2**	Financial Statements of SL Industries, Inc.
99.3*	Financial Statements of JPS Industries, Inc.
99.4*	2013 Financial Statements of Steel Partners II Liquidating Series Trust.
99.5	2012 and 2011 Financial Statements of Steel Partners II Liquidating Trust (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.4 of Steel Partners Holdings L.P.'s' Form 10-K, filed March 23, 2013).
99.6*	Financial Statements of ModusLink Global Solutions, Inc.
Exhibit 101.INS*	XBRL Instance Document
Exhibit 101.SCH*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema
Exhibit 101.CAL*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase
Exhibit 101.DEF*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase
Exhibit 101.LAB*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase
Exhibit 101.PRE*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase

\* Filed herewith

\*\* To be filed by amendment

\*\*\* Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement

#### SIGNATURES

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

Dated: March 12, 2014

# STEEL PARTNERS HOLDINGS L.P.

By: Steel Partners Holdings GP Inc. Its General Partner

/s/ Warren G. Lichtenstein

By: Warren G. Lichtenstein

Executive Chairman

## POWER OF ATTORNEY

Steel Partners Holdings L.P. and each of the undersigned do hereby appoint Warren G. Lichtenstein and James F. McCabe, Jr., and each of them severally, its or his true and lawful attorney to execute on behalf of Steel Partners Holdings L.P. and the undersigned any and all amendments to this Annual Report on Form 10-K and to file the same with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission; each of such attorneys shall have the power to act hereunder with or without the other.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities indicated with respect to Steel Partners Holdings GP Inc., the general partner of Steel Partners Holdings L.P., and on behalf of the registrant and on the dates indicated below by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

: /s/ Warren G. Lichtenstein	March 12, 2014
Warren G. Lichtenstein, Executive Chairman	Date
(Principal Executive Officer)	
/s/ James F. McCabe, Jr.	March 12, 2014
James F. McCabe, Jr., Chief Financial Officer	Date
(Principal Accounting Officer)	
/s/ Jack L. Howard	March 12, 2014
Jack L. Howard, Director	Date
/s/ Anthony Bergamo	March 12, 2014
Anthony Bergamo, Director	Date
/s/ John P. McNiff	March 12, 2014
John P. McNiff, Director	Date
/s/ Joseph L. Mullen	March 12, 2014
Joseph L. Mullen, Director	Date
/s/ General Richard I. Neal	March 12, 2014
General Richard I. Neal, Director	Date
/s/ Allan R. Tessler	March 12, 2014
Allan R. Tessler, Director	Date

## EXHIBIT 21

## **Schedule of Subsidiaries**

STEEL PARTNERS HOLDINGS GP INC., a Delaware corporation SPH GROUP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company SPH GROUP HOLDINGS LLC, a Delaware limited liability company SPH Services, Inc., a Delaware Corporation SP Corporate Services LLC, a Delaware limited liability company Steel Partners LLC, a Delaware limited liability company BNS Liquidating Trust, a Delaware company SP Asset Management LLC, a Delaware limited liability company STEEL PARTNERS II L.P., a Delaware limited partnership CHINA ACCESS PAPER INVESTMENT COMPANY LIMITED, a corporation organized under the laws of Mauritius DGT HOLDINGS CORP., a Delaware corporation HANDY & HARMAN LTD., a Delaware corporation STEEL EXCEL INC., a Delaware corporation WF ASSET CORP., a Delaware corporation WEBFINANCIAL HOLDING CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation WEBBANK, a Utah chartered industrial bank WORKING CAPITAL SOLUTIONS, INC., a Delaware corporation

### **DGT HOLDINGS CORP. SUBSIDIARIES**

DM IMAGING CORP., a Delaware corporation VILLA IMMOBILIARE SRL, Italy RFI CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation

#### HANDY & HARMAN LTD.

WHEELING-PITTSBURGH CAPITAL CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation.

WHX AVIATION CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation.

WHX METALS CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation.

WHX CS CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation.

HANDY & HARMAN GROUP, LTD., a Delaware corporation ("HHG").

HANDY & HARMAN, a New York corporation ("HANDY & HARMAN"), a direct subsidiary of HHG.

BAIRNCO CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation ("BAIRNCO"), a direct subsidiary of HHG.

#### HANDY & HARMAN SUBSIDIARIES

ALLOY RING SERVICE, INC., a Delaware corporation.

DANIEL RADIATOR CORPORATION, a Texas corporation.

EAST 74th STREET HOLDINGS, INC., an Oklahoma corporation (formerly known as Continental Industries, Inc.).

ELE CORPORATION, a California corporation.

H&H LTD., a corporation organized under the laws of Bermuda.

H&H PRODUCTIONS, INC., a Delaware corporation.

Handy & Harman (Asia) S.A., a corporation organized under the laws of Peru.

HANDY & HARMAN AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC., a Delaware corporation.

HANDY & HARMAN OF CANADA, LIMITED, a Province of Ontario Canada corporation.

HANDY & HARMAN ELE (ASIA) SND BHD., a corporation organized under the laws of Malaysia.

HANDY & HARMAN ELECTRONIC MATERIALS CORPORATION, a Florida corporation.

HANDY & HARMAN (EUROPE) LIMITED, a corporation organized under the laws of England and Wales.

HANDY & HARMAN INTERNATIONAL, LTD., a Delaware corporation.

HANDY & HARMAN MANAGEMENT HOLDINGS (HK) LIMITED, a corporation organized under the laws of Hong Kong. (1)

HANDY & HARMAN MANUFACTURING (SINGAPORE) PTE. LTD., a corporation organized under the laws of Malaysia.

HANDY & HARMAN NETHERLANDS, BV., a corporation organized under the laws of the Netherlands. (1)

HANDY & HARMAN PERU, INC., a Delaware corporation.

HANDY & HARMAN TUBE COMPANY, INC., a Delaware corporation.

HANDY & HARMAN UK HOLDINGS LIMITED, a corporation organized under the laws of England and Wales. (1)

HANDYTUBE CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation (formerly known as Camdel Metals Corporation).

INDIANA TUBE CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation.

INDIANA TUBE DANMARK A/S, a corporation of Kolding, Denmark.

INDIANA TUBE SOLUTIONS, S. De R.L. de C.V., a corporation organized under the law of Mexico. (1)

KJ-VMI REALTY, INC., a Delaware corporation.

LUCAS-MILHAUPT, INC., a Wisconsin corporation.

LUCAS-MILHAUPT BRAZING MATERIALS (SUZHOU) CO. LTD., a corporation organized under the laws of China. (1)

LUCAS-MILHAUPT GLIWICE Sp. Z o.o., a corporation organized under the laws of Poland.

LUCAS-MILHAUPT HONG KONG LIMITED, a corporation organized under the laws of Hong Kong. (1)

LUCAS MILHAUPT RIBERAC SA, a corporation organized under the laws of France. (1) LUCAS-MILHAUPT WARWICK LLC, a Delaware limited liability company. MARYLAND SPECIALTY WIRE, INC., a Delaware corporation. MICRO-TUBE FABRICATORS, INC., a Delaware corporation. OCMUS, INC., an Indiana corporation formerly known as Sumco, Inc. OMG, INC., a Delaware corporation, formerly known as Olympic Manufacturing Group, Inc. OMG ROOFING, INC., a Delaware corporation. (1) OMNI TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION OF DANVILLE, a New Hampshire corporation. PAL-RATH REALTY, INC., a Delaware corporation. PAM FASTENING TECHNOLOGY, INC., a North Carolina corporation. PLATINA LABORATORIES, INC., a Delaware corporation. RIGBY-MARYLAND (STAINLESS), LTD, a corporation organized under the laws of England and Wales. SHEFFIELD STREET CORPORATION, a Connecticut corporation. SWM, INC., a Delaware corporation. THE NOMINATING TRUSTS (20 Grant Street Nominee Trust, 28 Grant Street Nominee Trust, 7 Orne Street Nominee Trust), trusts governed by Massachusetts law.

WILLING B WIRE CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation.

460 WEST MAIN STREET HOLDING CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation (formerly know as Canfield Metal Coating Corporation).

#### **BAIRNCO CORPORATION SUBSIDIARIES**

ARLON, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company formerly Arlon, Inc. a Delaware corporation.

ARLON ADHESIVES & FILMS, INC., a Texas corporation. (2)

ARLON INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED, a corporation organized under the laws of India. (2)

ARLON MATERIALS FOR ELECTRONICS CO. LTD., a corporation organized under the laws of China. (2)

ARLON MATERIAL TECHNOLOGIES CO. LTD., a corporation organized under the laws of China. (2)

ARLON MED INTERNATIONAL, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company. (2)

ARLON PARTNERS, INC., a Delaware corporation. (2)

ARLON SIGNTECH, LTD., a Texas Limited Partnership. (2)

ARLON VISCOR, LTD., a Texas Limited Partnership. (2)

ATLANTIC SERVICE CO. LTD., a corporation organized under the laws of Canada. (2)

ATLANTIC SERVICE CO. (UK) LTD., a corporation organized under the laws of United Kingdom. (2)

BERTRAM & GRAF GMBH, a corporation organized under the laws of Germany. (2)

KASCO CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation.

KASCO ENSAMBLY S.A. DE C.V., a corporation organized under the laws of Mexico. (2)

KASCO MEXICO LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company. (2)

SOUTHERN SAW ACQUISITION CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation. (2)

(1) Indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Handy & Harman.

(2) Indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Bairnco Corporation.

## STEEL EXCEL INC. SUBSIDIARIES

STEEL EXCEL, INC. (Delaware)

STEEL ENERGY LTD. (Delaware)

SUN WELL SERVICE, INC. (North Dakota)

ROGUE PRESSURE SERVICES LTD., a Delaware corporation

BLACK HAWK ENERGY SERVICES, INC. (New Mexico)

STEEL SPORTS INC. (Delaware)

BASEBALL HEAVEN INC. (Delaware)

SOUTH BAY STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING LLC (California) - 50% owned

TORRANCE STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING LLC (California) - 50% owned

UK ELITE SOCCER INC. (New Jersey) - 80% owned

GLOBAL TEAM TRAVEL LLC (New Jersey)

RUCKUS SPORTS LLC (Delaware) - 45% owned

STEEL SOCCER CITY, INC. (Delaware)

THE SHOW, LLC (Delaware) - 75%

ARISTOS LOGIC CORPORATION (Delaware)

ARISTOS LOGIC TECHNOLOGY INDIA PVT LTD. (India)

ADAPTEC FAR EAST, INC. (California)

PLATYS COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (Delaware)

EUROLOGIC SYSTEMS, INC. (Delaware)

ADPT TECH HOLDING LTD. (Cayman Islands)

ADPT CAYMAN LICENSING LTD. (Cayman Islands)

ADPT CI LTD. (Cayman Islands) ADPT (S) PTE. LTD. (Singapore) ADAPTEC GMBH (Germany)

ICP VORTEX COMPUTERSYSTEME GMBH (Germany)

ADAPTEC (INDIA) PVT LTD. (India)

## CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER CERTIFICATION

I, Warren G. Lichtenstein, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 of Steel Partners Holdings L.P.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The Registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal 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 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: March 12, 2014

/s/ Warren G. Lichtenstein

Warren G. Lichtenstein Executive Chairman of Steel Partners Holdings GP Inc.

## CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER CERTIFICATION

I, James F. McCabe, Jr., certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 of Steel Partners Holdings L.P.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The Registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal 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 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;
  - c) 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;
  - d) 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;
- 5. The Registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the Registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the Registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the Registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 12, 2014

/s/ James F. McCabe, Jr.

James F. McCabe, Jr. Chief Financial Officer of Steel Partners Holdings GP Inc.

## EXHIBIT 32.1

#### Certification of the Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, As Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

In connection with the Annual Report of Steel Partners Holdings L.P.(the "Partnership") on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Warren G. Lichtenstein, Chief Executive Officer of Steel Partners Holdings GP Inc., the general partner of the Partnership, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section § 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

(1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(2) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

Date: March 12, 2014

/s/ Warren G. Lichtenstein

Warren G. Lichtenstein Executive Chairman of Steel Partners Holdings GP Inc.

\* The foregoing certification is being furnished solely pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 and is not being filed as part of the Report or as a separate disclosure document.

#### Certification of 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

In connection with the Annual Report of Steel Partners Holdings L.P.(the "Partnership") on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, James F. McCabe, Jr., Chief Financial Officer of Steel Partners Holdings GP Inc., the general partner of the Partnership, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section § 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

(1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Partnership.

Date: March 12, 2014

/s/ James F. McCabe, Jr.

James F. McCabe, Jr. Chief Financial Officer of Steel Partners Holdings GP Inc.

\*The foregoing certification is being furnished solely pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 and is not being filed as part of the Report or as a separate disclosure document.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF JPS INDUSTRIES, INC.

As of and for the years ended

November 2, 2013

and

October 27, 2012

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#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

Board of Directors and Stockholders JPS Industries, Inc. Greenville, South Carolina

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of JPS Industries, Inc. and its subsidiaries which comprise the consolidated balance sheets as of November 2, 2013 and October 27, 2012, and the related consolidated statements of operations, shareholders' equity and cash flows for the years then ended and the related notes to the financial statements.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of consolidated financial statements which are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the

overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material aspects, the financial position of JPS Industries, Inc. and its subsidiaries as of November 2, 2013 and October 27, 2012, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Greenville, South Carolina December 13, 2013

Elliott Davis, LLC

Elliott Davis LLC, 200 East Broad Street Suite 500, P.O. Box 6286, Greenville, SC 29606-6286 Phone: 864.242.3370 Fax: 864.232.7161 www.elliottdavis.com

## JPS INDUSTRIES, INC.

# CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Dollars In Thousands)

	October 27, 2012		No	ovember 2, 2013
ASSETS				
CURRENT ASSETS:				
Cash	\$	1,085	\$	1,656
Restricted cash		0		3,685
Accounts receivable, less allowance of \$1,234 in 2012 and \$1,861 in 2013		22,972		31,295
Inventories		33,320		24,341
Prepaid expenses and other		1,566		454
Deferred income taxes		6,552		7,071
Total current assets		65,495		68,502
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, net		18,568		16,935
DEFERRED INCOME TAXES		64,674		54,954
GOODWILL		10,100		10,100
OTHER ASSETS		1,252		536
Total assets	\$	160,089	\$	151,027

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			No	November 2, 2013	
CURRENT LIABILITIES:					
Accounts payable	\$	7,256	\$	10,013	
Accrued interest		70		4	
Accrued salaries, benefits and withholdings		1,715		6,894	
Current portion of accrued pension costs		3,804		8,611	
Other accrued expenses		707		589	
Current portion of long-term debt		4,980		4,980	
Total current liabilities		18,532		31,091	
LONG-TERM DEBT		28,699		18,147	
ACCRUED PENSION COST		53,033		27,648	
OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES		1,173		534	
Total liabilities		101,437		77,420	
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES					
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:					
Common stock, \$.01 par value; authorized - 22,000,000 shares;					
issued - 10,236,460 shares in 2012, 10,291,460 shares in 2013;					
outstanding - 10,236,460 shares in 2012, 10,291,460 shares in 2013		102		103	
Additional paid-in capital		129,061		129,235	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(91,191)		(78,458)	
Accumulated equity		20,680		22,727	
Total shareholders' equity		58,652		73,607	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	160,089	\$	151,027	
See notes to consolidated financial statements.					

## JPS INDUSTRIES, INC.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (Amounts in Thousands Except Share and Per Share Data)

	Fiscal Year Ended October 27, 2012	Ν	Fiscal Year Ended Iovember 2, 2013
Net sales	\$ 158,305	\$	202,021
Cost of sales	 130,718		168,469
Gross profit	27,587		33,552
Selling, general and administrative expenses	21,603		19,024
Litigation charge (recovery)	886		(502)
Severance	0		4,023
Stevens Urethane division write-downs	0		5,546
Other income (expense), net	 (111)		(158)
Operating profit	4,987		5,303
Interest expense, net	 1,194		1,265
Income (loss) before income taxes	3,793		4,038
Income tax (benefit) provision	 2,526		1,991
Net income (loss)	 1,267		2,047
Other comprehensive income (loss), after tax:			
Net actuarial pension (loss) gain adjustment	 (9,038)		12,733
Comprehensive income	\$ (7,771)	\$	14,780
WEIGHTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING			
Basic	10,113,059		10,263,393
Diluted	10,360,779		10,343,437
Basic earnings (loss) per common share	\$ 0.13	\$	0.20
Diluted earnings (loss) per common share	\$ 0.12	\$	0.20

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

## JPS INDUSTRIES, INC.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY (Dollars In Thousands)

	 nmon tock	Add'l Paid-In Capital	Treasury Stock		Accum. Other Comp. Loss	Accum. Equity	S	Total hareholders' Equity
Balance – October 29,2011	\$ 102	\$ 127,650	\$ C	)	\$ (82,153)	\$ 19,413	\$	65,012
Net income Net actuarial pension loss adjustment						1,267		1,267
(net of tax benefit of \$5,423)					(9,038)			(9,038)
Restricted stock grant		 1,411			 			1,411
Balance – October 27, 2012	\$ 102	\$ 129,061	\$ C	)	\$ (91,191)	\$ 20,680	\$	58,652
Net income						2,047		2,047
Net actuarial pension gain adjustment (net of tax expense of \$7,640) Restricted stock grant	 1	 174	 		 12,733			12,733 175
Balance – November 2, 2013	\$ 103	\$ 129,235	\$ C	)	\$ (78,458)	\$ 22,727	\$	73,607

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

## JPS INDUSTRIES, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Dollars In Thousands)

	Oc	Fiscal Year Ended October 27, 2012		Fiscal Year Ended ovember 2, 2013
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Net income (loss)	\$	1,267	\$	2,047
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization		5,391		1,755
(Gain)/loss on disposal of property and equipment and assets held for sale		0		2,054
Stevens Urethane division accounts receiveable write offs		0		1,174
Stevens Urethane division inventory write offs		0		2,806
Compensation expense for restricted stock and option modifications		1,411		117
Amortization of deferred financing costs		283		296
Deferred income tax provision (benefit)		2,260		1,597
Pension plan contributions		(3,435)		(3,883)
Other, net		7,139		(4,602)
Changes in assets and liabilities:				
Restricted cash		0		(3,685)
Accounts receivable		4,958		(9,496)
Inventories		143		6,173
Prepaid expenses and other assets		(6,473)		8,322
Accounts payable		(14,719)		2,757
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		(1,037)		5,390
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		(2,812)		12,822
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Property and equipment additions		(2,415)		(1,687)
Proceeds from sale of land		341	_	—
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		(2,074)		(1,687)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Financing costs incurred		(94)		(70)
Net proceeds from exercise of stock option		_		58
Revolving credit facility (borrowings) repayments, net		9,745		(5,157)
Repayment of long-term debt		(4,980)		(5,395)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		4,671		(10,564)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH		(215)		571
CASH AT BEGINNING OF YEAR		1,300		1,085
Cash at end of year	\$	1,085	\$	1,656
Supplemental information:				
Interest paid	\$	907	\$	1,035
Income taxes paid (received), net		642		156

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

#### JPS INDUSTRIES, INC.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - NOVEMBER 2, 2013

## 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE COMPANY

JPS Industries, Inc. is a major U.S. manufacturer of extruded urethanes, ethylene vinyl acetates and mechanically formed glass and aramid substrate materials for specialty applications in a wide expanse of markets requiring highly engineered components. JPS's products are used in a wide range of applications including: printed electronic circuit boards; advanced composite materials; civilian and military aerospace components; filtration and insulation products; specialty commercial construction substrates; high performance glass laminates for security and transportation applications; paint protection films; plasma display screens; medical, automotive and industrial components; and soft body armor for civilian and military applications. Headquartered in Greenville, South Carolina, the Company operates four manufacturing locations in Anderson and Slater, South Carolina; Statesville, North Carolina; and Easthampton, Massachusetts.

## 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

<u>Principles of Consolidation</u> - The consolidated financial statements include JPS Industries, Inc. and its direct subsidiaries, all of which are wholly owned. Significant intra-entity transactions and accounts have been eliminated. Unless the context otherwise requires, the terms "JPS" and the "Company" as used in these Consolidated Financial Statements mean JPS Industries, Inc. together with its 100% owned subsidiaries, JPS Elastomerics Corp. and JPS Composite Materials Corp.

<u>Use of Estimates</u> - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. The Company's most significant financial statement estimates include the estimate of the allowance for doubtful accounts, inventory reserves, reserve for self-insurance liabilities, assumptions for pension and other post-retirement obligations, contingencies and the income tax benefit valuation allowance. Management determines its estimate of the allowance for doubtful accounts considering a number of factors, including historical experience, aging of the accounts and the current creditworthiness of its customers. Management determines its estimate of the reserve for self-insurance considering a number of factors, including historical experience considering a number of factors, including historical experience, adjug of the accounts and the current creditworthiness of its customers. Management determines its estimate of the reserve for self-insurance considering a number of factors, including historical experience, considering a number of factors, including historical experience, third party claims administrator and actuarial assessments and insurance coverages. Management believes that its estimates provided in the financial statements are reasonable and adequate. However, actual results could differ from those estimates.

<u>Restricted Cash</u> – The Company classifies cash balances as restricted when they are restricted as to withdrawal or usage. The restricted cash balance at November 2, 2013 of \$3.7 million consists of funds placed in a Rabbi Trust account to meet contractual obligations to certain former executives under the Change of Control clauses of their employment agreements. These obligations are more fully described in Note 12.

<u>Inventories</u> – Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market. Cost, which includes labor, material and factory overhead, is determined on the first-in, first-out basis.

<u>Property</u>, <u>Plant and Equipment</u> - Property, plant and equipment are recorded at cost and depreciation is recorded using the straight-line method for financial reporting purposes. The estimated useful lives used

in the computation of depreciation are as follows:

Land improvements	10 to 45 years
Buildings and improvements	25 to 45 years
Machinery and equipment	3 to 15 years
Furniture, fixtures and other	5 to 10 years

Construction in progress is stated at cost. No provision for depreciation is made on construction in progress until the related assets are completed and placed into service.

The Company assesses its long-lived assets for impairment whenever facts and circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be fully recoverable. If required, an impairment loss is measured based upon the difference between the carrying amount and the fair value of the assets. As described in Note 9 and Note 13, the Company recognized impairments to real property during 2013. Depreciation expense totaled \$3.9 million for Fiscal 2012 and \$1.8 million for Fiscal 2013.

<u>Assets Held For Sale</u> – Non-current assets, the carrying value of which is expected to be recovered principally through a sale transaction rather than continuing operations, and for which a sale is probable, are classified as Assets Held for Sale, are recorded at the lower of the carrying amount or fair value less costs to sell and are not depreciated. At October 27, 2012 and November 2, 2013, Assets Held For Sale were included in Other Assets on the balance sheet with details presented in Note 9.

<u>Distribution Costs</u> – A portion of the Company's distribution and shipping and handling costs are included in cost of sales and selling, general and administrative costs. The portion of these costs, which were included in selling, general and administrative costs, totaled \$3.7 million in Fiscal 2012 and \$3.8 million in Fiscal 2013.

<u>Deferred Financing Costs</u> – Costs incurred in securing and issuing long-term debt are deferred, recorded as an asset and amortized over the terms of the related debt in amounts which approximate the interest method of amortization.

<u>Fair Value of Financial Instruments</u> – The carrying amounts of all financial instruments approximate their estimated fair values in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. The carrying amounts of cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable, and accrued expenses approximate fair value because of the short maturity of these items. The carrying value of financial instruments such as debt approximates fair value because interest rates on these instruments change with market rates.

Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures ("ASC 820"), establishes a fair value hierarchy for those instruments measured at fair value that distinguishes between assumptions based on market data (observable inputs) and our own assumptions (unobservable inputs). The hierarchy consists of three levels:

- Level 1 Quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2 Inputs other than Level 1 inputs that are either directly or indirectly observable; and
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs developed using estimates and assumptions developed by us, which reflect those that a market participant would use.

<u>Revenue Recognition and Accounts Receivable</u> – Revenue from product sales is recognized at the time ownership of goods transfers to the customer and the earnings process is complete in accordance with FASB ASC 605, Revenue Recognition. The Company makes ongoing estimates relating to the collectability of its accounts receivable and maintains an allowance for estimated losses resulting from the

inability of customers to make required payments. In determining the amount of the allowance, the Company considers historical level of credit losses and makes judgments about the creditworthiness of significant customers based on ongoing credit evaluations. Included in accounts receivable at fiscal year end 2013 and 2012 is a receivable in the amount of \$4.2 million from a ballistics customer who filed bankruptcy during 2010. Management regularly assesses the progress of the bankruptcy proceedings and continues to be confident that the outstanding balance is fully collectible upon settlement and distribution of the funds of the bankruptcy estate, including assets of the former CEO which are currently held in trust by the government.

<u>Customer Concentration</u> – The Company's largest customer accounted for 27% of total sales in Fiscal 2013 and 36% of total accounts receivable at November 2, 2013. A different customer was the Company's largest in Fiscal 2012, accounting for 7% of sales and 3% of accounts receivable at October 27, 2012.

<u>Income Taxes</u> – Deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on the difference between the financial statement bases and tax bases of assets and liabilities using enacted tax rates. A valuation allowance is recorded to reduce a deferred tax asset to that portion that is expected to more likely than not be realized. Uncertain tax positions are accounted for in accordance with ASC Topic 740 as discussed in Note 6.

<u>Accounts Payable</u> – As a result of the Company's cash management system, checks issued but not presented to the bank for payment may create negative book cash balances. Such negative balances are included in accounts payable on the accompanying consolidated balance sheet and totaled approximately \$1.9 million and \$2.4 million at October 27, 2012 and November 2, 2013, respectively.

<u>Fiscal Year</u> – The Company's operations are based on a 52 or 53-week fiscal year ending on the Saturday closest to October 31. Fiscal year 2012 had 52 weeks and 2013 had 53 weeks.

<u>Goodwill</u> – Goodwill consists of the excess of cost of the acquired enterprise over the sum of the amounts assigned to identifiable assets acquired less liabilities assumed. Goodwill is not amortizable. The Company continually evaluates whether events and circumstances have occurred that might impair the value of goodwill. Management did not believe there was any impairment related to goodwill at October 27, 2012 or November 2, 2013.

<u>Treasury Stock</u> – The Company currently maintains a stock repurchase program, under which the Company may repurchase shares of the Company's common stock on the open market and does so from time to time, holding them in treasury at cost. No Company stock was purchased in Fiscal 2012 or 2013.

## New Accounting Pronouncements

In June 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2011-05, Presentation of Comprehensive Income. This update amended the provisions of FASB ASC 220-10 by eliminating the option of reporting other comprehensive income in the statement of changes in stockholders' equity. Companies will have the option of presenting net income and other comprehensive income in a single, continuous statement of comprehensive income or presenting two separate but consecutive statements of net income and comprehensive income. The new presentation requirements are effective for annual periods ending after December 15, 2012 and as such were adopted as of November 2, 2013, impacting only presentation.

In February 2013, the FASB issued ASU 2013-02 related to the presentation of reclassification adjustments out of accumulated other comprehensive income. ASU 2013-02 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2013. The Company believes adoption of this new guidance will not have a material impact on the Company's financial statements as these updates have an impact on presentation only.

In July 2013, the FASB issued ASU No. 2013-11 which requires that an unrecognized tax benefit, or portion

thereof, should be presented as a reduction to a deferred tax asset for a net operating loss carryforward, a similar tax loss, or a tax credit carryforward, except in certain circumstances. ASU 2013-11 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2013. The Company does not expect the adoption of this guidance to have a material effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

## 3. BALANCE SHEET COMPONENTS

The components of certain balance sheet accounts are (in thousands):

	0	October 27, 2012		vember 2, 2013
Inventories:				
Raw materials and supplies	\$	14,695	\$	9,537
Work-in-process		5,196		4,027
Finished goods		13,429		10,777
	\$	33,320	\$	24,341
Prepaid expenses and other:				
Prepaid insurance	\$	970	\$	165
Other		596		289
	\$	1,566	\$	454
Property, plant and equipment, net:				
Land and improvements	\$	1,806	\$	1,806
Buildings and improvements		10,450		10,881
Machinery and equipment		61,371		65,180
Leasehold improvements		11		11
Furniture, fixtures and other		1,414		1,415
		75,052		79,293
Less accumulated depreciation		(61,512)		(63,247)
		13,540		16,046
Construction in progress		5,028		889
	\$	18,568	\$	16,935
Other assets:				
Deferred financing costs, net	\$	593	\$	366
Assets held for sale		659		170
	\$	1,252	\$	536
Other accrued expenses:				
Taxes payable other than income taxes	\$	137	\$	29
Other		570		560
	\$	707	\$	589
Other long-term liabilities:				
Uncertain tax positions	\$	454	\$	492
Accrued postretirement and postemployment benefit plan liability	Ŷ	719	*	42
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4. DEBT

	Oc	tober 27, 2012	Nov	vember 2, 2013
Debt consists of (in thousands):				
Revolving credit facility	\$	20,319	\$	15,162
Term loan		13,360		7,965
Total		33,679		23,127
Less portion due within one year		(4,980)		(4,980)
Total long-term debt	\$	28,699	\$	18,147

<u>Revolving Credit Facility</u> – The Company entered into an amendment to its Revolving Credit and Security Agreement, (the "revolving credit facility") with Wells Fargo Bank (formerly Wachovia) on June 9, 2011. The revolving credit facility provides for (i) a revolving loan and letters of credit in a maximum principal amount equal to the lesser of (a) \$40 million or (b) a specified borrowing base, which is based upon eligible receivables and inventory (as defined) and (ii) a term loan of \$20 million. Both the revolving loan and the term loan mature on June 9, 2015.

At November 2, 2013, the Company had \$12.9 million available for borrowing under the revolving credit facility.

The revolving credit facility restricts investments, capital expenditures, acquisitions and dividends. The revolving credit facility contains financial covenants relating to minimum levels of EBITDA, as defined, and a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio, as defined. The revolving credit facility bears interest at a rate of LIBOR plus an applicable margin based upon the Company's average excess availability. The term loan bears interest at a rate of LIBOR plus an applicable margin based on EBITDA. These margins range from 2.00% to 2.75%. As of November 2, 2013, the Company's interest rate under the revolving credit facility was 2.43%.

The aggregate maturities of long-term debt are as follows (in thousands):

Year Ending	
2014	\$ 4,980
2015	 18,147
	\$ 23,127

<u>Other</u> – The loans and extensions of credit to the Company under the revolving credit facility are guaranteed by JPS Elastomerics Corp. and JPS Composite Materials Corp. Substantially all of the Company's assets are pledged as collateral for the revolving credit facility.

Interest expense includes \$296,000 in Fiscal 2013 and \$283,500 in Fiscal 2012 representing amortization of debt issuance expenses. Amortization expense is estimated to be \$255,000 in 2014 and \$111,000 in 2015.

## 5. EQUITY SECURITIES

The Company has one class of stock issued and outstanding.

## Share Repurchase Program

In 2008, the Board of Directors authorized the expenditure of up to \$2 million for the repurchase of the Company's common stock.

## 1997 Incentive and Capital Accumulation Plan

The 1997 Incentive and Capital Accumulation Plan (the "1997 Plan") provided certain key employees and non-employee directors of the Company the right to acquire shares of common stock or monetary payments based on the value of such shares. As of November 2, 2013, 1,075,860 shares had been issued or represent vested stock grants, 85,000 were outstanding as options or unvested stock grants, and none were available for grant. At October 27, 2012, option prices ranged from \$2.39 to \$4.83. No future grants under the 1997 Plan are permitted, although previous option grants can be exercised as permitted in the terms of the grant and the 1997 Plan.

A summary of the activity in the Company's stock options under the 1997 Plan for the years ended October 27, 2012 and November 2, 2013 is presented below:

		Weight	ed
	Number of	Averag	ge
	Shares	Exercise	Price
Outstanding at October 29, 2011	195,400	\$	3.33
Options granted			
Options cancelled			
Options exercised	(2,400)		4.83
Outstanding at October 27, 2012	193,000		3.31
Options granted			
Options cancelled			
Options exercised	(108,000)		2.94
Options outstanding at November 2, 2013	85,000	\$	3.78
Exercisable at October 27, 2012	193,000		
Exercisable at November 2, 2013	85,000		
Weighted average remaining contractual life (years) at November 2, 2013	5.96		

## 2008 Stock Incentive Plan

On February 26, 2008, the Board of Directors approved the 2008 Stock Incentive Plan (the "2008 Plan"). The 2008 Plan is permitted to grant stock options, stock grants and other equity-related compensation to employees, officers, directors and consultants. The 2008 Plan provides that up to 1,000,000 shares may be issued under the 2008 Plan. Outside directors received grants of 2,000 shares each, annually, vesting over a one-year period, upon election to a new one-year term, from 2008 until 2012. In 2013 the award amount was amended to 2,500 shares each.

In Fiscal 2009, the Company awarded 375,000 shares of restricted stock to the Company's Chief Executive Officer. For financial reporting purposes, the shares were valued at \$4.9 million based on an appraised value of \$13.00 per share. The 375,000 shares vested over approximately three one-year intervals following the grant date to become fully vested during 2012. Amortization expense for 2011 and 2012 was \$1.6

## million and \$1.0 million, respectively.

In Fiscal 2010, the Company awarded 100,000 shares of restricted stock to two executive officers. The shares, which vest and are expensed over three-year intervals, were valued for financial reporting purposes at \$11.30 per share based on appraised value. Of the \$1.1 million expense, \$0.3 million was expensed in 2010 and \$0.4 million was expensed in 2011 and 2012.

Accordingly, 485,000 shares were available for grant at November 2, 2013.

## Computation of Earnings (Loss) Per Share

The following table presents the computation of per share earnings (loss) for the years ending October 27, 2012 and November 2, 2013:

	Fiscal 2012	Fiscal 2013
Net Income (loss):	\$ 1,267	\$ 2,047
Number of Common Shares:		
Weighted average outstanding	10,113,059	10,263,393
Issued upon assumed exercise of outstanding stock options	126,719	66,977
Effect of issuance of restricted common shares	 121,001	 13,067
Weighted average and potential dilutive outstanding	 10,360,779	10,343,437
Net Income (loss) Per Common Share:		
Basic	\$ 0.13	\$ 0.20
Diluted	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.20

## 6. INCOME TAXES

The provision (benefit) for income taxes included in the consolidated statements of operations consists of the following (in thousands):

	Fiscal 2012	Fiscal 2013		
Current federal provision	\$ 0	\$	133	
Current state provision	266		261	
Deferred federal provision	872		1,264	
Deferred state provision (benefit)	1,388		333	
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	\$ 2,526	\$	1,991	

A reconciliation between income taxes at the 34% statutory Federal income tax rate and the provision for income taxes for Fiscal 2012 and Fiscal 2013 is as follows (in thousands):

	Fiscal 2012	Fiscal 2013
Income tax provision at Federal statutory rate	\$ 1,289	\$ 1,373
Increase (decrease) in income taxes arising from effect of:		
Deferred federal (benefit)	(634)	
State and local income taxes	1,889	567
Equity related compensation	207	
Other	24	25
Increase (decrease) in uncertain tax positions	(249)	26
Provision for income taxes	\$ 2,526	\$ 1,991

Presented below are the elements which comprise deferred tax assets and liabilities (in thousands):

	00	tober 27, 2012	No	ovember 2, 2013	
Net deferred assets:					
Estimated allowance for doubtful accounts	\$	475	\$	716	
Tax basis over financial statement basis of inventory		342		1,658	
Accruals deductible for tax purposes when paid		649		510	
Pension liability deductible for tax purposes when paid		40,393		32,509	
Postretirement benefits deductible for tax purposes when paid		277		16	
Alternative minimum tax credit carryforward available		2,339		2,472	
Excess of tax basis of intangibles over financial statement basis		983		448	
Financial statement basis under tax basis of property, plant, and equipment		3,146		3,862	
Net operating loss carryforwards		23,399		21,508	
Less valuation allowance		(777)		(1,674)	
Net deferred assets	\$	71,226	\$	62,025	

For 2013 and 2012, the Company recorded a tax expense of \$2.0 million and \$2.5 million, respectively. For both periods, the tax expense is in excess of the Federal statutory rate due to state taxes and in 2012 to non-deductible expenses which are primarily equity related compensation. In 2013 and 2012, state taxes included a decrease in the benefit from state net operating loss carryovers. In 2012, a Federal deferred benefit was recorded based on analysis that indicates a portion of Federal deferred benefits will be realized at the 35% statutory rate.

For 2013, the Company utilized net operating losses recorded as a deferred tax asset to offset current taxable income. There was no current Federal taxable income in 2012 as a result of the deduction of expenses deductible in prior years for financial reports. Current taxes for 2013 include Federal alternative minimum taxes. For both periods, current state taxes are in jurisdictions where the Company did not have or could not utilize net operating loss carryovers.

The deferred tax asset represents the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amount of assets and liabilities for financial reporting and income tax purposes. The Company monitors the status of the deferred tax asset on a regular basis as is required under ASC Topic 740. At November 2, 2013, the Company had regular Federal net operating loss carryforwards for tax purposes of approximately \$55.5

million. The net operating loss carryforwards expire in years 2019 through 2032. The Company also has Federal alternative minimum tax net operating loss carryforwards of approximately \$96.0 million that expire in 2019 through 2032. Alternative minimum tax credits of \$2.5 million can be carried forward indefinitely and used as a credit against regular Federal taxes, subject to limitation.

The Company's future ability to utilize a portion of its net operating loss carryforwards is limited as a result of being treated as having a change in the ownership of the Company's stock as of December 2000 under Federal income tax laws. The effect of such an ownership change is to limit the annual utilization of the net operating loss carryforwards to an amount equal to the value of the Company immediately after the time of the change (subject to certain adjustments) multiplied by the Federal long-term tax exempt rate. Based on the expiration dates for the loss carryforwards and fair market value at the time of ownership change, the Company does not believe that the limitations imposed as a result of prior ownership changes will result in Federal loss carryforwards expiring unutilized that will impair the net deferred tax asset. Uncertainties surrounding income tax law changes, shifts in operations between state taxing jurisdictions and future operating income levels may, however, affect the ultimate realization of all or some portion of these deferred income tax assets. In addition, a future change in ownership could result in additional limitations on the ability of the Company to utilize its net operating loss carryforwards. Under applicable accounting guidelines, these future uncertainties, combined with factors giving rise to losses, requires a valuation allowance be recognized. The Company has recorded a valuation allowance for state net operating losses that may not be utilized before expiration.

The adoption of the provisions of ASC Topic 740 (formerly FIN 48) did not have a material impact on the Company's financial statements. As of October 28, 2007, the adoption date, the Company had gross uncertain tax positions of \$1.0 million which were recorded directly to shareholders' equity, and which, if recognized, would affect the effective tax rate. As of November 2, 2013 the Company had gross unrecognized tax benefits of \$0.4 million. The uncertain tax positions primarily relate to inconsistencies and uncertainties in state tax laws. The Company does not expect that the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits will significantly increase or decrease within the next twelve months but does expect a gradual decrease as events that gave rise to the positions are effectively settled.

A reconciliation of the beginning and ending amount of uncertain tax positions is as follows (in thousands):

	Fiscal 2012	Fiscal 2013
Beginning balance	\$ 635	\$ 356
Additions for tax positions of prior years	102	96
(Reductions) for tax positions of prior years	 (381)	 (58)
Ending balance	\$ 356	\$ 394

The Company and one or more of its subsidiaries file income tax returns in the U.S. federal, various state and local jurisdictions. While the Company does business globally, it does not maintain a foreign presence that would subject the Company to foreign income taxes. In the normal course of business, the Company is subject to examination by taxing authorities. With few exceptions, the Company is no longer subject to state and local income tax examinations by tax authorities in filing jurisdictions for the years before 2010, although net operating loss carryovers from earlier years remain subject to adjustment.

The Company's continuing practice is to recognize interest and penalties related to income tax matters in income tax expense. As of both the fiscal year ends 2013 and 2012, the Company had approximately \$0.1 million accrued for interest and penalties.

## 7. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

<u>Leases</u> – The Company leases office facilities, machinery and computer equipment under noncancellable operating leases. Rent expense was approximately \$0.6 million in Fiscal 2012 and \$0.6 million in Fiscal 2013.

Future minimum payments, by year and in the aggregate, under the noncancellable operating leases with terms of one year or more consist of the following at November 2, 2013 (in thousands):

<u>Fiscal Year Ending</u>	Opera Leas	-
2014	\$	367
2015		276
2016		210
2017		92
2018 and after		36
Total future minimum lease payments	\$	981

<u>Litigation</u> – The Company is exposed to a number of asserted and unasserted potential claims encountered in the normal course of business including certain asbestos-based claims. The Company believes it has meritorious defenses in all lawsuits in which the Company or its subsidiaries is a defendant. Management believes that none of this litigation, if determined unfavorable to the Company or its subsidiaries, would have a material adverse effect on the financial condition or results of operations of the Company unless some of the losses are subsequently determined to be uninsured. See Note 11 for discussion of litigation charges.

## 8. RETIREMENT PLANS

<u>Defined Benefit Pension Plan</u> – Substantially all of the Company's employees employed prior to April 1, 2005 have benefits under a Company-sponsored defined benefit pension plan. The defined benefit pension plan was "frozen" effective December 31, 2005. Employees no longer earn additional benefits after that date. Benefits earned prior to December 31, 2005 will be paid out to eligible participants following retirement. The gain that resulted from the freeze was substantially offset by previously unrecognized actuarial losses.

The plan also provides benefits to individuals employed by the businesses which were sold or plants which were closed by the Company. The benefits of these former employees were "frozen" at the respective dates of sale of the businesses or closure of the plants. Accordingly, these former employees will retain benefits earned through the respective disposal dates; however, they do not accrue additional benefits.

The defined benefit pension plan was "unfrozen" for employees who were active employees on or after June 1, 2012. This new benefit, calculated based on years of service and a capped average salary, will be added to the amount of the pre-2005 benefit.

The Company's policy is to fund the annual contribution required by applicable regulations. Assets of the pension plan are invested in a bond portfolio covering specific liabilities and in common and preferred stocks, government and corporate bonds, and various short-term investments. During Fiscal 1999, the pension plan also purchased approximately 1.9 million shares of the Company's common stock in open market and negotiated transactions.

The investment strategy of the Plan is primarily continued growth of assets, other than those covering specific liabilities. Assets related to specific liabilities are managed in such a manner that any change in liabilities resulting from changes in discount (interest) rates are offset by changes in underlying assets. All assets, except for the Company's common stock, are managed by outside investment managers.

Asset allocations are reviewed on a regular basis by the Investment Committee of the Plan. Equities are 72% of Plan assets. Approximately 37% of equities are large capitalization equity securities. As noted, the Plan holds Company common stock. As a result of being a non-SEC registrant, being closely held, limited public disclosures made by the Company and the correspondingly minimal trading of JPS stock, the Investment Committee believes that the stock cannot be considered traded in volume in a free and active market by informed persons. Therefore, each year the Committee has the stock value estimated by an independent valuation specialist. Company stock is approximately 28% of total Plan assets as of November 2, 2013. Because of the absence of a readily-obtainable market value and the inherent subjectivity in any valuation, the estimated value may differ significantly from the value that would have been used had a ready market for the stock existed. The Plan owns 1,925,685 shares of Company stock valued at \$11.70 per share, or \$22.5 million, as of November 2, 2013. The Plan has 23% of assets in a separate insurance account backed by a high-quality portfolio of U.S. Treasury, agency, and Corporate bonds. The remaining assets are allocated as set forth below. Except for Company common stock and insurance separate account which are not automatically rebalanced, allocations are approximately equal to target allocations.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value (in thousands):

Asset Category	00	ctober 27, 2012	November 2, 2013		
Level 2 – Significant Observable Inputs					
Common Trust Funds:					
Large capitalization equity	\$	18,682	\$	21,210	
International Equity		4,977		5,456	
Mid-Capitalization Equity		4,791		5,468	
Small-Capitalization Equity		2,825		3,086	
Intermediate Bond Fund		3,569		3,922	
Cash Equivalent Fund		1,180		700	
Insurance Separate Account		21,525		18,425	
Subtotal – Level 2		57,549		58,267	
Level 3 – Significant Unobservable Inputs					
Company Common Stock		13,769		22,531	
TOTAL	\$	71,318	\$	80,798	

The following table summarizes the changes in Level 3 assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

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Balance, October 27, 2012	\$ 13,769
Total unrealized gains	8,762
Balance, November 2, 2013	\$ 22,531

On October 28, 2006, the Company adopted the measurement provision of ASC Topic 715, formerly SFAS 158, Employer's Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans, an amendment of SFASs 87, 88, 106 and 132. This requires employers to recognize the overfunded or underfunded status of a defined benefit postretirement plan as an asset or liability in its statement of financial position and to recognize changes in that funded status in the year in which the changes occur through comprehensive income. The Company recorded the funded status as of October 27, 2007 in accordance with ASC Topic 715.

Components of net periodic pension cost include the following (in thousands):

	Fiscal 2012	 Fiscal 2013
Service cost-benefits earned during the period	\$ 31	\$ 116
Interest cost on projected benefit obligation	5,572	4,706
Expected return on plan assets	(7,616)	(6,427)
Recognized actuarial loss	4,130	5,283
Net periodic pension cost (benefit)	\$ 2,117	\$ 3,678

The weighted-average rates used in determining pension cost for the plan are as follows:

	Fiscal 2012	Fiscal 2013
Discount rate	3.81%	4.41%
Expected long-term rate of return on plan assets	8.00%	8.00%
Rate of compensation increase	N/A	N/A

As of November 2, 2013, the benefits expected to be paid in the next five fiscal years and in the aggregate for the five fiscal years thereafter are as follows (in thousands):

11/01/2013 - 10/31/2014	\$9,955
11/01/2014 - 10/31/2015	\$9,798
11/01/2015 - 10/31/2016	\$9,609
11/01/2016 - 10/31/2017	\$9,410
11/01/2017 - 10/31/2018	\$9,147
11/01/2018 - 10/31/2023	\$41,745

A reconciliation of the plan's projected benefit obligation, fair value of plan assets, funding status, and other applicable information is as follows (in thousands):

	October 27, 2012		No	vember 2, 2013	
Change in benefit obligation:					
Projected benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$	123,247	\$	128,156	
Service cost		31		116	
Interest cost		5,572		4,706	
Benefits paid		(9,968)		(9,946)	
Actuarial (loss) gain		9,273	(5,975)		
Projected benefit obligation at end of year	\$	128,155	\$	117,057	
	0	ctober 27, 2012	No	vember 2, 2013	
Change in plan assets:					
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year	\$	79,552	\$	71,318	
Actual return on plan assets		(1,701)		15,543	
Employer contributions		3,435		3,883	
Benefits paid		(9,968)		(9,946)	
Fair value of plan assets at end of year	\$	71,318	\$	80,798	
Projected benefit obligation (greater) than plan assets	\$	(56,837)	\$	(36,259)	
Actuarial loss		116,403		96,030	
Net actuarial pension loss recognized as a reduction of shareholders' equity		(116,403)		(96,030)	
Net (liability) in accompanying consolidated balance sheets	\$	(56,837)	\$	(36,259)	

401(k) Savings Plan – The Company also has a savings, investment and profit sharing plan available to employees meeting eligibility requirements. The plan is a tax qualified plan under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Company makes a matching contribution of 25% of each participant's contribution with a maximum matching contribution of 1-1/2% of the participant's base compensation. The Company suspended the matching contribution starting on September 1, 2009 and resumed the matching contribution of 25% beginning January 2, 2011. Company contributions were \$210,000 in Fiscal 2012 and \$209,000 in Fiscal 2013.

<u>Postretirement Benefits</u> – At the beginning of Fiscal 2013, the Company had an unfunded postretirement plan that provided certain health care benefits to eligible retirees. On August 31, 2013, the Plan was terminated as there had been no participants in the Plan since 2012 and no claims or other expenses were outstanding. The liability for postretirement benefits was \$673,000 at October 27, 2012 and zero at November 2, 2013.

<u>Postemployment Benefits</u> – The Company provides certain benefits to former or inactive employees after employment but before retirement. In accordance with ASC Topic 712, Employers' Accounting for Post-Employment Benefits, formerly SFAS 112, these benefits are recognized on the accrual basis of accounting. The liability for postemployment benefits of \$46,000 at October 27, 2012 and \$42,000 at November 2, 2013 is included in other long-term liabilities in the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

## 9. NON-CURRENT ASSETS HELD FOR SALE

During the first quarter of 2011, the Company reclassified the land and building owned in Westfield, North Carolina to Assets Held for Sale and, accordingly, ceased to depreciate the assets. This land and building were formerly part of the Stevens Roofing division which was acquired by DOW Building Solutions

(DOW) in 2008 through an asset sale that did not include real property. Since that time, the real property had been leased to DOW, however, upon termination of the lease, the Company determined that the facility would be offered for sale. At that time the net book value was \$1.2 million. When the Company assessed its long-lived assets for impairment as required by ASC 360 (formerly SFAS No. 144) in 2011, it was determined that a write down of \$200,000 was necessary to properly reflect the fair market value of the property. In 2012, 136 of the 220 acres surrounding the facility were sold for \$341,000. While the remaining land and building continue to be marketed, the amounts and limited number of offers received, the inability of potential buyers to actually close, and the length of time the property has been on the market led the Company to conclude that another write down was necessary as of November 2, 2013. A non-cash asset write-down of \$489,000 was recorded in other expense for 2013, leaving the Asset Held for Sale valued at \$170,000.

## 10. GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

During fiscal year 2007, JPS acquired goodwill of \$7.6 million and definite-lived intangible assets in the amount of \$10.0 million in connection with the acquisition of the assets comprising the Anderson, South Carolina and Statesville, North Carolina operations of Hexcel Reinforcements Corp. Goodwill was increased by \$0.3 million and \$2.2 million in 2008 and 2009 respectively, due to the increase in purchase price resulting from the contingent earn-out payments which were recorded as additional costs of the acquisition and included in goodwill. Goodwill is non amortizing for book purposes, but is deductible for income tax purposes.

Amortization associated with the net carrying amount of the now fully depreciated intangible assets which consisted of customer relationships and software was \$1.5 million in 2012 and zero in 2013.

## 11. LITIGATION CHARGE

In 2011, the Company incurred a \$10.3 million charge related to litigation that commenced in 2007. Despite winning a jury trial in 2008, a local Massachusetts judge assessed liability against the Company on this matter in 2009, including some injunctive relief. The Company entered into a final settlement agreement, without admitting liability, on February 10, 2012. The charge consists of the cash settlement, certain write downs of machinery and equipment and inventory related to the litigation, and legal fees. Trailing legal and other expenses accounted for an additional \$886,000 litigation charge in 2012. In 2013, previously incurred litigation expenses of \$502,000 were recovered.

#### 12. SEVERANCE

During Fiscal 2013, certain former executive officers became entitled to severance payments due to the triggering of Change of Control clauses in their employment agreements. These required severance payments could not be paid until Fiscal 2014 due to requirements under Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code which prohibits certain payments until 6 months after the related Corporate event. As such, payments were funded via a Rabbi Trust in the amount of \$3.7 million during Fiscal 2013. Prior to the issuance of the statements, \$3.2 million had been paid from the trust to the former officers. An additional \$0.3 million for Change of Control-related options buy-outs was also expensed during Fiscal 2013.

## 13. STEVENS URETHANE DIVISION WRITE DOWNS

During Fiscal 2013, the Stevens Urethane division recorded significant asset write-downs. The Company took one-time writedowns of \$1.2 million for aged, uncollectible accounts receivable, \$2.8 million for aged and obsolete inventory and \$1.5 million for impaired machinery and equipment which was written down to its independently appraised fair market. Many of these write-downs were related to the dramatic contraction in the global solar industry and the Company's efforts to refocus its production efforts, as well

as the continuing impact of the STR litigation as described in Note 11. Although certain inventory and equipment were relieved from injunction post-settlement, the elapsed time as well as the solar industry collapse resulted in an impairment of the value of these assets.

## 14. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

In accordance with ASC Topic 855, the Company evaluated subsequent events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure in the financial statements through December 12, 2013, the date the financial statements were available for issuance.

## 15. UNAUDITED INTERIM FINANCIAL DATA (in thousands except per share amounts)

The results for each quarter include all adjustments which are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair presentation of the results for interim periods. The consolidated financial results on an interim

basis are not necessarily indicative of future financial results on either an interim or annual basis. Selected consolidated financial data for each quarter within Fiscal 2012 and Fiscal 2013 are as follows:

	First Quarter	Second Quarter		Third Quarter					
Year Ended October 27, 2012:									
Net sales	\$ 42,293	\$	40,230	\$	36,829	\$	38,953	\$	158,305
Cost of sales	35,029		33,292		30,187		32,210		130,718
Gross profit	 7,264		6,938		6,642		6,743		27,587
Selling, general and administrative expenses, litigation charge and other income/expense	5,636		5,361		5,143		6,460		22,600
Operating profit (loss)	 1,628		1,577		1,499		283		4,987
Interest expense, net	278		305		308		303		1,194
Income (loss) before income taxes	 1,350		1,272		1,191		(20)		3,793
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	506		477		447		1,096		2,526
Net income (loss)	\$ 844	\$	795	\$	744	\$	(1,116)	\$	1,267
Diluted earnings (loss) per common share	\$ 0.08	\$	0.08	\$	0.07	\$	(0.11)	\$	0.12

	(	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter		Fourth Quarter		Total
Year Ended November 2, 2013:								 
Net sales	\$	31,344	\$ 47,831	\$	59,346	\$	63,500	\$ 202,021
Cost of sales		25,539	39,610		49,492		53,828	168,469
Gross profit		5,805	 8,221		9,854		9,672	 33,552
Selling, general and administrative expenses, litigation charge, severance, Stevens Urethane division write downs, and other income/expense		3,567	4,196		7,673		12,813	28,249
Operating profit (loss)		2,238	 4,025		2,181		(3,141)	 5,303
Interest expense, net		312	308		325		320	1,265
Income (loss) before income taxes		1,926	 3,717		1,856		(3,461)	 4,038
Provision (benefit) for income taxes		722	1,394		697		(822)	1,991
Net income (loss)	\$	1,204	\$ 2,323	\$	1,159	\$	(2,639)	\$ 2,047
Diluted earnings (loss) per common share	\$	0.12	\$ 0.22	\$	0.11	\$	(0.25)	\$ 0.20

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

## STEEL PARTNERS II LIQUIDATING SERIES TRUST

December 31, 2013

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### **Independent Auditor's Report**

## To the Trustees and the Beneficiaries of **Steel Partners II Liquidating Series Trust**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Steel Partners II Liquidating Series Trust ("the Trust"), which comprise the statement of assets and liabilities as of December 31, 2013, including the schedule of investments as of December 31, 2013, and the related statements of operations, changes in net assets, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Steel Partners II Liquidating Series Trust as of December 31, 2013, and the results

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of its operations, changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/S/ BDO USA, LLP

New York, New York March 11, 2014

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# Steel Partners II Liquidating Series Trust Statement of Assets and Liabilities December 31, 2013 (Expressed in U.S. dollars)

### ASSETS

		Series D	Series G	Series H	<u>Series I</u>	<u>Total</u>					
Investments, at fair value (cost \$71,221,930)	\$	— \$	12,923,266	6,496,847	\$ — \$	19,420,113					
Cash and cash equivalents		1,100,368	175,909	2,482,266	33,127	3,791,670					
Restricted cash		58,469	90,755	50,775	0	199,999					
Total assets	\$	1,158,837 \$	13,189,930	9,029,888	\$ 33,127 \$	23,411,782					
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS											
Accrued expenses & other liabilities	\$	— \$	— 5	648	\$ 33,127 \$	33,775					
Total liabilities		—	_	648	33,127	33,775					
Total net assets	\$	1,158,837 \$	13,189,930	9,029,240	\$ _ \$	23,378,007					

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement

# Steel Partners II Liquidating Series Trust Schedule of Investments December 31, 2013 (Expressed in U.S. dollars)

Principal/ Shares	Series	Cost			Fair Value	Percentage of Series Net Assets		
	<u>Series D</u>							
	Common Stock - Restaurants, United States							
722	F&H Acq Corp	\$	47,269,354	\$	_	0.0%		
	Total		47,269,354		_	0.0%		
	Total investments, at fair value	\$	47,269,354	\$		0.0%		
	<u>Series G</u>							
	Limited Partnership - Asia							
	Steel Partners China Access I L.P.							
	(which holds an investment in the Heng Feng Paper Company	¢	11 0 47 710	¢	12,022,266	00.00/		
	12,429,573 shares)	\$	11,847,718	\$	12,923,266	98.0%		
	Total		11,847,718		12,923,266	98.0%		
	Total investments, at fair value	\$	11,847,718	\$	12,923,266	98.0%		
	<u>Series H</u>							
	Limited Partnership - Asia							
	Steel Partners Japan Strategic Fund, L.P.							
	(which holds an investment in Aderans Co Ltd of 501,975	¢	12 10 4 050	¢	C 40C 047	70.00/		
	shares)	\$	12,104,858	\$	6,496,847	72.0%		
	Total		12,104,858		6,496,847	72.0%		
	Total investments, at fair value	\$	12,104,858	\$	6,496,847	72.0%		
	All series total investments, fair value	\$	71,221,930	\$	19,420,113			

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement

# Steel Partners II Liquidating Series Trust Statement of Operations Year ended December 31, 2013 (Expressed in U.S. dollars)

	Series D	Series G	<u>Series H</u>	<u>Series I</u>	<u>Total</u>
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)					
from investment transactions					
Realized loss from investments					
and foreign currency translation	\$ — \$	— \$	— \$	(1,624,946) \$	(1,624,946)
Change in unrealized gain (loss)					
from investments and foreign					
currency translation	 (69,574)	(964,101)	160,181	1,624,931	751,437
Total net realized and unrealized					
gain (loss) from investment transactions					
and foreign currency translation	 (69,574)	(964,101)	160,181	(15)	(873,509)
Investment income					
Investment income	171	34	37	122	364
					304
Total investment income	 171	34	37	122	364
Expenses					
Taxes	_	_	_	37,528	37,528
Professional fees	12,671	63,247	42,026	48,143	166,087
Total expenses	 12,671	63,247	42,026	85,671	203,615
Net investment loss	(12,500)	(63,213)	(41,989)	(85,549)	(203,251)
Net income (loss)	\$ (82,074) \$	(1,027,314) \$	118,192 \$	(85,564) \$	(1,076,760)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement

# Steel Partners II Liquidating Series Trust Statement of Changes in Net Assets Year ended December 31, 2013 (Expressed in U.S. dollars)

	<u>Series D</u>	<u>Series G</u>	<u>Series H</u>	<u>Series I</u>	<u>Total</u>
Increase (decrease) in net assets					
from operations					
Realized loss from investments and					
foreign currency translation	\$ — \$	— \$	— \$	(1,624,946) \$	(1,624,946)
Change in unrealized gain (loss)					—
from investments and					—
foreign currency translation	(69,574)	(964,101)	160,181	1,624,931	751,437
Net investment loss	(12,500)	(63,213)	(41,989)	(85,549)	(203,251)
Net increase (decrease) in					
net assets from operations	 (82,074)	(1,027,314)	118,192	(85,564)	(1,076,760)
Decrease in net assets from					
capital transactions					
Distributions	_	_	_	(1,745,631)	(1,745,631)
Net decrease in net assets					
from capital transactions	—	_	—	(1,745,631)	(1,745,631)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets	(82,074)	(1,027,314)	118,192	(1,831,195)	(2,822,391)
Net assets at the beginning of year	 1,240,911	14,217,244	8,911,048	1,831,195	26,200,398
Net assets at the end of year	\$ 1,158,837 \$	13,189,930 \$	9,029,240 \$	— \$	23,378,007

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement

# Steel Partners II Liquidating Series Trust Statement of Cash Flows Year ended December 31, 2013 (Expressed in U.S. dollars)

	Series B	Series D	<u>Series G</u>	Series H	Series I	<u>Total</u>
Cash flows from operating activities						
Net income (loss) from operations	\$ _ \$	(82,074) \$	(1,027,314) \$	118,192 \$	(85,564) \$	(1,076,760)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:						
Realized loss from investments and foreign currency translation	_	_	_	_	1,624,946	1,624,946
Change in net unrealized (gain) loss from investments and foreign currency translation	_	69,574	964,101	(160,181)	(1,624,931)	(751,437)
Proceeds, distribution from investment	—	—	—	2,268,887	125,108	2,393,995
Changes in assets and liabilities:						
Change in restricted cash	—	(476)	(5,463)	(3,424)	9,364	1
Increase (decrease) in operating liabilities, Accrued expenses & other liabilities	(37,290)	_	_	648	33,127	(3,515)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	(37,290)	(12,976)	(68,676)	2,224,122	82,050	2,187,230
Cash flows from financing activities						
Capital Distributions	_	_	_	_	(1,745,631)	(1,745,631)
Net cash used in financing activities		_	_	_	(1,745,631)	(1,745,631)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(37,290)	(12,976)	(68,676)	2,224,122	(1,663,581)	441,599
Cash and Cash Equivalents, December 31, 2012	37,290	1,113,344	244,585	258,144	1,696,708	3,350,071
Cash and Cash Equivalents, December 31, 2013	\$ _ \$	1,100,368 \$	175,909 \$	2,482,266 \$	33,127 \$	3,791,670

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement

# Steel Partners II Liquidating Series Trust Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2013 (Expressed in U.S. dollars)

### **NOTE A - ORGANIZATION**

Steel Partners II Liquidating Series Trust (the "Trust"), a Delaware statutory trust, was formed and commenced operations on July 15, 2009. The purpose of the Trust is to effect the orderly liquidation of certain assets previously held by Steel Partners II, L.P. ("SPII") in connection with the withdrawal of the limited partners of Steel Partners II (Onshore) L.P. (the "Onshore Fund").

The Trust is divided into Series A through I (each a "Series"). Each Series is separate and distinct with respect to its assets, liabilities and net assets. Each individual Series has no liability or claim with respect to the liabilities or assets, respectively, of the other Series. Each Series shares in the costs, assets and liabilities, if any, that are not specifically attributable to a particular Series.

Steel Partners II GP LLC is the liquidating trustee (the "Liquidating Trustee"). CSC Trust Company of Delaware ("CSC") is the Delaware trustee whose responsibilities are generally limited to providing certain services in connection with the administration of the Trust including custody of cash and cash equivalents. Until December 31, 2011 Steel Partners LLC ("SPLLC") was the investment manager of the Trust (the "Investment Manager"). Effective December 31, 2011 SP General Services LLC ("SPGS") an affiliate of SPLLC became the investment manager. The Liquidating Trustee and SPGS are under common control. The Liquidating Trustee and SPLLC were under common control until December 31, 2011.

On July 15, 2009, SPII contributed \$243,832,751 of non-cash assets and \$39,235,001 of cash to the Trust and became the initial beneficiary of each Series. In connection with the full withdrawal of the limited partners of the Onshore Fund on July 15, 2009, 56.25% of the beneficial interests of each Series were transferred to certain of the withdrawing limited partners, and SPII retained 43.75% of the beneficial interests of each Series. SPII held certain assets of the Trust for the benefit of the Trust as its nominee until such assets could be assigned to the Trust. As of December 31, 2009, SPII held no assets on behalf of the Trust. The Investment Manager serves as the manager of SPII and its parent, Steel Partners Holdings L.P. ("SPH"). SPII is a wholly owned subsidiary of SPH.

Pursuant to the Declaration of Trust, the term of the Trust was for a three year period from July 15, 2009. If the Trust property (as defined in the Declaration of Trust) has not been fully distributed to its beneficiaries, then the Liquidating Trustee may elect for the expiration of the three year anniversary not to be an event of dissolution and remain in existence for up to two successive one year periods, or such longer period as may be reasonably necessary to liquidate and distribute the assets in-kind. The Liquidating Trustee has elected for the Trust to remain in existence through July 15, 2014.

In December 2009 Series F was terminated. In February 2010 Series C was terminated. In December 2010 Series A and E were terminated. In 2013 Series B was terminated.

### **NOTE B - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The accompanying financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("US GAAP "). The following are the significant accounting policies adopted by the Trust:

# Cash and Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash

All cash and cash equivalents are maintained by CSC in money-market funds held with an internationally recognized institutional fund. Restricted cash collateralizes certain indemnification undertakings of the Trust to CSC and is also maintained in the same money-market funds.

# **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with US GAAP requires the Trust management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from the estimates and differences may be material.

# **Investments and Income**

Transactions and related revenues and expenses are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest and dividend income are accrued as earned.

# Taxation

The Trust is treated as a grantor trust for all federal, state and local tax purposes. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes has been made since all items of gain, loss, income and expense are allocable to the beneficiaries for inclusion in their respective income tax returns.

In accordance with the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") rules on Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes, a tax position can be recognized in the financial statements only when it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained upon examination by the relevant taxing authority based on the technical merits of the position. A position that meets this standard is measured at the largest amount of benefit that will more likely than not be realized upon settlement. A liability is established for differences between positions taken in tax returns and amounts recognized in the financial statements.

As of December 31, 2013, the Trust has recorded no liability for net unrecognized tax benefits relating to uncertain income tax positions. The Trust is not aware of any tax positions for which it is reasonably possible that the total amounts of the unrecognized tax benefits will significantly change in the next twelve months.

### **NOTE B - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

The Trust files grantor trust tax returns for federal and state purposes. The statute of limitation remains open to examine the Trust's tax returns filed for the tax period ended December 31, 2010 through the year ended December 31, 2013. To date, no examinations are in progress.

### **Foreign Currency Translation**

Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into United States dollars at the exchange rates prevailing at the reporting date. Foreign currency transactions are translated at the rate in effect at the date of the transaction. Realized foreign exchange gains and losses arising from the sale of foreign currency investments (if any) are recorded within realized gain (loss) from investments and foreign currency translation included in the statement of operations. Unrealized foreign exchange gains and losses arising from changes in the value of investments relating to changes in exchange rates are included within change in unrealized gain (loss) from investments and foreign currency translation of assets and liabilities other than investments are included within realized gain (loss) - in the statement of operations.

### NOTE C - NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In April 2013, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2013-07, "Presentation of Financial Statements - Liquidation Basis of Accounting," which contains guidance on applying the liquidation basis of accounting and the related disclosure requirements. Under the ASU, an entity must use the liquidation basis of accounting to present its financial statements when it determines that liquidation is imminent, unless the liquidation is the same as that under the plan specified in an entity's governing documents created at its inception. Liquidation is imminent when the likelihood is remote that the entity will return from liquidation and either (a) a plan for liquidation is approved by the person or persons with the authority to make such a plan effective or (b) a plan for liquidation is being imposed by other forces. The amendments require financial statements prepared using the liquidation basis of accounting to present relevant information about an entity's expected resources in liquidation by measuring and presenting assets at the amount of the expected cash proceeds from liquidation. These amendments are effective for entities that determine liquidation is imminent during annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2013, and interim reporting periods therein. Entities should apply the requirements prospectively from the day that liquidation becomes imminent. The provisions of ASU 2013-07 are not expected to have a material impact on Trust's financial statements.

# NOTE D - ALLOCATION OF NET INCOME OR LOSS

The net income or loss for each Series is allocated among the beneficiaries in proportion to their respective beneficial interests.

### NOTE E - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Liquidating Trustee and the Investment Manager receive no compensation with respect to the services each provides to the Trust. The Liquidating Trustee and the Investment Manager are reimbursed for any expenses incurred by or paid on behalf of the Trust and are reimbursed for all costs and expenses they incur in connection with the services they provide to the Trust. The total for expenses paid by the Investment Manager on behalf of the Trust is \$188,520 for the year ended December 31, 2013.

Officers of the Investment Manager and employees of its affiliates hold executive level positions and/or board memberships in certain of the Trusts' investments. Refer to Note F, *Investments and Other Matters*, for details of related party transactions attributable to specific trusts.

# NOTE F - INVESTMENTS AND OTHER MATTERS

# Series B

During 2012, Series B had an investment in Barbican Group Holdings Limited ("Barbican"). On October 5, 2012 an entity controlled by Carlson Capital L.P. ("Carlson"), an unrelated party, increased its stake in Barbican by acquiring the interests held by several entities, including Series B. Carlson paid \$41,762,887 to Series B and as a result of this transaction, Series B recorded a net realized and unrealized gain of \$5,478,629. On October 22, 2012 Series B distributed to its beneficiaries on a pro rata basis \$42,920,303 of cash.

Per the Sale Purchase Agreement with Carlson, in the event that any sale occurs on or prior to the first anniversary of the transaction completion date, additional proceeds will be due to Series B. No additional proceeds were due upon the expiration of the first anniversary in October, 2013.

# Series D

At December 31, 2012, Series D owned 72,236 shares of Fox & Hound Acquisition Corp. ("F&H") common stock. On March 19, 2012, SPH, along with others, participated in a \$25 million capital raise by F&H as a result of a rights issue. Due to the terms of its declaration of trust and lack of capital, the Trust did not participate in the capital raise. As a result the fair value of its investment in F&H was significantly diluted, as it was for all non-participating shareholders. The effect of this dilution reduced the Trust's ownership of F&H equity from 48.7% to 0.3% and, accordingly, reduced the value of its investment in F&H as of December 31, 2013 was \$0.

On December 15, 2013, F&H applied for relief under the provisions of Chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware. As a result, it was determined that the fair value of its investment had declined to zero and Series D wrote it down to that amount.

### NOTE F - INVESTMENTS AND OTHER MATTERS (continued)

### Series G

At December 31, 2013, Series G held an investment in Steel Partners China Access I L.P., a limited partnership (which is comanaged by certain affiliates of the Investment Manager) whose objective is to achieve capital appreciation with respect to its stake in a Chinese listed company. The investment fund held by Series G ended its investment period in May 2009. During the year ended December 31, 2013, Series G recorded an unrealized loss of \$964,101 on its investment, which is included within change in unrealized gain (loss) from investments and foreign currency translation in the statement of operations.

### Series H

The investment held by Series H is an investment in Steel Partners Japan Strategic Fund, L.P. ("SPJ"), a limited partnership which is co-managed by certain affiliates of the Investment Manager.

During the year ended December 31, 2013, Series H recorded an unrealized gain of \$160,181 on its investment and is included within change in unrealized gain (loss) from investments and foreign currency translation in the statement of operations. On December 31, 2013 SPJ distributed cash in the amount of \$2,268,887 to Series H.

### Series I

At December 31, 2012, Series I owned 44.49% of the outstanding membership interests (the "Units"), of California Waste Services, LLC, a California limited liability company ("CWS"); and two promissory notes in the principal amount of \$1,284,697 and \$1,253,008, respectively, made by CWS (the "CWS Notes"). In addition, Series I held an interest in a promissory note in the principal amount of \$2,526,116 issued by Amcast Industrial Corporation (the "Amcast Note"). On April 29, 2013 Series I sold its interests in the CWS Units and Notes and the Amcast Note to Steel Partners, Ltd., in which officers of SPH have ownership interests. Consideration for the sale was a cash payment of \$125,108, which represented the fair value of the interests at the date of sale. On June 19, 2013 Series I distributed to its beneficiaries on a pro rata basis \$1,745,631 of cash.

### Other

Series G and Series H investment interests are not redeemable and distributions will be received as the underlying assets held are sold over a period which is not determinable. There are no unfunded capital commitments with respect to these investments. The fair values for the investments held by Series G and Series H have been estimated using the net asset value of such interests as reported by the respective investment fund.

### NOTE G - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The Trust's investments are carried at fair value pursuant to ASC 946 "Financial Services - Investment Companies." The Trust complies with ASC 820 "Fair Value Measurement," which establishes a hierarchy for inputs used in measuring fair value that maximizes the use of observable inputs and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs by requiring that the most observable inputs be used when available. Observable inputs are inputs that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on market data obtained from sources independent of the Trust. Unobservable inputs are inputs that reflect the Trust's assumptions about the factors market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on the best information available in the circumstances. Investments measured and reported at fair value are classified and disclosed in one of the following categories:

Level 1 - Quoted prices are available in active markets for identical investments as of the reporting date. The types of investments included in Level 1 are listed equities.

Level 2 - Pricing inputs are other than quoted prices in active markets, which are either directly or indirectly observable as of the reporting date, and fair value is determined through the use of models or other valuation methodologies. Investments which are generally included in this category include corporate bonds and loans, less liquid and restricted equity securities.

Level 3 -Pricing inputs are unobservable for the investment and include situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the investment. The inputs into the determination of fair value require significant management judgment or estimation. Investments in this category include investments in private companies.

In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, an investment's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to the investment.

The Trust employs various methods within the market approach, income approach and/or cost approach and has also considered whether there were observable inputs. Certain discounts and other judgment factors were applied to arrive at the investments' fair value. The Trust's private investments are valued utilizing unobservable pricing inputs. The Trust's determination of fair value is based upon the best information available for a given circumstance and may incorporate assumptions that are management's best estimates after consideration of a variety of internal and external factors. The valuation methodology applied for each is determined based on the nature of the investment.



### NOTE G - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

For private equity investments a market multiples approach that considers a specified financial measure (such as EBITDA) and recent public market and private transactions and other available measures for valuing comparable companies may be used. A discounted cash flow approach may be used where significant assumptions and judgments are incorporated, including estimates of assumed growth rates, terminal values, discount rates, capital structure and other factors. For private debt investments, the valuation method considers comparable market yields for such instruments and recovery assumptions. The Trust may utilize observable pricing inputs and assumptions in determining the fair value of its private investments. Observable and unobservable pricing inputs and assumptions may differ by investment and in the application of the valuation methodologies. The reported fair value estimates could vary materially if different unobservable pricing inputs and other assumptions were used.

A fair value memo for each of the Trusts' investment is prepared by the analyst or designees who monitor each investment. Once completed they are reviewed and then approved by the valuation committee which is comprised of the CEO, President and CFO of the liquidating Trustee.

At December 31, 2013, all investments held by each Series are Level 3 investments.

### NOTE G - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

The changes in investments at fair value for which the Trust used Level 3 inputs to determine fair value are as follows for the year ended December 31, 2013:

	Series D		Series G	Series H	<u>Series I</u>		<u>Total</u>		
Balance, January 1, 2013	\$	69,574	\$ 13,887,367	\$ 8,605,553	\$ 125,123	\$	22,687,617		
Change in unrealized gain (loss) from investments and foreign									
currency translation		(69,574)	(964,101)	160,181	1,624,931		751,437		
Realized loss from									
investments and foreign									
currency translation			_	—	(1,624,946)		(1,624,946)		
Sales			_	(2,268,887)	(125,108)	(2,393,995)			
Balance, December 31, 2013	\$	_	\$ 12,923,266	\$ 6,496,847	\$ _	\$	19,420,113		
Changes in unrealized gain (loss) from investments held at December 31, 2013	\$	_	\$ (964,101)	\$ 160,181	\$ 1,624,931	\$	821,011		

The net change in unrealized gain (loss) from investments for the year ended December 31, 2013, was \$751,437 and is included in the change in unrealized gain (loss) from investments and foreign currency translation in the statement of operations.

### **NOTE G - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)**

### Significant Unobservable Inputs

The following table summarizes the significant unobservable inputs in the fair value measurements of our Level 3 investments by category of investment and valuation technique as of December 31, 2013:

Investment	 ir Value as of ember 31, 2013	Valuation Technique	Unobservable Input	Weighted Average
Series D	\$ _	Discounted cash flow analysis	Bankruptcy proceedings	100%
Series G	12,923,266	NAV*	n/a	n/a
Series H	6,496,847	NAV*	n/a	n/a
Total investments, at fair value	\$ 19,420,113			

#### **Quantitative Information about Level 3 Fair Value Measurements**

Total investments, at fair value

\*The fair values for the investments held by Series G and Series H have been estimated using the net asset value of such interests as reported by the respective investment fund.

### **NOTE H - RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Trust is exposed to a variety of risks, including but not limited to, market risk, concentration and credit risk and liquidity risk. Due to the nature of the Trust and its purpose, its ability to manage these risks is limited to its ability to manage, to the extent possible, the investments it holds until they may be sold. All cash as of December 31, 2013 is held such that it is not subject to federal deposit insurance.

### **NOTE I - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

The Trust has evaluated events and transactions that have occurred since December 31, 2013 through March 11, 2014, the date the financial statements were available for issuance, and has determined the following subsequent event:

At March 6, 2014 the Liquidating Trustee signed a consent extending the existence of the Trust through July 15, 2015.

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# ModusLink Global Solutions, Inc.

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The Board of Directors and Stockholders ModusLink Global Solutions, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of ModusLink Global Solutions, Inc. and subsidiaries as of July 31, 2013 and 2012, and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive loss, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended July 31, 2013. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of ModusLink Global Solutions, Inc. and subsidiaries as of July 31, 2013 and 2012, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended July 31, 2013, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), ModusLink Global Solutions, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of July 31, 2013, based on criteria established in *Internal Control—Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO), and our report dated October 15, 2013 expressed an unqualified opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ KPMG LLP

Boston, Massachusetts October 15, 2013

# MODUSLINK GLOBAL SOLUTIONS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

# CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands, except share data)

	July 31,							
		2013		2012				
ASSETS								
Current assets:								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	77,916	\$	52,369				
Available-for-sale securities		61		131				
Accounts receivable, trade, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$64 and \$344, at July 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively		142,098		148,931				
Inventories, net		61,322		83,990				
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		9,689		10,466				
Total current assets		291,086		295,887				
Property and equipment, net		34,290		40,772				
Investments in affiliates		7,970		10,803				
Goodwill		3,058		3,058				
Other intangible assets, net		1,764		2,897				
Other assets		5,528		5,465				
Total assets	\$	343,696	\$	358,882				
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY								
Current liabilities:								
Current installments of obligations under capital leases	\$	98	\$	73				
Accounts payable		110,148		110,520				
Accrued restructuring		4,670		1,724				
Accrued expenses		34,748		41,753				
Other current liabilities		26,157		26,778				
Current liabilities of discontinued operations		610		1,528				
Total current liabilities		176,431		182,376				
Long-term portion of accrued restructuring		494		_				
Obligations under capital leases, less current installments		303		69				
Other long-term liabilities		9,563		11,012				
Non-current liabilities of discontinued operations		_		293				
Long-term liabilities		10,360		11,374				
Total liabilities		186,791		193,750				
Commitments and contingencies (notes 13 and 16)	. <u></u>							
Stockholders' equity:								
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value per share. 5,000,000 shares authorized; zero issued or outstanding shares at July 31, 2013 and 2012		_		_				
Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share. 1,400,000,000 shares authorized; 51,575,893 issued and outstanding shares at July 31, 2013; 43,926,622 issued and outstanding shares at July 31, 2012		516		439				
Additional paid-in capital		7,419,806		7,390,027				
Accumulated deficit		(7,277,130)		(7,236,775)				
Accumulated other comprehensive income		13,713		11,441				
Total stockholders' equity		156,905		165,132				
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	343,696	\$	358,882				
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

# MODUSLINK GLOBAL SOLUTIONS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Years Ended July 31,							
		2013		2012		2011		
Net revenue	\$	754,504	\$	713,947	\$	844,277		
Cost of revenue		680,134		645,388		763,661		
Gross profit		74,370		68,559		80,616		
Operating expenses:								
Selling, general and administrative		86,972		94,737		80,710		
Amortization of intangible assets		1,133		1,139		4,750		
Impairment of goodwill and long-lived assets		—		1,128		15,889		
Restructuring, net		14,497		6,416		795		
Total operating expenses		102,602		103,420		102,144		
Operating loss		(28,232)		(34,861)		(21,528)		
Other income (expense):								
Interest income		300		380		238		
Interest expense		(612)		(373)		(462)		
Other gains (losses), net		(2,642)		14,390		8,892		
Equity in losses of affiliates and impairments		(4,365)		(4,109)		(4,308)		
Total other income (expense)		(7,319)		10,288		4,360		
Loss from continuing operations before income taxes		(35,551)		(24,573)		(17,168)		
Income tax expense		3,779		3,035		819		
Loss from continuing operations		(39,330)		(27,608)		(17,987)		
Discontinued operations, net of income taxes:								
Loss from discontinued operations, net of gain of \$594 on the disposition of TFL								
during the year ended July 31, 2013		(1,025)		(10,500)		(16,478)		
Net loss	\$	(40,355)	\$	(38,108)	\$	(34,465)		
Basic and diluted loss per share:								
Loss from continuing operations	\$	(0.84)	\$	(0.63)	\$	(0.42)		
Loss from discontinued operations		(0.02)		(0.24)		(0.38)		
Net loss	\$	(0.86)	\$	(0.87)	\$	(0.80)		
Shares used in computing basic loss per share		46,654		43,565		43,294		
Shares used in computing diluted loss per share		46,654		43,565		43,294		
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

# MODUSLINK GLOBAL SOLUTIONS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE LOSS (in thousands)

	Years Ended July 31,								
		2013		2012		2011			
Net loss	\$	(40,355)	\$	(38,108)	\$	(34,465)			
Other comprehensive income (loss):									
Foreign currency translation adjustment		3,057		(10,650)		11,344			
Pension adjustments		(831)		(3,545)		128			
Net unrealized holding gain (loss) on securities		46				(73)			
		2,272		(14,195)		11,399			
Comprehensive loss	\$	(38,083)	\$	(52,303)	\$	(23,066)			

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

# MODUSLINK GLOBAL SOLUTIONS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (in thousands, except share amounts)

	Number of Shares	Common Stock	Treasury Stock	Additional Paid-in Capital	1	Accumulated Deficit			Total Stockholders' Equity	
Balance at July 31, 2010	44,039,938	\$ 440	\$ (1,992)	\$ 7,427,031	\$	(7,164,202)	\$	14,237	\$	275,514
Net loss	_	_	_	_		(34,465)		_		(34,465)
Issuance of common stock pursuant to employee stock purchase plan and stock option exercises	42,807	1	_	207		_		_		208
Restricted stock grants	334,533	3	_	(3)		_		_		_
Restricted stock forfeitures	(23,003)	_	_	_		_		_		_
Share-based compensation	_	_	_	3,481		_		_		3,481
Repurchase of common stock (215,514 shares)	_	_	(1,394)	_		_		_		(1,394)
Retirement of treasury stock	(565,178)	(6)	3,386	(3,626)		_		_		(246)
Special dividend payment		_	_	(39,955)		_		_		(39,955)
Other comprehensive items		_	_	_		_		11,399		11,399
Balance at July 31, 2011	43,829,097	\$ 438	\$ _	\$ 7,387,135	\$	(7,198,667)	\$	25,636	\$	214,542
Net loss						(38,108)				(38,108)
Issuance of common stock pursuant to employee stock purchase plan and stock option exercises	45,977	_	_	91				_		91
Restricted stock grants	217,359	2	_	(2)		_		_		_
Restricted stock forfeitures	(165,811)	(1)	_	(187)		_		_		(188)
Share-based compensation	_	_	_	2,990		_		_		2,990
Other comprehensive items		_	_	_		_		(14,195)		(14,195)
Balance at July 31, 2012	43,926,622	\$ 439	\$ _	\$ 7,390,027	\$	(7,236,775)	\$	11,441	\$	165,132
Net loss	_	_	_	_		(40,355)		_		(40,355)
Issuance of common stock to Steel Partners Holdings, L.P., net of transaction costs of \$2.3 million	7,500,000	75	_	27,600				_		27,675
Issuance of common stock pursuant to employee stock purchase plan and stock option exercises	11,986	_	_	31						31
Restricted stock grants	278,220	3	_	(3)		_		_		_
Restricted stock forfeitures	(140,935)	(1)	_	(157)		_		_		(158)
Share-based compensation	_	_	_	2,308		_		_		2,308
Other comprehensive items			_			_		2,272		2,272
Balance at July 31, 2013	51,575,893	\$ 516	\$ 	\$ 7,419,806	\$	(7,277,130)	\$	13,713	\$	156,905

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

# MODUSLINK GLOBAL SOLUTIONS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(in thousands)

		Years Ended July 31,			
	 2013	2012	2011		
ash flows from operating activities of continuing operations:					
Net loss	\$ (40,355)	\$ (38,108)	\$ (34,4		
Loss from discontinued operations	 (1,025)	(10,500)	(16,4		
Loss from continuing operations	(39,330)	(27,608)	(17,9		
djustments to reconcile loss from continuing operations to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities of ontinuing operations: Depreciation					
Amortization of intangible assets	14,118	13,920	16,7		
Amortization of deferred financing costs	1,133	1,139	4,7		
Impairment of goodwill and long-lived assets	353	_			
Share-based compensation	_	1,128	15,8		
Non-operating (gains) losses, net	2,308	2,990	3,4		
Equity in losses of affiliates and impairments	2,642	(14,390)	(8,8		
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:	4,365	4,109	4,3		
Trade accounts receivable, net					
Inventories	8,583	(9,783)	19,1		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	22,434	(18,084)	3,0		
Accounts payable, accrued restructuring and accrued expenses	2,356	(2,328)	3,0		
Refundable and accrued income taxes, net	(5,851)	8,800	(38,0		
Other assets and liabilities	(3,652)	(5,766)	(3,2)		
	 (787)	7,560	(4,5		
t cash provided by (used in) operating activities of continuing operations	 8,672	(38,313)	(2,3		
sh flows from investing activities of continuing operations:					
Additions to property and equipment	(7,296)	(11,118)	(8,8		
Change in restricted cash	(691)	_			
Proceeds from the disposition of the TFL business, net of transaction costs of \$81	1,269	-			
Proceeds from the sale of available-for-sale securities	96	-	1		
Proceeds from the sale of equity investments in affiliates	207	24	2		
Investments in affiliates	 (1,712)	(2,912)	(3,4		
et cash used in investing activities of continuing operations	 (8,127)	(14,006)	(11,9		
sh flows from financing activities of continuing operations:					
Payment of dividends	_	_	(40,0		
Proceeds from revolving line of credit	_	10,000			
Repayments of revolving line of credit	_	(10,000)			
Payment of deferred financing costs	(1,416)	_			
Repayments on capital lease obligations	(60)	(124)	(1		
Proceeds from issuance of common stock, net of transaction costs of \$2,325 during the year ended July 31, 2013	27,675	91	2		
Repurchase of common stock	(158)	(188)	(1,6		
et cash provided by (used in) financing activities of continuing operations	 26,041	(221)	(41,5		
sh flows from discontinued operations:					
Operating cash flows	(1,645)	(1,126)	(2,5		
Investing cash flows	_	(446)	(		
et cash used in discontinued operations	 (1,645)	(1,572)	(2,6		
et effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	 606	(4,744)	8,3		
et increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	25,547	(58,856)	(50,1)		
ash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	52,369	111,225	161,3		
ash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 77,916	\$ 52,369	\$ 111,2		
	\$ 77,916	\$ 52,369	\$ 1		

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

### MODUSLINK GLOBAL SOLUTIONS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### (1) NATURE OF OPERATIONS

ModusLink Global Solutions, Inc. (together with its consolidated subsidiaries, "ModusLink Global Solutions" or the "Company"), through its wholly owned subsidiaries, ModusLink Corporation ("ModusLink") and ModusLink PTS, Inc. ("ModusLink PTS"), is a leader in global supply chain business process management serving clients in markets such as consumer electronics, communications, computing, medical devices, software, and retail. The Company designs and executes critical elements in its clients' global supply chains to improve speed to market, product customization, flexibility, cost, quality and service. These benefits are delivered through a combination of industry expertise, innovative service solutions, integrated operations, proven business processes, expansive global footprint and world-class technology.

The Company has an integrated network of strategically located facilities in various countries, including numerous sites throughout North America, Europe and Asia. The Company previously operated under the names CMGI, Inc. and CMG Information Services, Inc. and was incorporated in Delaware in 1986.

#### (2) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying consolidated financial statements reflect the application of certain significant accounting policies described below.

#### Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements of the Company include the results of its wholly-owned and majority-owned subsidiaries. All significant intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation. The Company accounts for investments in businesses in which it owns between 20% and 50% of the voting interest using the equity method, if the Company has the ability to exercise significant influence over the investee company. All other investments over which the Company does not have the ability to exercise significant influence, or for which there is not a readily determinable market value, are accounted for under the cost method of accounting.

### Use of Estimates

The preparation of the Company's consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. On an ongoing basis the Company evaluates its estimates including those related to revenue recognition, inventories, investments, intangible assets, income taxes, restructuring, valuation of long-lived assets, impairments, contingencies and litigation. Accounting estimates are based on historical experience and various assumptions that are considered reasonable under the circumstances. However, because these estimates inherently involve judgments and uncertainties, actual results could differ materially from those estimated.

#### **Revenue Recognition**

The Company's revenue primarily comes from the sale of supply chain management services to our clients. Amounts billed to clients under these arrangements include revenue attributable to the services performed as well as for materials procured on our clients' behalf as part of our service to them. Other sources of revenue include the sale of products and other services. Revenue is recognized for services when the services are performed and for product sales when the products are shipped assuming all other applicable revenue recognition criteria are met.

The Company recognizes revenue in accordance with the provisions of the Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic 605, "Revenue Recognition" ("ASC Topic 605"). Specifically, the Company recognizes revenue when persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, title and risk of loss have passed or services have been rendered, the sales price is fixed or determinable and collection of the related receivable is reasonably assured. The Company's shipping terms vary by client and can include FOB shipping point, which means that risk of loss passes to the client when it is shipped from the Company's location, as well as other terms such as ex-works, meaning that title and risk of loss transfer upon delivery of product to the customer's designated carrier. The Company also evaluates the terms of each major client contract relative to a number of criteria that management considers in making its determination with respect to gross versus net reporting of revenue for transactions with its clients. Management's criteria for making these judgments place particular emphasis on determining the primary obligor in a transaction and which party bears general inventory risk. The Company records all shipping and handling fees billed to clients as revenue, and related costs as cost of sales, when incurred.

The Company applies the provisions of ASC Topic 985, "Software" ("ASC Topic 985"), with respect to certain transactions involving the sale of software products by our e-Business operations.

The Company also follows the guidance of ASC Topic 605 for determining whether an arrangement involving more than one deliverable contains more than one unit of accounting and how the arrangement consideration should be measured and allocated to the separate units of accounting. Under this guidance, when vendor specific objective evidence or third party evidence for deliverables in an arrangement cannot be determined, a best estimate of the selling price is required to separate deliverables and allocate arrangement consideration using the relative selling price method. For those contracts which contain multiple deliverables, management must first determine whether each service, or deliverable, meets the separation criteria. In general, a deliverable (or a group of deliverables) meets the separation criteria if the deliverable has standalone value to the client. Each deliverable that meets the separation criteria is considered a "separate unit of accounting." Management allocates the total arrangement consideration to each separate unit of accounting, management applies the appropriate revenue recognition method for each separate unit of accounting as described previously based on the nature of the arrangement. All deliverables that do not meet the separation criteria are combined into one unit of accounting and the appropriate revenue recognition method is applied.

#### Foreign Currency Translation

All assets and liabilities of the Company's foreign subsidiaries, whose functional currency is the local currency, are translated to U.S. dollars at the rates in effect at the balance sheet date. All amounts in the Consolidated Statements of Operations are translated using the average exchange rates in effect during the year. Resulting translation adjustments are reflected in the accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) component of stockholders' equity. Settlement of receivables and payables in a foreign currency that is not the functional currency result in foreign currency transaction gains and losses. Foreign currency transaction gains and losses are included in "Other gains (losses), net" in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

#### Cash, Cash Equivalents and Short-term Investments

The Company considers all highly liquid investments with original maturities of 90 days or less at the time of purchase to be cash equivalents. Investments with maturities greater than 90 days to twelve months at the time of purchase are considered short-term investments.

#### Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The carrying value of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable, current liabilities and the revolving line of credit approximate fair value because of the short maturity of these instruments. The carrying value of capital lease obligations approximates fair value, as estimated by using discounted future cash flows based on the Company's current incremental borrowing rates for similar types of borrowing arrangements.

#### Investments

Marketable securities held by the Company which meet the criteria for classification as available-for-sale are carried at fair value. Unrealized holding gains and losses on securities classified as available-for-sale are carried net of income taxes, when applicable, as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) in the Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity.

The Company maintains interests in several privately held companies primarily through its various venture capital funds. The Company's venture capital investment portfolio, @Ventures, invests in early-stage technology companies. These investments are generally made in connection with a round of financing with other third-party investors. Investments in which the Company's interest is less than 20% and which are not classified as available-for-sale securities are carried at the lower of cost or net realizable value unless it is determined that the Company exercises significant influence over the investee company, in which case the equity method of accounting is used. For those investments in which the Company's voting interest is between 20% and 50%, the equity method of accounting is generally used. Under this method, the investment balance, originally recorded at cost, is adjusted to recognize the Company's share of net earnings or losses of the investee company as they occur, limited to the extent of the Company's investment in, advances to and commitments for the investee. The Company's share of net income or losses of the investee are reflected in "Equity in losses of affiliates and impairments" in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations.

The Company assesses the need to record impairment losses on its investments and records such losses when the impairment of an investment is determined to be other than temporary in nature. The process of assessing whether a particular

equity investment's net realizable value is less than its carrying cost requires a significant amount of judgment. This valuation process is based primarily on information that the Company obtains from these privately held companies who are not subject to the same disclosure and audit requirements as the reports required of U.S. public companies. As such, the timeliness and completeness of the data may vary. Based on the Company's evaluation, it recorded impairment charges related to its investments in privately held companies of approximately \$2.8 million, \$2.9 million, and \$2.5 million for the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011, respectively. These impairment losses are reflected in "Equity in losses of affiliates and impairments" in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations.

At the time an equity method investee issues its stock to unrelated parties, the Company accounts for that share issuance as if the Company has sold a proportionate share of its investment. The Company records any gain or loss resulting from an equity method investee's share issuance in its Consolidated Statements of Operations.

#### Inventory

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market. Cost is determined by both the moving average and the first-in, first-out methods. Materials that the Company typically procures on behalf of its clients that are included in inventory include materials such as compact discs, printed materials, manuals, labels, hardware accessories, hard disk drives, consumer packaging, shipping boxes and labels, power cords and cables for client-owned electronic devices.

Inventories consisted of the following:

	July 31,				
	2013	20	12		
	(In thousands)				
Raw materials	\$ 46,920	\$	56,198		
Work-in-process	1,256		2,154		
Finished goods	13,146		25,638		
	\$ 61,322	\$	83,990		

The Company continuously monitors inventory balances and records inventory provisions for any excess of the cost of the inventory over its estimated market value. The Company also monitors inventory balances for obsolescence and excess quantities as compared to projected demands. The Company's inventory methodology is based on assumptions about average shelf life of inventory, forecasted volumes, forecasted selling prices, write-down history of inventory and market conditions. While such assumptions may change from period to period, in determining the net realizable value of its inventories, the Company uses the best information available as of the balance sheet date. If actual market conditions are less favorable than those projected, or the Company experiences a higher incidence of inventory obsolescence because of rapidly changing technology and client requirements, additional inventory provisions may be required. Once established, write-downs of inventory are considered permanent adjustments to the cost basis of inventory and cannot be reversed due to subsequent increases in demand forecasts. Accordingly, if inventory previously written down to its net realizable value is subsequently sold, gross profit margins would be favorably impacted.

### Long-Lived Assets, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

The Company follows ASC Topic 360, "Property, Plant, and Equipment" ("ASC Topic 360"). Under ASC Topic 360, the Company tests certain longlived assets or group of assets for recoverability whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the Company may not be able to recover the asset's carrying amount. ASC Topic 360 defines impairment as the condition that exists when the carrying amount of a long-lived asset or group, including property and equipment and other intangible assets, exceeds its fair value. The Company evaluates recoverability by determining whether the undiscounted cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of that asset or group cover the carrying value at the evaluation date. If the undiscounted cash flows are not sufficient to cover the carrying value, the Company measures an impairment loss as the excess of the carrying amount of the long-lived asset or group over its fair value. Management may use third party valuation experts to assist in its determination of fair value.

The Company is required to test goodwill for impairment annually or if a triggering event occurs in accordance with the provisions of ASC Topic 350, "Goodwill and Other" ("ASC Topic 350"). The Company's policy is to perform its annual impairment testing for all reporting units, determined to be the Americas, Europe, Asia, e-Business, and ModusLink PTS operating segments, on July 31 of each fiscal year.

The Company's valuation methodology for assessing impairment of long-lived assets, goodwill and other intangible assets requires management to make judgments and assumptions based on historical experience and on projections of future operating performance. Management may use third party valuation advisors to assist in its determination of the fair value of reporting units subject to impairment testing. The Company operates in highly competitive environments and projections of future operating results and cash flows may vary significantly from actual results. If our assumptions used in estimating our valuations of the Company's reporting units for purposes of impairment testing differ materially from actual future results, the Company may record impairment charges in the future and our financial results may be materially adversely affected.

#### Restructuring Expenses

The Company follows the provisions of ASC Topic 420, "Exit or Disposal Cost Obligations", which addresses financial accounting and reporting for costs associated with exit or disposal activities. The statement requires companies to recognize costs associated with exit or disposal activities when a liability has been incurred rather than at the date of a commitment to an exit or disposal plan. The Company records liabilities that primarily include estimated severance and other costs related to employee benefits and certain estimated costs related to equipment and facility lease obligations and other service contracts. These contractual obligations principally represent future obligations under non-cancelable real estate leases. Restructuring estimates relating to real estate leases involve consideration of a number of factors including: potential sublet rental rates, estimated vacancy period for the property, brokerage commissions and certain other costs. Estimates relating to potential sublet rates and expected vacancy periods are most likely to have a material impact on the Company's results of operations in the event that actual amounts differ significantly from estimates. These estimates involve judgment and uncertainties, and the settlement of these liabilities could differ materially from recorded amounts.

#### Property and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost. The costs of additions and improvements are capitalized, while maintenance and repairs are charged to expense as incurred. Depreciation and amortization is provided on the straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets. The Company capitalizes certain computer software development costs when incurred in connection with developing or obtaining computer software for internal use. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Buildings	32 years
Machinery & equipment	3 to 5 years
Furniture & fixtures	5 to 7 years
Automobiles	5 years
Leasehold improvements	Shorter of the remaining lease term or the estimated useful life of the
	asset
Software	3 to 8 years

#### Software

#### Income Taxes

Income taxes are accounted for under the provisions of ASC Topic 740, "Income Taxes" ("ASC Topic 740"), using the asset and liability method whereby deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the estimated future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates in effect for the year in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date. ASC Topic 740 also requires that the deferred tax assets be reduced by a valuation allowance, if based on the weight of available evidence, it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the recorded deferred tax assets will not be realized in future periods. This methodology is subjective and requires significant estimates and judgments in the determination of the recoverability of deferred tax assets and in the calculation of certain tax liabilities.

In accordance with ASC Topic 740, the Company applies the criteria that an individual tax position must satisfy for some or all of the benefits of that position to be recognized in a company's financial statements. ASC Topic 740 prescribes a recognition threshold of more-likely-than-not, and a measurement attribute for all tax positions taken or expected to be taken on a tax return, in order for those tax positions to be recognized in the financial statements. In accordance with the Company's accounting policy, interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions is included in the "income tax expense" line of the Consolidated Statements of Operations. See Note 16, "Income Taxes," for additional information.

#### Earnings (Loss) Per Share

The Company calculates earnings per share in accordance with ASC Topic 260, "Earnings per Share" and ASC Topic 260-10, formerly FASB Staff Position EITF No. 03-6-1, "Determining Whether Instruments Granted in Share-Based Payment Transactions Are Participating Securities." Under ASC Topic 260-10, unvested share-based payment awards that contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends or dividend equivalents (whether paid or unpaid) are participating securities and shall be included in the computation of earnings per share pursuant to the two-class method. All of the Company's nonvested shares are considered participating securities because they contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends. However, holders of nonvested shares do not have an obligation to fund losses, and therefore, are only allocated a portion of the earnings for the earnings per share calculation when the Company reports net income.

Under the two-class method, net income is reduced by the amount of dividends declared in the period for each class of common stock and participating securities. The remaining undistributed earnings are then allocated to common stock and participating securities as if all of the net income for the period had been distributed. Basic earnings per share excludes dilution and is calculated by dividing net income allocable to common shares by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period. Diluted earnings per share is calculated by dividing net income allocable to common shares by the weighted-average number of common shares for the period, as adjusted for the potential dilutive effect of non-participating share-based awards. The following table reconciles earnings per share for the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011.

	Years Ended July 31,						
	2013			2012		2011	
				(In thousands)			
BASIC							
Loss from continuing operations	\$	(39,330)	\$	(27,608)	\$	(17,987)	
Loss from discontinued operations		(1,025)		(10,500)		(16,478)	
Net loss available for basic common shares	\$	(40,355)	\$	(38,108)	\$	(34,465)	
Weighted average common shares outstanding		46,654		43,565		43,294	
Basic net loss per common share from continuing operations	\$	(0.84)	\$	(0.63)	\$	(0.42)	
Basic net loss per common share from discontinued operations		(0.02)		(0.24)		(0.38)	
	\$	(0.86)	\$	(0.87)	\$	(0.80)	
DILUTED							
Loss from continuing operations	\$	(39,330)	\$	(27,608)	\$	(17,987)	
Loss from discontinued operations		(1,025)		(10,500)		(16,478)	
Net loss available for diluted common shares	\$	(40,355)	\$	(38,108)	\$	(34,465)	
Weighted average common shares outstanding		46,654		43,565		43,294	
Weighted average common equivalent shares arising from dilutive stock options		—		—		_	
Weighted average number of common and potential common shares		46,654		43,565		43,294	
Diluted net loss per common share from continuing operations	\$	(0.84)	\$	(0.63)	\$	(0.42)	
Diluted net loss per common share from discontinued operations		(0.02)		(0.24)		(0.38)	
	\$	(0.86)	\$	(0.87)	\$	(0.80)	
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Approximately 3.4 million, 2.9 million, and 3.2 million common stock equivalent shares were excluded from the denominator in the calculation of diluted earnings per share for the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011, respectively, as the Company has recorded a net loss for those periods.

#### Share-Based Compensation Plans

The Company recognizes share-based compensation in accordance with the provisions of ASC Topic 718, "Compensation—Stock Compensation" ("ASC Topic 718") which requires the measurement and recognition of compensation expense for all share-based payment awards made to employees and directors including employee stock options and employee stock purchases based on estimated fair values.

The Company estimates the fair value of share-based payment awards on the date of grant using an option-pricing model. The value of the portion of the award that is ultimately expected to vest is recognized as expense over the requisite service



periods. The Company estimates forfeitures at the time of grant and revises those estimates, if necessary, in subsequent periods if actual forfeitures differ from those estimates.

The Company uses a binomial-lattice option-pricing model ("binomial-lattice model") for valuation of share-based awards with time-based vesting. The Company believes that the binomial-lattice model is an accurate model for valuing employee stock options since it reflects the impact of stock price changes on option exercise behavior. For share-based awards based on market conditions, specifically, the Company's stock price, the compensation cost and derived service periods are estimated using the Monte Carlo valuation method. The Company uses third party analyses to assist in developing the assumptions used in its binomial-lattice model and Monte Carlo valuations and the resulting fair value used to record compensation expense. The Company's determination of fair value of share-based payment awards on the date of grant using an option-pricing model is affected by the Company's stock price as well as assumptions regarding a number of highly complex and subjective variables. These variables include, but are not limited to the Company's expected stock price volatility over the term of the awards, and actual and projected employee stock option exercise behaviors. Any changes in these assumptions may materially affect the estimated fair value of the share-based award.

#### Major Clients and Concentration of Credit Risk

Sales to one client, Hewlett-Packard, accounted for approximately 29%, 31%, and 29% of the Company's consolidated net revenue for the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011, respectively. To manage risk, the Company performs ongoing credit evaluations of its clients' financial condition. The Company generally does not require collateral on accounts receivable. The Company maintains an allowance for doubtful accounts based on its assessment of the collectability of accounts receivable.

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk are cash, cash equivalents, available-for-sale securities and accounts receivable. The Company's cash equivalent portfolio is diversified and consists primarily of short-term investment grade securities placed with high credit quality financial institutions.

#### Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In July 2013, the FASB issued ASU 2013-11, "Presentation of an Unrecognized Tax Benefit When a Net Operating Loss Carryforward, a Similar Tax Loss, or a Tax Credit Carryforward Exists." This update amends ASC 740, "Income Taxes," to require that in certain cases, an unrecognized tax benefit, or portion of an unrecognized tax benefit, should be presented in the financial statements as a reduction to a deferred tax asset for a net operating loss carryforward, a similar tax loss, or a tax credit carryforward when such items exist in the same taxing jurisdiction. The amendments in this update are effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those years, beginning after December 15, 2013. Early adoption is permitted. The amendments should be applied prospectively to all unrecognized tax benefits that exist at the effective date, and retrospective application is permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the impact this update will have on its financial statements.

In February 2013, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2013-02, "Reporting Amounts Reclassified Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income," which amends Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 220, "Comprehensive Income." The amended guidance requires entities to provide information about the amounts reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income by component. Additionally, entities are required to present, either on the face of the financial statements or in the notes, significant amounts reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income by the respective line items of net income. The amended guidance does not change the current requirements for reporting net income or other comprehensive income. The amendment is effective prospectively for annual periods, and interim periods within those annual periods, beginning after December 15, 2012. The Company believes adoption of this new guidance will not have a material impact on the Company's financial statements as these updates have an impact on presentation only.

### (3) STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Cash used for operating activities reflect cash payments for interest and income taxes as follows:

	 Years Ended July 31,					
	 2013	2012			2011	
	(In thousands)					
Cash paid for interest	\$ 30	\$	26	\$	4	
Cash paid for income taxes	\$ 4,632	\$	3,538	\$	5,419	

Cash paid for taxes can be higher than income tax expense as shown on the Company's consolidated statements of operations due to prepayments made in certain jurisdictions as well as to the timing of required payments in relation to recorded expense, which can cross fiscal years.



Non-cash financing activities during the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011 included the issuance of approximately 0.3 million, 0.2 million, and 0.3 million shares, respectively, of nonvested common stock, valued at approximately \$0.8 million, \$1.1 million, and \$2.3 million, respectively, to certain employees of the Company.

### (4) SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Company has five operating segments: Americas; Asia; Europe; e-Business; and ModusLink PTS. Based on the information provided to the Company's chief operating decision-maker ("CODM") for purposes of making decisions about allocating resources and assessing performance and quantitative thresholds, the Company has determined that it has three reportable segments: Americas; Asia; and Europe. The Company reports the ModusLink PTS operating segment in aggregation with the Americas operating segment as part of the Americas reportable segment. In addition to its three reportable segments, the Company reports an All Other category. The All Other category primarily represents the e-Business operating segment. The Company also has Corporate-level activity, which consists primarily of costs associated with certain corporate administrative functions such as legal and finance, which are not allocated to the Company's reportable segments and administration costs related to the Company's venture capital activities. The Corporate-level balance sheet information includes cash and cash equivalents, available-for-sale securities, investments and other assets, which are not identifiable to the operations of the Company's operating segments.

Management evaluates segment performance based on segment net revenue, operating income (loss) and "adjusted operating income (loss)", which is defined as the operating income (loss) excluding net charges related to depreciation, amortization of intangible assets, goodwill and long-lived asset impairment, share-based compensation and restructuring. These items are excluded because they may be considered to be of a non-operational or non-cash nature. Historically, the Company has recorded significant impairment and restructuring charges and therefore management uses adjusted operating income to assist in evaluating the performance of the Company's core operations.

Summarized financial information of the Company's continuing operations by operating segment is as follows:

		Years Ended July 31,				
	2013			2012		2011
			(1	n thousands)		
Net revenue:						
Americas	\$	268,490	\$	249,940	\$	296,362
Asia		212,963		218,880		233,724
Europe		237,222		211,319		275,065
All Other		35,829		33,808		39,126
	\$	754,504	\$	713,947	\$	844,277
Operating income (loss):						
Americas	\$	, ,	\$	(14,108)	\$	(29,984)
Asia		22,841		21,450		29,168
Europe		(22,091)		(15,718)		(6,181)
All Other		349		634		1,889
Total segment operating income (loss)		869		(7,742)		(5,108)
Corporate-level activity		(29,101)		(27,119)		(16,420)
Total operating loss	\$	(28,232)	\$	(34,861)	\$	(21,528)
Adjusted operating income (loss):						
Americas	\$	5,708	\$	(7,675)	\$	(6,029)
Asia		30,230		26,811		36,155
Europe		(7,679)		(6,061)		198
All Other		2,920		2,941		3,811
Total segment adjusted operating income		31,179		16,016		34,135
Corporate-level activity		(27,355)		(25,284)		(14,043)
Total adjusted operating income (loss)	\$	3,824	\$	(9,268)	\$	20,092
Adjusted operating income (loss)	\$	3,824	\$	(9,268)	\$	20,092
Adjustments:						
Depreciation		(14,118)		(13,920)		(16,705)
Amortization of intangible assets		(1,133)		(1,139)		(4,750)
Impairment of goodwill and long-lived assets		_		(1,128)		(15,889)
Share-based compensation		(2,308)		(2,990)		(3,481)
Restructuring, net		(14,497)		(6,416)		(795)
Operating loss	\$	(28,232)	\$	(34,861)	\$	(21,528)
Other income (expense), net		(7,319)		10,288		4,360
Income tax expense		(3,779)		(3,035)		(819)
Loss from discontinued operations		(1,025)		(10,500)		(16,478)
Net loss	\$	(40,355)	\$	(38,108)	\$	(34,465)

	July 31,					
	2013		2012			
	(In thousands)					
Total assets:						
Americas	\$ 65,790	\$	73,057			
Asia	93,547		114,158			
Europe	97,524		105,073			
All Other	17,369		20,758			
Sub-total—segment assets	 274,230		313,046			
Corporate	69,466		43,086			
Discontinued operations	—		2,750			
	\$ 343,696	\$	358,882			

As of July 31, 2013, approximately 58%, 18% and 24% of the Company's long-lived assets were located in the Americas, Asia and Europe, respectively. As of July 31, 2012, approximately 59%, 21% and 20% of the Company's long-lived assets were located in the Americas, Asia and Europe, respectively.

The Company generated revenue of \$147.3 million and \$91.8 million in China and the Netherlands, respectively, from external clients during the fiscal year ended July 31, 2013. The Company generated revenue of \$141.9 million and \$106.5 million in China and the Netherlands, respectively, from external clients during the fiscal year ended July 31, 2012. The Company generated revenue of \$140.2 million and \$123.6 million in China and the Netherlands, respectively, from external clients during the fiscal year ended July 31, 2012. The Company generated revenue of \$140.2 million and \$123.6 million in China and the Netherlands, respectively, from external clients during the fiscal year ended July 31, 2011.

### (5) DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS AND DIVESTITURES

On January 11, 2013, the Company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Tech for Less LLC ("TFL") sold substantially all of its assets to Encore Holdings, LLC ("Encore"). The consideration paid by Encore for the assets was \$1.6 million, which consisted of a gross purchase price of \$1.9 million less certain adjustments. At the time of sale, the Company received \$1.4 million of the purchase price, with the remaining \$0.2 million held in escrow for the satisfaction of any post-closing claims. During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013, the Company reached a settlement agreement with Encore whereby the Company received \$0.1 million of the escrow amount, with the remainder reverting to Encore. As a result of the settlement of the escrow amount, the Company's gain on the sale of TFL was reduced by \$0.1 million from \$0.7 million to \$0.6 million. In conjunction with the asset sale agreement, the Company entered into a transition support agreement with Encore to provide certain administrative services for a period of 90 days from the closing date of the transaction. The Company's obligations under the transition support agreement were completed during the third quarter of fiscal year 2013. The Company did not generate significant continuing cash flows from the transition support agreement.

The Company's other discontinued operations relate to a lease obligation associated with a previously vacated facility. In July 2013, the Company reached an agreement with its landlord for the early termination of the lease agreement. As part of the lease termination agreement, the Company paid \$0.4 million to the landlord on August 1, 2013 and was released from any future obligations associated with the leased facility. The Company also assigned its interest in its sublease rental income to the landlord.

Summarized financial information for the discontinued operations of the Company are as follows:

	Years Ended July 31,							
	2013			2012		2011		
	(in thousands)							
Results of operations:								
Net revenue	\$	4,592	\$	25,944	\$	29,471		
Other gains (losses), net		582		627		(10)		
Total expenses		(6,199)		(37,071)		(45,939)		
Loss from discontinued operations	\$	(1,025)	\$	(10,500)	\$	(16,478)		

	July 31,				
	2013			2012	
		(in th	ousands)		
Financial position:					
Current liabilities	\$	(610)	\$	(1,528)	
Non-current liabilities				(293)	
Net liabilities of discontinued operations	\$	(610)	\$	(1,821)	

#### (6) PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment at cost, consists of the following:

	 July 31,				
	 2013		2012		
	(In the	ousands)			
Buildings	\$ 21,020	\$	20,299		
Machinery and equipment	17,012		18,565		
Leasehold improvements	18,327		18,482		
Software	43,905		40,461		
Other	4,473		5,449		
	104,737		103,256		
Less: Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(70,447)		(62,484)		
Property and equipment, net	\$ 34,290	\$	40,772		

Assets under capital leases which are included in the amounts above are summarized as follows:

	 July 31,				
	 2013		2012		
	(In tho	usands)			
Machinery and equipment	\$ 343	\$	445		
Other	178				
	521		445		
Less: Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(455)		(275)		
	\$ 66	\$	170		

The Company recorded depreciation expense of \$14.1 million, \$13.9 million, and \$16.7 million for the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011, respectively. Depreciation expense within the Americas, Asia, Europe, and All Other was \$4.0 million, \$4.8 million, \$4.6 million, and \$0.7 million, respectively, for fiscal year 2013, \$4.3 million, \$4.4 million, \$4.5 million, and \$0.8 million, respectively, for fiscal year 2012, and \$5.2 million, \$4.6 million, \$

#### (7) GOODWILL AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS

The Company conducts its annual goodwill impairment test on July 31 of each fiscal year. In addition, if and when events or circumstances change that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of any of its reporting units below its carrying value, an interim test would be performed. In making this assessment, the Company relies on a number of factors including operating results, business plans, economic projections, anticipated future cash flows, transactions and marketplace data. The Company's reporting units are the same as the operating segments: Americas, Asia, Europe, e-Business, and ModusLink PTS. As disclosed in Note 5, the Company disposed of its TFL operating segment during the second quarter of fiscal year 2013. Impairment charges related to TFL for all periods presented have been classified within discontinued operations within the accompanying consolidated statements of operations.

The Company's remaining goodwill of \$3.1 million as of July 31, 2013 relates to the Company's e-Business reporting unit. During the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2013, the Company completed its annual impairment analysis of goodwill. The Company concluded that its goodwill was not impaired as of July 31, 2013.

During the third quarter of fiscal year 2012, indicators of potential impairment caused the Company to conduct an interim impairment test for the fixed assets of its facility in Kildare, Ireland. These indicators included declining revenue and increasingly adverse trends that resulted in further deterioration of current operating results and future prospects of the Kildare facility. These adverse trends included declines in sales volumes resulting from the loss of certain client programs, pricing pressure from existing clients, and the emergence and growth of new competitors for the services performed in Kildare.

As a result of the impairment test, in connection with the preparation of financial statements for the period ended April 30, 2012, the Company concluded that Kildare's fixed assets were impaired and recorded a \$1.1 million non-cash impairment charge. This charge has been recorded as a component of "impairment of goodwill and long-lived assets" in the consolidated statements of operations. The fixed asset impairment charge for Kildare is deductible as depreciation for tax purposes over time. The impairment charge did not affect the Company's liquidity or cash flows.

During the second quarter of fiscal year 2011, indicators of potential impairment caused the Company to conduct an interim impairment test for goodwill and other long-lived assets of the ModusLink PTS reporting unit in connection with the preparation of its quarterly financial statements for the quarter ended January 31, 2011. These indicators included continued operating losses, the departure of key personnel, and increasingly adverse trends that resulted in further deterioration of current operating results and future prospects for ModusLink PTS.

As a result of the 2011 interim impairment tests, in connection with the preparation of financial statements for the period ended January 31, 2011, the Company concluded that its goodwill was impaired and recorded a non-cash goodwill impairment charge of \$7.1 million for ModusLink PTS. Also in connection with the preparation of such financial statements, the Company determined that its intangible assets were impaired and recorded a non-cash intangible asset impairment charge of \$8.8 million for ModusLink PTS. The goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges for ModusLink PTS are not deductible for tax purposes. The impairment charges did not affect the Company's liquidity or cash flows.

In preparing the 2011 interim goodwill impairment test, the Company lowered its forecast of revenue growth and gross profit margins for ModusLink PTS for fiscal years 2011 to 2018. Revenue growth rates and gross profit margins are the variables which make the most significant impact to the discounted cash flow models for this reporting unit. The decline in the forecast for ModusLink PTS was attributable to our consideration of the operating losses for these reporting units during the first half of fiscal year 2011, the consideration of the impact that the departure of key personnel could have on our future operating results for the reporting unit, and increasingly adverse trends that resulted in further deterioration of current and future operating results.

In connection with completing the 2011 interim goodwill impairment analysis, the Company also evaluated the recoverability of its long-lived assets at the ModusLink PTS reporting unit. The asset group for ModusLink PTS is at the reporting unit level. Recoverability of this asset group is determined by comparing forecasted undiscounted net cash flows of the reporting unit to its respective carrying value. If the asset group's cash flows are determined to be unable to recover the carrying amount of its net assets, then a loss is recognized equal to the amount by which the asset's carrying value exceeds its fair value. The loss is then allocated amongst the long-lived assets based on their relative carrying amounts, with the exception that a loss allocated to an individual asset should not reduce the carrying amount of that asset below its fair value. Based upon this evaluation, the Company determined that the estimated future undiscounted cash flows related to the asset groups was below its carrying value, and therefore the asset groups was impaired.

The estimated fair values of our reporting units for the goodwill impairment test were evaluated using an income approach by calculating the present value of estimated future cash flows. We believe the use of the income approach is appropriate due to lack of comparability to guideline companies and the lack of comparable transactions under the market approach. The income approach incorporates many assumptions including future growth rates, discount factors, expected capital expenditures and income tax cash flows. In developing an appropriate discount rate to apply in its estimated cash flow models the Company developed an estimate of its weighted-average cost of capital.

The changes in the carrying amount of goodwill allocated to the Company's operating segments are as follows:

	Americas		s Asia		Europe		All Europe Other		Consolidated Total
						(in thousands)			
Balance as of July 31, 2011									
Goodwill	\$	94,477	\$	73,948	\$	30,108	\$	5,857	\$ 204,390
Accumulated impairment charges		(94,477)		(73,948)		(30,108)		(2,799)	(201,332)
	\$	_	\$	—	\$	_	\$	3,058	\$ 3,058
Balance as of July 31, 2012									
Goodwill	\$	94,477	\$	73,948	\$	30,108	\$	5,857	\$ 204,390
Accumulated impairment charges		(94,477)		(73,948)		(30,108)		(2,799)	(201,332)
	\$	_	\$		\$	_	\$	3,058	\$ 3,058
Balance as of July 31, 2013									
Goodwill	\$	94,477	\$	73,948	\$	30,108	\$	5,857	\$ 204,390
Accumulated impairment charges		(94,477)		(73,948)		(30,108)		(2,799)	(201,332)
	\$		\$		\$		\$	3,058	\$ 3,058

The components of intangible assets are as follows:

	July 31, 2013									July 31, 2012								
			(in thou	5)		(in thousands)												
	Gross Carrying Amount		Carrying Amortization/		Net Book Value		Weighted Average Amortization Period	Gross Carrying Amount		Accumulated Amortization/ Impairment		ľ	Net Book Value	Weighted Average Amortization Period				
Client Relationships	\$	34,500	\$	33,475	\$	1,025	7 years	\$	34,500	\$	32,847	\$	1,653	7 years				
Developed Technology		13,992		13,375		617	3 to 7 years		13,992		12,990		1,002	3 to 7 years				
Trade Names		5,405		5,283		122	3 to 7 years		5,405		5,174		231	3 to 7 years				
Non-Competes		713		713		_	1 to 5 years		713		702		11	1 to 5 years				
Total	\$	54,610	\$	52,846	\$	1,764		\$	54,610	\$	51,713	\$	2,897					

Amortization expense for intangible assets for the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011 totaled \$1.1 million, \$1.3 million, and \$5.5 million, respectively.

Estimated annual amortization expense for intangible assets for the next two years ending July 31, is as follows:

Fiscal Year		Amount
		(in thousands)
	2014 \$	1,098
	2015 \$	666

# (8) RESTRUCTURING

The following tables summarize the activity in the restructuring accrual for the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011:

	Employee Related Expenses	Contractual Obligations	Total		
		(In thousands)			
Accrued restructuring balance at July 31, 2010	\$ 181	\$ 3,451	\$ 3,632		
Restructuring charges	1,099	 _	 1,099		
Restructuring adjustments	53	(357)	(304)		
Cash paid	(1,081)	(1,926)	(3,007)		
Non-cash adjustments	44	—	44		
Accrued restructuring balance at July 31, 2011	\$ 296	\$ 1,168	\$ 1,464		
Restructuring charges	 5,274	 1,442	6,716		
Restructuring adjustments	(439)	139	(300)		
Cash paid	(4,645)	(1,759)	(6,404)		
Non-cash adjustments	(44)	108	64		
Restructuring charges, discontinued operations	944	95	1,039		
Cash paid, discontinued operations	(760)	(95)	(855)		
Accrued restructuring balance at July 31, 2012	\$ 626	\$ 1,098	\$ 1,724		
Restructuring charges	 13,638	1,112	 14,750		
Restructuring adjustments	(232)	(21)	(253)		
Cash paid	(9,947)	(999)	(10,946)		
Non-cash adjustments	133		133		
Restructuring charges, discontinued operations	42	112	154		
Cash paid, discontinued operations	(243)	(97)	(340)		
Reclassification of restructuring charges of discontinued operations	(43)	(15)	(58)		
Accrued restructuring balance at July 31, 2013	\$ 3,974	\$ 1,190	\$ 5,164		

It is expected that the payments of employee-related charges will be substantially completed during the fiscal year ending July 31, 2014. The remaining contractual obligations primarily relate to facility lease obligations for vacant space resulting from the previous restructuring activities of the Company. The Company anticipates that contractual obligations will be substantially fulfilled by August 2015.

During the fiscal year ended July 31, 2013, the Company recorded a net restructuring charge of \$14.5 million. Of this amount, \$13.4 million primarily related to the workforce reduction of 465 employees across all operating segments, and \$1.1 million related to contractual obligations related to a facility closure in Hungary.

During the fiscal year ended July 31, 2012 the Company recorded a net restructuring charge of approximately \$6.4 million. Of this amount, \$4.8 million primarily related to the workforce reduction of 270 employees in the Americas, Asia, and Europe, \$1.6 million related to contractual obligations related to facility closure at the Raleigh facility. These restructuring charges are net of \$0.3 million in reductions to initial estimates for recorded employee-related expenses and facilities lease obligations primarily based on changes in underlying assumptions.

During the fiscal year ended July 31, 2011 the Company recorded a net restructuring charge of approximately \$0.8 million. Of this amount, approximately \$1.2 million primarily related to the workforce reduction of 55 employees in the Americas and Asia and approximately \$(0.4) million of the recorded net restructuring charge related to changes in estimates for previously recorded facilities lease obligations primarily based on changes to the underlying assumptions.

The net restructuring charges for the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011 would have been allocated as follows had the Company recorded the expense and adjustments within the functional department of the restructured activities:

	July 31,						
		2013		2012		2011	
	(In thousands)						
Cost of revenue	\$	10,625	\$	3,960	\$		437
Selling, general and administrative		3,872		2,456			358
	\$	14,497	\$	6,416	\$		795

The following tables summarize the restructuring accrual by operating segment, the All Other category and the corporate-level activity category for the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011:

		Americas Asia Europe			All Other	Discontinued Operations		Consolidated Total				
	(In tho						usanc	ls)				
Accrued restructuring balance at July 31, 2010	\$	3,148	\$	_	\$	484	\$	_	\$	_	\$	3,632
Restructuring charges		501		593		5		_		_		1,099
Restructuring adjustments		(303)		(7)		6						(304)
Cash paid		(1,993)		(586)		(428)		_				(3,007)
Non-cash adjustments		(7)		—		51		—		—		44
Restructuring charges, discontinued operations		_		_		_		_				_
Cash paid, discontinued operations						—						—
Accrued restructuring balance at July 31, 2011	\$	1,346	\$	_	\$	118	\$	_	\$	_	\$	1,464
Restructuring charges		1,706		702		3,766		542		_		6,716
Restructuring adjustments		(94)		(56)		(85)		(65)		_		(300)
Cash paid		(1,933)		(647)		(3,690)		(134)		_		(6,404)
Non-cash adjustments		61		1		(58)		—		60		64
Restructuring charges, discontinued operations		_		_		_		_		1,039		1,039
Cash paid, discontinued operations		_		_		_		_		(855)		(855)
Accrued restructuring balance at July 31, 2012	\$	1,086	\$	_	\$	51	\$	343	\$	244	\$	1,724
Restructuring charges		1,614		2,516		9,610		1,010		_		14,750
Restructuring adjustments		(21)		(89)		27		(170)		_		(253)
Cash paid		(2,284)		(1,899)		(5,517)		(1,246)				(10,946)
Non-cash adjustments		(13)		(8)		85		69		—		133
Restructuring charges, discontinued operations		_		_		_		_		154		154
Cash paid, discontinued operations						_		_		(340)		(340)
Reclassification of restructuring charges of discontinued operations		_		_		_		_		(58)		(58)
Accrued restructuring balance at July 31, 2013	\$	382	\$	520	\$	4,256	\$	6	\$		\$	5,164

### (9) @VENTURES INVESTMENTS

The Company maintains interests in several privately held companies primarily through its interests in two venture capital funds which invest as "@Ventures." The Company invests in early stage technology companies. These investments are generally made in connection with a round of financing with other third-party investors.

During the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011, \$1.7 million, \$2.9 million, and \$3.5 million, respectively, was invested by @Ventures in privately held companies. At July 31, 2013 and 2012, the Company's carrying value of investments in privately held companies was \$8.0 million and \$10.8 million, respectively. During the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011, the Company recorded \$2.8 million, \$2.9 million, \$2.9 million, and \$2.5 million, respectively, of impairment charges related to certain investments in the @Ventures portfolio of companies. During the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011, @Ventures received distributions of approximately \$0.2 million, \$0.0 million and \$0.2 million, respectively.

Investments in which the Company's interest is less than 20% and which are not classified as available-for-sale securities are carried at the lower of cost or net realizable value unless it is determined that the Company exercises significant influence over the investee company, in which case the equity method of accounting is used. For those investments in which the

Company's voting interest is between 20% and 50%, the equity method of accounting is generally used. Under this method, the investment balance, originally recorded at cost, is adjusted to recognize the Company's share of net earnings or losses of the investee company as they occur, limited to the extent of the Company's investment in, advances to and commitments for the investee. These adjustments are reflected in "Equity in losses of affiliates and impairments" in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations. For the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011, the Company recorded its proportionate share of the affiliates' losses of \$1.6 million, \$1.2 million, and \$1.8 million, respectively.

The Company assesses the need to record impairment losses on its investments and records such losses when the impairment of an investment is determined to be other than temporary in nature. The process of assessing whether a particular investment's net realizable value is less than its carrying cost requires a significant amount of judgment. In making this judgment, the Company carefully considers the investee's cash position, projected cash flows (both short and long-term), financing needs, recent financing rounds, most recent valuation data, the current investing environment, management/ownership changes and competition. The valuation process is based primarily on information that the Company requests from these privately held companies and is not subject to the same disclosure and audit requirements as the reports required of U.S. public companies. As such, the reliability and the accuracy of the data may vary.

During the year ended July 31, 2013, the Company became aware in various quarters that there may be indicators of impairment for a certain investment in the @Ventures portfolio of companies. The Company completed evaluations for impairment in connection with the preparation of the financial statements for those periods and determined that the investment was impaired. As a result, the Company recorded impairment charges of \$2.8 million during the year ended July 31, 2013.

During the year ended July 31, 2012, the Company became aware that there may be indicators of impairment for a certain investment in the @Ventures portfolio of companies. The Company completed its evaluation for impairment in connection with the preparation of the financial statements and determined that the investment was impaired. As a result, the Company recorded an impairment charge of approximately \$2.9 million during the year ended July 31, 2012.

During the year ended July 31, 2011, the Company became aware that there may be indicators of impairment for a certain investment in the @Ventures portfolio of companies. The Company completed its evaluation for impairment in connection with the preparation of the financial statements and determined that the investment was impaired. As a result, the Company recorded an impairment charge of approximately \$2.5 million.

As of July 31, 2013, the Company, through @Ventures, held investments in nine portfolio companies, although investments in four of these companies are nominal. From time to time, the Company may make new and follow-on venture capital investments and may from time to time receive distributions from investee companies. As of July 31, 2013, the Company is not committed to fund any follow-on investments in any of the @Ventures portfolio companies.

### (10) OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES

The following schedule reflects the components of "Other Current Liabilities":

	July 31, 2013		July 31, 2012
	(In th	ousands)	
Accrued pricing liabilities	\$ 20,854	\$	20,397
Other	5,303		6,381
	\$ 26,157	\$	26,778

As of July 31, 2013 and 2012, the Company had accrued pricing liabilities of approximately \$20.9 million and \$20.4 million. As previously reported by the Company, several principal adjustments were made to its historic financial statements for periods ending on or before January 31, 2012, the most significant of which related to the treatment of vendor rebates in its pricing policies. Where the retention of a rebate or a mark-up was determined to have been inconsistent with a client contract (collectively referred to as "pricing adjustments"), the Company concluded that these amounts were not properly recorded as revenue. Accordingly, revenue was reduced by an equivalent amount for the period that the rebate was estimated to have affected. A corresponding liability for the same amount was recorded in that period (referred to as accrued pricing liabilities). The Company believes that it may not ultimately be required to pay the accrued pricing liabilities, due in part to the nature of the interactions with its clients. The remaining accrued pricing liabilities at July 31, 2013 will be derecognized when there is

sufficient information for the Company to conclude that such liabilities have been extinguished, which may occur through payment, legal release, or other legal or factual determination.

## (11) OTHER GAINS (LOSSES), NET

The following schedule reflects the components of "Other gains (losses), net":

	Years Ended July 31,					
		2013 2012				2011
			(in tho	usands)		
Derecognition of accrued pricing liabilities	\$	—	\$	11,811	\$	13,545
Foreign currency exchange gain (losses)		(2,050)		2,948		(4,023)
Gain on sale of investments		28		9		187
Gain (loss) on disposal of assets		69		(9)		(14)
Other, net		(689)		(369)		(803)
	\$	(2,642)	\$	14,390	\$	8,892

During the fiscal years ended July 31, 2012 and 2011, the Company recorded gains from the derecognition of accrued pricing liabilities of \$11.8 million and \$13.5 million, respectively (see Note (10)). The Company recorded foreign exchange gains (losses) of \$(2.1) million, \$2.9 million, and \$(4.0) million during the fiscal year ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011, respectively. These net gains and losses related primarily to realized and unrealized gains losses from foreign currency exposures and settled transactions in the Americas, Asia and Europe.

During the fiscal year ended July 31, 2011, the Company recorded a gain of approximately \$0.2 million on the sale of investments. Approximately \$0.1 million of the gain related to the sale of available-for-sale securities and approximately \$0.1 million of the gain related to the distribution of proceeds from the acquisition by third parties of H2Gen Innovations, Inc. and M2E Power, Inc. due to the satisfaction of conditions leading to the release of funds held in escrow.

#### (12) BORROWING ARRANGEMENTS

Prior to October 31, 2012, the Company and certain of its subsidiaries had a \$15 million revolving credit facility (the "Credit Facility") with Bank of America, N.A., Silicon Valley Bank and HSBC Bank USA, National Association. The Credit Facility terminated, by its terms, on October 31, 2012.

On October 31, 2012, the Company and certain of its domestic subsidiaries entered into a Credit Agreement (the "Credit Facility") with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as lender and agent for the lenders party thereto. The Credit Facility provides a senior secured revolving credit facility up to an initial aggregate principal amount of \$50.0 million or the calculated

borrowing base and is secured by substantially all of the domestic assets of the Company. As of July 31, 2013, the calculated borrowing base was \$29.9 million. The Credit Facility terminates on October 31, 2015. Interest on the Credit Facility is based on the Company's options of LIBOR plus 2.5% or the base rate plus 1.5%. The Credit Facility includes one restrictive financial covenant, which is minimum EBITDA, and restrictions that limit the ability of the Company, to among other things, create liens, incur additional indebtedness, make investments, or dispose of assets or property without prior approval from the lenders. The Company did not have any outstanding indebtedness related to the Credit Facility as of July 31, 2013.

As of July 31, 2013 the Company had \$0.6 million for letters of credit under the Credit Facility.

### (13) COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Company leases facilities and certain other machinery and equipment under various non-cancelable operating leases and executory contracts expiring through December 2021. Certain non-cancelable leases are classified as capital leases and the leased assets are included in property, plant and equipment, at cost. Future annual minimum payments, including restructuring related obligations as of July 31, 2013, are as follows:

		Operating Leases	Stadium Obligation		Capital Lease Obligations	Total
			(in tho	usands	)	
For the fiscal years ended July 31:						
	2014	\$ 18,995	\$ 1,600	\$	98	\$ 20,693
	2015	13,415	1,600		70	15,085
	2016	10,561			75	10,636
	2017	7,224	_		158	7,382
	2018	5,194			—	5,194
Thereafter		11,364	_		—	11,364
		\$ 66,753	\$ 3,200	\$	401	\$ 70,354

Total rent and equipment lease expense charged to continuing operations was \$25.2 million, \$26.5 million, and \$29.2 million for the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011, respectively.

In August 2000, the Company announced it had acquired the exclusive naming and sponsorship rights to the New England Patriots' new stadium, for a period of fifteen years. In August 2002, the Company finalized an agreement with the owner of the stadium to amend the sponsorship agreement. Under the terms of the amended agreement, the Company relinquished the stadium naming rights and remains obligated for a series of annual payments of \$1.6 million per year through 2015. The Company applied a discount rate to the future payment stream to reflect the present value of its obligation on the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

From time to time, the Company agrees to provide indemnification to its clients in the ordinary course of business. Typically, the Company agrees to indemnify its clients for losses caused by the Company. As of July 31, 2013, the Company had no recorded liabilities with respect to these arrangements.

### Legal Proceedings

On February 15, 2012, the staff of the Division of Enforcement of the SEC initiated with the Company an informal inquiry, and later a formal action, regarding the Company's treatment of rebates associated with volume discounts provided by vendors. To date, the SEC has not asserted any formal claims.

On June 11, 2012, we announced the pending restatement of the Company's financial statements for the periods ending on or before January 31, 2012 (the "June 11, 2012 Announcement"), related to the Company's accounting treatment of rebates associated with volume discounts provided by vendors. The restated financial statements were filed on January 11, 2013. After the June 11, 2012 Announcement, stockholders of the Company commenced three purported class actions in the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts arising from the circumstances described in the June 11, 2012 Announcement (the "Securities Actions"), entitled, respectively:

Irene Collier, Individually And On Behalf Of All Others Similarly Situated, vs. ModusLink Global Solutions, Inc., Joseph C. Lawler and Steven G. Crane, Case 1:12-CV-11044-DJC, filed June 12, 2012 (the "Collier Action");

Alexander Shnerer Individually And On Behalf Of All Others Similarly Situated, vs. ModusLink Global Solutions, Inc., Joseph C. Lawler and Steven G. Crane, Case 1:12-CV-11078-DJC, filed June 18, 2012 (the "Shnerer Action"); and

Harold Heszkel, Individually and on Behalf of All Others Similarly Situated v. ModusLink Global Solutions, Inc., Joseph C. Lawler, and Steven G. Crane, Case 1:12-CV-11279-DJC, filed July 11, 2012 (the "Heszkel Action").

Each of the Securities Actions purports to be brought on behalf of those persons who purchased shares of the Company between September 26, 2007 through and including June 8, 2012 (the "Class Period") and alleges that failure to timely disclose the issues raised in the June 11, 2012 Announcement during the Class Period rendered defendants' public statements concerning the Company's financial condition materially false and misleading in violation of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Exchange Act, and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder. On February 11, 2013, plaintiffs filed a consolidated amended complaint in the Securities Actions. The Company moved to dismiss the amended complaint on March 11, 2013. The Court has not yet scheduled a hearing date for the Company's motion.

On July 13, 2012, a fourth stockholder commenced a purported derivative action in United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts against the Company (as nominal defendants), and certain of its current and former directors and officers, entitled, *Samuel Montini, Derivatively On Behalf Of ModusLink Global Solutions, Inc. v. Joseph C. Lawler, Steven G.* 

*Crane, Francis J. Jules, Virginia G. Breen, Michael J. Mardy, Edward E. Lucente, Jeffrey J. Fenton, Joseph M. O'Donnell, William R. McLennan, Thomas H. Johnson, And Anthony J. Bay, Defendants, And ModusLink Global Solutions, Inc., A Delaware Corporation, Nominal Defendant, Case 1:12-CV-11296-DJC and on July 31, 2012, a fifth stockholder commenced a purported derivative action in United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts against the Company (as nominal defendants), and certain of its current and former directors and officers, entitled, <i>Edward Tansey, Derivatively On Behalf Of ModusLink Global Solutions, Inc. v. Joseph C. Lawler, Steven G. Crane, Francis J. Jules, Virginia G. Breen, Michael J. Mardy, Edward E. Lucente, Jeffrey J. Fenton, Joseph M. O'Donnell, William R.McLennan, Thomas H. Johnson, And Anthony J. Bay, Defendants, And ModusLink Global Solutions, Inc., A Delaware Corporation, Nominal Defendant, Civil Action No. 12-CV-11399 (DJC) (collectively, the "Derivative Actions"). The Derivative Actions further assert that as a result of the individual defendants' alleged actions and course of conduct, the Company is now the subject of the Securities Actions and will incur related expenses and a possible judgment against it. These litigation matters also arise from the issues raised in the June 11, 2012 Announcement and allege that the individual defendants breached their duty of loyalty to the Company by allowing defendants to cause, or by themselves causing, the Company to make improper statements regarding its business prospects and/or by failing to prevent the other Individual Defendants from taking such purportedly illegal actions. The plaintiffs filed a consolidated amended complaint in the Derivative Actions on March 4, 2013, and the Company moved to dismiss the Amended Complaint on April 4, 2013. The Court has not yet scheduled a hearing date for the Company's motion.* 

Because the SEC has not asserted any formal claims, and because, with respect to the pending litigation, there has been no decision by the Court with regard to the sufficiency of the complaint(s) and no discovery has been conducted, we are unable at this time to provide a calculation of potential damages or litigation loss that is probable or estimable. Although there can be no assurance as to the ultimate outcome, the Company believes it has meritorious defenses, will deny liability, and intends to defend this litigation vigorously.

On October 10, 2012, a sixth stockholder, Donald Reith, served upon the Company's Board of Directors a demand to institute litigation and take other purportedly necessary, but unidentified, remedial measures to redress and prevent a recurrence of purported breaches of fiduciary duties on the part of the Board and unspecified corporate officers allegedly arising from the same facts and circumstances asserted in the Derivative Actions. On February 4, 2013, the Company's Board of Directors voted unanimously to reject Mr. Reith's demand.

### (14) SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS

#### Stock Option Plans

During the fiscal year ended July 31, 2013, the Company had outstanding awards for stock options under five plans: the 2010 Incentive Award Plan (the "2010 Plan"), the 2005 Non-Employee Director Plan (the "2005 Plan"), the 2004 Stock Incentive Plan (the "2004 Plan"), the 2002 Non-Officer Employee Stock Incentive Plan (the "2000 Plan"). Options granted under the 2010 Plan, 2004 Plan, 2002 Plan and the 2000 Plan are generally exercisable as to 25% of the shares underlying the options beginning one year after the date of grant, with the option being exercisable as to the remaining shares in equal monthly installments over the next three years. The Company may also grant awards other than stock options under the 2010 Plan.

Options granted under the 2005 plan are exercisable in equal monthly installments over three years, and have a term of ten years. As of December 2010, no additional grants may be issued under this plan. Stock options granted under all other plans have contractual terms of seven years.

During the fiscal year ended July 31, 2013 the Company issued to certain officers options that vest based on market conditions, specifically, the performance of the Company's stock (the "Performance Options"). The Performance Options have a seven-year term and vest and become exercisable as to 20% of the total number of shares subject to the Performance Option on each of the first five anniversaries of the grant date, subject to a minimum average share price being achieved as of each such vesting date (the "Price Performance Threshold"), which shall be (i) 1.5 times the exercise price, (ii) 2 times the exercise price, (iii) 2.5 times the exercise price, (iv) 3 times the exercise price and (v) 3.5 times the exercise price, respectively. If the specified minimum average share price for the applicable anniversary date is not achieved, 20% of the total number of shares subject to the Performance Option shall not vest and become exercisable but may vest on the subsequent anniversary date if the minimum average share price related to the earlier anniversary date is achieved or exceeded on the subsequent anniversary date.

Under the 2010 Plan, pursuant to which the Company may grant stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock awards and other equity-based awards for the issuance of (i) 5,000,000 shares of common stock of the Company plus (ii) the number of shares subject to outstanding awards under the Company's 2000 Plan, 2002 Plan and 2004 Plan (collectively, the "Prior Plans") that expire or are forfeited following December 8, 2010, the effective date of the 2010 Plan. As of December 8,

2010, the Company ceased making any further awards under its Prior Plans. As of December 8, 2010, the effective date of the 2010 Plan, there were an additional 2,922,258 shares of Common Stock underlying equity awards issued under the Company's Prior Plans. This amount represents the maximum number of additional shares that may be added to the 2010 Plan should these awards expire or be forfeited subsequent to December 8, 2010. Any awards that were outstanding under the Prior Plans as of the effective date continued to be subject to the terms and conditions of such Prior Plan. As of July 31, 2013, 3,354,365 shares were available for future issuance under the 2010 Plan.

The Board of Directors administers all stock plans, approves the individuals to whom options will be granted, and determines the number of shares and exercise price of each option and may delegate this authority to a committee of the Board or to certain officers of the Company in accordance with SEC regulations and applicable Delaware law.

### Employee Stock Purchase Plan

The Company offers to its employees an Employee Stock Purchase Plan, (the "ESPP") under which an aggregate of 600,000 shares of the Company's stock may be issued. Employees who elect to participate in the ESPP instruct the Company to withhold a specified amount through payroll deductions during each quarterly period. On the last business day of each applicable quarterly payment period, the amount withheld is used to purchase the Company's common stock at a purchase price equal to 85% of the lower of the market price on the first or last business day of the quarterly period. During the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011, the Company issued approximately 12,000, 23,000, and 34,000, shares, respectively, under the ESPP. Approximately 210,000 shares are available for future issuance as of July 31, 2013.

#### Stock Option Valuation and Expense Information

The following table summarizes share-based compensation expense related to employee stock options, employee stock purchases and nonvested shares for the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011:

	Years Ended July 31,					
		2013	2012			2011
				(In thousands)		
Cost of revenue	\$	263	\$	344	\$	374
Selling, general and administrative		2,045		2,646		3,107
	\$	2,308	\$	2,990	\$	3,481

The Company estimates the fair value of stock option awards on the date of grant using a binomial-lattice model. The weighted-average grant date fair value of employee stock options granted during the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011 was \$1.56, \$1.98, and \$2.97, respectively, using the binomial-lattice model with the following weighted-average assumptions:

		Years Ended July 31,				
	2013	2012	2011			
Expected volatility	60.53%	59.56%	62.64%			
Risk-free interest rate	0.78%	0.84%	0.99%			
Expected term (in years)	4.60	4.66	4.27			
Expected dividend yield	—%	%	—%			

The volatility assumption for fiscal years 2013, 2012, and 2011 is based on the weighted-average of the historical volatility of the Company's common shares for a period equal to the expected term of the stock option awards.

The weighted-average risk-free interest rate assumption is based upon the interpolation of various U.S. Treasury rates, as of the month of the grants.

The expected term of employee stock options represents the weighted-average period the stock options are expected to remain outstanding and is based on historical option activity. The determination of the expected term of employee stock options assumes that employees' exercise behavior is comparable to historical option activity. The binomial-lattice model estimates the probability of exercise as a function of time based on the entire history of exercises and cancellations on all past option grants made by the Company. The expected term generated by these probabilities reflects actual and anticipated exercise behavior of options granted historically. As share-based compensation expense recognized in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011 is based on awards ultimately expected to vest, it has been reduced for estimated forfeitures. ASC Topic 718 requires forfeitures to be estimated at the time of grant and revised, if necessary, in subsequent periods if actual forfeitures differ from those estimates. Forfeitures were estimated based on historical experience.

#### Stock Options

A summary of option activity for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2013 is as follows:

	Number of Shares		Weighted- Average Exercise Price	Weighted-Average Remaining Contractual Term (Years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
		(i	n thousands, except o	exercise price and years)	
Stock options outstanding, July 31, 2012	2,687	\$	8.20		
Granted	2,137		3.38		
Exercised	_				
Forfeited or expired	(1,387)		8.02		
Stock options outstanding, July 31, 2013	3,437	\$	5.28	5.44	\$ 1
Stock options exercisable, July 31, 2013	983	\$	9.59	3.04	\$ 1

As of July 31, 2013, unrecognized share-based compensation related to stock options was approximately \$3.0 million. This cost is expected to be expensed over a weighted average period of 2.6 years. The aggregate intrinsic value of options exercised during the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011 was immaterial.

As of July 31, 2013, there were 2.4 million stock options that were vested and expected to vest in the future with a weighted-average remaining contractual term of 4.99 years. The aggregate intrinsic value of these awards is immaterial.

### Nonvested Stock

Nonvested stock consists of shares of common stock that are subject to restrictions on transfer and risk of forfeiture until the fulfillment of specified conditions. Nonvested stock is expensed ratably over the term of the restriction period, ranging from one to five years unless there are performance restrictions placed on the nonvested stock, in which case the nonvested stock is expensed using graded vesting. Nonvested stock compensation expense for the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011 was \$1.1 million, \$1.6 million, and \$1.6 million, respectively.

A summary of the activity of our nonvested stock for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2013, is as follows:

	Number of Shares	Weighted- Grant Fair V	Date
	(share amou	nts in thousands)	
Nonvested stock outstanding, July 31, 2012	404	\$	6.56
Granted	267		3.21
Vested	(421)		3.71
Forfeited	(101)		7.95
Nonvested stock outstanding, July 31, 2013	149	\$	1.94

The fair value of nonvested shares is determined based on the market price of the Company's common stock on the grant date. The total grant date fair value of nonvested stock that vested during the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011 was approximately \$2.2 million, \$2.1 million, and \$1.5 million, respectively. As of July 31, 2013, there was approximately \$0.2 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested stock to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 0.6 years.

#### (15) SHARE REPURCHASE PROGRAMS

In June 2010, the Company's Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to \$10.0 million of the Company's common stock from time to time on the open market or in privately negotiated transactions over an eighteen month period, (the "June 2010 Repurchase Program"). The timing and amount of any shares repurchased was to be determined by the Company's management based on its evaluation of market conditions and other factors. Repurchases could also be made under a Rule 10b5-1 plan, which permit shares to be repurchased when the Company might otherwise be precluded from doing so under insider trading laws. The Company retired and returned repurchased shares to the Company's authorized, but not issued or outstanding common stock. The June 2010 Repurchase Program was funded using the Company's working capital. In total, the Company repurchased an aggregate of approximately 0.7 million shares at a cost of approximately \$4.8 million under the June 2010 Repurchase Program. These share repurchases occurred primarily during the fourth quarter and first quarter of our 2010 and 2011 fiscal years, respectively. During the fiscal year ended July 31, 2011, the Company declared and paid a special cash dividend of \$40.0 million in the aggregate, which was funded with available cash on hand and included amounts remaining under the June 2010 Repurchase Program. Accordingly, no further repurchases were made under the June 2010 Repurchase Program.

# (16) INCOME TAXES

The components of loss from continuing operations before provision for income taxes are as follows:

		Years Ended July 31,					
		2013	2012		2011		
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes:							
U.S.	\$	(42,872)	\$ (28,039)	\$	(31,549)		
Foreign		7,321	3,466		14,381		
Total loss from continuing operations before income taxes	\$	(35,551)	\$ (24,573)	\$	(17,168)		

The components of income tax expense have been recorded in the Company's consolidated financial statements as follows:

	Years Ended July 31,					
	2013 2012		2013			2011
				(in thousands)		
Income tax expense from continuing operations	\$	3,779	\$	3,035	\$	819
Total income tax expense	\$	3,779	\$	3,035	\$	819

The components of income tax expense from continuing operations consist of the following:

	 July 31,				
	 2013		2012		2011
			(in thousands)		
Current provision:					
Federal	\$ —	\$	—	\$	—
State	_		_		_
Foreign	4,307		2,632		599
	\$ 4,307	\$	2,632	\$	599
Deferred provision:					
Federal	\$ _	\$	_	\$	—
State	—		—		_
Foreign	(528)		403		220
	\$ (528)	\$	403	\$	220
Total tax provision	\$ 3,779	\$	3,035	\$	819
		_			

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities have been classified on the Consolidated Balance Sheets in accordance with the nature of the item giving rise to the temporary differences. The components of deferred tax assets and liabilities are as follows:

		July 31, 2013			July 31, 2012		
	Current	Non-current	Total	Current	Non-current	Total	
			(in the	(in thousands)			
Deferred tax assets:							
Accruals and reserves	\$ 9,304	\$ 6,409	\$ 15,713	\$ 13,015	\$ 6,641	\$ 19,656	
Tax basis in excess of financial basis for intangible and fixed assets	_	15,413	15,413	_	15,468	15,468	
Tax basis in excess of financial basis of investments in affiliates	_	8,002	8,002	_	7,402	7,402	
Net operating loss and capital loss carry forwards	_	749,501	749,501	_	734,078	734,078	
Total gross deferred tax assets	9,304	779,325	788,629	13,015	763,589	776,604	
Less: valuation allowance	(8,159)	(758,199)	(766,358)	(12,316)	(744,390)	(756,706)	
Net deferred tax assets	1,145	21,126	22,271	699	19,199	19,898	
Deferred tax liabilities:							
Accruals and reserves	(39)	_	(39)	(60)	_	(60)	
Financial basis in excess of tax basis for intangible and fixed assets	_	(1,343)	(1,343)	_	(1,414)	(1,414)	
Undistributed accumulated earnings of foreign subsidiaries		(18,010)	(18,010)		(16,587)	(16,587)	
Total gross deferred tax liabilities	(39)	(19,353)	(19,392)	(60)	(18,001)	(18,061)	
Net deferred tax asset (liability)	\$ 1,106	\$ 1,773	\$ 2,879	\$ 639	\$ 1,198	\$ 1,837	

Subsequently reported tax benefits relating to the valuation allowance for deferred tax assets as of July 31, 2013 will be allocated as follows (in thousands):

Income tax benefit recognized in the consolidated statement of operations	\$ (750,897)
Additional paid in capital	(15,461)
	\$ (766,358)

The net change in the total valuation allowance for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2013 was an increase of approximately \$9.7 million. This increase is primarily due to an increase in the U.S. valuation allowance due to net operating losses, capital losses, and other deferred tax assets. A valuation allowance has been recorded against the gross deferred tax asset in the U.S and certain foreign subsidiaries since management believes that after considering all the available objective evidence, both positive and negative, historical and prospective, it is more likely than not that certain assets will not be realized.

The Company has certain deferred tax benefits, including those generated by net operating losses and certain other tax attributes (collectively, the "Tax Benefits"). The Company's ability to use these Tax Benefits could be substantially limited if it were to experience an "ownership change," as defined under Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). In general, an ownership change would occur if there is a greater than 50-percentage point change in ownership of securities by stockholders owning (or deemed to own under Section 382 of the Code) five percent or more of a corporation's securities over a rolling three-year period.

Accordingly, on October 17, 2011, the Company's Board of Directors adopted a Tax Benefit Preservation Plan between the Company and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, as rights agent (as amended from time to time, the "Tax Plan"). The Tax Plan reduces the likelihood that changes in the Company's investor base have the unintended effect of limiting the Company's use of its Tax Benefits. The Tax Plan is intended to require any person acquiring shares of the Company's securities equal to or exceeding 4.99% of the Company's outstanding shares to obtain the approval of the Board of Directors. This would protect the Tax Benefits because changes in ownership by a person owning less than 4.99% of the Company's stock are not included in the calculation of "ownership change" for purposes of Section 382 of the Code.

The Company has net operating loss carryforwards for federal and state tax purposes of approximately \$2.0 billion and \$451.9 million, respectively, at July 31, 2013. The federal net operating losses will expire from fiscal year 2021 through 2033 and the state net operating losses will expire from fiscal year 2014 through 2033. The Company has a foreign net operating loss

carryforward of approximately \$60.1 million, of which \$47.0 million has an indefinite carryforward period. In addition, the Company has capital loss carryforwards for federal and state tax purposes of approximately \$16.3 million and \$16.3 million, respectively. The federal and state capital losses will expire in fiscal year 2015 and 2016, respectively.

The Company's ModusLink Corporation subsidiary has undistributed earnings from its foreign subsidiaries of approximately \$62.8 million at July 31, 2013, of which approximately \$11.3 million is considered to be permanently reinvested due to certain restrictions under local laws as well as the Company's plans to reinvest such earnings for future expansion in certain foreign jurisdictions. The amount of taxes attributable to the permanently undistributed earnings is estimated at \$4.4 million. The Company has recorded a deferred tax liability of \$18.0 million on the remaining \$51.5 million of undistributed earnings that are not considered to be permanently reinvested.

Income tax expense attributable to income from continuing operations differs from the expense computed by applying the U.S. federal income tax rate of 35% to income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes as a result of the following:

	Years Ended July 31,				
	_	2013	2012		2011
			(in thousands)		
Computed "expected" income tax expense (benefit)	\$	(12,443)	\$ (12,447)	\$	(11,661)
Increase (decrease) in income tax expense resulting from:					
Losses not benefited		13,413	11,112		11,356
Foreign dividends		2,956	3,298		4,041
Foreign tax rate differential		(316)	1,133		(2,220)
Capitalized costs		100	179		408
Nondeductible goodwill impairment					2,467
Nondeductible expenses		254	355		202
Foreign withholding taxes		218	542		323
Reversal of uncertain tax position reserves		(403)	(1,137)		(4,255)
Other		_	_		158
Actual income tax expense	\$	3,779	\$ 3,035	\$	819

The calculation of the Company's tax liabilities involves dealing with uncertainties in the application of complex tax regulations in several tax jurisdictions. The Company is periodically reviewed by domestic and foreign tax authorities regarding the amount of taxes due. These reviews include questions regarding the timing and amount of deductions and the allocation of income among various tax jurisdictions. In evaluating the exposure associated with various filing positions, we record estimated reserves when necessary. Based on our evaluation of current tax positions, the Company believes it has appropriately accrued for exposures.

The Company operates in multiple taxing jurisdictions, both within and outside of the United States. At July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011, the total amount of the liability for unrecognized tax benefits, including interest, related to federal, state and foreign taxes was approximately \$1.0 million, \$1.3 million, and \$2.4 million, respectively. To the extent the unrecognized tax benefits are recognized, the entire amount would impact income tax expense.

The Company files income tax returns in the U.S., various states and in foreign jurisdictions. The federal and state income tax returns are generally subject to tax examinations for the tax years ended July 31, 2009 through July 31, 2013. To the extent the Company has tax attribute carryforwards, the tax year in which the attribute was generated may still be adjusted upon examination by the Internal Revenue Service or state tax authorities to the extent utilized in a future period. In addition, a number of tax years remain subject to examination by the appropriate government agencies for certain countries in the Europe and Asia regions. In Europe, the Company's 2006 through 2013 tax years remain subject to examination in most locations while the Company's 2002 through 2013 tax years remain subject to examination.

A reconciliation of the beginning and ending balances of the total amounts of gross unrecognized tax benefits is as follows:

		Years Ended July 31,									
		2013	2012		2011						
			(in thousands)								
Balance as of beginning of year	\$	1,230	\$ 2,2	73	\$	5,810					
Additions for current year tax positions		79		73		—					
Additions for prior year tax positions			5	64		—					
Currency translation		33				697					
Reductions for lapses in statute of limitations		(212)	(1,6	80)		(4,234)					
Reductions of prior year tax positions		(115)				_					
Balance as of end of year		1,015	\$ 1,2	30	\$	2,273					

In accordance with the Company's accounting policy, interest related to income taxes is included in the provision of income taxes line of the Consolidated Statements of Operations. For the fiscal year ended July 31, 2013, the Company has not recognized any material interest expense related to uncertain tax positions. As of July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011, the Company had recorded liabilities for interest expense related to uncertain tax positions as there were no income tax positions that required the Company to accrue penalties. The Company does not expect that any unrecognized tax benefits will reverse in the next twelve months.

# (17) DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

The Company sponsors two defined benefit pension plans covering certain of its employees in its Netherlands facility and one defined benefit pension plan covering certain of its employees in its Taiwan facility. Pension costs are actuarially determined.

The aggregate change in benefit obligation and plan assets related to these plans was as follows:

	 July 31,					
	 2013		2012			
	(in the	usands)				
Change in benefit obligation						
Benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$ 17,159	\$	13,791			
Service cost	644		368			
Interest cost	728		589			
Actuarial (gain) loss	2,564		4,300			
Employee contributions	296		328			
Benefits and administrative expenses paid	(260)		(404)			
Effect of curtailment	(2,258)		—			
Currency translation	 1,222		(1,813)			
Benefit obligation at end of year	20,095		17,159			
Change in plan assets						
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year	14,151		15,652			
Actual return on plan assets	172		276			
Employee contributions	296		328			
Employer contributions	1,079		498			
Benefits and administrative expenses paid	(260)		(404)			
Currency translation	1,060		(2,199)			
Fair value of plan assets at end of year	 16,498		14,151			
Funded status						
Assets			37			
Current liability	(1)		(1)			
Noncurrent liability	(3,596)		(3,044)			
Net amount recognized in statement of financial position as a noncurrent asset (liability)	\$ (3,597)	\$	(3,008)			

The accumulated benefit obligation was approximately \$17.3 million and \$13.6 million at July 31, 2013, and 2012, respectively.

Information for pension plans with an accumulated benefit obligation in excess of plan assets was as follows:

	July 31,						
		2013	2012				
		(in thousands)					
Projected benefit obligation	\$	18,664 \$	2,064				
Accumulated benefit obligation	\$	16,454 \$	1,290				
Fair value of plan assets	\$	15,423 \$	1,024				

Components of net periodic pension cost were as follows:

	Years Ended July 31,									
		2013		2012		2011				
Service cost	\$	644	\$	368	\$	365				
Interest costs		728		589		617				
Expected return on plan assets		(538)		(473)		(477)				
Amortization of net actuarial (gain) loss		38		(88)		(114)				
Curtailment gain		(504)				_				
Net periodic pension costs	\$	368	\$	396	\$	391				

The amount included in accumulated other comprehensive income expected to be recognized as a component of net periodic pension costs in fiscal year 2014 is approximately \$0.1 million related to amortization of a net actuarial loss and prior service cost.

# **Assumptions:**

Weighted-average assumptions used to determine benefit obligations was as follows:

	July 31,							
	2013	2012	2011					
Discount rate	3.61%	3.95%	5.50%					
Rate of compensation increase	2.07%	2.12%	2.00%					

Weighted-average assumptions used to determine net periodic pension cost was as follows:

		Years Ended July 31,						
	2013	2012	2011					
Discount rate	4.13%	5.50%	5.50%					
Expected long-term rate of return on plan assets	3.43%	3.34%	3.50%					
Rate of compensation increase	2.05%	2.00%	2.00%					

The discount rate reflects our best estimate of the interest rate at which pension benefits could be effectively settled as of the valuation date. It is based on the Mercer Yield Curve for the Eurozone as per July 31, 2013 for the appropriate duration of the plan.

To develop the expected long-term rate of return on assets assumptions consideration is given to the current level of expected returns on risk free investments, the historical level of risk premium associated with the other asset classes in which the portfolio is invested and the expectations for the future returns of each asset class. The expected return for each asset class was then weighted based on the target asset allocation to develop the expected long-term rate of return on assets assumption for the portfolio.

## **Benefit payments:**

The following table summarizes expected benefit payments from the plans through fiscal year 2023. Actual benefit payments may differ from expected benefit payments. The minimum required contributions to the plan are expected to be approximately \$0.1 million in fiscal year 2014.

For the fiscal years ended July 31:		Pension Benefit Payments (in thousands)
	2014 \$	66
	2015	92
	2016	116
	2017	157
	2018	174
Next 5 years		1,335

### **Investment Policy:**

The defined benefit plans have 100% of their assets invested in bank-managed portfolios of debt securities and other assets. Conservation of capital with some conservative growth potential is the strategy for the plans.

The Company's pension plans are outside the United States, where asset allocation decisions are typically made by an independent board of trustees. Investment objectives are aligned to generate returns that will enable the plans to meet their future obligations. The Company acts in a consulting and governance role in reviewing investment strategy and providing a recommended list of investment managers for each plan, with final decisions on asset allocation and investment manager made by local trustees.

ASC Topic 820 provides that fair value is an exit price, representing the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants based on the highest and best use of the asset or liability. As such, fair value is a market-based measurement that should be determined based on assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability. ASC Topic 820 requires the Company to use valuation techniques to measure fair value that maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. These inputs are prioritized as follows:

- Level 1: Observable inputs such as quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets
- Level 2: Other inputs that are observable directly or indirectly, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities or market-corroborated inputs
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs for which there is little or no market data and which require the Company to develop its own assumptions about how market participants would price the assets or liabilities

The current target allocations for plan assets are 100% for debt securities. The market value of plan assets using Level 2 inputs is approximately \$16.5 million.

#### Valuation Technique:

Benefit obligations are computed using the projected unit credit method. Benefits are attributed to service based on the plan's benefit formula. Cumulative gains and losses in excess of 10% of the greater of the pension benefit obligation or market-related value of plan assets are amortized over the expected average remaining future service of the current active membership.

### (18) ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

The components of accumulated other comprehensive income, net of income taxes, are as follows:

	 Foreign currency items	Pension items	Unrealized gains (losses) on securities	Total
Accumulated other comprehensive income at July 31, 2012	\$ 12,702	\$ (1,235)	\$ (26)	\$ 11,441
Foreign currency translation adjustment	3,057	—		3,057
Net unrealized holding gain (loss) on securities	—	—	46	46
Pension adjustments	—	(831)		(831)
Net current-period other comprehensive income	 3,057	 (831)	46	 2,272
Accumulated other comprehensive income at July 31, 2013	\$ 15,759	\$ (2,066)	\$ 20	\$ 13,713

In each of the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013, 2012, and 2011, the Company recorded approximately \$0.1 million in taxes related to comprehensive income.

### (19) ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

The allowance for doubtful accounts consisted of the following:

	As of July 31,									
		2013		2012		2011				
				(In thousands)						
Balance at beginning of year	\$	344	\$	473	\$	919				
Provision charged to expense		146		15		144				
Accounts written off—continuing operations		(120)		(144)		(590)				
Accounts written off—discontinued operations		(222)		—		—				
Balance reclassified to discontinued operations		(84)		—		—				
Balance at end of year	\$	64	\$	344	\$	473				

During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013, as a part of its working capital management, the Company entered into a factoring agreement with a third party financial institution for the sale of certain accounts receivables without recourse. The activity under this agreement is accounted for as a sale of accounts receivable under ASC 860 "Transfers and Servicing". This agreement relates exclusively to the accounts receivables of one of the Company's significant clients. The amount sold varies each month based on the amount of underlying receivables and cash flow requirements of the Company. The factoring agreement is permitted under the Company's Credit Facility agreement.

The total amount of accounts receivable factored was \$7.7 million for the year ended July 31, 2013. The cost incurred on the sale of these receivables was \$6 thousand for the year ended July 31, 2013. The cost of selling these receivable is dependent upon the number of days between the sale date of the receivable and the date the client's invoice is due and the interest rate. The interest rate associated with the sale of these receivables is equal to LIBOR plus 0.85%. The expense associated with the sale of these receivables is recorded as a component of selling, general and administrative expense in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations.

### (20) EQUITY ISSUANCE

On March 12, 2013, stockholders of the Company approved the sale of 7,500,000 shares of newly issued common stock to Steel Partners Holdings L.P. ("Steel Partners") at a price of \$4.00 per share, resulting in aggregate proceeds of \$30.0 million before transaction costs. The Company incurred \$2.3 million of transaction costs, which consisted primarily of investment banking and legal fees, resulting in net proceeds from the sale of \$27.7 million. In addition, as part of the transaction, the Company issued Steel Partners a warrant to acquire an additional 2,000,000 shares at an exercise price of \$5.00 per share. The Company intends to use the cash received for general corporate purposes.

Pursuant to the investment agreement, the Company agreed to grant Steel Partners certain registration rights. The Company agreed to file a resale registration statement on Form S-3 as soon as practicable after it is eligible to do so, covering

the shares of common stock purchased by Steel Partners and the shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants. The Company is required to keep the resale registration statement effective for three years following the date it is declared effective. Steel Partners also has the right, until such time as it owns less than one-third of the common stock originally issued to it under the investment agreement, to require that the Company file a prospectus supplement or amendment to cover sales of common stock through a firm commitment underwritten public offering. The underwriters of any underwritten offering have the right to limit the number of shares to be included in any such offering. In addition, the Company has agreed to certain "piggyback registration rights." If the Company registers any securities for public sale, Steel Partners has the right to include its shares in the registration, subject to certain exceptions. The underwritters of any underwritten offering have the right to limit the number of shares to pay the expenses of Steel Partners in connection with any registration of the securities issued in the Steel Partners in connection with such registration.

# (21) SELECTED QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Unaudited)

The following table sets forth selected quarterly financial information for the fiscal years ended July 31, 2013 and 2012. The operating results for any given quarter are not necessarily indicative of results for any future period.

	Quarter Ended							Quarter Ended									
	0	Oct. 31, '12	J	an. 31, '13	A	Apr. 30, '13		Jul. 31, '13	(	Oct. 31, '11	J	an. 31, '12	Apr. 30, '12		J	ful. 31, '12	
							(in t	housands, exc	ept p	oer share data	)						
Net revenue	\$	197,051	\$	203,436	\$	173,016	\$	181,001	\$	197,830	\$	169,435	\$	173,553	\$	173,129	
Cost of revenue		178,427		183,158		157,641		160,908		172,058		154,026		157,625		161,679	
Gross profit		18,624		20,278		15,375		20,093		25,772		15,409		15,928		11,450	
Total operating expenses		25,895		28,804		22,135		25,768		22,189		27,929		23,798		29,504	
Operating income (loss)		(7,271)		(8,526)		(6,760)		(5,675)		3,583	_	(12,520)		(7,870)		(18,054)	
Total other income (expense)		(1,651)		(3,217)		(1,095)		(1,356)		831		559		3,753		5,145	
Income tax expense (benefit)		909		674		392		1,804		1,871		380		(1,202)		1,986	
Income (loss) from continuing operations		(9,831)		(12,417)		(8,247)		(8,835)		2,543		(12,341)		(2,915)		(14,895)	
Loss from discontinued operations		(827)		(133)		(59)		(6)		(1,398)		(535)		(3,221)		(5,346)	
Net income (loss)	\$	(10,658)	\$	(12,550)	\$	(8,306)	\$	(8,841)	\$	1,145	\$	(12,876)	\$	(6,136)	\$	(20,241)	
Basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share:																	
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$	(0.22)	\$	(0.29)	\$	(0.17)	\$	(0.17)	\$	0.06	\$	(0.29)	\$	(0.07)	\$	(0.34)	
Loss from discontinued operations		(0.02)						_		(0.03)		(0.01)		(0.07)		(0.12)	
Net income (loss)	\$	(0.24)	\$	(0.29)	\$	(0.17)	\$	(0.17)	\$	0.03	\$	(0.30)	\$	(0.14)	\$	(0.46)	

## (22) DIVIDEND

On March 7, 2011, the Company announced that its Board of Directors had declared a special dividend of \$0.9134 per common share outstanding, or \$40.0 million in the aggregate, with a payment date of March 31, 2011 and a record date of March 17, 2011 (the "Special Dividend"). The aggregate amount paid to stockholders through the Special Dividend included amounts that remained under the June 2010 Repurchase Program at that time. No dividend was issued during fiscal years 2013 and 2012.

The Company performed an analysis and determined that the special dividend was not taxable as ordinary income as the Company did not have accumulated earnings or profits as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes. As the Company did not have accumulated earnings and profits, the special dividend was treated as a return of capital that reduces the stockholders' adjusted tax basis in the Common Stock.