## **UNITED STATES** SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

#### FORM 8-K

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

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): April 7, 2021

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### SCHNITZER STEEL INDUSTRIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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

93-0341923 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

299 SW Clay Street, Suite 350, Portland, Oregon (Address of principal executive offices)

97201 (Zip Code)

(503) 224-9900 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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#### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On April 7, 2021, Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the three months ended February 28, 2021. A copy of the press release is being furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report on Form 8-K.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) <u>Exhibits</u>

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99.1 Press Release of Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc. issued on April 7, 2021.

The cover page of this Current Report on Form 8-K, formatted in Inline XBRL.

#### SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc. (Registrant)

Dated: April 7, 2021 By: /s/ Richard D. Peach

Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Strategy Officer

#### **Schnitzer Reports Second Quarter Fiscal 2021 Financial Results**

### Strong Global Demand and Strategic Actions Drive Best Operating Performance in a Decade

#### **Schnitzer Board Declares Quarterly Dividend**

PORTLAND, Ore.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--April 7, 2021--Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: SCHN) today reported results for its second quarter of fiscal 2021 ended February 28, 2021.

#### **Second Quarter Fiscal 2021 Highlights**

- Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations of \$1.54, more than triple earnings per share of \$0.50 in the first quarter of fiscal 2021, and compared to \$0.14 in the second quarter of fiscal 2020
- Adjusted diluted earnings per share from continuing operations of \$1.51, compared to adjusted diluted earnings per share of \$0.57 in the first quarter of fiscal 2021 and \$0.31 in the second quarter of fiscal 2020
- Net income of \$46 million, more than triple the net income of \$15 million in the first quarter of fiscal 2021, and compared to net income of \$5 million in the second quarter of fiscal 2020
- Adjusted EBITDA of \$71 million in the quarter, compared to adjusted EBITDA of \$40 million in the first quarter of fiscal 2021 and \$28 million in the second quarter of fiscal 2020

The Company's performance benefited from strong global demand for recycled metals and finished steel products, with selling prices for ferrous and nonferrous scrap reaching multi-year highs. The sharp increase in selling prices during the quarter contributed to the Company's strong margins, while ferrous sales volumes were impacted by severe weather, which affected the timing of shipments. Operating results also benefited from the continued strength in West Coast demand for finished steel products, as well as the execution of commercial initiatives and productivity improvements supported by the One Schnitzer operating platform.

Tamara Lundgren, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, stated, "We are exceptionally pleased with our performance during the quarter, reflecting our best operating income per ton since 2008. This is a testament to the strength and agility of our team in leveraging positive market conditions while delivering on our operational and strategic initiatives. Since the end of the second quarter, we have commissioned two of the advanced metal recovery technology systems which are key to the execution of our strategic plan and the achievement of our Sustainability goals."

Ms. Lundgren continued, "Price volatility during the quarter was significant, but trading was maintained at much higher price levels than in the recent past, reflecting the stronger demand associated with both the economic recovery and positive structural commodity trends. Decarbonization and broader ESG factors, together with the catalytic effect of global stimulus, are serving as structural drivers of demand for recycled metals. Scrap, in other words, is an important strategic solution for companies, industries and governments that are focused on carbon reduction."

#### **Summary Results**

(\$ in millions, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended						Six Months Ended					
		2Q21		1Q21		2Q20		2021		2020		
Revenues	\$	600	\$	492	\$	439	\$	1,092	\$	845		
Gross margin (total revenues less cost of goods sold)	\$	113	\$	72	\$	59	\$	185	\$	100		
Gross margin (%)		18.8%		14.6%		13.4%		16.9%		11.8%		
Selling, general and administrative expense	\$	54	\$	50	\$	46	\$	104	\$	93		
Net income (loss)	\$	46	\$	15	\$	5	\$	61	\$	(2)		
Net income (loss) per ferrous ton	\$	47	\$	14	\$	5	\$	30	\$	(1)		
Diluted earnings (loss) per share from continuing operations attributable to SSI shareholders												
Reported	\$	1.54	\$	0.50	\$	0.14	\$	2.05	\$	(0.11)		
Adjusted <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	1.51	\$	0.57	\$	0.31	\$	2.09	\$	0.14		
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	71	\$	40	\$	28	\$	112	\$	38		
Adjusted EBITDA per ferrous ton <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	73	\$	38	\$	29	\$	55	\$	19		
Ferrous sales volumes (LT, in thousands)		977		1,053		988		2,030		1,964		
Avg. net ferrous sales prices (\$/LT) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$	387	\$	269	\$	255	\$	326	\$	235		
Nonferrous sales volumes (pounds, in millions) <sup>(3)</sup>		136		138		124		274		269		
Avg. nonferrous sales prices (\$/pound)(2)(3)	\$	0.83	\$	0.64	\$	0.55	\$	0.74	\$	0.55		
Finished steel average net sales price (\$/ST) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$	690	\$	621	\$	627	\$	656	\$	635		
Finished steel sales volumes (ST, in thousands)		136		134		129		270		242		
Rolling mill utilization (%)		88%		97%		72%		93%		79%		

LT = Long Ton, which is equivalent to 2,240 pounds

#### **Second Quarter Fiscal 2021 Financial Review and Analysis**

Sharply higher average selling prices for ferrous and nonferrous recycled metals led to an expansion in metal spreads and operating margins, reflected in net income per ferrous ton of \$47 and adjusted EBITDA per ferrous ton of \$73 in the quarter, both of which reflect a strong sequential increase from \$14 and \$38, respectively. Second quarter operating results also included benefits from average inventory accounting of approximately \$10 per ferrous ton compared to \$2 per ferrous ton in the first quarter of fiscal 2021.

On a sequential basis, ferrous sales volumes were down 7%, primarily driven by the impact of severe weather conditions in February on timing of shipments, and nonferrous sales volumes were down 2%, impacted by the availability of containers. Average ferrous and nonferrous net selling prices were up 44% and 30%, respectively. Finished steel sales volumes were up 1% and rolling mill utilization in the quarter was 88%, reflective of seasonality and severe weather conditions. Average net selling prices for finished steel products were up 11%.

ST = Short Ton, which is equivalent to 2,000 pounds

<sup>(1)</sup> See Non-GAAP Financial Measures for reconciliation to U.S. GAAP.

<sup>(2)</sup> Price information is shown after netting the cost of freight incurred to deliver the product to the customer.

<sup>(3)</sup> Nonferrous sales volumes and average nonferrous prices excludes platinum group metals (PGMs) in catalytic converters.

Operating cash flow in the second quarter of fiscal 2021 was positive, as cash flows associated with increased profitability more than offset the increase in working capital resulting from the higher price environment. Capital expenditures were \$23 million in the quarter, including investments in maintaining the business, environmental projects, advanced metal recovery technologies and other growth projects. Total debt at the end of the quarter was \$171 million and debt, net of cash, was \$159 million (for a reconciliation of adjusted results and debt, net of cash, to U.S. GAAP, see the table provided in the Non-GAAP Financial Measures section). The Company has a revolving credit facility of \$700 million and CAD\$15 million that matures in 2023. The Company's effective tax rate for the second quarter of fiscal 2021 was an expense of 20%.

During the second quarter, the Company returned capital to shareholders through its 108th consecutive quarterly dividend.

#### **Declaration of Quarterly Dividend**

The Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of \$0.1875 per common share, payable May 3, 2021, to shareholders of record on April 19, 2021. Schnitzer has paid a dividend every quarter since going public in November 1993.

#### Analysts' Conference Call: Second Quarter of Fiscal 2021

A conference call and slide presentation to discuss results will be held today, April 7, 2021, at 11:30 a.m. Eastern and will be hosted by Tamara L. Lundgren, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, and Richard Peach, Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Strategy Officer. The call and the slide presentation will be webcast and accessible on the Company's website under Company > Investors > Event Calendar at www.schnitzersteel.com/events.

Summary financial data is provided in the following pages. The slide presentation and related materials will be available prior to the call on the above website.

#### **About Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc.**

Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc. is one of the largest manufacturers and exporters of recycled metal products in North America with operating facilities located in 23 states, Puerto Rico and Western Canada. Schnitzer has seven deep water export facilities located on both the East and West Coasts and in Hawaii and Puerto Rico. The Company's integrated operating platform also includes 50 stores which sell serviceable used auto parts from salvaged vehicles and receive approximately 5 million annual retail visits. The Company's steel manufacturing operations produce finished steel products, including rebar, wire rod and other specialty products. The Company began operations in 1906 in Portland, Oregon.

# SCHNITZER STEEL INDUSTRIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(\$ in thousands, except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

		Tl	Months End	Six Months Ended						
	Feb	February 28, Novem 2021 20			Fel	bruary 29, 2020	Fe	bruary 28, 2021	February 29, 2020	
Revenues	\$	600,111	\$	492,107	\$	439,482	\$	1,092,218	\$	845,066
Cost of goods sold		487,025		420,094		380,520		907,119		745,280
Selling, general and administrative expense		54,142		49,906		46,426		104,048		93,200
(Income) from joint ventures		(454)		(727)		(190)		(1,181)		(389)
Asset impairment charges		_				402		_		2,094
Restructuring charges and other exit-related activities		814		64		4,633		878		5,100
Operating income (loss)		58,584		22,770		7,691		81,354		(219)
Interest expense		(1,224)		(1,780)		(1,320)		(3,004)		(2,743)
Other (loss) income, net		(242)		(165)		(98)		(407)		108
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes		57,118		20,825		6,273		77,943		(2,854)
Income tax (expense) benefit		(11,469)		(5,719)		(1,770)		(17,188)		764
Income (loss) from continuing operations		45,649		15,106		4,503		60,755		(2,090)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax		30		(42)		1		(12)		29
Net income (loss)		45,679		15,064		4,504		60,743		(2,061)
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		(1,091)		(960)		(621)		(2,051)		(1,051)
Net income (loss) attributable to SSI shareholders	\$	44,588	\$	14,104	\$	3,883	\$	58,692	\$	(3,112)
Net income (loss) per share attributable to SSI shareholders: Basic:										
Income (loss) per share from continuing operations	\$	1.59	\$	0.51	\$	0.14	\$	2.10	\$	(0.11)
Net income (loss) per share	\$	1.59	\$	0.51	\$	0.14	\$	2.10	\$	(0.11)
Diluted:										
Income (loss) per share from continuing operations	\$	1.54	\$	0.50	\$	0.14	\$	2.05	\$	(0.11)
Net income (loss) per share $^{(1)}$	\$	1.54	\$	0.50	\$	0.14	\$	2.05	\$	(0.11)
Weighted average number of common shares:										
Basic		27,991		27,807		27,721		27,899		27,618
Diluted		28,862		28,485		28,139		28,673		27,618
Dividends declared per common share	\$	0.1875	\$	0.1875	\$	0.1875	\$	0.3750	\$	0.3750

# SCHNITZER STEEL INDUSTRIES, INC. SELECTED OPERATING STATISTICS

(Unaudited)

					YTD
	1Q21		2Q21		2021
Total ferrous volumes (LT, in thousands) <sup>(1)</sup>	 1,053	_	977		2,030
Total nonferrous volumes (pounds, in thousands) $^{(1)(3)}$	138,236		135,899		274,135
Ferrous selling prices (\$/LT) <sup>(2)</sup>					
Domestic	\$ 242	\$	349	\$	297
Foreign	\$ 276	\$	399	\$	334
Average	\$ 269	\$	387	\$	326
Ferrous sales volume (LT, in thousands)					
Domestic	388		391		779
Foreign	665		586		1,251
Total	 1,053		977		2,030
Nonferrous average price (\$/pound)(2)(3)	\$ 0.64	\$	0.83	\$	0.74
Nonferrous sales volume (pounds, in thousands) <sup>(3)</sup>	138,236		135,899		274,135
Cars purchased (in thousands) <sup>(4)</sup>	78		80		158
Auto stores at period end	50		50		50
Finished steel average sales price (\$/ST) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 621	\$	690	\$	656
Sales volume (ST, in thousands)					
Rebar	94		103		197
Coiled products	39		32		71
Merchant bar and other	1		1		2
Finished steel products sold	 134	_	136		270
Rolling mill utilization <sup>(5)</sup>	97%	)	88%	)	93%

<sup>(1)</sup> Ferrous and nonferrous volumes sold externally and delivered to our steel mill for finished steel production.

<sup>(2)</sup> Price information is shown after netting the cost of freight incurred to deliver the product to the customer.

<sup>(3)</sup> Excludes platinum group metals ("PGMs") in catalytic converters.

<sup>(4)</sup> Cars purchased by auto parts stores only.

<sup>(5)</sup> Rolling mill utilization is based on effective annual production capacity under current conditions of 580 thousand tons of finished steel products.

## SCHNITZER STEEL INDUSTRIES, INC. SELECTED OPERATING STATISTICS

(Unaudited)

	1Q20		2Q20		3Q20		4Q20		Fiscal Year 2020 <sup>(1)</sup>
Total ferrous volumes (LT, in thousands) <sup>(2)</sup>	 976		988		927		1,063		3,954
Total nonferrous volumes (pounds, in thousands) <sup>(2)(5)</sup>	144,176		124,342		122,913		159,135		550,566
Ferrous selling prices (\$/LT) <sup>(3)</sup>									
Domestic	\$ 196	\$	244	\$	222	\$	214	\$	220
Foreign	\$ 229	\$	258	\$	236	\$	242	\$	241
Average	\$ 222	\$	255	\$	233	\$	236	\$	237
Ferrous sales volume (LT, in thousands)									
Domestic	363		379		312		375		1,429
Foreign	613		609		616		688		2,525
Total <sup>(4)</sup>	 976		988		927		1,063		3,954
Nonferrous average price (\$/pound)(3)(5)	\$ 0.54	\$	0.55	\$	0.54	\$	0.56	\$	0.55
Nonferrous sales volume (pounds, in thousands) <sup>(5)</sup>	144,176		124,342		122,913		159,135		550,566
Cars purchased (in thousands) <sup>(6)</sup>	83		85		74		74		316
Auto stores at period end	51		51		49		50		50
Finished steel average sales price (\$/ST) <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 643	\$	627	\$	633	\$	618	\$	630
Sales volume (ST, in thousands)									
Rebar	83		86		85		105		358
Coiled products	29		42		39		34		144
Merchant bar and other	1		1		1		_		3
Finished steel products sold <sup>(4)</sup>	 114		129		124		139		505
Rolling mill utilization <sup>(7)</sup>	85%	,	72%	)	91%	)	96%	1	86%

LT = Long Ton, which is equivalent to 2,240 pounds ST = Short Ton, which is equivalent to 2,000 pounds

- (1) The sum of quarterly amounts may not agree to full year equivalent due to rounding.
- (2) Ferrous and nonferrous volumes sold externally and delivered to our steel mill for finished steel production.
- (3) Price information is shown after netting the cost of freight incurred to deliver the product to the customer.
- (4) May not foot due to rounding.
- (5) Excludes platinum group metals ("PGMs") in catalytic converters.
- (6) Cars purchased by auto parts stores only.
- (7) Rolling mill utilization is based on effective annual production capacity under current conditions of 580 thousand tons of finished steel products.

# SCHNITZER STEEL INDUSTRIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(\$ in thousands) (Unaudited)

	Fel	bruary 28, 2021		August 31, 2020
<u>Assets</u>		_		
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	11,326	\$	17,887
Accounts receivable, net		210,480		139,147
Inventories		252,268		157,269
Other current assets		41,159		48,328
Total current assets		515,233		362,631
Property, plant and equipment, net		502,484		487,004
Operating lease right-of-use assets		136,278		140,584
Goodwill and other assets		251,334		239,708
Total assets	\$	1,405,329	\$	1,229,927
<u>Liabilities and Equity</u>				
Current liabilities:				
Short-term borrowings	\$	2,372	\$	2,184
Operating lease liabilities		20,279		19,760
Other current liabilities		241,831		201,720
Total current liabilities		264,482		223,664
Long-term debt, net of current maturities		168,441		102,235
Operating lease liabilities, net of current maturities		119,751		125,001
Other long-term liabilities		118,616		98,591
Total liabilities		671,290		549,491
Total Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc. ("SSI") shareholders' equity		729,842		676,707
Noncontrolling interests		4,197		3,729
Total equity		734,039	-	680,436
Total liabilities and equity	\$	1,405,329	\$	1,229,927

#### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

This press release contains performance based on adjusted diluted earnings (loss) per share from continuing operations attributable to SSI shareholders, adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDA per ferrous ton which are non-GAAP financial measures as defined under SEC rules. As required by SEC rules, the Company has provided a reconciliation of these measures for each period discussed to the most directly comparable U.S. GAAP measure. Management believes that providing these non-GAAP financial measures adds a meaningful presentation of our results from business operations excluding adjustments for restructuring charges and other exit-related activities, (recoveries) charges for legacy environmental matters (net of recoveries), business development costs not related to ongoing operations, asset impairment charges and the income tax (benefit) expense allocated to these adjustments, items which are not related to underlying business operational performance, and improves the period-to-period comparability of our results from business operations. We believe that presenting debt, net of cash is useful to investors as a measure of our leverage, as cash and cash equivalents can be used, among other things, to repay indebtedness. These non-GAAP financial measures should be considered in addition to, but not as a substitute for, the most directly comparable U.S. GAAP measures.

Reconciliation of adjusted diluted earnings (loss) per share from continuing operations attributable to SSI shareholders

(\$ per share) Three Months Ended						Six Months Ended				
	2Q21		1Q21		2	2Q20		2021		2020
As reported	\$	1.54	\$	0.50	\$	0.14	\$	2.05	\$	(0.11)
Restructuring charges and other exit-related activities, per share		0.03		_		0.16		0.03		0.18
(Recoveries) charges for legacy environmental matters, net, per share <sup>(1)</sup>		(80.0)		0.10		0.02		0.02		0.06
Business development costs, per share		_		_		0.03		_		0.03
Asset impairment charges, per share		_		_		0.01		_		0.08
Income tax expense (benefit) allocated to adjustments, per share <sup>(2)</sup>		0.01		(0.02)		(0.05)		(0.01)		(0.09)
Adjusted <sup>(3)</sup>	\$	1.51	\$	0.57	\$	0.31	\$	2.09	\$	0.14

Reconciliation of adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDA per ferrous ton

(\$ in millions)	<b>Three Months Ended</b>						Six Months Ended			
	2Q21 1Q21 2Q20					2021			2020	
Net income (loss)	\$	46	\$	15	\$	5	\$	61	\$	(2)
Plus interest expense		1		2		1		3		3
Plus tax expense (benefit)		11		6		2		17		(1)
Plus depreciation and amortization		14		15		14		29		28
Plus restructuring charges and other exit-related activities		1		_		5		1		5
Plus (recoveries) charges for legacy environmental matters, net <sup>(1)</sup>		(2)		3		_		1		2
Plus business development costs		_		_		1		_		1
Plus asset impairment charges		_		_		_		_		2
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(3)</sup>	\$	71	\$	40	\$	28	\$	112	\$	38
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Ferrous sales volume (LT, in thousands)		977		1,053		988		2,030		1,964
Adjusted EBITDA per ferrous ton sold (\$/LT)	\$	73	\$	38	\$	29	\$	55	\$	19

#### LT = Long Ton, which is equivalent to 2,240 pounds

- (1) Legal and environmental (recoveries) charges for legacy environmental matters, net of recoveries. Legacy environmental matters include (recoveries) charges (net of recoveries) related to the Portland Harbor Superfund site and to other legacy environmental loss contingencies.
- (2) Income tax allocated to the aggregate adjustments reconciling reported and adjusted diluted earnings (loss) per share from continuing operations attributable to SSI shareholders is determined based on a tax provision calculated with and without the adjustments.
- (3) May not foot due to rounding.

#### Reconciliation of debt, net of cash

(\$ in thousands)

	Febr	uary 28, 2021	Novem	ıber 30, 2020	Au	ugust 31, 2020
Short-term borrowings	\$	2,372	\$	2,171	\$	2,184
Long-term debt, net of current maturities		168,441		141,172		102,235
Total debt		170,813	. '-	143,343		104,419
Less: cash and cash equivalents		11,326		7,258		17,887
Total debt, net of cash	\$	159,487	\$	136,085	\$	86,532

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

Statements and information included in this press release that are not purely historical are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and are made pursuant to the "safe harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Except as noted herein or as the context may otherwise require, all references in this press release to "we," "our," "us," "the Company" and "SSI" refer to Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries.

Forward-looking statements in this press release include statements regarding future events or our expectations, intentions, beliefs and strategies regarding the future, which may include statements regarding the impact of pandemics, epidemics or other public health emergencies, such as the coronavirus disease 2019 ("COVID-19") pandemic; the Company's outlook, growth initiatives or expected results or objectives, including pricing, margins, sales volumes and profitability; liquidity positions; our ability to generate cash from continuing operations; trends, cyclicality and changes in the markets we sell into; strategic direction or goals; targets; changes to manufacturing and production processes; the realization of deferred tax assets; planned capital expenditures; the cost of and the status of any agreements or actions related to our compliance with environmental and other laws; expected tax rates, deductions and credits; the impact of sanctions and tariffs, quotas and other trade actions and import restrictions; the potential impact of adopting new accounting pronouncements; obligations under our retirement plans; benefits, savings or additional costs from business realignment, cost containment and productivity improvement programs; and the adequacy of accruals.

Forward-looking statements by their nature address matters that are, to different degrees, uncertain, and often contain words such as "outlook," "target," "aim," "believes," "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "assumes," "estimates," "evaluates," "may," "will," "should," "could," "opinions," "forecasts," "projects," "plans," "future," "forward," "potential," "probable," and similar expressions. However, the absence of these words or similar expressions does not mean that a statement is not forward-looking.

We may make other forward-looking statements from time to time, including in reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, press releases, presentations and on public conference calls. All forward-looking statements we make are based on information available to us at the time the statements are made, and we assume no obligation to update any forward-looking statements, except as may be required by law. Our business is subject to the effects of changes in domestic and global economic conditions and a number of other risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those included in, or implied by, such forward-looking statements. Some of these risks and uncertainties are discussed in "Item 1A. Risk Factors" of Part I of our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, as supplemented by our subsequently filed Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. Examples of these risks include: the impact of pandemics, epidemics or other public health emergencies, such as the COVID-19 pandemic; potential environmental cleanup costs related to the Portland Harbor Superfund site or other locations; the cyclicality and impact of general economic conditions; changing conditions in global markets including the impact of sanctions and tariffs, quotas and other trade actions and import restrictions; volatile supply and demand conditions affecting prices and volumes in the markets for raw materials and other inputs we purchase; significant decreases in scrap metal prices; imbalances in supply and demand conditions in the global steel industry; reliance on third party shipping companies, including with respect to freight rates and the availability of transportation; inability to obtain or renew business licenses and permits; the impact of goodwill impairment charges; the impact of long-lived asset and equity investment impairment charges; failure to realize or delays in realizing expected benefits from investments in processing and manufacturing technology improvements; inability to achieve or sustain the benefits from productivity, cost savings and restructuring initiatives; inability to renew facility leases; difficulties associated with acquisitions and integration of acquired businesses; customer fulfillment of their contractual obligations; increases in the relative value of the U.S. dollar; the impact of foreign currency fluctuations; potential limitations on our ability to access capital resources and existing credit facilities; restrictions on our business and financial covenants under the agreement governing our bank credit facilities; the impact of consolidation in the steel industry; the impact of equipment upgrades, equipment failures and facility damage on production; product liability claims; the impact of legal proceedings and legal compliance; the adverse impact of climate change; the impact of not realizing deferred tax assets; the impact of tax increases and changes in tax rules; the impact of property tax increases or property tax rate changes; the impact of one or more cybersecurity incidents; environmental compliance costs and potential environmental liabilities; compliance with climate change and greenhouse gas emission laws and regulations; reliance on employees subject to collective bargaining agreements; and the impact of the underfunded status of multiemployer plans in which we participate.

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