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SS&C Technologies Releases Q4 and Full Year 2020 Earnings Results

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Q4 2020 GAAP revenue \$1,203.4 million, flat, Fully Diluted GAAP Earnings Per Share \$0.74, up 37.0%

Adjusted revenue \$1,206.1 million, down 0.5%, Adjusted Diluted Earnings Per Share \$1.13, up 4.6%

WINDSOR, Conn., Feb. 10, 2021 /PRNewswire/ -- SS&C Technologies Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: SSNC), a global provider of investment, financial, and healthcare software-enabled services and software, today announced its financial results for the fourth quarter and full year ended December 31, 2020.



(in millions, except per share data):	Three Months Ended December 31, 2020	Three Months Ended December 31, 2019	Change	Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2020	Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2019	Change
GAAP Results						
Revenue	\$1,203.4	\$1,203.5	(0.0)%	\$4,667.9	\$4,632.9	0.8%
Operating income	268.7	261.3	2.8%	985.8	914.4	7.8%
Operating income margin	22.3%	21.7%	60 bp	21.1%	19.7%	140 bp
Diluted earnings per share	\$0.74	\$0.54	37.0%	\$2.35	\$1.66	41.6%
Adjusted Non-GAAP Results (defined in Notes 1 - 4 below)						
Adjusted revenue	\$1,206.1	\$1,212.2	(0.5)%	\$4,681.1	\$4,668.8	0.3%
Adjusted operating income	458.8	470.0	(2.4)%	1,781.9	1,742.7	2.2%
Adjusted operating income margin	38.0%	38.8%	(80 bp)	38.1%	37.3%	80 bp
Adjusted diluted earnings per share	\$1.13	\$1.08	4.6%	\$4.30	\$3.83	12.3%

Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2020 Highlights:

- SS&C generated net cash from operating activities of \$1,184.7 million for the twelve months ended December 31, 2020.
- We paid down \$738.2 million in debt in 2020 to bring our net leverage ratio and net secured leverage ratio to 3.39 times and 2.31 times consolidated EBITDA, respectively.
- Repurchased 3.7 million shares of common stock in 2020 at an average price of \$60.99 per shares for \$227.7 million.
- SS&C spent \$471.0 million on research & development and capitalized software in 2020, and acquired three businesses for \$138.9 million, a total of over \$600 million.
- Launched SS&C's Blue Sky Portal, a dedicated cloud-based technology solution to help investment managers comply with state Blue Sky laws.
- SS&C Health completed the new COVAX Program, focused on ensuring the successful completion of the

COVID Vaccine series for members receiving the vaccination from SS&C Health partner pharmacies.

"SS&C's 2020 financial results prove the resiliency of our business model, the stability of our client base, and the dedication of our workforce. Despite the many challenges this year presented, we were able to grow earnings in the double digits, hold margins steady, complete three acquisitions, while keeping our employees safe," says Bill Stone, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "SS&C generates nearly 25% of our revenue in operating cash, which demonstrates the power of our business model. 2021 is the third year anniversary of our 2018 deployment of \$8.3 billion in capital to acquire DST Systems, Eze Software, and Intralinks. Our adjusted earnings per share have grown from \$1.93 in 2017, to \$2.92 in 2018, to \$3.83 in 2019 and \$4.30 in 2020. The 4-year compounded growth rate in adjusted earnings per share is 22.2%. We believe cash from operations and adjusted earnings per share are good proxies for the health of our business."

"We have also been meeting with major shareholders and have begun a significant change to our executive compensation system and overall corporate governance. SS&C has a 35-year history of adapting to change and in February of 2021 we have never had more opportunity, more resources to pursue these opportunities, or a more talented workforce. I want to thank our employees, customers and suppliers for focusing, collaborating and accomplishing our 2020 goals. We look at 2021 with increased optimism."

Operating Cash Flow

SS&C generated net cash from operating activities of \$1,184.7 million for the twelve months ended December 31, 2020, compared to \$1,328.3 million for the same period in 2019. SS&C ended the fourth quarter with \$209.3 million in cash and cash equivalents and \$6,504.9 million in gross debt, for a net debt balance of \$6,295.6 million. SS&C's consolidated net leverage ratio as defined in our credit agreement stood at 3.39 times consolidated EBITDA as of December 31, 2020. SS&C's net secured leverage ratio stood at 2.31 times consolidated EBITDA as of December 31, 2020.

SS&C's COVID-19 Response

SS&C is operating in a global public health crisis. Covid-19's impact is devastating to many and nations are being tested from human and economic perspectives. As long as the duration and scale of the pandemic and economic slowdown remains we expect markets to be volatile. The slowdown in the global economy will take time to recover.

Guidance

	Q1 2021	FY 2021
Adjusted Revenue (\$M)	\$1,158.0 – \$1,198.0	\$4,685.0 – \$4,875.0
Adjusted Net Income (\$M)	\$281.5 – \$298.5	\$1,185.0 – \$1,270.0
Adjusted Diluted Earnings per Share	\$1.05 – \$1.11	\$4.36 – \$4.64
Cash from Operating Activities (\$M)	–	\$1,240.0 – \$1,320.0
Capital Expenditures (% of revenue)	–	2.6% – 3.0%
Diluted Shares (M)	269.0 – 270.0	271.5 – 274.0
Effective Income Tax Rate (%)	26%	26%

SS&C does not provide reconciliations of guidance for Adjusted Revenues and Adjusted Net Income to comparable GAAP measures, in reliance on the unreasonable efforts exception provided under Item 10(e)(1)(i)(B) of Regulation S-K. SS&C is unable, without unreasonable efforts, to forecast certain items required to develop meaningful comparable GAAP financial measures. These items include acquisition transactions and integration, foreign exchange rate changes, as well as other non-cash and other adjustments as defined under the Company's Credit agreement, that are difficult to predict in advance in order to include in a GAAP estimate. The unavailable information could have a significant impact on Q1 2021 and FY 2021 GAAP financial results.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Adjusted revenue, adjusted operating income, adjusted consolidated EBITDA, adjusted net income and adjusted diluted earnings per share are non-GAAP measures. See the accompanying notes for the reconciliations and definitions for each of these non-GAAP measures and the reasons our management believes these measures provide useful information to investors regarding our financial condition and results of operations.

Earnings Call and Press Release

SS&C's Q4 2020 earnings call will take place at 5:00 p.m. eastern time today, February 10, 2021. The call will discuss Q4 2020 results and business outlook. Interested parties may dial 844-343-4183 (US and Canada) or 647-689-5128 (International), and request the "SS&C Technologies Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2020 Conference Call"; conference ID # 1458468. In connection with the earnings call, a presentation will be available on SS&C's website at <http://investor.ssctech.com/results.cfm>. A replay will be available after 10:00 p.m. eastern time on February 10, 2021, until midnight on February 17, 2021. The replay dial-in number is 800-585-8367 or 416-621-4642; access code # 1458468. The call will also be available for replay on SS&C's website after February 10, 2021; access:

<http://investor.ssctech.com/results.cfm>.

Certain information contained in this press release relating to, among other things, the Company's financial guidance for the first quarter and full year of 2021 constitute forward-looking statements for purposes of the safe harbor provisions under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements include statements concerning plans, objectives, goals, strategies, expectations, intentions, projections, developments, future events, performance, underlying assumptions, and other statements that are other than statements of historical facts. Without limiting the foregoing, the words "believes", "anticipates", "plans", "expects", "estimates", "projects", "forecasts", "may", "assume", "intend", "will", "continue", "opportunity", "predict", "potential", "future", "guarantee", "likely", "target", "indicate", "would", "could" and "should" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements are accompanied by such words. Such statements reflect management's best judgment based on factors currently known but are subject to risks and uncertainties, which could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated. Such risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the state of the economy and the financial services industry and other industries in which the Company's clients operate, the Company's ability to realize anticipated benefits from its acquisitions, including DST Systems, Inc., the effect of customer consolidation on demand for the Company's products and services, the increasing focus of the Company's business on the hedge fund industry, the variability of revenue as a result of activity in the securities markets, the ability to retain and attract clients, fluctuations in customer demand for the Company's products and services, the intensity of competition with respect to the Company's products and services, the exposure to litigation and other claims, terrorist activities and other catastrophic events, disruptions, attacks or failures affecting the Company's software-enabled services, risks associated with the Company's foreign operations, privacy concerns relating to the collection and storage of personal information, evolving regulations and increased scrutiny from regulators, the Company's ability to protect intellectual property assets and litigation regarding intellectual property rights, delays in product development, investment decisions concerning cash balances, regulatory and tax risks, risks associated with the Company's joint ventures, changes in accounting standards, risks related to the Company's substantial indebtedness, the market price of the Company's stock prevailing from time to time, and the risks discussed in the "Risk Factors" section of the Company's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, which are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission and can also be accessed on our website. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which they are made and, except to the extent required by applicable securities laws, we undertake no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements.

About SS&C Technologies

SS&C is a global provider of services and software for the financial services and healthcare industries. Founded in 1986, SS&C is headquartered in Windsor, Connecticut, and has offices around the world. Some 18,000 financial

services and healthcare organizations, from the world's largest companies to small and mid-market firms, rely on SS&C for expertise, scale, and technology.

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SS&C Technologies Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income
(in millions, except per share data)
(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended December 31,		Twelve Months Ended December 31,	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
Revenues:				
	\$ 998.4	\$ 974.5	\$ 3,891.3	\$ 3,869.2
Software-enabled services	205.0	229.0	776.6	763.7
License, maintenance and related	1,203.4	1,203.5	4,667.9	4,632.9
Total revenues				
Cost of revenues:				
	572.3	577.8	2,257.3	2,305.7
Software-enabled services	80.5	80.2	316.8	306.0
License, maintenance and related	652.8	658.0	2,574.1	2,611.7
Total cost of revenues				
Gross profit	550.6	545.5	2,093.8	2,021.2
Operating expenses:				
	95.4	92.6	356.3	353.9
Selling and marketing	100.7	100.4	399.4	383.7
Research and development	85.8	91.2	352.3	369.2
General and administrative	281.9	284.2	1,108.0	1,106.8
Total operating expenses				
Operating income	268.7	261.3	985.8	914.4
	(53.3)	(100.5)	(245.9)	(404.9)

Interest expense, net	22.8	(1.4)	41.6	25.7
Other income (expense), net	(1.4)	1.5	(1.5)	3.6
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates, net	(2.0)	—	(4.2)	(7.1)
Loss on extinguishment of debt				
Income before income taxes	<u>234.8</u>	<u>160.9</u>	<u>775.8</u>	<u>531.7</u>
	37.7	19.3	150.6	93.2
Provision for income taxes				
Net income	<u>\$ 197.1</u>	<u>\$ 141.6</u>	<u>\$ 625.2</u>	<u>\$ 438.5</u>
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.77	\$ 0.56	\$ 2.44	\$ 1.73
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.74	\$ 0.54	\$ 2.35	\$ 1.66
Basic weighted average number of common shares outstanding	256.7	253.5	256.4	252.9
Diluted weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	268.1	264.4	266.6	264.2
Net income	\$ 197.1	\$ 141.6	\$ 625.2	\$ 438.5
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:				
	0.1	0.5	(2.7)	(2.8)
Change in unrealized gain (loss) on interest rate swaps	(3.2)	—	(3.2)	—
Defined benefit pension adjustment	103.8	124.6	57.9	92.8
Foreign currency exchange translation adjustment				
Total other comprehensive income, net of tax	<u>100.7</u>	<u>125.1</u>	<u>52.0</u>	<u>90.0</u>
Comprehensive income	<u>\$ 297.8</u>	<u>\$ 266.7</u>	<u>\$ 677.2</u>	<u>\$ 528.5</u>

SS&C Technologies Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

(in millions)

(unaudited)

	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
Assets		
Current assets:		
	\$ 209.3	\$ 152.8
Cash and cash equivalents	1,227.4	1,729.9
Funds receivable and funds held on behalf of clients	648.0	669.7
Accounts receivable, net	20.4	20.0
Contract asset	187.5	204.5
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	5.9	9.0
Restricted cash	2,298.5	2,785.9
Total current assets		
Property, plant and equipment, net	412.8	466.4
Operating lease right-of-use assets	350.8	375.3
Investments	183.5	160.1
Unconsolidated affiliates	225.6	234.8
Contract asset	82.0	78.6
Goodwill	8,078.7	7,959.9
Intangible and other assets, net	4,291.7	4,680.1
	\$ 15,923.6	\$ 16,741.1
Total assets		
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Current liabilities:		
	\$ 53.9	\$ 76.3
Current portion of long-term debt	1,227.4	1,729.9
Client funds obligations	28.1	36.9
Accounts payable	9.3	13.3
Income taxes payable	311.5	290.6
Accrued employee compensation and benefits	27.5	27.6

Interest payable	293.1	268.4
Other accrued expenses	332.5	333.2
Deferred revenue	<u>2,283.3</u>	<u>2,776.2</u>
Total current liabilities		
Long-term debt, net of current portion	6,388.5	7,077.8
Operating lease liabilities	323.6	348.6
Other long-term liabilities	287.9	333.7
Deferred income taxes	923.8	1,088.7
	<u>10,207.1</u>	<u>11,625.0</u>
Total liabilities		
Total stockholders' equity	5,716.5	5,116.1
	<u>\$ 15,923.6</u>	<u>\$ 16,741.1</u>
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity		

SS&C Technologies Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(in millions)

(unaudited)

Twelve Months Ended December 31,

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Cash flow from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 625.2	\$ 438.5
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	725.3	775.2
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates, net	1.5	(3.6)
Cash distributions received from unconsolidated affiliates	8.0	2.5
	87.8	72.4

Stock-based compensation expense	(24.2)	(35.1)
Net gains on investments	13.8	28.4
Amortization and write-offs of loan origination costs and original issue discounts	4.1	—
Loss on extinguishment of debt, net	4.6	2.6
Loss on sale or disposition of property and equipment	(155.4)	(87.1)
Deferred income taxes	7.7	6.2
Provision for doubtful accounts		
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, excluding effects from acquisitions:	24.3	9.9
Accounts receivable	(86.9)	49.1
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(2.5)	(48.1)
Contract assets	(13.1)	(0.7)
Accounts payable	(8.2)	(43.2)
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	31.4	(35.0)
Income taxes prepaid and payable	(58.7)	196.3
Deferred revenue		
	1,184.7	1,328.3
Net cash provided by operating activities		
Cash flow from investing activities:		
	(116.0)	(94.1)
Cash paid for business acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(34.8)	(63.0)
Additions to property and equipment	2.3	6.2
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment	(71.6)	(67.4)
Additions to capitalized software	(60.9)	(0.3)
Investments in securities	60.3	65.1
Proceeds from sales / maturities of investments	(0.1)	2.8
(Contributions to) distributions received from unconsolidated affiliates	10.3	10.2
Collection of other non-current receivables		
	(210.5)	(140.5)
Net cash used in investing activities		
Cash flow from financing activities:		
	286.0	2,241.0
Cash received from debt borrowings	(1,024.2)	(3,364.8)
Repayments of debt	—	(6.1)

Fees paid for debt extinguishment and refinancing activities	(504.9)	681.6
Net (decrease) increase in client funds obligations	189.7	125.7
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	(10.9)	(22.8)
Withholding taxes paid related to equity award net share settlement	(227.7)	(60.3)
Purchases of common stock for treasury	(136.1)	(107.7)
Dividends paid on common stock	<u>(1,428.1)</u>	<u>(513.4)</u>
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>2.4</u>	<u>1.7</u>
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash Net decrease (increase) in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	<u>(451.5)</u>	<u>676.1</u>
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of period	1,789.4	1,113.3
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash and cash equivalents, end of period	<u>\$ 1,337.9</u>	<u>\$ 1,789.4</u>
Reconciliation of cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash and cash equivalents:		
	\$ 209.3	\$ 152.8
Cash and cash equivalents	5.9	9.0
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	1,122.7	1,627.6
Restricted cash and cash equivalents included in funds receivable and funds held on behalf of clients	<u>\$ 1,337.9</u>	<u>\$ 1,789.4</u>

SS&C Technologies Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries Disclosures Relating to Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Note 1. Reconciliation of Revenues to Adjusted Revenues

Adjusted revenues represents revenues adjusted to include a) amounts that would have been recognized if deferred revenue were not adjusted to fair value at the date of acquisition and b) amounts that would have been recognized if not for adjustments to deferred revenue and retained earnings related to the adoption of ASC 606. Adjusted revenues is presented because we use this measure to evaluate performance of our business against prior periods and believe it is a useful indicator of the underlying performance of our business. Adjusted revenues is not a recognized term under generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). Adjusted revenues does not represent revenues, as that term is defined under GAAP, and should not be considered as an alternative to revenues as an indicator of our operating performance. Adjusted revenues as presented herein is not necessarily

comparable to similarly titled measures presented by other companies. Below is a reconciliation of adjusted revenues to revenues, the GAAP measure we believe to be most directly comparable to adjusted revenues.

(in millions)	Three Months Ended December 31,		Twelve Months Ended December 31,	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
Revenues	\$ 1,203.4	\$ 1,203.5	\$ 4,667.9	\$ 4,632.9
ASC 606 adoption impact	0.7	6.6	4.9	18.7
Purchase accounting adjustments impact on revenue	2.0	2.1	8.3	17.2
Adjusted revenues	\$ 1,206.1	\$ 1,212.2	\$ 4,681.1	\$ 4,668.8

The following is a breakdown of software-enabled services and license, maintenance and related revenues and adjusted software-enabled services and license, maintenance and related revenues.

(in millions)	Three Months Ended December 31,		Twelve Months Ended December 31,	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
Software-enabled services	\$ 998.4	\$ 974.5	\$ 3,891.3	\$ 3,869.2
License, maintenance and related	205.0	229.0	776.6	763.7
Total revenues	\$ 1,203.4	\$ 1,203.5	\$ 4,667.9	\$ 4,632.9
Software-enabled services	\$ 1,000.3	\$ 976.4	\$ 3,898.6	\$ 3,886.8
License, maintenance and related	205.8	235.8	782.5	782.0
Total adjusted revenues	\$ 1,206.1	\$ 1,212.2	\$ 4,681.1	\$ 4,668.8

Note 2. Reconciliation of Operating Income to Adjusted Operating Income

Adjusted operating income represents operating income adjusted for amortization of intangible assets, stock-based compensation, purchase accounting adjustments for deferred revenue and related costs, ASC 606 adoption impact and other expenses. Adjusted operating income is presented because we use this measure to evaluate performance of our business and believe it is a useful indicator of our underlying performance. Adjusted operating income is not a recognized term under GAAP. Adjusted operating income does not represent operating income, as that term is defined under GAAP, and should not be considered as an alternative to operating income as an indicator of our operating performance. Adjusted operating income as presented herein is not necessarily comparable to similarly titled measures by other companies. The following is a reconciliation between adjusted operating income and operating income, the GAAP measure we believe to be most directly comparable to adjusted operating income.

(in millions)	Three Months Ended December 31,		Twelve Months Ended December 31,	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
Operating income	\$ 268.7	\$ 261.3	\$ 985.8	\$ 914.4
Amortization of intangible assets	155.8	162.2	619.7	652.0
Stock-based compensation	21.9	16.7	87.8	72.4
Purchase accounting adjustments (1)	10.2	11.2	40.3	52.1
ASC 606 adoption impact	0.8	6.7	5.2	19.0
Other (2)	1.4	11.9	43.1	32.8
Adjusted operating income	\$ 458.8	\$ 470.0	\$ 1,781.9	\$ 1,742.7

(1) Purchase accounting adjustments include (a) an adjustment to increase revenues by the amount that would have been recognized if deferred revenue were not adjusted to fair value at the date of acquisition, (b) an adjustment to increase personnel and commissions expense by the amount that would have been recognized if prepaid commissions and deferred personnel costs were not adjusted to fair value at the date of the acquisitions and (c) an adjustment to decrease depreciation expense by the amount that would not have been recognized if property, plant and equipment were not adjusted to fair value at the date of acquisition.

(2) Other includes expenses and income that are permitted to be excluded per the terms of our Credit Agreement from Consolidated EBITDA, a financial measure used in calculating our covenant compliance. These include expenses and income related to foreign currency transactions, facilities and workforce restructuring, legal settlements and business acquisitions.

Note 3. Reconciliation of Net Income to EBITDA, Consolidated EBITDA and Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA

EBITDA represents net income before interest expense, income taxes, depreciation and amortization. Consolidated EBITDA, defined under our Credit Agreement entered into in April 2018, as amended, is used in calculating covenant compliance, and is EBITDA adjusted for certain items. Consolidated EBITDA is calculated by subtracting from or adding to EBITDA items of income or expense described below. Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA is calculated by subtracting acquired EBITDA (as defined below) from Consolidated EBITDA. EBITDA, Consolidated EBITDA and Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA are presented because we use these measures to evaluate performance of our business and believe them to be useful indicators of an entity's debt capacity and its ability to service debt.

EBITDA, Consolidated EBITDA and Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA are not recognized terms under GAAP and should not be considered in isolation or as alternatives to operating income, net income or cash flows from operating activities as indicators of our operating performance. These measures are not necessarily comparable to similarly titled measures by other companies. The following is a reconciliation of EBITDA, Consolidated EBITDA and Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA to net income.

(in millions)	Three Months Ended December 31,		Twelve Months Ended December 31,	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
Net income	\$ 197.1	\$ 141.6	\$ 625.2	\$ 438.5
Interest expense, net	53.3	100.5	245.9	404.9
Provision for income taxes	37.7	19.3	150.6	93.2
Depreciation and amortization	181.2	192.4	725.3	775.2
	<u>469.3</u>	<u>453.8</u>	<u>1,747.0</u>	<u>1,711.8</u>
EBITDA				
Stock-based compensation	21.9	16.7	87.8	72.4
Acquired EBITDA and cost savings (1)	—	3.9	2.3	49.6
Non-cash portion of straight-line rent expense	0.1	(0.1)	(0.1)	0.1
Loss on extinguishment of debt	2.0	—	4.2	7.1
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates, net	1.4	(1.5)	1.5	(3.6)
Purchase accounting adjustments (2)	1.7	1.6	6.9	14.0
ASC 606 adoption impact	0.8	6.7	5.2	19.0

Other (3)	(21.4)	13.3	1.5	7.1
	<u>\$ 475.8</u>	<u>\$ 494.4</u>	<u>\$ 1,856.3</u>	<u>\$ 1,877.5</u>
Consolidated EBITDA				
Less: acquired EBITDA and cost savings (1)	—	(3.9)	(2.3)	(49.6)
	<u>\$ 475.8</u>	<u>\$ 490.5</u>	<u>\$ 1,854.0</u>	<u>\$ 1,827.9</u>
Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>


- (1) Acquired EBITDA reflects the EBITDA impact of significant businesses that were acquired during the period as if the acquisition occurred at the beginning of the period, as well as cost savings enacted in connection with acquisitions.
- (2) Purchase accounting adjustments include (a) an adjustment to increase revenues by the amount that would have been recognized if deferred revenue were not adjusted to fair value at the date of acquisition and (b) an adjustment to increase personnel and commissions expense by the amount that would have been recognized if prepaid commissions and deferred personnel costs were not adjusted to fair value at the date of the acquisitions.
- (3) Other includes expenses and income that are permitted to be excluded per the terms of our Credit Agreement from Consolidated EBITDA, a financial measure used in calculating our covenant compliance. These include expenses and income related to foreign currency transactions, investment gains and losses, facilities and workforce restructuring, legal settlements, business acquisitions and other items.

Note 4. Reconciliation of Net Income to Adjusted Net Income and Diluted Earnings Per Share to Adjusted Diluted Earnings Per Share

Adjusted net income and adjusted diluted earnings per share represent net income and earnings per share before amortization of intangible assets and deferred financing costs, stock-based compensation, purchase accounting adjustments and other items. We consider adjusted net income and adjusted diluted earnings per share to be important to management and investors because they represent our operational performance exclusive of the effects of amortization of intangible assets and deferred financing costs, stock-based compensation, purchase accounting adjustments, loss on extinguishment of debt and other items, that are not operational in nature or comparable to those of our competitors. Adjusted net income and adjusted diluted earnings per share are not recognized terms under GAAP. Adjusted net income and adjusted diluted earnings per share do not represent net income or diluted earnings per share, as those terms are defined under GAAP, and should not be considered as alternatives to net income or diluted earnings per share as indicators of our operating performance. Adjusted net income and adjusted diluted earnings per share as presented herein are not necessarily comparable to similarly titled measures presented by other companies. Below is a reconciliation of adjusted net income and adjusted diluted earnings per share to net income and diluted earnings per share, the GAAP measures we believe to be most directly comparable to adjusted net income and adjusted diluted earnings per share.

(in millions, except per share data)	Three Months Ended December 31,		Twelve Months Ended December 31,	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
GAAP – Net income	\$ 197.1	\$ 141.6	\$ 625.2	\$ 438.5
Plus: Amortization of intangible assets	155.8	162.2	619.7	652.0
Plus: Amortization of deferred financing costs and original issue discount	3.4	15.1	13.8	28.4
Plus: Stock-based compensation	21.9	16.7	87.8	72.4
Plus: Loss on extinguishment of debt	2.0	—	4.2	7.1
Plus: Purchase accounting adjustments (1)	10.2	11.2	40.3	52.1
Plus: ASC 606 adoption impact	0.8	6.7	5.2	19.0
Plus (Less): Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates, net	1.4	(1.5)	1.5	(3.6)
(Less) Plus: Other (2)	(21.4)	13.3	1.5	7.1
Income tax effect (3)	(68.6)	(80.7)	(252.4)	(262.1)
Adjusted net income	\$ 302.6	\$ 284.6	\$ 1,146.8	\$ 1,010.9
Adjusted diluted earnings per share	\$ 1.13	\$ 1.08	\$ 4.30	\$ 3.83
GAAP diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.74	\$ 0.54	\$ 2.35	\$ 1.66
Diluted weighted-average shares outstanding	268.1	264.4	266.6	264.2

- (1) Purchase accounting adjustments include (a) an adjustment to increase revenues by the amount that would have been recognized if deferred revenue were not adjusted to fair value at the date of acquisition, (b) an adjustment to increase personnel and commissions expense by the amount that would have been recognized if prepaid commissions and deferred personnel costs were not adjusted to fair value at the date of the acquisitions and (c) an adjustment to decrease depreciation expense by the amount that would not have been recognized if property, plant and equipment were not adjusted to fair value at the date of acquisition.
- (2) Other includes expenses and income that are permitted to be excluded per the terms of our Credit Agreement from Consolidated EBITDA, a financial measure used in calculating our covenant compliance. These include expenses and income related to foreign currency transactions, investment gains and losses, facilities and workforce restructuring, legal settlements, business acquisitions and other items.
- (3) An estimated normalized effective tax rate of approximately 26% for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively, has been used to adjust the provision for income taxes for the purpose of computing adjusted net income.

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