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CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) January 25, 2019

COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<u>Delaware</u>	<u>1-644</u>	<u>13-1815595</u>
(State or Other Jurisdiction	(Commission	(IRS Employer
of Incorporation)	File Number)	Identification No.
300 Park Avenue, Nev	<u>10022</u>	
(Address of Principal Exe	(Zip Code)	

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (212) 310-2000

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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On January 25, 2019, Colgate-Palmolive Company (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its earnings for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2018. This press release is attached as Exhibit 99 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information in Item 2.02 of this Current Report is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in Item 2.02 of this Current Report shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) *Exhibits*. The following exhibit is filed with this document:

Exhibit Number Description

99 Press release, dated January 25, 2019, issued by Colgate-Palmolive Company

EXHIBIT INDEX

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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.

COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY

Date: January 25, 2019 By: /s/ Henning I. Jakobsen

Name: Henning I. Jakobsen
Title: Chief Financial Officer

Colgate Announces 4th Quarter 2018 Results

NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)--January 25, 2019--Colgate-Palmolive Company (NYSE:CL) today reported worldwide Net sales of \$3,811 million in fourth quarter 2018, a decrease of 2.0% versus fourth quarter 2017. Global unit volume increased 0.5%, pricing increased 2.5% and foreign exchange was negative 5.0%. The previously disclosed professional skin care acquisitions contributed 1.0% to Net sales and unit volume growth in the quarter. Organic sales (Net sales excluding the impact of foreign exchange, acquisitions and divestments) increased 2.0%.

Net income and Diluted earnings per share in fourth quarter 2018 were \$606 million and \$0.70, respectively. Net income in fourth quarter 2018 included \$32 million (\$0.04 per diluted share) of aftertax charges resulting from the Company's Global Growth and Efficiency Program.

Net income and Diluted earnings per share in fourth quarter 2017 were \$323 million and \$0.37, respectively. Net income in fourth quarter 2017 included \$61 million (\$0.07 per diluted share) of aftertax charges resulting from the Global Growth and Efficiency Program and a charge related to U.S. tax reform of \$275 million (\$0.31 per diluted share).

Excluding charges resulting from the Global Growth and Efficiency Program in both periods and the charge related to U.S. tax reform in 2017, Net income in fourth quarter 2018 was \$638 million, a decrease of 3% versus fourth quarter 2017, and Diluted earnings per share in fourth quarter 2018 was \$0.74, a decrease of 1% versus fourth quarter 2017.

Gross profit margin was 59.1% in fourth quarter 2018 versus 59.8% in fourth quarter 2017. Excluding charges resulting from the Global Growth and Efficiency Program in both periods, Gross profit margin was 59.4% in fourth quarter 2018, a decrease of 100 basis points versus the year ago quarter as higher raw and packaging material costs were partially offset by cost savings from the Company's funding-the-growth initiatives and higher pricing.

Selling, general and administrative expenses were 34.8% of Net sales in fourth quarter 2018 versus 34.6% of Net sales in fourth quarter 2017. Excluding charges resulting from the Global Growth and Efficiency Program in both periods, Selling, general and administrative expenses increased 70 basis points versus the year ago quarter to 34.6% of Net sales in fourth quarter 2018 due to higher overhead expenses, driven by higher logistics costs, and increased advertising investment, both as a percentage of Net sales. On an absolute basis, worldwide advertising investment increased 2% to \$376 million in fourth quarter 2018 versus \$369 million in the year ago quarter.

Operating profit decreased to \$891 million in fourth quarter 2018 compared to \$960 million in fourth quarter 2017. Excluding charges resulting from the Global Growth and Efficiency Program in both periods, Operating profit was \$936 million in fourth quarter 2018, a decrease of 10% versus fourth quarter 2017. Operating profit margin was 23.4% in fourth quarter 2018 versus 24.7% in fourth quarter 2017. Excluding charges resulting from the Global Growth and Efficiency Program in both periods, Operating profit margin was 24.6% in fourth quarter 2018, a decrease of 210 basis points versus the year ago quarter. This decrease in Operating profit margin was primarily due to a decrease in Gross profit and an increase in Selling, general and administrative expenses, both as a percentage of Net sales.

Net cash provided by operations year to date was \$3,056 million compared to \$3,054 million in the comparable 2017 period. Working capital as a percentage of Net sales was negative 1.7% compared to negative 2.0% in the year ago period.

Ian Cook, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, commented on the fourth quarter results, "We are pleased with the improvement in organic sales growth this quarter, driven by 2.5% positive pricing.

"Colgate's leadership of the global toothpaste market continued during the quarter with our global market share at 42.0% year to date. Our global leadership in manual toothbrushes also continued with Colgate's global market share in that category at 32.3% year to date."

Mr. Cook continued, "Looking ahead to 2019, based on current spot rates, we expect net sales to be flat to up low-single-digits, with organic sales growth of 2% to 4% as we are planning for increased investment behind our brands, higher pricing and strong innovation, led by the relaunches of Colgate Total and Hill's Science Diet and our continued focus on naturals.

"We are also planning to invest in expanding our portfolio offerings by bringing brands like elmex and meridol into new markets and by broadening our e-commerce offerings, including direct to consumer, to build on our strong e-commerce growth in 2018. We also plan to continue to increase our investment behind our professional skin care businesses, Elta MD and PCA Skin.

"On a GAAP basis, based on current spot rates, we are planning for a year of gross margin expansion and expect a low-single-digit decline in earnings per share.

"Excluding charges resulting from the Global Growth and Efficiency Program in both 2018 and 2019, the charge related to U.S. tax reform in 2018 and the benefit from a foreign tax matter in 2018, based on current spot rates, we are planning for a year of gross margin expansion, increased advertising investment and a mid-single-digit decline in earnings per share. Our outlook reflects an increase in raw material prices, an increase in our tax rate year-over-year and the uncertainty surrounding the global economy, exchange rates and pricing.

"Given our plans to increase investment behind our brands to drive acceleration in organic sales growth, we believe our earnings outlook for 2019 is appropriate."

At 11:00 a.m. ET today, Colgate will host a conference call to elaborate on fourth quarter results. To access this call as a webcast, please go to Colgate's website at http://www.colgatepalmolive.com.

The following are comments about divisional performance for fourth quarter 2018 versus the year ago period. See attached Geographic Sales Analysis Percentage Changes and Segment Information tables for additional information on divisional net sales and operating profit.

North America (22% of Company Sales)

North America Net sales increased 5.0% in fourth quarter 2018. Unit volume increased 3.0%, pricing increased 2.5% and foreign exchange was negative 0.5%. The previously disclosed professional skin care acquisitions contributed 5.0% to Net sales and unit volume growth. Organic sales for North America increased 0.5% and organic unit volume decreased 2.0%.

Operating profit in North America decreased 7% in fourth quarter 2018 to \$257 million, or 410 basis points to 30.6% of Net sales. This decrease in Operating profit as a percentage of Net sales was due to a decrease in Gross profit, an increase in Selling, general and administrative expenses and an increase in Other (income) expense, net, all as a percentage of Net sales. This decrease in Gross profit was primarily due to higher raw and packaging material costs, partially offset by cost savings from the Company's funding-the-growth initiatives. This increase in Selling, general and administrative expenses was due to higher overhead expenses, primarily driven by increased logistics costs. This increase in Other (income) expense, net was primarily due to the amortization of intangible assets resulting from the professional skin care acquisitions.

In the U.S., Colgate maintained leadership in the toothpaste category during the quarter with its market share at 34.8% year to date. Successful products include Colgate Optic White Stain Fighter, Colgate Optic White Stain-Less White and Tom's of Maine toothpastes. In manual toothbrushes, Colgate widened its brand market leadership in the U.S. with its market share in that category at 41.5% year to date, supported by the success of Colgate 360° Total Advanced Optic White and Colgate Gum Health manual toothbrushes.

Products succeeding in other categories include Softsoap Hydra Bliss body wash and liquid hand soap, Irish Spring Non-Stop Fresh body wash, Fabuloso Complete liquid cleaner and Suavitel Complete fabric conditioner.

Latin America (23% of Company Sales)

Latin America Net sales decreased 9.0% in fourth quarter 2018. Unit volume decreased 3.5%, pricing increased 4.5% and foreign exchange was negative 10.0%. Volume declines in Brazil and Argentina were partially offset by volume gains in Mexico. Organic sales for Latin America increased 1.0%.

Operating profit in Latin America decreased 17% in fourth quarter 2018 to \$238 million, or 270 basis points to 26.8% of Net sales. This decrease in Operating profit as a percentage of Net sales was primarily due to a decrease in Gross profit partially offset by a decrease in Selling, general and administrative expenses, both as a percentage of Net sales. This decrease in Gross profit was due to higher raw and packaging material costs, which included foreign exchange transaction costs, partially offset by cost savings from the Company's funding-the-growth initiatives and higher pricing. This decrease in Selling, general and administrative expenses was due to decreased advertising investment.

Colgate maintained its toothpaste leadership in Latin America during the quarter, with market share gains in Guatemala, Dominican Republic, Panama, Chile, El Salvador and Nicaragua. Products succeeding in the region include Colgate Natural Extracts, Colgate Total 12 Salud Visible and Colgate Triple Action Xtra Freshness toothpastes. Colgate's leadership in the manual toothbrush category continued throughout the region, supported by the success of Colgate Pro Cuidado and Colgate Premier manual toothbrushes.

Products succeeding in other categories include Colgate Total 12 mouthwash, Protex Deep Clean and Palmolive Natureza Secreta bar soaps, Lady Speed Stick Clinical and Speed Stick Clinical spray deodorants, Axion dish liquid and Fabuloso Complete liquid cleaner.

Europe (16% of Company Sales)

Europe Net sales decreased 2.5% in fourth quarter 2018. Unit volume increased 2.0%, pricing decreased 1.0% and foreign exchange was negative 3.5%. Volume gains were driven by the United Kingdom and France. Organic sales for Europe increased 1.0%.

Operating profit in Europe was even with the year ago quarter, while as a percentage of Net sales, it increased 70 basis points to 25.9% of Net sales. This increase in Operating profit as a percentage of Net sales was due to an increase in Gross profit and a decrease in Other (income) expense, net, partially offset by an increase in Selling, general and administrative expenses, all as a percentage of Net sales. This increase in Gross profit was primarily due to cost savings from the Company's funding-the-growth initiatives, partially offset by higher raw and packaging material costs. This increase in Selling, general and administrative expenses was due to increased advertising investment, partially offset by lower overhead expenses. This decrease in Other (income) expense, net was primarily due to a non-recurring expense recorded in the year ago quarter.

Colgate maintained its toothpaste leadership in Europe during the quarter, with market share gains in France, Italy, Greece, the Netherlands, Denmark and Belgium. Products succeeding in oral care include Colgate Max White Expert Complete, Colgate Natural Extracts Charcoal and elmex toothpastes, Colgate 360° Advanced Whole Mouth Health and Colgate Slim Soft Advanced manual toothbrushes and Colgate Plax mouthwash.

Products succeeding in other categories include Sanex and Palmolive Aroma Sensations shower gels, Ajax Boost liquid cleaner and Soupline fabric conditioner.

Asia Pacific (16% of Company Sales)

Asia Pacific Net sales decreased 6.5% during fourth quarter 2018. Unit volume decreased 0.5%, pricing decreased 0.5% and foreign exchange was negative 5.5%. Volume declines in the Greater China region were partially offset by volume gains in India and Australia. Organic sales for Asia Pacific decreased 1.0%.

Operating profit in Asia Pacific decreased 20% in fourth quarter 2018 to \$157 million, or 440 basis points to 25.0% of Net sales. This decrease in Operating profit as a percentage of Net sales was primarily due to a decrease in Gross profit and an increase in Selling, general and administrative expenses, both as a percentage of Net sales. This decrease in Gross profit was primarily due to higher raw and packaging material costs, partially offset by cost savings from the Company's funding-the-growth initiatives. This increase in Selling, general and administrative expenses was due to higher overhead expenses and increased advertising investment.

Colgate maintained its toothpaste leadership in the Asia Pacific region during the quarter with market share gains in Australia and the Philippines. Products succeeding in the region include Colgate Naturals, Colgate Swarna Vedshakti, Colgate Power White, Colgate Sensitive Pro-Relief and elmex Sensitive toothpastes.

Products succeeding in other categories include Colgate Slim Soft Advanced and Colgate Slim Soft Flex Clean manual toothbrushes, Palmolive Skin Therapy bar soap, Colgate Plax mouthwash, Palmolive Luminous Oils shower gel and Cuddly Aroma Intense fabric conditioner.

Africa/Eurasia (6% of Company Sales)

Africa/Eurasia Net sales decreased 5.0% during fourth quarter 2018. Unit volume decreased 3.5%, pricing increased 7.5% and foreign exchange was negative 9.0%. Volume declines in Turkey and South Africa were partially offset by volume gains in the Gulf States. Organic sales for Africa/Eurasia increased 4.0%.

Operating profit in Africa/Eurasia decreased 11% in fourth quarter 2018 to \$40 million, or 120 basis points to 17.2% of Net sales. This decrease in Operating profit as a percentage of Net sales was primarily due an increase in Selling, general and administrative expenses, partially offset by an increase in Gross profit, both as a percentage of Net sales. This increase in Gross profit was primarily due to cost savings from the Company's funding-the-growth initiatives and higher pricing, partially offset by higher raw and packaging material costs, which included foreign exchange transaction costs. This increase in Selling, general and administrative expenses was due to higher overhead expenses and increased advertising investment.

Colgate maintained its toothpaste leadership in Africa/Eurasia during the quarter, with market share gains in Turkey, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Kenya, Kazakhstan and Kuwait. Successful products contributing to sales in the region include Colgate Ancient Secrets, Colgate Natural Extracts and Colgate Optic White Expert White toothpastes, Colgate 360° Advanced Whole Mouth Clean and Colgate Slim Soft Advanced manual toothbrushes and Palmolive Gourmet and Palmolive Luminous Oils shower gels.

Hill's Pet Nutrition (17% of Company Sales)

Hill's Net sales increased 6.0% during fourth quarter 2018. Unit volume increased 3.5%, pricing increased 4.5% and foreign exchange was negative 2.0%. Volume gains in the United States and Western Europe were partially offset by volume declines in Russia. Hill's organic sales increased 8.0%.

Hill's Operating profit increased 6% in fourth quarter 2018 to \$188 million, while as a percentage of Net sales it decreased 20 basis points to 29.8% of Net sales. This decrease in Operating profit as a percentage of Net sales was due to a decrease in Gross profit and an increase in Other (income) expense, net, largely offset by a decrease in Selling, general and administrative expenses, all as a percentage of Net sales. This decrease in Gross profit was primarily due to higher raw and packaging material costs, partially offset by cost savings from the Company's funding-the-growth initiatives and higher pricing. This decrease in Selling, general and administrative expenses was due to lower overhead expenses partially offset by increased advertising investment. This increase in Other (income) expense, net was primarily due to the expiration of a foreign sales tax benefit.

Successful products contributing to sales in the U.S. include Hill's Bioactive Recipe, Hill's Prescription Diet Metabolic + Urinary, Hill's Prescription Diet k/d and k/d + Mobility, Hill's Prescription Diet k/d Early Support, Hill's Science Diet Youthful Vitality, Hill's Science Diet Kitten and Hill's Science Diet Perfect Weight.

Successful products contributing to sales internationally include Hill's Prescription Diet k/d and k/d + Mobility, Hill's Prescription Diet Metabolic + Urinary, Hill's Prescription Diet k/d Early Stage, Hill's Science Diet Youthful Vitality and Hill's Science Diet Kitten.

About Colgate-Palmolive: Colgate-Palmolive is a leading global consumer products company, tightly focused on Oral Care, Personal Care, Home Care and Pet Nutrition. Colgate sells its products in over 200 countries and territories around the world under such internationally recognized brand names as Colgate, Palmolive, elmex, Tom's of Maine, Sorriso, Speed Stick, Lady Speed Stick, Softsoap, Irish Spring, Protex, Sanex, Elta MD, PCA Skin, Ajax, Axion, Fabuloso, Soupline and Suavitel, as well as Hill's Science Diet and Hill's Prescription Diet. For more information about Colgate's global business, visit the Company's website at http://www.colgatepalmolive.com. To learn more about Colgate Bright Smiles, Bright Futures® oral health education program, please visit http://www.colgatebsbf.com. CL-E

The Company's annual meeting of stockholders is currently scheduled for Friday, May 10, 2019.

Effective January 1, 2018, as required, the Company adopted ASU No. 2017-07, "Compensation-Retirement Benefits (Topic 715): Improving the Presentation of Net Periodic Pension Cost and Net Periodic Postretirement Benefit Cost," on a retrospective basis. As a result, for all periods presented, only the service related component of pension and other postretirement benefit costs is included in Operating profit. The non-service related components (interest cost, expected return on assets and amortization of actuarial gains and losses) are included in a new line item, "Non-service related postretirement costs," which is below Operating profit. Adoption of this standard had no effect on Net income attributable to Colgate-Palmolive Company, Earnings per common share or Cash flow. Refer to the Company's website at http://www.colgatepalmolive.com for reconciliations to previously reported amounts for all quarters of 2017 as well as for years 2017 and 2016.

Market Share Information

Management uses market share information as a key indicator to monitor business health and performance. References to market share in this press release are based on a combination of consumption and market share data provided by third-party vendors, primarily Nielsen, and internal estimates. All market share references represent the percentage of the dollar value of sales of our products, relative to all product sales in the category in the countries in which the Company competes and purchases data (excluding Venezuela from all periods). The Company measures year-to-date market shares from January 1 of the relevant year through the most recent period for which market share data is available, which typically reflects a lag time of one or two months. The Company believes that the third-party vendors it uses to provide data are reliable, but it has not verified the accuracy or completeness of the data or any assumptions underlying the data. In addition, market share information calculated by the Company may be different from market share information calculated by other companies due to differences in category definitions, the use of data from different countries, internal estimates and other factors.

Cautionary Statement on Forward-Looking Statements

This press release and the related webcast may contain forward-looking statements (as that term is defined in the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 or by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) in its rules, regulations and releases) that set forth anticipated results based on management's current plans and assumptions. Such statements may relate, for example, to sales or volume growth, net selling price increases, organic sales growth, profit or profit margin growth, earnings per share levels, financial goals, the impact of foreign exchange volatility, cost-reduction plans including the Global Growth and Efficiency Program, tax rates, U.S. tax reform, new product introductions or commercial investment levels, acquisitions, divestitures, or legal or tax proceedings, among other matters. These statements are made on the basis of the Company's views and assumptions as of this time and the Company undertakes no obligation to update these statements whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by law or by the rules and regulations of the SEC. Moreover, the Company does not, nor does any other person, assume responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of these statements. The Company cautions investors that any such forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and that actual events or results may differ materially from those statements. For more information about factors that could impact the Company's business and cause actual results to differ materially from forward-looking statements, investors should refer to the Company's filings with the SEC (including, but not limited to, the information set forth under the captions "Risk Factors" and "Cautionary Statement on Forward-Looking Statements" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 and subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q). Copies of these filings may be obtained upon request from the Company's Investor Relations Department or on the Company's website at http://www.colgatepalmolive.com.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

The following provides information regarding the non-GAAP financial measures used in this earnings release and/or the related webcast:

This release discusses Net sales growth (GAAP) and organic sales growth, which is Net sales growth excluding the impact of foreign exchange, acquisitions and divestments (non-GAAP). Management believes the organic sales growth measure provides investors and analysts with useful supplemental information regarding the Company's underlying sales trends by presenting sales growth excluding the external factor of foreign exchange as well as the impact from acquisitions and divestments. See "Geographic Sales Analysis Percentage Changes" for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2018 vs. 2017 included with this release for a comparison of organic sales growth to Net sales growth in accordance with GAAP.

To supplement Colgate's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income presented in accordance with GAAP, the Company has disclosed non-GAAP measures of operating results that exclude certain items. Worldwide Gross profit, Gross profit margin, Selling, general and administrative expenses as a percentage of Net sales, Other (income) expense, net, Operating profit, Operating profit margin, Non-service related postretirement costs, Effective income tax rate, Net income attributable to Colgate-Palmolive Company and Diluted earnings per common share are discussed both as reported (on a GAAP basis) and excluding charges resulting from the Global Growth and Efficiency Program and, as applicable, the benefit from a foreign tax matter and charges related to U.S. tax reform (non-GAAP). These non-GAAP financial measures exclude items that, either by their nature or amount, management would not expect to occur as part of the Company's normal business on a regular basis, such as restructuring charges, charges for certain litigation and tax matters, gains and losses from certain divestitures and certain unusual, non-recurring items. Investors and analysts use these financial measures in assessing the Company's business performance, and management believes that presenting these financial measures on a non-GAAP basis provides them with useful supplemental information to enhance their understanding of the Company's underlying business performance and trends. These non-GAAP financial measures also enhance the ability to compare period-to-period financial results. See "Non-GAAP Reconciliations" for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 included with this release for a reconciliation of these financial measures to the related GAAP measures.

The Company uses these financial measures internally in its budgeting process, to evaluate segment and overall operating performance and as factors in determining compensation. While the Company believes that these financial measures are useful in evaluating the Company's underlying business performance and trends, this information should be considered as supplemental in nature and is not meant to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for the related financial information prepared in accordance with GAAP. In addition, these non-GAAP financial measures may not be the same as similar measures presented by other companies.

The Company defines free cash flow before dividends as Net cash provided by operations less Capital expenditures. As management uses this measure to evaluate the Company's ability to satisfy current and future obligations, repurchase stock, pay dividends and fund future business opportunities, the Company believes that it provides useful information to investors. Free cash flow before dividends is not a measure of cash available for discretionary expenditures since the Company has certain non-discretionary obligations such as debt service that are not deducted from the measure. Free cash flow before dividends is a non-GAAP measure and may not be comparable to similarly titled measures reported by other companies. See "Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows" for the twelve months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 for a comparison of free cash flow before dividends to Net cash provided by operations as reported in accordance with GAAP.

(See attached tables for fourth quarter results.)

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income

For the Three Months Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

(Dollars in Millions Except Per Share Amounts) (Unaudited)

	2018		2	017 ⁽¹⁾
Net sales	\$	3,811	\$	3,892
Cost of sales		1,558		1,564
Gross profit		2,253		2,328
Gross profit margin		59.1%		59.8%
Selling, general and administrative expenses		1,328		1,345
Other (income) expense, net		34		23
Operating profit		891		960
Operating profit margin		23.4%		24.7%
Non-service related postretirement costs		22		36
Interest (income) expense, net		37		28
Income before income taxes		832		896
Provision for income taxes		189		543
Effective tax rate		22.7%		60.6%
Net income including noncontrolling interests		643		353
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		37		30
Net income attributable to Colgate-Palmolive Company	\$	606	\$	323
Earnings per common share Basic Diluted	\$ \$	0.70 0.70	\$ \$	0.37 0.37
Average common shares outstanding Basic Diluted		866.6 867.5		878.0 883.3

Note:

⁽¹⁾ The Company adopted ASU No. 2017-07, "Compensation—Retirement Benefits (Topic 715): Improving the Presentation of Net Periodic Pension Cost and Net Periodic Postretirement Benefit Cost," on January 1, 2018. The adoption of this standard resulted in the non-service related postretirement costs being presented separately in the income statement from the service cost component and the non-service related postretirement costs no longer being included in Operating profit. As this standard was applied retrospectively, as required, the Company reclassified certain amounts to a new line below Operating profit called Non-service related postretirement costs. The reclassification had no effect on Net income attributable to Colgate-Palmolive Company, Earnings per common share or Cash flow. Refer to the Company's website for reconciliations to previously reported amounts for all quarters of 2017 as well as for years 2017 and 2016.

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income

For the Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

(Dollars in Millions Except Per Share Amounts) (Unaudited)

		2018		017 ⁽¹⁾
Net sales	\$	15,544	\$	15,454
Cost of sales		6,313		6,174
Gross profit		9,231		9,280
Gross profit margin		59.4%		60.0%
Selling, general and administrative expenses		5,389		5,400
Other (income) expense, net		148		173
Operating profit		3,694		3,707
Operating profit margin		23.8%		24.0%
Non-service related postretirement costs		87		118
Interest (income) expense, net		143		102
Income before income taxes		3,464		3,487
Provision for income taxes		906		1,313
Effective tax rate		26.2%		37.7%
Net income including noncontrolling interests		2,558		2,174
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		158		150
Net income attributable to Colgate-Palmolive Company	\$	2,400	\$	2,024
Earnings per common share Basic ⁽²⁾ Diluted ⁽²⁾	\$ \$	2.76 2.75	\$ \$	2.30 2.28
Average common shares outstanding Basic Diluted		870.6 873.0		881.8 887.8

Notes:

(1) The Company adopted ASU No. 2017-07, "Compensation—Retirement Benefits (Topic 715): Improving the Presentation of Net Periodic Pension Cost and Net Periodic Postretirement Benefit Cost," on January 1, 2018. The adoption of this standard resulted in the non-service related postretirement costs being presented separately in the income statement from the service cost component and the non-service related postretirement costs no longer being included in Operating profit. As this standard was applied retrospectively, as required, the Company reclassified certain amounts to a new line below Operating profit called Non-service related postretirement costs. The reclassification had no effect on Net income attributable to Colgate-Palmolive Company, Earnings per common share or Cash flow. Refer to the Company's website for reconciliations to previously reported amounts for all quarters of 2017 as well as for years 2017 and 2016.

(2) Basic and diluted earnings per share are computed independently for each quarter and any year-to-date period presented. As a result of changes in shares outstanding during the year and rounding, the sum of the quarters' earnings per share may not necessarily equal the earnings per share for any year-to-date period.

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

As of December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017

(Dollars in Millions) (Unaudited)

	1	December 31, 2018	I	December 31, 2017
Cash and cash equivalents		726		1,535
Receivables, net	Ψ	1,400	Ψ	1,480
Inventories		1,250		1,221
Other current assets		417		403
Property, plant and equipment, net		3,881		4,072
Other assets, including goodwill and intangibles		4,487		3,965
Total assets	\$	12,161	\$	12,676
Total debt	\$	6,366	\$	6,577
Other current liabilities		3,329		3,397
Other non-current liabilities		2,269		2,459
Total liabilities		11,964		12,433
Total Colgate-Palmolive Company shareholders' equity		(102)		(60)
Noncontrolling interests		299		303
Total liabilities and equity	\$	12,161	\$	12,676
Supplemental Balance Sheet Information				
Debt less cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities ⁽¹⁾ Working capital % of sales	\$	5,630 (1.7)%	\$	5,024 (2.0)%
Note: (1) Marketable securities of \$10 and \$18 as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, are included in Other current assets.				

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

For the Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

(Dollars in Millions) (Unaudited)

	2018	2017
Operating Activities		
Net income including noncontrolling interests	\$ 2,558	\$ 2,174
Adjustments to reconcile net income including noncontrolling interests to net cash provided by operations:		
Depreciation and amortization	511	475
Restructuring and termination benefits, net of cash	(7)	91
Stock-based compensation expense	109	127
Charge for U.S. tax reform	80	275
Deferred income taxes	27	108
Voluntary benefit plan contributions	(67)	(81)
Cash effects of changes in:		
Receivables	(79)	(15)
Inventories	(58)	(8)
Accounts payable and other accruals	18	(96)
Other non-current assets and liabilities	(36)	4
Net cash provided by operations	3,056	3,054
Investing Activities		
Capital expenditures	(436)	(553)
Sale of property and non-core products	1	44
Purchases of marketable securities and investments	(169)	(347)
Proceeds from sale of marketable securities and investments	156	391
Payment for acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(728)	_
Other	6	(6)
Net cash used in investing activities	(1,170)	(471)
Financing Activities		
Principal payments on debt	(7,355)	(4,808)
Proceeds from issuance of debt	7,176	4,779
Dividends paid	(1,591)	(1,529)
Purchases of treasury shares	(1,238)	(1,399)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	329	507
Net cash used in financing activities	(2,679)	(2,450)
Effect of exchange rate changes on Cash and cash equivalents	(16)	87
Net increase (decrease) in Cash and cash equivalents	(809)	220
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	1,535	1,315
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	\$ 726	\$ 1,535
Supplemental Cash Flow Information		
Free cash flow before dividends (Net cash provided by operations less Capital expenditures)		
Net cash provided by operations	\$ 3,056	\$ 3,054
Less: Capital expenditures	(436)	(553)
Free cash flow before dividends	\$ 2,620	\$ 2,501
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Income taxes paid	\$ 847	\$ 1,037

3,707

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Segment Information

For the Three and Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

(Dollars in Millions) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended December 31, 2018 2017		*	Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2018 2017			r 31, 2017	
Net Sales Oral, Personal and Home Care		2010	<u> </u>	2017		2010		
North America Latin America Europe Asia Pacific Africa/Eurasia	\$	839 887 594 628 233	\$	798 976 610 670 245	\$	3,348 3,605 2,502 2,734 967	\$	3,117 3,887 2,394 2,781 983
Total Oral, Personal and Home Care		3,181		3,299		13,156		13,162
Pet Nutrition		630		593		2,388		2,292
Total Net Sales	\$	3,811	\$	3,892	\$	15,544	\$	15,454
	(4)				Twelve Months E	e Months Ended December 31, 2017 ⁽¹⁾		
Operating Profit Oral, Personal and Home Care		2010		017		2010	<u></u>	
North America Latin America Europe Asia Pacific Africa/Eurasia	\$	257 238 154 157 40	\$	277 288 154 197 45	\$	1,037 995 634 777 173	\$	1,043 1,171 605 842 180
Total Oral, Personal and Home Care		846		961		3,616		3,841
Pet Nutrition Corporate ⁽²⁾		188 (143)		178 (179)		680 (602)		677 (811)

Notes:

Total Operating Profit

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3,694

891

⁽¹⁾ The Company adopted ASU No. 2017-07, "Compensation—Retirement Benefits (Topic 715): Improving the Presentation of Net Periodic Pension Cost and Net Periodic Postretirement Benefit (Cost," on January 1, 2018. The adoption of this standard resulted in the non-service related postretirement costs being presented separately in the income statement from the service cost component and the non-service related postretirement costs no longer being included in Operating profit. As this standard was applied retrospectively, as required, the Company reclassified the non-service components from Operating profit to a new line below Operating profit called Non-service related postretirement costs. Refer to the Company's website for reconciliations to previously reported amounts for all quarters of 2017 as well as for years 2017 and 2016.

⁽²⁾ Corporate operations include costs related to stock options and restricted stock units, research and development costs, Corporate overhead costs, restructuring and related implementation costs and gains and losses on sales of non-core product lines and assets. Corporate Operating profit (loss) for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2018 includes charges of \$45 and \$152, respectively, related to the Global Growth and Efficiency Program. Corporate Operating profit (loss) for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2017 includes charges of \$80 and \$313, respectively, related to the Global Growth and Efficiency Program.

Geographic Sales Analysis Percentage Changes

For the Three Months Ended December 31, 2018 vs. 2017

(Unaudited)

COMPONENTS OF SALES CHANGE

<u>Region</u>	Sales Change <u>As Reported</u>	Organic <u>Sales Change</u>	As Reported <u>Volume</u> ⁽¹⁾	Organic <u>Volume</u>	Ex-Divested <u>Volume</u>	Pricing Coupons Consumer & Trade <u>Incentives</u>	Foreign <u>Exchange</u>
Total Company ⁽¹⁾	(2.0)%	2.0%	0.5%	(0.5)%	0.5%	2.5%	(5.0)%
Europe	(2.5)%	1.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	(1.0)%	(3.5)%
Latin America	(9.0)%	1.0%	(3.5)%	(3.5)%	(3.5)%	4.5%	(10.0)%
Asia Pacific	(6.5)%	(1.0)%	(0.5)%	(0.5)%	(0.5)%	(0.5)%	(5.5)%
Africa/Eurasia	(5.0)%	4.0%	(3.5)%	(3.5)%	(3.5)%	7.5%	(9.0)%
Total International	(6.5)%	1.0%	(1.5)%	(1.5)%	(1.5)%	2.5%	(7.5)%
North America ⁽¹⁾	5.0%	0.5%	3.0%	(2.0)%	3.0%	2.5%	(0.5)%
Total CP Products	(3.5)%	0.5%	(0.5)%	(2.0)%	(0.5)%	2.5%	(5.5)%
Hill's	6.0%	8.0%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	4.5%	(2.0)%
Emerging Markets ⁽²⁾	(7.0)%	1.5%	(2.0)%	(2.0)%	(2.0)%	3.5%	(8.5)%
Developed Markets	2.5%	2.0%	2.5%	0.5%	2.5%	1.5%	(1.5)%

Notes:

⁽¹⁾ The impact of the previously disclosed professional skin care acquisitions on as reported volume was 1.0% for Total Company and 5.0% for North America.

 $^{(2)\} Emerging\ Markets\ include\ Latin\ America,\ Asia\ (excluding\ Japan),\ Africa/Eurasia\ and\ Central\ Europe.$

Geographic Sales Analysis Percentage Changes

For the Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2018 vs. 2017

(Unaudited)

COMPONENTS OF SALES CHANGE

<u>Region</u>	Sales Change <u>As Reported</u>	Organic <u>Sales Change</u>	As Reported <u>Volume</u> ⁽¹⁾	Organic <u>Volume</u>	Ex-Divested <u>Volume</u>	Pricing Coupons Consumer & Trade <u>Incentives</u>	Foreign <u>Exchange</u>
Total Company ⁽¹⁾	0.5%	0.5%	1.0%	%	1.0%	0.5%	(1.0)%
Europe	4.5%	0.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	(2.0)%	4.0%
Latin America	(7.5)%	(1.0)%	(2.5)%	(2.5)%	(2.5)%	1.5%	(6.5)%
Asia Pacific	(1.5)%	(1.5)%	(1.5)%	(1.5)%	(1.5)%	%	%
Africa/Eurasia	(1.5)%	2.5%	(1.0)%	(1.0)%	(1.0)%	3.5%	(4.0)%
Total International	(2.5)%	(0.5)%	(1.0)%	(1.0)%	(1.0)%	0.5%	(2.0)%
North America ⁽¹⁾	7.5%	2.5%	6.5%	1.5%	6.5%	1.0%	%
Total CP Products	—%	—%	1.0%	(0.5)%	1.0%	0.5%	(1.5)%
Hill's	4.0%	3.5%	1.5%	1.5%	1.5%	2.0%	0.5%
Emerging Markets ⁽²⁾	(4.0)%	(0.5)%	(2.0)%	(2.0)%	(2.0)%	1.5%	(3.5)%
Developed Markets	5.0%	1.5%	3.5%	1.5%	3.5%	%	1.5%

Notes:

⁽¹⁾ The impact of the previously disclosed professional skin care acquisitions on as reported volume was 1.0% for Total Company and 5.0% for North America.

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Non-GAAP Reconciliations

For the Three Months Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

(Dollars in Millions Except Per Share Amounts) (Unaudited)

Gross Profit	2018	2017	
Gross profit, GAAP	\$ 2,253	\$ 2,328	
Global Growth and Efficiency Program	12	24	
Gross profit, non-GAAP	\$ 2,265	\$ 2,352	•
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			Basis Point
Gross Profit Margin	2018	2017	Change
Gross profit margin, GAAP	59.1%	59.8%	(70)
Global Growth and Efficiency Program	0.3%	0.6%	(- /
Gross profit margin, non-GAAP	59.4%	60.4%	(100)
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Selling, General and Administrative Expenses	2018	2017 ⁽¹⁾	
Selling, general and administrative expenses, GAAP	\$ 1,328	\$ 1,345	
Global Growth and Efficiency Program	(9)	(26)	
Selling, general and administrative expenses, non-GAAP	\$ 1,319	\$ 1,319	•
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			Basis Point
Selling, General and Administrative Expenses as a Percentage of Net Sales	2018	2017 ⁽¹⁾	Change
Selling, general and administrative expenses as a percentage of Net sales, GAAP	34.8%	34.6%	20
Global Growth and Efficiency Program	(0.2)%	(0.7)%	
Selling, general and administrative expenses as a percentage of Net sales, non-GAAP	34.6%	33.9%	70
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Other (Income) Expense, Net	2018	2017 ⁽¹⁾	
Other (income) expense, net, GAAP	\$ 34	\$ 23	•
Global Growth and Efficiency Program	(24)	(30)	
Other (income) expense, net, non-GAAP	\$ 10	\$ (7)	•
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Operating Profit (Loss)	2018	2017 ⁽¹⁾	% Change
Operating profit (loss), GAAP	\$ 891	\$ 960	(7)%
Global Growth and Efficiency Program	45	80	
Operating profit, non-GAAP	\$ 936	\$ 1,040	(10)%
			Basis Point
Operating Profit Margin	2018	2017 ⁽¹⁾	Change
Operating profit margin, GAAP	23.4%	24.7%	(130)
Global Growth and Efficiency Program	1.2%	2.0%	
Operating profit margin, non-GAAP	24.6%	26.7%	(210)
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Non-Service Related Postretirement Costs	201	_	
Non-service related postretirement costs, GAAP	\$ 22	\$ 36	
Global Growth and Efficiency Program	(1)	(7)	
Non-service related postretirement costs, non-GAAP	\$ 21	\$ 29	

Non-GAAP Reconciliations

For the Three Months Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

(Dollars in Millions Except Per Share Amounts) (Unaudited)

2017

	Income Before Income Taxes	Provision For Income Taxes ⁽²⁾		Net Income Less: Income Including Attributable To Non-controlling Non-controlling Interests Interests		ole To olling	Net Income Attributable To Colgate- Palmolive Company		Effective Income Tax Rate ⁽³⁾	Diluted Earnings Per Share		
As Reported GAAP	\$832	\$	189	\$	643	\$	37	\$	606	22.7%	\$	0.70
Global Growth and Efficiency Program	46		12		34		2		32	0.2%		0.04
Non-GAAP	\$878	\$	201	\$	677	\$	39	\$	638	22.9%	\$	0.74

	Income Before Income Taxes	ovision For ome Taxes ⁽²⁾	Net Income Including Non-controlling Interests		Net Income Attributable To Colgate- Palmolive Company		Effective Income Tax Rate ⁽³⁾	Diluted Earnings Per Share	
As Reported GAAP	\$896	\$ 543	\$	353	\$	323	60.6%	\$	0.37
Global Growth and Efficiency Program	87	26		61		61	(2.7)%		0.07
U.S. tax reform	_	(275)		275		275	(28.0)%		0.31
Non-GAAP	\$983	\$ 294	\$	689	\$	659	29.9%	\$	0.75

The impact of non-GAAP adjustments may not necessarily equal the difference between "GAAP" and "non-GAAP" as a result of rounding.

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- (2) The income tax effect on non-GAAP items is calculated based upon the tax laws and statutory income tax rates applicable in the tax jurisdiction(s) of the underlying non-GAAP adjustment.
- (3) The impact of non-GAAP items on the Company's effective tax rate represents the difference in the effective tax rate calculated with and without the non-GAAP adjustment on Income before income taxes and Provision for income taxes.

Non-GAAP Reconciliations

For the Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

(Dollars in Millions Except Per Share Amounts) (Unaudited)

Gross Profit	2018	2017	
Gross profit, GAAP	\$ 9,231	\$ 9,280	
Global Growth and Efficiency Program	31	75	
Gross profit, non-GAAP	\$ 9,262	\$ 9,355	
			Basis Point
Gross Profit Margin	2018	2017	Change
Gross profit margin, GAAP	59.4%	60.0%	(60)
Global Growth and Efficiency Program	0.2%	0.5%	
Gross profit margin, non-GAAP	59.6%	60.5%	(90)
Selling, General and Administrative Expenses	2018	2017 ⁽¹⁾	
Selling, general and administrative expenses, GAAP	\$ 5,389	\$ 5,400	
Global Growth and Efficiency Program	(33)	(86)	
Selling, general and administrative expenses, non-GAAP	\$ 5,356	\$ 5,314	
			Basis Point
Selling, General and Administrative Expenses as a Percentage of Net Sales	2018	2017 ⁽¹⁾	Change
Selling, general and administrative expenses as a percentage of Net sales, GAAP	34.7%	34.9%	(20)
Global Growth and Efficiency Program	(0.2)%	(0.5)%	
Selling, general and administrative expenses as a percentage of Net sales, non-GAAP	34.5%	34.4%	10
Other (Income) Expense, Net	2018	2017 ⁽¹⁾	
Other (income) expense, net, GAAP	\$ 148	\$ 173	
Global Growth and Efficiency Program	(88)	(152)	
Other (income) expense, net, non-GAAP	\$ 60	\$ 21	
Operating Profit	2018	$2017^{(1)}$	% Change
Operating profit, GAAP	\$ 3,694	\$ 3,707	%
Global Growth and Efficiency Program	152	313	
Operating profit, non-GAAP	\$ 3,846	\$ 4,020	(4)%
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			Basis Point
Operating Profit Margin	2018	2017 ⁽¹⁾	Change
Operating profit margin, GAAP	23.8%	24.0%	(20)
Global Growth and Efficiency Program	0.9%	2.0%	
Operating profit margin, non-GAAP	24.7%	26.0%	(130)
Non-Service Related Postretirement Costs	2018	2017 ⁽¹⁾	
Non-service related postretirement costs, GAAP	\$ 87	\$ 118	
Global Growth and Efficiency Program	(9)	(20)	
Non-service related postretirement costs, non-GAAP	\$ 78	\$ 98	

Non-GAAP Reconciliations

For the Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

(Dollars in Millions Except Per Share Amounts) (Unaudited)

As Reported GAAP Global Growth and Efficiency Program Benefit from a foreign tax matter U.S. tax reform Non-GAAP

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Before Income		ovision For come exes ⁽²⁾	In Non-	Less: Net Income Net Income Attributable To Including Attributable To Colgate- on-controlling Palmolive Effective Income Interests Interests Company Tax Rate ⁽³⁾		Effective Income Tax Rate ⁽³⁾	Diluted Earning Per Share				
\$ 3,464	\$	906	\$	2,558	\$	158	\$ 2,400		26.2%	\$	2.75
161		37		124		(1)		125	(0.1)%		0.15
_		15		(15)		_		(15)	0.4%		(0.02)
_		(80)		80		_		80	(2.3)%		0.09
\$ 3,625	\$	878	\$	2,747	\$	157	\$	2,590	24.2%	\$	2.97

		2017									
	Income Before Income Taxes		Provision For Income Taxes ⁽²⁾		Net Income Including Non-controlling Interests		Net Income Attributable To Colgate- Palmolive Company		Effective Income Tax Rate ⁽³⁾	Diluted Earnings Per Share	
As Reported GAAP	\$ 3,487		\$	1,313	\$	2,174	\$	2,024	37.7%	\$	2.28
Global Growth and Efficiency Program		333		87		246		246	(1.0)%		0.28
U.S. tax reform	_		_ (275	275		(7.2)%		0.31
Non-GAAP	\$	3,820	\$	1,125	\$	2,695	\$	2,545	29.5%	\$	2.87

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