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

For the Quarterly Period Ended
December 27, 2014

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Incorporated in Delaware

I.R.S. Employer Identification
No. 95-4545390

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

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

There were 1,699,563,381 shares of common stock outstanding as of January 28, 2015.

PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1: Financial Statements

THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(unaudited; in millions, except per share data)

| | Quarter Ended | |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| Revenues: | | |
| Services | \$10,727 | \$9,857 |
| Products | 2,664 | 2,452 |
| Total revenues | 13,391 | 12,309 |
| Costs and expenses: | | |
| Cost of services (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) | (6,134) | (5,614) |
| Cost of products (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) | (1,522) | (1,451) |
| Selling, general, administrative and other | (1,935) | (2,018) |
| Depreciation and amortization | (592) | (561) |
| Total costs and expenses | (10,183) | (9,644) |
| Restructuring and impairment charges | — | (19) |
| Other income, net | — | 6 |
| Interest income/(expense), net | (58) | 49 |
| Equity in the income of investees | 212 | 239 |
| Income before income taxes | 3,362 | 2,940 |
| Income taxes | (1,118) | (1,036) |
| Net income | 2,244 | 1,904 |
| Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests | (62) | (64) |
| Net income attributable to The Walt Disney Company (Disney) | \$2,182 | \$1,840 |
| Earnings per share attributable to Disney: | | |
| Diluted | \$1.27 | \$1.03 |
| Basic | \$1.28 | \$1.04 |
| Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding: | | |
| Diluted | 1,717 | 1,784 |
| Basic | 1,700 | 1,762 |
| Dividends declared per share | \$1.15 | \$0.86 |
| See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements | | |

THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY
 CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
 (unaudited; in millions)

| | Quarter Ended | |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| Net income | \$2,244 | \$1,904 |
| Other comprehensive income/(loss), net of tax: | | |
| Market value adjustments for investments | (16) | (19) |
| Market value adjustments for hedges | 135 | 31 |
| Pension and postretirement medical plan adjustments | 44 | 25 |
| Foreign currency translation and other | (95) | 14 |
| Other comprehensive income/(loss) | 68 | 51 |
| Comprehensive income | 2,312 | 1,955 |
| Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests | (62) | (64) |
| Less: Other comprehensive (income)/loss attributable to noncontrolling interests | 20 | (8) |
| Comprehensive income attributable to Disney | \$2,270 | \$1,883 |
| See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements | | |

THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(unaudited; in millions, except per share data)

| | December 27, 2014 | September 27, 2014 |
|--|----------------------|-----------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Current assets | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$5,077 | \$3,421 |
| Receivables | 8,591 | 7,822 |
| Inventories | 1,476 | 1,574 |
| Television costs and advances | 712 | 1,061 |
| Deferred income taxes | 452 | 497 |
| Other current assets | 932 | 801 |
| Total current assets | 17,240 | 15,176 |
| Film and television costs | 5,672 | 5,325 |
| Investments | 2,642 | 2,696 |
| Parks, resorts and other property | | |
| Attractions, buildings and equipment | 42,324 | 42,263 |
| Accumulated depreciation | (24,045) | (23,722) |
| | 18,279 | 18,541 |
| Projects in progress | 4,148 | 3,553 |
| Land | 1,233 | 1,238 |
| | 23,660 | 23,332 |
| Intangible assets, net | 7,369 | 7,434 |
| Goodwill | 27,849 | 27,881 |
| Other assets | 2,603 | 2,342 |
| Total assets | \$87,035 | \$84,186 |
| LIABILITIES AND EQUITY | | |
| Current liabilities | | |
| Accounts payable and other accrued liabilities | \$9,069 | \$7,595 |
| Current portion of borrowings | 4,376 | 2,164 |
| Unearned royalties and other advances | 3,359 | 3,533 |
| Total current liabilities | 16,804 | 13,292 |
| Borrowings | 12,167 | 12,676 |
| Deferred income taxes | 4,414 | 4,098 |
| Other long-term liabilities | 5,857 | 5,942 |
| Commitments and contingencies (Note 10) | | |
| Equity | | |
| Preferred stock, \$.01 par value | — | — |
| Authorized – 100 million shares, Issued – none | | |
| Common stock, \$.01 par value | 34,488 | 34,301 |
| Authorized – 4.6 billion shares, Issued – 2.8 billion shares | | |
| Retained earnings | 53,969 | 53,734 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss | (1,880) | (1,968) |
| | 86,577 | 86,067 |
| Treasury stock, at cost, 1.1 billion shares at December 27, 2014 and September 27, 2014 | (42,412) | (41,109) |
| Total Disney Shareholders' equity | 44,165 | 44,958 |

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|------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Noncontrolling interests | 3,628 | 3,220 |
| Total equity | 47,793 | 48,178 |
| Total liabilities and equity | \$87,035 | \$84,186 |

See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

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THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY
 CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
 (unaudited; in millions)

| | Quarter Ended | |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| OPERATING ACTIVITIES | | |
| Net income | \$2,244 | \$1,904 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 592 | 561 |
| Gains on sales of investments and dispositions | — | (111) |
| Deferred income taxes | 290 | (85) |
| Equity in the income of investees | (212) | (239) |
| Cash distributions received from equity investees | 197 | 187 |
| Net change in film and television costs and advances | 114 | (299) |
| Equity-based compensation | 104 | 96 |
| Other | 171 | 27 |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities: | | |
| Receivables | (1,027) | (1,175) |
| Inventories | 92 | 97 |
| Other assets | (44) | (20) |
| Accounts payable and other accrued liabilities | (1,283) | (707) |
| Income taxes | 617 | 976 |
| Cash provided by operations | 1,855 | 1,212 |
| INVESTING ACTIVITIES | | |
| Investments in parks, resorts and other property | (998) | (658) |
| Sales of investments/proceeds from dispositions | — | 136 |
| Other | 7 | (5) |
| Cash used in investing activities | (991) | (527) |
| FINANCING ACTIVITIES | | |
| Commercial paper borrowings, net | 2,747 | 2,149 |
| Borrowings | 69 | 66 |
| Reduction of borrowings | (1,098) | (1,046) |
| Repurchases of common stock | (1,303) | (1,718) |
| Proceeds from exercise of stock options | 65 | 94 |
| Other | 417 | 218 |
| Cash provided by/(used in) financing activities | 897 | (237) |
| Impact of exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents | (105) | 18 |
| Increase in cash and cash equivalents | 1,656 | 466 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period | 3,421 | 3,931 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of period | \$5,077 | \$4,397 |
| See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements | | |

THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EQUITY
(unaudited; in millions)

| | Quarter Ended December 27, 2014 | | | December 28, 2013 | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| | Disney Shareholders | Non- controlling Interests | Total Equity | Disney Shareholders | Non- controlling Interests | Total Equity |
| Beginning balance | \$44,958 | \$3,220 | \$48,178 | \$45,429 | \$2,721 | \$48,150 |
| Comprehensive income | 2,270 | 42 | 2,312 | 1,883 | 72 | 1,955 |
| Equity compensation activity | 179 | — | 179 | 238 | — | 238 |
| Dividends | (1,948) | — | (1,948) | (1,508) | — | (1,508) |
| Common stock repurchases | (1,303) | — | (1,303) | (1,718) | — | (1,718) |
| Contributions | — | 351 | 351 | — | 180 | 180 |
| Distributions and other | 9 | 15 | 24 | — | (1) | (1) |
| Ending balance | \$44,165 | \$3,628 | \$47,793 | \$44,324 | \$2,972 | \$47,296 |

See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY
 NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. Principles of Consolidation

These Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) for interim financial information and the instructions to Rule 10-01 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. We believe that we have included all normal recurring adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of the results for the interim period. Operating results for the quarter ended December 27, 2014 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending October 3, 2015. Certain reclassifications have been made in the prior-year financial statements to conform to the current-year presentation.

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K. The Company enters into relationships or investments with other entities in which it does not have majority ownership. In certain instances, the entity in which the Company has a relationship or investment may be a variable interest entity (VIE). A VIE is consolidated in the financial statements if the Company has the power to direct activities that most significantly impact the economic performance of the VIE and has the obligation to absorb losses (as defined by ASC 810-10-25-38) or the right to receive benefits from the VIE that could potentially be significant to the VIE. Disneyland Paris, Hong Kong Disneyland Resort (HKDL) and Shanghai Disney Resort (collectively the International Theme Parks) are VIEs. Company subsidiaries (the Management Companies) have management agreements with the International Theme Parks, which provide the Management Companies, subject to certain protective rights of joint venture partners, with the ability to direct the day-to-day operating activities and the development of business strategies that we believe most significantly impact the economic performance of the International Theme Parks. In addition, the Management Companies receive management fees under these arrangements that we believe could be significant to the International Theme Parks. Therefore, although the Company has less than a 50% direct ownership interest in the International Theme Parks, the Company has consolidated the International Theme Parks in its financial statements.

The terms "Company," "we," "us," and "our" are used in this report to refer collectively to the parent company and the subsidiaries through which our various businesses are actually conducted.

2. Segment Information

The operating segments reported below are the segments of the Company for which separate financial information is available and for which segment results are evaluated regularly by the Chief Executive Officer in deciding how to allocate resources and in assessing performance. The Company reports the performance of its operating segments including equity in the income of investees. Equity in the income of investees included in segment operating results is as follows:

| | Quarter Ended | |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| Media Networks | | |
| Cable Networks | \$242 | \$257 |
| Broadcasting | (29) | (18) |
| Equity in the income of investees included in segment operating income | \$213 | \$239 |

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| | Quarter Ended | |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| Revenues ⁽¹⁾ : | | |
| Media Networks | \$5,860 | \$5,290 |
| Parks and Resorts | 3,910 | 3,597 |
| Studio Entertainment | 1,858 | 1,893 |
| Consumer Products | 1,379 | 1,126 |
| Interactive | 384 | 403 |
| | \$13,391 | \$12,309 |
| Segment operating income ⁽¹⁾ : | | |
| Media Networks | \$1,495 | \$1,455 |
| Parks and Resorts | 805 | 671 |
| Studio Entertainment | 544 | 409 |
| Consumer Products | 626 | 430 |
| Interactive | 75 | 55 |
| | \$3,545 | \$3,020 |

⁽¹⁾ Studio Entertainment segment revenues and operating income include an allocation of Consumer Products revenues, which is meant to reflect royalties on sales of merchandise based on certain film properties. The increase to Studio Entertainment revenues and operating income and corresponding decrease to Consumer Products revenues and operating income totaled \$145 million and \$63 million for the quarters ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013, respectively.

A reconciliation of segment operating income to income before income taxes is as follows:

| | Quarter Ended | |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| Segment operating income | \$3,545 | \$3,020 |
| Corporate and unallocated shared expenses | (125) | (116) |
| Restructuring and impairment charges | — | (19) |
| Other income, net | — | 6 |
| Interest income/(expense), net | (58) | 49 |
| Income before income taxes | \$3,362 | \$2,940 |

3. Acquisitions

Maker Studios

On May 7, 2014, the Company acquired Maker Studios, Inc. (Maker), a leading network of online video content, for approximately \$500 million of cash consideration, subject to certain conditions and adjustments. Maker shareholders may also receive up to \$450 million of additional cash upon final determination of Maker's achievement of performance targets for calendar years 2014 and 2015. The Company has recognized a \$198 million liability for the fair value of the contingent consideration (determined by a probability weighting of potential payouts). Subsequent changes in the estimated fair value, if any, will be recognized in earnings. The majority of the purchase price has been allocated to goodwill, which is not deductible for tax purposes. Goodwill reflects the synergies expected from enhancing the presence of Disney's franchises and brands through the use of Maker's distribution platform, advanced technology and business intelligence capability. The revenue and net income of Maker included in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income for the quarter ended December 27, 2014 was not material.

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Goodwill

The changes in the carrying amount of goodwill for the quarter ended December 27, 2014 are as follows:

| | Media Networks | Parks and Resorts | Studio Entertainment | Consumer Products | Interactive | Total |
|---------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-------------|----------|
| Balance at Sept. 27, 2014 | \$16,378 | \$291 | \$6,856 | \$2,967 | \$1,389 | \$27,881 |
| Acquisitions | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Dispositions | — | — | — | (1 |) — | (1 |
| Other, net | (14 |) — | (12 |) — | (5 |) (31 |
| Balance at Dec. 27, 2014 | \$16,364 | \$291 | \$6,844 | \$2,966 | \$1,384 | \$27,849 |

4. Borrowings

During the quarter ended December 27, 2014, the Company's borrowing activity was as follows:

| | September 27, 2014 | Borrowings | Reductions of borrowings | Other Activity | December 27, 2014 |
|--|-----------------------|------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| Commercial paper with original maturities less than three months, net ⁽¹⁾ | \$50 | \$1,025 | \$— | \$— | \$1,075 |
| Commercial paper with original maturities greater than three months | — | 1,722 | — | — | 1,722 |
| U.S. medium-term notes | 13,713 | — | (1,000 |) 3 | 12,716 |
| Foreign currency denominated debt | 783 | 69 | (93 |) (19 |) 740 |
| Other | 294 | — | (12 |) 8 | 290 |
| Total | \$14,840 | \$2,816 | \$(1,105 |) \$(8 |) \$16,543 |

⁽¹⁾ Borrowings and reductions of borrowings are reported net.

The Company has bank facilities with a syndicate of lenders to support commercial paper borrowings. The following is a summary of the bank facilities at December 27, 2014:

| | Committed Capacity | Capacity Used | Unused Capacity |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Facility expiring March 2015 | \$1,500 | \$— | \$1,500 |
| Facility expiring June 2017 | 2,250 | — | 2,250 |
| Facility expiring March 2019 | 2,250 | — | 2,250 |
| Total | \$6,000 | \$— | \$6,000 |

All of the above bank facilities allow for borrowings at LIBOR-based rates plus a spread depending on the credit default swap spread applicable to the Company's debt, subject to a cap and floor that vary with the Company's debt rating assigned by Moody's Investors Service and Standard and Poor's. The spread above LIBOR can range from 0.23% to 1.63%. The Company also has the ability to issue up to \$800 million of letters of credit under the facility expiring in March 2019, which if utilized, reduces available borrowings under this facility. As of December 27, 2014, \$214 million of letters of credit were outstanding, of which none were issued under this facility. The facilities contain only one financial covenant, relating to interest coverage, which the Company met on December 27, 2014 by a significant margin, and specifically exclude certain entities, including the International Theme Parks, from any representations, covenants, or events of default.

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Interest income/(expense)

Interest and investment income and interest expense are reported net in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income and consist of the following (net of capitalized interest):

| | Quarter Ended | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| Interest expense | \$(69) | \$(81) |
| Interest and investment income | 11 | 130 |
| Interest income/(expense), net | \$(58) | \$49 |

Interest and investment income includes gains and losses on the sale of available-for-sale and non-publicly traded cost method investments, investment impairments and interest earned on cash and cash equivalents and certain receivables. There were no sales of investments during the quarter ended December 27, 2014. The quarter ended December 28, 2013 included \$59 million and \$46 million of realized net gains on available-for-sale and cost method investments, respectively.

5. International Theme Park Investments

At December 27, 2014, the Company had a 51% effective ownership interest in the operations of Disneyland Paris, a 48% ownership interest in the operations of HKDL and a 43% ownership interest in the operations of Shanghai Disney Resort, all of which are VIEs consolidated in the Company's financial statements. See Note 1 for the Company's policy on consolidating VIEs.

The following tables present summarized balance sheet information for the Company as of December 27, 2014 and September 27, 2014, reflecting the impact of consolidating the International Theme Parks balance sheets.

| | As of December 27, 2014 | | |
|---|---|--|----------|
| | Before International Theme Parks Consolidation | International Theme Parks and Adjustments | Total |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$4,174 | \$903 | \$5,077 |
| Other current assets | 11,883 | 280 | 12,163 |
| Total current assets | 16,057 | 1,183 | 17,240 |
| Investments/Advances | 6,812 | (4,170) | 2,642 |
| Parks, resorts and other property | 16,981 | 6,679 | 23,660 |
| Other assets | 43,480 | 13 | 43,493 |
| Total assets | \$83,330 | \$3,705 | \$87,035 |
| Current portion of borrowings | \$4,376 | \$— | \$4,376 |
| Other current liabilities | 11,660 | 768 | 12,428 |
| Total current liabilities | 16,036 | 768 | 16,804 |
| Borrowings | 11,912 | 255 | 12,167 |
| Deferred income taxes and other long-term liabilities | 10,088 | 183 | 10,271 |
| Equity | 45,294 | 2,499 | 47,793 |
| Total liabilities and equity | \$83,330 | \$3,705 | \$87,035 |

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| | As of September 27, 2014 | | |
|---|---|--|----------|
| | Before International Theme Parks Consolidation | International Theme Parks and Adjustments | Total |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$2,645 | \$776 | \$3,421 |
| Other current assets | 11,452 | 303 | 11,755 |
| Total current assets | 14,097 | 1,079 | 15,176 |
| Investments/Advances | 6,627 | (3,931) | 2,696 |
| Parks, resorts and other property | 17,081 | 6,251 | 23,332 |
| Other assets | 42,958 | 24 | 42,982 |
| Total assets | \$80,763 | \$3,423 | \$84,186 |
| Current portion of borrowings | \$2,164 | \$— | \$2,164 |
| Other current liabilities | 10,318 | 810 | 11,128 |
| Total current liabilities | 12,482 | 810 | 13,292 |
| Borrowings | 12,423 | 253 | 12,676 |
| Deferred income taxes and other long-term liabilities | 9,859 | 181 | 10,040 |
| Equity | 45,999 | 2,179 | 48,178 |
| Total liabilities and equity | \$80,763 | \$3,423 | \$84,186 |

The following table presents summarized income statement information of the Company for the quarter ended December 27, 2014, reflecting the impact of consolidating the International Theme Parks income statements.

| | Before International Theme Parks Consolidation ⁽¹⁾ | International Theme Parks and Adjustments | Total |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|-----------|
| Revenues | \$12,813 | \$578 | \$13,391 |
| Cost and expenses | (9,597) | (586) | (10,183) |
| Other income/(expense), net | (31) | 31 | — |
| Interest income/(expense), net | (43) | (15) | (58) |
| Equity in the income of investees | 218 | (6) | 212 |
| Income before income taxes | 3,360 | 2 | 3,362 |
| Income taxes | (1,118) | — | (1,118) |
| Net income | \$2,242 | \$2 | \$2,244 |

These amounts include the International Theme Parks under the equity method of accounting. As such, royalty and management fee income from these operations is included in Revenues and our share of their net income/(loss) is included in Equity in the income of investees. There were \$14 million of royalties and management fees recognized for the quarter ended December 27, 2014.

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The following table presents summarized cash flow statement information of the Company for the quarter ended December 27, 2014, reflecting the impact of consolidating the International Theme Parks cash flow statements.

| | Before International Theme Parks Consolidation | International Theme Parks and Adjustments | Total |
|---|---|--|---------|
| Cash provided by operations | \$1,742 | \$113 | \$1,855 |
| Investments in parks, resorts and other property | (360) | (638) | (998) |
| Cash (used in)/provided by other investing activities | (320) | 327 | 7 |
| Cash provided by financing activities | 562 | 335 | 897 |
| Impact of exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents | (95) | (10) | (105) |
| Change in cash and cash equivalents | 1,529 | 127 | 1,656 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period | 2,645 | 776 | 3,421 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of period | \$4,174 | \$903 | \$5,077 |

Disneyland Paris

In September 2012, the Company provided Disneyland Paris with €1.2 billion (\$1.5 billion) of intercompany loans, which were used to repay its outstanding third-party bank debt. The Company has also provided Disneyland Paris lines of credit totaling €350 million (\$428 million), one of which bears interest at EURIBOR and expires in two tranches (€100 million in 2015 and €150 million in 2018) and another €100 million credit line, which bears interest at EURIBOR plus 2.0% and expires in 2017. The balance outstanding under the lines of credit was €250 million (\$305 million) at December 27, 2014. The total outstanding balance of loans provided to Disneyland Paris, including amounts outstanding under the lines of credit, was €1.8 billion (\$2.2 billion) as of December 27, 2014.

Disneyland Paris is currently implementing a €1.0 billion (\$1.2 billion) recapitalization consisting of the following: An equity rights offering to raise approximately €0.4 billion (\$0.4 billion) in cash proceeds of which the Company will fund approximately €0.2 billion (\$0.3 billion). To the extent the other Disneyland Paris shareholders choose not to participate in the rights offering, the Company will also purchase the unsubscribed shares.

• The Company will convert €0.6 billion (\$0.7 billion) of its loans to Disneyland Paris into equity.

The Company will be required to make a mandatory tender offer to the other Disneyland Paris shareholders to purchase their shares at a price, which is subject to French regulatory approval. Based on the proposed price of €1.25 per share, the Company may be required to purchase up to an additional €0.3 billion (\$0.4 billion) in shares.

• To mitigate the dilution caused by the loan conversion, the Disneyland Paris shareholders will have the right to purchase shares from the Company at the price used to convert debt to equity.

• The Company will replace the existing lines of credit with a new consolidated €350 million line of credit bearing interest at EURIBOR plus 2.0% and maturing in 2023.

The Company's ownership interest in Disneyland Paris after the proposed recapitalization will depend on the number of Disneyland Paris shareholders that participate in the rights offering, accept the Company's tender offer, and/or exercise their anti-dilution rights to purchase Disneyland Paris shares from the Company. The Company will have a minimum effective ownership interest of 51% after the above transaction.

The recapitalization received Disneyland Paris shareholders' approval in January 2015 and the rights offering has commenced. The recapitalization is expected to be completed in fiscal 2015.

The Company has recognized approximately \$365 million of deferred income tax assets on the difference between the Company's tax basis in its investment in Disneyland Paris and the Company's financial statement carrying value of Disneyland Paris. The Company will likely be required to write-off this deferred tax asset as a result of the recapitalization.

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Hong Kong Disneyland Resort

At December 27, 2014, the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) and the Company had a 52% and 48% equity interest in HKDL, respectively. In addition, HKSAR holds a right to receive additional shares over time if HKDL exceeds certain return on asset performance targets. The amount of additional shares HKSAR can receive varies to the extent certain performance targets are exceeded but is capped on both an annual and cumulative basis. Based on the number of shares currently outstanding, these additional shares could decrease the Company's equity interest by up to 10 percentage points over a period no shorter than 18 years. As HKDL exceeded the performance targets in fiscal 2014, HKSAR received an additional equity interest of one percentage point in January 2015.

HKDL plans to build a third hotel at the resort, which is expected to open in 2017 and cost approximately \$550 million. To fund the construction, the Company will contribute approximately \$219 million of equity, and HKSAR will convert an equal amount of its outstanding loan to HKDL into equity. Additionally, the Company and HKSAR will provide shareholder loans of up to approximately \$149 million and \$104 million, respectively. The loans will mature on dates from fiscal 2022 through fiscal 2025 and bear interest at a rate of three month HIBOR plus 2%.

Shanghai Disney Resort

The Company and Shanghai Shendi (Group) Co., Ltd (Shendi) are constructing a Disney Resort (Shanghai Disney Resort) in the Pudong district of Shanghai that includes a theme park, two hotels and a retail, dining and entertainment area with a planned investment of approximately 34 billion yuan (\$5.5 billion). Construction on the project began in April 2011, with the completion of major construction work anticipated by the end of calendar 2015 and opening planned for spring 2016.

The total investment in Shanghai Disney Resort will be funded in accordance with each partner's ownership percentage, with approximately 67% from equity contributions and 33% from shareholder loans. Shanghai Disney Resort is owned through two joint venture companies, in which Shendi owns 57% and the Company owns 43%. An additional joint venture, in which the Company has a 70% interest and Shendi a 30% interest, is responsible for designing, constructing and operating Shanghai Disney Resort.

6. Pension and Other Benefit Programs

The components of net periodic benefit cost are as follows:

| | Pension Plans | | Postretirement Medical Plans | |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| | Quarter Ended | | Quarter Ended | |
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| Service costs | \$83 | \$71 | \$4 | \$3 |
| Interest costs | 131 | 122 | 17 | 16 |
| Expected return on plan assets | (178) | (161) | (10) | (9) |
| Amortization of prior-year service costs | 4 | 4 | — | — |
| Recognized net actuarial loss/(gain) | 62 | 36 | 3 | (2) |
| Net periodic benefit cost | \$102 | \$72 | \$14 | \$8 |

During the quarter ended December 27, 2014, the Company did not make any material contributions to its pension and postretirement medical plans. The Company expects total pension and postretirement medical plan contributions in fiscal 2015 of approximately \$350 million to \$375 million. Final minimum pension plan funding requirements for fiscal 2015 will be determined based on our January 1, 2015 funding actuarial valuation, which will be available in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2015.

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7. Earnings Per Share

Diluted earnings per share amounts are based upon the weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding during the period and are calculated using the treasury stock method for equity-based compensation awards (Awards). A reconciliation of the weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding and Awards excluded from the diluted earnings per share calculation, as they were anti-dilutive, are as follows:

| | Quarter Ended | |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| Shares (in millions): | | |
| Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding (basic) | 1,700 | 1,762 |
| Weighted average dilutive impact of Awards | 17 | 22 |
| Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding (diluted) | 1,717 | 1,784 |
| Awards excluded from diluted earnings per share | 9 | 10 |

8. Equity

On December 3, 2014, the Company declared a \$1.15 per share dividend (\$1.9 billion) related to fiscal 2014 for shareholders of record on December 15, 2014, which was paid on January 8, 2015. The Company paid a \$0.86 per share dividend (\$1.5 billion) during the second quarter of fiscal 2014 related to fiscal 2013.

During the quarter ended December 27, 2014, the Company repurchased 15 million shares of its common stock for \$1.3 billion. On January 30, 2015, the Company's Board of Directors increased the repurchase authorization to a total of 400 million shares as of that date. The repurchase program does not have an expiration date.

The following table summarizes the changes in each component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) (AOCI) including our proportional share of equity method investee amounts, net of 37% estimated tax:

| | Market Value Adjustments | | Unrecognized Pension and Postretirement Medical Expense | Foreign Currency Translation and Other | AOCI |
|---|--------------------------|------------------|---|--|------------|
| | Investments, net | Cash Flow Hedges | | | |
| Balance September 27, 2014 | \$ 100 | \$ 204 | \$(2,196) | \$(76) | \$(1,968) |
| Unrealized gains (losses) arising during the period | (16) | 176 | — | (75) | 85 |
| Reclassifications of net (gains) losses to net income | — | (41) | 44 | — | 3 |
| Balance at December 27, 2014 | \$ 84 | \$ 339 | \$(2,152) | \$(151) | \$(1,880) |
| Balance at September 28, 2013 | \$ 95 | \$ 83 | \$(1,271) | \$(94) | \$(1,187) |
| Unrealized gains (losses) arising during the period | 18 | 41 | — | 6 | 65 |
| Reclassifications of net (gains) losses to net income | (37) | (10) | 25 | — | (22) |
| Balance at December 28, 2013 | \$ 76 | \$ 114 | \$(1,246) | \$(88) | \$(1,144) |

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Details about AOCI components reclassified to net income are as follows:

| Gains/(losses) in net income: | Affected line item in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income: | Quarter Ended | |
|--|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| | | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| Investments, net | Interest income/(expense), net | \$— | \$59 |
| Estimated tax | Income taxes | — | (22) |
| | | — | 37 |
| Cash flow hedges | Primarily revenue | 65 | 16 |
| Estimated tax | Income taxes | (24) | (6) |
| | | 41 | 10 |
| Pension and postretirement medical expense | Primarily included in the computation of net periodic benefit cost (see Note 6) | (70) | (40) |
| Estimated tax | Income taxes | 26 | 15 |
| | | (44) | (25) |
| Total reclassifications for the period | | \$(3) | \$22 |

At December 27, 2014, the Company held available-for-sale investments in net unrecognized gain positions totaling \$46 million and no investments in significant unrecognized loss positions. At September 27, 2014, the Company held available-for-sale investments in net unrecognized gain positions totaling \$55 million and no investments in significant unrecognized loss positions.

9. Equity-Based Compensation

Compensation expense related to stock options, stock appreciation rights and restricted stock units (RSUs) is as follows:

| | Quarter Ended | |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| Stock options/rights ⁽¹⁾ | \$25 | \$25 |
| RSUs | 79 | 74 |
| Total equity-based compensation expense ⁽²⁾ | \$104 | \$99 |
| Equity-based compensation expense capitalized during the period | \$15 | \$14 |

⁽¹⁾ Includes stock appreciation rights.

Equity-based compensation expense is net of capitalized equity-based compensation and excludes amortization of previously capitalized equity-based compensation costs. During the quarters ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013, amortization of previously capitalized equity-based compensation totaled \$9 million and \$13 million, respectively.

Unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested stock options/rights and RSUs totaled approximately \$237 million and \$762 million, respectively, as of December 27, 2014.

The weighted average grant date fair values of options issued during the quarters ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013 were \$22.61 and \$19.15, respectively.

During the quarter ended December 27, 2014, the Company made equity compensation grants consisting of 4.9 million stock options and 3.9 million RSUs, of which 0.2 million RSUs included market and/or performance conditions.

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10. Commitments and Contingencies

Legal Matters

Beef Products, Inc. v. American Broadcasting Companies, Inc. On September 13, 2012, plaintiffs filed an action in South Dakota state court against certain subsidiaries and employees of the Company and others, asserting claims for defamation arising from alleged false statements and implications, statutory and common law product disparagement, and tortious interference with existing and prospective business relationships. The claims arise out of ABC News reports published in March and April 2012 that discussed the subject of labeling requirements for production processes related to a product one plaintiff produces that is added to ground beef before sale to consumers. Plaintiffs seek actual and consequential damages in excess of \$400 million, statutory damages (including treble damages) pursuant to South Dakota's Agricultural Food Products Disparagement Act, and punitive damages. On July 9, 2013, the Company moved in state court to dismiss all claims and on March 27, 2014, the state court dismissed certain common law disparagement counts as preempted by South Dakota's produce disparagement statute, but denied the motion on the remaining claims. On April 23, 2014, the Company petitioned the South Dakota Supreme Court to allow a discretionary appeal seeking reversal of the state court's order permitting the remaining common law disparagement claims to proceed and also seeking reversal of its decision to allow certain claims to proceed as defamation claims. On May 22, 2014, the South Dakota Supreme Court denied the Company's petition. On May 23, 2014, the Company answered the Complaint. Trial is set for February 2017. At this time, the Company is not able to predict the ultimate outcome of this matter, nor can it estimate the range of possible loss.

The Company, together with, in some instances, certain of its directors and officers, is a defendant or codefendant in various other legal actions involving copyright, breach of contract and various other claims incident to the conduct of its businesses.

Management does not believe that the Company has incurred a probable, material loss by reason of any of the above actions.

Contractual Guarantees

The Company has guaranteed bond issuances by the Anaheim Public Authority that were used by the City of Anaheim to finance construction of infrastructure and a public parking facility adjacent to the Disneyland Resort. Revenues from sales, occupancy and property taxes from the Disneyland Resort and non-Disney hotels are used by the City of Anaheim to repay the bonds. In the event of a debt service shortfall, the Company will be responsible to fund the shortfall. As of December 27, 2014, the remaining debt service obligation guaranteed by the Company was \$334 million, of which \$68 million was principal. To the extent that tax revenues exceed the debt service payments in subsequent periods, the Company would be reimbursed for any previously funded shortfalls. To date, tax revenues have exceeded the debt service payments for these bonds.

Long-Term Receivables and the Allowance for Credit Losses

The Company has accounts receivable with original maturities greater than one year related to the sale of television program rights within the Media Networks segment and vacation ownership units within the Parks and Resorts segment. Allowances for credit losses are established against these receivables as necessary.

The Company estimates the allowance for credit losses related to receivables from the sale of television programs based upon a number of factors, including historical experience and the financial condition of individual companies with which we do business. The balance of television program sales receivables recorded in other non-current assets, net of an immaterial allowance for credit losses, was \$0.8 billion as of December 27, 2014. The activity in the current period related to the allowance for credit losses was not material.

The Company estimates the allowance for credit losses related to receivables from sales of its vacation ownership units based primarily on historical collection experience. Estimates of uncollectible amounts also consider the economic environment and the age of receivables. The balance of mortgage receivables recorded in other non-current assets, net of a related allowance for credit losses of approximately 4%, was approximately \$0.7 billion as of December 27, 2014. The activity in the current period related to the allowance for credit losses was not material.

Income Taxes

During the quarter ended December 27, 2014, the Company increased its gross unrecognized tax benefits by \$19 million to \$822 million with a resulting \$15 million increase to income tax expense.

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In the next twelve months, it is reasonably possible that our unrecognized tax benefits could change due to resolutions of open tax matters. These resolutions would reduce our unrecognized tax benefits by approximately \$141 million, of which \$132 million would reduce our income tax expense and effective tax rate if recognized.

Venezuela operations

The Company has operations in Venezuela, including film and television distribution and merchandise licensing and has approximately 1.7 billion of Venezuelan bolivar (BsF) denominated net monetary assets, which primarily consist of cash. At December 27, 2014, the Venezuelan government (Government) has foreign currency exchange controls, which centralize the purchase and sale of all foreign currency at a Government determined official rate or through rates determined by Government-run exchange mechanisms (SICAD 1 or SICAD 2 rates). The Company translates its BsF denominated net monetary assets at the SICAD 2 rate, which was 50.0 BsF per U.S. dollar at December 27, 2014.

11. Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is defined as the amount that would be received for selling an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants and is classified in one of the following three categories:

Level 1 - Quoted prices for identical instruments in active markets

Level 2 - Quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active; and model-derived valuations in which all significant inputs and significant value drivers are observable in active markets

Level 3 - Valuations derived from valuation techniques in which one or more significant inputs or significant value drivers are unobservable

The Company's assets and liabilities measured at fair value are summarized in the following tables by fair value measurement Level:

| | Fair Value Measurement at December 27, 2014 | | | |
|------------------------------|---|----------|----------|----------|
| | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Total |
| Assets | | | | |
| Investments | \$84 | \$— | \$— | \$84 |
| Derivatives | | | | |
| Interest rate | — | 110 | — | 110 |
| Foreign exchange | — | 909 | — | 909 |
| Liabilities | | | | |
| Derivatives | | | | |
| Interest rate | — | (62) | — | (62) |
| Foreign exchange | — | (133) | — | (133) |
| Other | — | (27) | — | (27) |
| Other | — | — | (198) | (198) |
| Total recorded at fair value | \$84 | \$797 | \$(198) | \$683 |
| Fair value of borrowings | \$— | \$16,259 | \$846 | \$17,105 |

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| | Fair Value Measurement at September 27, 2014 | | | Total |
|------------------------------|--|----------|----------|----------|
| | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | |
| Assets | | | | |
| Investments | \$100 | \$— | \$— | \$100 |
| Derivatives | | | | |
| Interest rate | — | 117 | — | 117 |
| Foreign exchange | — | 621 | — | 621 |
| Liabilities | | | | |
| Derivatives | | | | |
| Interest rate | — | (75) | — | (75) |
| Foreign exchange | — | (121) | — | (121) |
| Other | — | — | (198) | (198) |
| Total recorded at fair value | \$100 | \$542 | \$(198) | \$444 |
| Fair value of borrowings | \$— | \$14,374 | \$901 | \$15,275 |

The fair values of Level 2 derivatives are primarily determined by internal discounted cash flow models that use observable inputs such as interest rates, yield curves and foreign currency exchange rates. Counterparty credit risk, which is mitigated by master netting agreements and collateral posting arrangements with certain counterparties, did not have a material impact on derivative fair value estimates.

Level 2 borrowings, which include commercial paper and U.S. medium-term notes, are valued based on quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets.

The fair value of the Level 3 other liabilities represents the fair value of the contingent consideration for Maker and is determined by a probability weighting of potential payouts.

Level 3 borrowings, which include HKDL borrowings and other foreign currency denominated borrowings, are generally valued based on historical market transactions, prevailing market interest rates and the Company's current borrowing cost and credit risk.

The Company's financial instruments also include cash, cash equivalents, receivables and accounts payable. The carrying values of these financial instruments approximate the fair values.

12. Derivative Instruments

The Company manages its exposure to various risks relating to its ongoing business operations according to a risk management policy. The primary risks managed with derivative instruments are interest rate risk and foreign exchange risk.

The Company's derivative positions measured at fair value are summarized in the following tables:

| | As of December 27, 2014 | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | Current Assets | Other Assets | Other Accrued Liabilities | Other Long-Term Liabilities |
| Derivatives designated as hedges | | | | |
| Foreign exchange | \$423 | \$253 | \$(79) | \$(6) |
| Interest rate | — | 110 | (62) | — |
| Other | — | — | (20) | (7) |
| Derivatives not designated as hedges | | | | |
| Foreign exchange | 149 | 84 | (48) | — |
| Gross fair value of derivatives | 572 | 447 | (209) | (13) |
| Counterparty netting | (172) | (17) | 179 | 10 |
| Cash collateral (received)/posted | (213) | (174) | — | — |

| | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|--------|--------|-------|---|------|---|
| Net derivative positions | \$ 187 | \$ 256 | \$(30 |) | \$(3 |) |
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| | As of September 27, 2014 | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | Current Assets | Other Assets | Other Accrued Liabilities | Other Long-Term Liabilities |
| Derivatives designated as hedges | | | | |
| Foreign exchange | \$251 | \$160 | \$(54) | \$(8) |
| Interest rate | — | 117 | (75) | — |
| Derivatives not designated as hedges | | | | |
| Foreign exchange | 171 | 39 | (59) | — |
| Gross fair value of derivatives | 422 | 316 | (188) | (8) |
| Counterparty netting | (144) | (18) | 154 | 8 |
| Cash collateral (received)/posted | (80) | (119) | — | — |
| Net derivative positions | \$198 | \$179 | \$(34) | \$— |

Interest Rate Risk Management

The Company is exposed to the impact of interest rate changes primarily through its borrowing activities. The Company's objective is to mitigate the impact of interest rate changes on earnings and cash flows and on the market value of its borrowings. In accordance with its policy, the Company targets its fixed-rate debt as a percentage of its net debt between a minimum and maximum percentage. The Company typically uses pay-floating and pay-fixed interest rate swaps to facilitate its interest rate management activities.

The Company designates pay-floating interest rate swaps as fair value hedges of fixed-rate borrowings effectively converting fixed-rate borrowings to variable rate borrowings indexed to LIBOR. As of December 27, 2014 and September 27, 2014, the total notional amount of the Company's pay-floating interest rate swaps was \$5.8 billion and \$6.8 billion, respectively. The following table summarizes adjustments related to fair value hedges included in Interest income/(expense), net in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income.

| | Quarter Ended | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| Gain (loss) on interest rate swaps | \$10 | \$(31) |
| Gain (loss) on hedged borrowings | (10) | 31 |

In addition, the Company realized net benefits of \$25 million and \$22 million for the quarters ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013, respectively, in Interest income/(expense), net related to the pay-floating interest rate swaps.

The Company may designate pay-fixed interest rate swaps as cash flow hedges of interest payments on floating-rate borrowings. Pay-fixed swaps effectively convert floating-rate borrowings to fixed-rate borrowings. The unrealized gains or losses from these cash flow hedges are deferred in AOCI and recognized in interest expense as the interest payments occur. The Company did not have pay-fixed interest rate swaps that were designated as cash flow hedges of interest payments at December 27, 2014 or at September 27, 2014 and gains and losses related to pay-fixed swaps recognized in earnings for the quarters ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013 were not material.

Foreign Exchange Risk Management

The Company transacts business globally and is subject to risks associated with changing foreign currency exchange rates. The Company's objective is to reduce earnings and cash flow fluctuations associated with foreign currency exchange rate changes, enabling management to focus on core business issues and challenges.

The Company enters into option and forward contracts that change in value as foreign currency exchange rates change to protect the value of its existing foreign currency assets, liabilities, firm commitments and forecasted but not firmly committed foreign currency transactions. In accordance with policy, the Company hedges its forecasted foreign currency transactions for periods generally not to exceed four years within an established minimum and maximum range of annual exposure. The gains and losses on these contracts offset changes in the U.S. dollar equivalent value of the related forecasted transaction, asset,

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liability or firm commitment. The principal currencies hedged are the euro, Japanese yen, Canadian dollar and British pound. Cross-currency swaps are used to effectively convert foreign currency-denominated borrowings into U.S. dollar denominated borrowings.

The Company designates foreign exchange forward and option contracts as cash flow hedges of firmly committed and forecasted foreign currency transactions. As of December 27, 2014 and September 27, 2014, the notional amounts of the Company's net foreign exchange cash flow hedges were \$5.6 billion and \$5.0 billion, respectively. Mark-to-market gains and losses on these contracts are deferred in AOCI and are recognized in earnings when the hedged transactions occur, offsetting changes in the value of the foreign currency transactions. Gains and losses recognized related to ineffectiveness for the quarters ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013 were not material. Net deferred gains recorded in AOCI for contracts that will mature in the next twelve months totaled \$354 million.

Foreign exchange risk management contracts with respect to foreign currency assets and liabilities are not designated as hedges and do not qualify for hedge accounting. The notional amounts of these foreign exchange contracts at December 27, 2014 and September 27, 2014 were \$4.2 billion and \$4.3 billion, respectively. The following table summarizes the net foreign exchange gains or losses recognized on foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities and the offsetting net foreign exchange gains or losses on the related foreign exchange contracts for the quarters ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013 by the corresponding line item in which they are recorded in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income.

| | Costs and Expenses | | Interest Income/(Expense), net | |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| Net gains (losses) on foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities | \$(215 |) \$9 | \$12 | \$12 |
| Net gains (losses) on foreign exchange risk management contracts not designated as hedges | 205 | (22 |) (12 |) (10 |
| Net gains (losses) | \$(10 |) \$(13 |) \$— | \$2 |

Commodity Price Risk Management

The Company is subject to the volatility of commodities prices and the Company designates certain commodity forward contracts as cash flow hedges of forecasted commodity purchases. Mark-to-market gains and losses on these contracts are deferred in AOCI and are recognized in earnings when the hedged transactions occur, offsetting changes in the value of commodity purchases. The notional amount of these commodities contracts at December 27, 2014 and September 27, 2014 and related gains or losses recognized in earnings for the quarters ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013 were not material.

Risk Management – Other Derivatives Not Designated as Hedges

The Company enters into certain other risk management contracts that are not designated as hedges and do not qualify for hedge accounting. These contracts, which include certain commodity swap contracts, are intended to offset economic exposures of the Company and are carried at market value with any changes in value recorded in earnings. The fair value of these contracts at December 27, 2014 and September 27, 2014 were not material. The related gains or losses recognized in earnings were not material for the quarters ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013.

Contingent Features and Cash Collateral

The Company has master netting arrangements by counterparty with respect to certain derivative financial instrument contracts. The Company may be required to post collateral in the event that a net liability position with a counterparty exceeds limits defined by contract and that vary with the Company's credit rating. In addition, these contracts may require a counterparty to post collateral to the Company in the event that a net receivable position with a counterparty exceeds limits defined by contract and that vary with the counterparty's credit rating. If the Company's or the counterparty's credit ratings were to fall below investment grade, such counterparties or the Company would also have the right to terminate our derivative contracts, which could lead to a net payment to or from the Company for the

aggregate net value by counterparty of our derivative contracts. The aggregate fair values of derivative instruments with credit-risk-related contingent features in a net liability position by counterparty were \$33 million and \$34 million on December 27, 2014 and September 27, 2014, respectively.

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13. New Accounting Pronouncements

Revenue from Contracts with Customers

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued guidance that replaces the existing accounting standards for revenue recognition. The guidance requires a company to recognize revenue to depict the transfer of goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration it expects to be entitled to receive in exchange for those goods or services. The standard is effective beginning the first quarter of the Company's 2018 fiscal year (with early adoption not permitted) and may be adopted either by restating all years presented in the Company's financial statements or by recording the impact of adoption as an adjustment to retained earnings at the beginning of fiscal 2018. The Company is assessing the potential impact this guidance will have on its financial statements.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF
FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Item 2: Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

ORGANIZATION OF INFORMATION

Management's Discussion and Analysis provides a narrative of the Company's financial performance and condition that should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements. It includes the following sections:

Consolidated Results and Non-segment Items

Seasonality

Business Segment Results

Corporate and Unallocated Shared Expenses

Significant Developments

Financial Condition

Commitments and Contingencies

Other Matters

Market Risk

CONSOLIDATED RESULTS AND NON-SEGMENT ITEMS

Our summary consolidated results are presented below:

| (in millions, except per share data) | Quarter Ended | | % Change | |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | Better/ (Worse) | |
| Revenues: | | | | |
| Services | \$10,727 | \$9,857 | 9 | % |
| Products | 2,664 | 2,452 | 9 | % |
| Total revenues | 13,391 | 12,309 | 9 | % |
| Costs and expenses: | | | | |
| Cost of services (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) | (6,134 |) (5,614 |) (9) | % |
| Cost of products (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) | (1,522 |) (1,451 |) (5) | % |
| Selling, general, administrative and other | (1,935 |) (2,018 |) 4 | % |
| Depreciation and amortization | (592 |) (561 |) (6) | % |
| Total costs and expenses | (10,183 |) (9,644 |) (6) | % |
| Restructuring and impairment charges | — | (19 |) nm | |
| Other income, net | — | 6 | nm | |
| Interest income/(expense), net | (58 |) 49 | nm | |
| Equity in the income of investees | 212 | 239 | (11) | % |
| Income before income taxes | 3,362 | 2,940 | 14 | % |
| Income taxes | (1,118 |) (1,036 |) (8) | % |
| Net income | 2,244 | 1,904 | 18 | % |
| Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests | (62 |) (64 |) 3 | % |
| Net income attributable to Disney | \$2,182 | \$1,840 | 19 | % |
| Diluted earnings per share attributable to Disney | \$1.27 | \$1.03 | 23 | % |

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Quarter Results

Revenues for the quarter increased 9%, or \$1.1 billion, to \$13.4 billion; net income attributable to Disney increased 19%, or \$0.3 billion, to \$2.2 billion; and diluted earnings per share attributable to Disney (EPS) for the quarter increased 23% from \$1.03 to \$1.27 due to improved operating performance, a decrease in the weighted average shares outstanding as a result of our share repurchase program and a lower effective income tax rate, partially offset by the absence of investment gains recognized in the prior-year quarter.

Revenues

Service revenues for the quarter increased 9%, or \$0.9 billion, to \$10.7 billion driven by higher contractual rates for fees from Multi-channel Video Distributors (MVPDs) (Affiliate Fees) at our Media Networks, higher volumes and average guest spending at our domestic parks and resorts, higher program sales and television and subscription video on demand (TV/SVOD) distribution revenues and an increase in merchandise licensing revenue driven by Frozen. These increases were partially offset by lower theatrical distribution revenue reflecting the strong performance of Frozen in the prior-year quarter.

Product revenues for the quarter increased 9%, or \$0.2 billion, to \$2.7 billion reflecting comparable store and online sales growth at our retail operations, higher volumes and average guest spending on food, beverage and merchandise at our parks and resorts operations and increased home entertainment volumes.

Costs and expenses

Cost of services for the quarter increased 9%, or \$0.5 billion, to \$6.1 billion due to higher programming and production costs, driven by sports programming, and higher costs at domestic parks and resorts driven by inflation and higher volumes.

Cost of products for the quarter increased 5%, or \$71 million, to \$1.5 billion driven by volume growth at our retail and domestic parks and resorts operations.

Selling, general, administrative and other costs decreased 4%, or \$83 million, to \$1.9 billion primarily due to lower theatrical marketing expenses driven by the timing of Marvel releases and the inclusion of two DreamWorks Studios releases in the prior-year quarter compared to none in the current quarter.

Depreciation and amortization costs increased 6%, or \$31 million, to \$0.6 billion driven by new attractions at our parks and resorts.

Interest Income/(Expense), net

Interest income/(expense), net is as follows:

| (in millions) | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | % Change Better/(Worse) |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Interest expense | \$(69) | \$(81) | 15 % |
| Interest and investment income | 11 | 130 | (92)% |
| Interest income/(expense), net | \$(58) | \$49 | nm |

The decrease in interest expense was primarily due to lower effective interest rates. The decrease in interest and investment income for the quarter was due to gains on sales of investments in the prior-year quarter.

Equity in the Income of Investees

Equity in the income of investees decreased 11%, or \$27 million, to \$212 million driven by a decrease at Hulu due to higher programming and marketing costs, partially offset by an increase in advertising revenue.

Effective Income Tax Rate

| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | Change Better/(Worse) |
|---------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Effective income tax rate | 33.3 % | 35.2 % | 1.9 ppt |

The decrease in the effective income tax rate was driven by an increase in earnings from foreign operations indefinitely reinvested outside the United States, which are subject to tax rates lower than the federal statutory income tax rate.

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SEASONALITY

The Company's businesses are subject to the effects of seasonality. Consequently, the operating results for the quarter ended December 27, 2014 for each business segment, and for the Company as a whole, are not necessarily indicative of results to be expected for the full year.

Media Networks revenues are subject to seasonal advertising patterns and changes in viewership levels. In general, advertising revenues are somewhat higher during the fall and somewhat lower during the summer months. Affiliate revenues are typically collected ratably throughout the year. In the past, certain affiliate revenues at ESPN were deferred until annual programming commitments were met, which were typically satisfied during the second half of the Company's fiscal year. Most MVPD contracts no longer have annual programming commitments that require the deferral of revenues.

Parks and Resorts revenues fluctuate with changes in theme park attendance and resort occupancy resulting from the seasonal nature of vacation travel and leisure activities. Peak attendance and resort occupancy generally occur during the summer months when school vacations occur and during early-winter and spring-holiday periods.

Studio Entertainment revenues fluctuate due to the timing and performance of releases in the theatrical, home entertainment and television markets. Release dates are determined by several factors, including competition and the timing of vacation and holiday periods.

Consumer Products revenues are influenced by seasonal consumer purchasing behavior, which generally results in increased revenues during the Company's first fiscal quarter, and by the timing and performance of theatrical releases and cable programming broadcasts.

Interactive revenues fluctuate due to the timing and performance of game releases, which are determined by several factors, including theatrical releases and cable programming broadcasts on which the games are based, competition and the timing of holiday periods. Revenues from certain of our internet and mobile operations are subject to similar seasonal trends.

BUSINESS SEGMENT RESULTS

The Company evaluates the performance of its operating segments based on segment operating income, which is shown below along with segment revenues:

| (in millions) | Quarter Ended | | % Change | |
|---------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | Better/ (Worse) | % |
| Revenues: | | | | |
| Media Networks | \$5,860 | \$5,290 | 11 | % |
| Parks and Resorts | 3,910 | 3,597 | 9 | % |
| Studio Entertainment | 1,858 | 1,893 | (2) | % |
| Consumer Products | 1,379 | 1,126 | 22 | % |
| Interactive | 384 | 403 | (5) | % |
| | \$13,391 | \$12,309 | 9 | % |
| Segment operating income: | | | | |
| Media Networks | \$1,495 | \$1,455 | 3 | % |
| Parks and Resorts | 805 | 671 | 20 | % |
| Studio Entertainment | 544 | 409 | 33 | % |
| Consumer Products | 626 | 430 | 46 | % |
| Interactive | 75 | 55 | 36 | % |
| | \$3,545 | \$3,020 | 17 | % |

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The following table reconciles segment operating income to income before income taxes:

| (in millions) | Quarter Ended | | % Change | |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | Better/ (Worse) | |
| Segment operating income | \$3,545 | \$3,020 | 17 | % |
| Corporate and unallocated shared expenses | (125) | (116) | (8) | % |
| Restructuring and impairment charges | — | (19) | nm | |
| Other income, net | — | 6 | nm | |
| Interest income/(expense), net | (58) | 49 | nm | |
| Income before income taxes | \$3,362 | \$2,940 | 14 | % |

Depreciation expense is as follows:

| (in millions) | Quarter Ended | | % Change | |
|----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | Better/ (Worse) | |
| Media Networks | | | | |
| Cable Networks | \$37 | \$33 | (12) | % |
| Broadcasting | 21 | 23 | 9 | % |
| Total Media Networks | 58 | 56 | (4) | % |
| Parks and Resorts | | | | |
| Domestic | 297 | 279 | (6) | % |
| International | 89 | 86 | (3) | % |
| Total Parks and Resorts | 386 | 365 | (6) | % |
| Studio Entertainment | 14 | 12 | (17) | % |
| Consumer Products | 13 | 12 | (8) | % |
| Interactive | 3 | 1 | >(100) | % |
| Corporate | 61 | 58 | (5) | % |
| Total depreciation expense | \$535 | \$504 | (6) | % |

Amortization of intangible assets is as follows:

| (in millions) | Quarter Ended | | % Change | |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | Better/ (Worse) | |
| Media Networks | \$5 | \$2 | >(100) | % |
| Parks and Resorts | 1 | 1 | — | % |
| Studio Entertainment | 21 | 23 | 9 | % |
| Consumer Products | 27 | 28 | 4 | % |
| Interactive | 3 | 3 | — | % |
| Total amortization of intangible assets | \$57 | \$57 | — | % |

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Media Networks

Operating results for the Media Networks segment are as follows:

| (in millions) | Quarter Ended | | % Change | |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | Better/ (Worse) | |
| Revenues | | | | |
| Affiliate Fees | \$2,854 | \$2,384 | 20 | % |
| Advertising | 2,302 | 2,333 | (1) | % |
| Other | 704 | 573 | 23 | % |
| Total revenues | 5,860 | 5,290 | 11 | % |
| Operating expenses | (3,890) | (3,437) | (13) | % |
| Selling, general, administrative and other | (625) | (579) | (8) | % |
| Depreciation and amortization | (63) | (58) | (9) | % |
| Equity in the income of investees | 213 | 239 | (11) | % |
| Operating Income | \$1,495 | \$1,455 | 3 | % |

Revenues

The 20% increase in Affiliate Fee revenue was due to increases of 8% from higher contractual rates, 6% from lower revenue deferrals at ESPN as a result of changes in contractual provisions related to annual programming commitments and 4% from an increase in subscribers. The increase in subscribers was driven by the launch of the SEC Network in the fourth quarter of the prior year, partially offset by a decline in subscribers.

The 1% decrease in advertising revenues was due to decreases of \$26 million at Broadcasting, from \$1,106 million to \$1,080 million, and \$5 million at Cable Networks, from \$1,227 million to \$1,222 million. The decrease at Broadcasting was due to a 6% decrease from fewer units sold, partially offset by a 2% increase at the owned television stations due to higher political advertising and a 2% increase from higher primetime rates. At Cable Networks, a 5% decrease from lower ratings was essentially offset by a 3% increase from higher rates and a 2% increase from more units sold.

The increase in other revenue was primarily due to higher program sales, which included higher sales of Criminal Minds, Scandal and Once Upon a Time.

Costs and Expenses

Operating expenses include programming and production costs, which increased \$378 million from \$3,053 million to \$3,431 million. At Cable Networks, programming and production costs increased \$308 million due to a contractual rate increase for NFL programming, the launch of the SEC Network and a new international Disney Channel and higher Disney Channel pilot write-offs. At Broadcasting, programming and production costs increased \$70 million primarily due to higher program sales.

Selling, general, administrative and other costs increased \$46 million from \$579 million to \$625 million including increased marketing at ESPN.

Equity in the Income of Investees

Income from equity investees decreased \$26 million from \$239 million to \$213 million driven by a decrease at Hulu due to higher programming and marketing costs, partially offset by an increase in advertising revenue.

Segment Operating Income

Segment operating income increased 3%, or \$40 million, to \$1,495 million driven by an increase at our Broadcasting business, partially offset by a decrease at our Cable Networks business.

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The following table provides supplemental revenue and segment operating income detail for the Media Networks segment:

| (in millions) | Quarter Ended | | % Change | |
|--------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | Better/ (Worse) | |
| Revenues | | | | |
| Cable Networks | \$4,166 | \$3,759 | 11 | % |
| Broadcasting | 1,694 | 1,531 | 11 | % |
| | \$5,860 | \$5,290 | 11 | % |
| Segment operating income | | | | |
| Cable Networks | \$1,255 | \$1,277 | (2) | % |
| Broadcasting | 240 | 178 | 35 | % |
| | \$1,495 | \$1,455 | 3 | % |

Restructuring and impairment charges

The Company recorded restructuring charges of \$12 million related to Media Networks in the prior-year quarter for an investment impairment and contract termination costs.

Parks and Resorts

Operating results for the Parks and Resorts segment are as follows:

| (in millions) | Quarter Ended | | % Change | |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | Better/ (Worse) | |
| Revenues | | | | |
| Domestic | \$3,233 | \$2,922 | 11 | % |
| International | 677 | 675 | — | % |
| Total revenues | 3,910 | 3,597 | 9 | % |
| Operating expenses | (2,283) | (2,152) | (6) | % |
| Selling, general, administrative and other | (435) | (408) | (7) | % |
| Depreciation and amortization | (387) | (366) | (6) | % |
| Operating Income | \$805 | \$671 | 20 | % |

Revenues

Parks and Resorts revenues increased 9%, or \$313 million, to \$3.9 billion due to an increase of \$311 million at our domestic operations and an increase of \$2 million at our international operations.

Revenue growth of 11% at our domestic operations reflected a 6% increase from higher volumes and a 4% increase from higher average guest spending. Higher volumes were driven by attendance growth at our theme parks, higher occupied room nights and, to a lesser extent, increased passenger cruise ship days, reflecting the impact of the Disney Magic dry-dock in the prior-year quarter. Guest spending growth was driven by higher average ticket prices for admissions at our theme parks and for sailings at our cruise line and increased merchandise, food and beverage spending at our theme parks and resorts.

Revenues at our international operations were comparable to the prior year as a 5% increase from higher average guest spending and a 3% increase from higher volumes were largely offset by a 7% decrease from foreign currency translation due to the strengthening of the U.S. dollar against the euro and Japanese yen. Guest spending growth was primarily due to higher average ticket prices and increased merchandise, food and beverage spending. Higher volumes were due to an increase in attendance at Disneyland Paris, partially offset by lower attendance at Hong Kong Disneyland Resort.

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The following table presents supplemental park and hotel statistics:

| | Domestic Quarter Ended | | International ⁽²⁾ Quarter Ended | | Total Quarter Ended | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|---|---------------|------------------------|------------------|---|---|
| | Dec. 27, 2014 | Dec. 28, 2013 | Dec. 27, 2014 | Dec. 28, 2013 | Dec. 27, 2014 | Dec. 28, 2013 | | |
| Parks | | | | | | | | |
| Increase/(decrease) | | | | | | | | |
| Attendance | 7 | % — | % 4 | % (2) | % 6 | % — | % | % |
| Per Capita Guest Spending | 4 | % 8 | % 5 | % 5 | % 4 | % 7 | % | % |
| Hotels ⁽¹⁾ | | | | | | | | |
| Occupancy | 89 | % 81 | % 79 | % 76 | % 87 | % 80 | % | % |
| Available Room Nights (in thousands) | 2,591 | 2,620 | 621 | 621 | 3,212 | 3,241 | | |
| Per Room Guest Spending | \$288 | \$278 | \$340 | \$330 | \$297 | \$288 | | |

(1) Per room guest spending consists of the average daily hotel room rate as well as guest spending on food, beverage and merchandise at the hotels. Hotel statistics include rentals of Disney Vacation Club units.

Per capita guest spending growth rate is stated on a constant currency basis. Per room guest spending is stated at the (2) fiscal 2014 foreign exchange rate. The euro to U.S. dollar weighted average foreign currency exchange rate was \$1.25 and \$1.36 for the quarters ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013, respectively.

Costs and Expenses

Operating expenses include operating labor, which increased \$87 million from \$1,032 million to \$1,119 million, cost of sales, which increased \$23 million from \$346 million to \$369 million and infrastructure costs, which decreased \$16 million from \$423 million to \$407 million. The increase in operating labor was primarily due to inflation, higher pension and postretirement medical costs and higher volumes. The increase in cost of sales was due to higher volumes. The decrease in infrastructure costs was driven by the absence of costs that were incurred in the prior-year quarter for the dry-dock of the Disney Magic and lower information systems expense. Other operating expenses, which include costs for supplies and commissions, increased primarily due to higher volumes, inflation and higher pre-opening costs at Shanghai Disney Resort.

Selling, general, administrative and other costs increased \$27 million from \$408 million to \$435 million driven by higher marketing costs.

The increase in depreciation and amortization was driven by new attractions.

Segment Operating Income

Segment operating income increased 20%, or \$134 million, to \$805 million due to growth at our domestic operations and Disneyland Paris, partially offset by higher pre-opening costs at Shanghai Disney Resort, the impact of a weaker Japanese yen on our royalties from Tokyo Disney Resort and higher costs at Hong Kong Disneyland Resort.

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Studio Entertainment

Operating results for the Studio Entertainment segment are as follows:

| (in millions) | Quarter Ended | | % Change | |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | Better/ (Worse) | |
| Revenues | | | | |
| Theatrical distribution | \$336 | \$626 | (46) | % |
| Home entertainment | 678 | 616 | 10 | % |
| TV/SVOD distribution and other | 844 | 651 | 30 | % |
| Total revenues | 1,858 | 1,893 | (2) | % |
| Operating expenses | (758) | (784) | 3 | % |
| Selling, general, administrative and other | (521) | (665) | 22 | % |
| Depreciation and amortization | (35) | (35) | — | % |
| Operating Income | \$544 | \$409 | 33 | % |

Revenues

The decrease in theatrical distribution revenue was due to the performance of Big Hero 6 in the current quarter compared to Frozen in the prior-year quarter. Additionally, the current quarter included revenues from Marvel's Guardians Of The Galaxy, which was released in the fourth quarter of the prior year whereas the prior-year quarter included the release of Marvel's Thor: The Dark World.

Higher home entertainment revenue was due to a 10% increase from higher unit sales driven by Marvel's Guardians Of The Galaxy, Maleficent, the continued performance of Frozen, which had its home entertainment release in the second quarter of fiscal 2014, and Planes: Fire and Rescue in the current quarter compared to Monsters University, Planes and The Lone Ranger in the prior-year quarter.

The increase in TV/SVOD distribution and other revenue reflected increases of 12% from higher revenue share with the Consumer Products segment driven by higher sales of Frozen merchandise, 7% from an increase in TV/SVOD distribution driven by more titles being available internationally, and 4% from higher stage play revenues due to the timing of new productions and improved performance.

Costs and Expenses

Operating expenses include a decrease of \$30 million in film cost amortization, from \$465 million to \$435 million, due to lower revenues. Operating expenses also include cost of goods sold and distribution costs, which increased \$4 million, from \$319 million to \$323 million. The increase was driven by the timing and performance of stage play productions and an increase in home entertainment units sold, partially offset by lower home entertainment per unit costs.

Selling, general, administrative and other costs decreased \$144 million from \$665 million to \$521 million due to lower theatrical marketing expense driven by the timing of Marvel releases and the inclusion of two DreamWorks Studios releases in the prior-year quarter compared to none in the current quarter. The prior-year quarter included most of the marketing costs for Marvel's Thor: The Dark World whereas there was limited marketing expense on Marvel's Guardians Of The Galaxy in the current quarter.

Segment Operating Income

Segment operating income increased \$135 million to \$544 million due to an increase in home entertainment distribution, higher revenue share with the Consumer Products segment and an increase in TV/SVOD distribution, partially offset by lower theatrical results.

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Consumer Products

Operating results for the Consumer Products segment are as follows:

| (in millions) | Quarter Ended | | % Change | |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | Better/ (Worse) | |
| Revenues | | | | |
| Licensing and publishing | \$781 | \$634 | 23 | % |
| Retail and other | 598 | 492 | 22 | % |
| Total revenues | 1,379 | 1,126 | 22 | % |
| Operating expenses | (533) | (475) | (12) | % |
| Selling, general, administrative and other | (180) | (181) | 1 | % |
| Depreciation and amortization | (40) | (40) | — | % |
| Operating Income | \$626 | \$430 | 46 | % |

Revenues

The 23% increase in licensing and publishing revenue was driven by a 22% increase from our licensing business due to the performance of merchandise based on Frozen and, to a lesser extent, Disney Channel properties, Mickey and Minnie, Spider-Man and Avengers, partially offset by lower performance of Planes and Monsters merchandise.

The 22% increase in retail and other revenue was from our retail business due to comparable store sales growth, higher online sales and an increase at our wholesale distribution business in North America, all of which were driven by Frozen. These increases were partially offset by a decrease from store closures in fiscal 2014 in Europe.

Costs and Expenses

Operating expenses include an increase of \$48 million in cost of goods sold, from \$227 million to \$275 million, and an increase of \$9 million in distribution, labor and occupancy costs from \$219 million to \$228 million. These increases were driven by higher sales at our retail business.

Segment Operating Income

Segment operating income increased 46% to \$626 million due to increases at our merchandise licensing and retail businesses.

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Interactive

Operating results for the Interactive segment are as follows:

| (in millions) | Quarter Ended ⁽¹⁾ | | % Change | |
|--|------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | Better/ (Worse) | |
| Revenues | | | | |
| Games | \$ 328 | \$ 336 | (2) | % |
| Other content | 56 | 67 | (16) | % |
| Total revenues | 384 | 403 | (5) | % |
| Operating expenses | (192) | (217) | 12 | % |
| Selling, general, administrative and other | (111) | (127) | 13 | % |
| Depreciation and amortization | (6) | (4) | (50) | % |
| Operating Income | \$ 75 | \$ 55 | 36 | % |

⁽¹⁾ Certain reclassifications have been made to the revenue amounts presented for the prior-year quarter to conform with the current quarter presentation. The principal change was to reclassify game-related revenue at our Japan mobile business from Other content to Games.

Revenues

Games revenues decreased \$8 million from \$336 million to \$328 million, including a decrease of 9% from sales of console games, partially offset by an increase of 8% from mobile games. The decrease in sales of console games was due to lower unit sales of catalog titles. The increase in mobile games revenue was due to the success of Tsum Tsum and Frozen Free Fall, partially offset by lower performance of catalog titles.

Lower other content revenue was due to a decrease in advertising revenue.

Costs and Expenses

Operating expenses reflected a \$31 million decrease in product development from \$79 million to \$48 million, partially offset by a \$6 million increase in cost of sales from \$138 million to \$144 million. Lower product development costs were primarily due to fewer titles in development, partially offset by an increase in product development costs for future releases of Disney Infinity. The increase in cost of sales includes higher royalties and other fees for Frozen Free Fall and higher per unit costs at our console games business driven by the mix of Disney Infinity products sold in the current quarter, partially offset by a decrease due to lower sales of catalog titles.

Selling, general, administrative and other costs decreased \$16 million from \$127 million to \$111 million driven by lower labor and marketing costs. Lower marketing costs reflected fewer mobile games in release and a decrease at our mobile phone business in Japan, partially offset by higher marketing costs for Disney Infinity 2.0 in the current quarter compared to Disney Infinity 1.0 in the prior-year quarter.

Segment Operating Income

Segment operating income increased 36%, or \$20 million to \$75 million driven by an increase at our mobile games business, partially offset by lower results at our console games business.

CORPORATE AND UNALLOCATED SHARED EXPENSES

| (in millions) | Quarter Ended | | % Change | |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | Better/ (Worse) | |
| Corporate and unallocated shared expenses | \$(125) | \$(116) | (8) | % |

The increase in Corporate and unallocated shared expenses in the quarter was primarily due to higher charitable giving.

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SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS

Disneyland Paris Recapitalization

As disclosed in Note 5 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, Disneyland Paris is implementing a €1.0 billion (\$1.2 billion) recapitalization, which is expected to be completed in fiscal 2015.

The Company has recognized approximately \$365 million of deferred income tax assets on the difference between the Company's tax basis in its investment in Disneyland Paris and the Company's financial statement carrying value of Disneyland Paris. The Company will likely be required to write-off this deferred tax asset as a result of the recapitalization.

Seven TV Investment

The Company has a 49% ownership interest in Seven TV, which operates an advertising-supported, free-to-air Disney Channel in Russia and is accounted for under the equity method. In October 2014, regulations were adopted in Russia that prohibit more than 20% foreign ownership of media companies and could require the Company to divest a portion of its interest by January 2016. The Company is evaluating its options with respect to these regulations and, depending on the outcome, we could have an impairment of some or all of our approximately \$300 million investment related to Seven TV.

FINANCIAL CONDITION

The change in cash and cash equivalents is as follows:

| (in millions) | Quarter Ended | | % Change | |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | Better/ (Worse) | % |
| Cash provided by operations | \$1,855 | \$1,212 | 53 | % |
| Cash used in investing activities | (991) | (527) | (88) | % |
| Cash provided by/(used in) financing activities | 897 | (237) | nm | |
| Impact of exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents | (105) | 18 | nm | |
| Increase in cash and cash equivalents | \$1,656 | \$466 | >100 | % |

Operating Activities

Cash provided by operating activities increased 53% to \$1.9 billion for the current quarter due to higher operating cash flow at our Media Networks and Parks and Resorts segments. Higher operating cash flow at Media Networks was due to increased operating receipts driven by Affiliate Fee revenue growth in the current quarter compared to the prior-year quarter and lower television programming and production spending. Parks and Resorts cash flow benefited from higher operating cash receipts from increased revenues in the current quarter compared to the prior-year quarter, partially offset by higher cash payments driven by labor cost increases and higher volumes.

Film and Television Costs

The Company's Studio Entertainment and Media Networks segments incur costs to acquire and produce feature film and television programming. Film and television production costs include all internally produced content such as live-action and animated feature films, animated direct-to-video programming, television series, television specials, theatrical stage plays or other similar product. Programming costs include film or television product licensed for a specific period from third parties for airing on the Company's broadcast and cable networks and television stations. Programming assets are generally recorded when the programming becomes available to us with a corresponding increase in programming liabilities. Accordingly, we analyze our programming assets net of the related liability.

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The Company's film and television production and programming activity for the quarters ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013 are as follows:

| (in millions) | Quarter Ended | |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| Beginning balances: | | |
| Production and programming assets | \$6,386 | \$5,417 |
| Programming liabilities | (875) | (928) |
| | 5,511 | 4,489 |
| Spending: | | |
| Television program licenses and rights | 1,850 | 1,976 |
| Film and television production | 1,126 | 1,209 |
| | 2,976 | 3,185 |
| Amortization: | | |
| Television program licenses and rights | (2,218) | (1,927) |
| Film and television production | (872) | (959) |
| | (3,090) | (2,886) |
| Change in film and television production and programming costs | (114) | 299 |
| Other non-cash activity | (42) | (11) |
| Ending balances: | | |
| Production and programming assets | 6,384 | 5,838 |
| Programming liabilities | (1,029) | (1,061) |
| | \$5,355 | \$4,777 |

Investing Activities

Investing activities consist principally of investments in parks, resorts and other property and acquisition and divestiture activity. The Company's investments in parks, resorts and other property for the quarter ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013 are as follows:

| (in millions) | Quarter Ended | |
|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| Media Networks | | |
| Cable Networks | \$15 | \$32 |
| Broadcasting | 7 | 13 |
| Total Media Networks | 22 | 45 |
| Parks and Resorts | | |
| Domestic | 239 | 215 |
| International | 638 | 324 |
| Total Parks and Resorts | 877 | 539 |
| Studio Entertainment | 24 | 13 |
| Consumer Products | 4 | 6 |
| Interactive | 1 | — |
| Corporate | 70 | 55 |
| | \$998 | \$658 |

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Capital expenditures for the Parks and Resorts segment are principally for theme park and resort expansion, new attractions, cruise ships, recurring capital and capital improvements and systems infrastructure. The increase at our international parks and resorts operations was due to higher construction spending on the Shanghai Disney Resort. Capital expenditures at Media Networks primarily reflect investments in facilities and equipment for expanding and upgrading broadcast centers, production facilities and television station facilities.

Capital expenditures at Corporate primarily reflect investments in corporate facilities, information technology and equipment.

The Company currently expects its fiscal 2015 capital expenditures will be approximately \$1.5 billion higher than fiscal 2014 capital expenditures of \$3.3 billion, driven by increased investment in Shanghai Disney Resort. While we fully consolidate capital expenditures for Shanghai Disney Resort, our net contribution is only 43% of the total capital expenditures. Therefore, net of Shanghai Disney Resort partner contributions, our capital spending is expected to increase by approximately \$1.0 billion.

Other Investing Activities

There was no significant activity in the current quarter. In the prior-year quarter, proceeds from sales of investments totaled \$136 million.

Financing Activities

Cash provided by financing activities was \$0.9 billion in the current quarter compared to cash used in financing activities of \$0.2 billion in the prior-year quarter.

Cash provided by financing activities in the current quarter reflected net proceeds from borrowings of \$1.7 billion and contributions from our joint venture partners of \$0.4 billion, partially offset by repurchases of common stock of \$1.3 billion.

The increase in cash provided by financing activities of \$1.1 billion versus the prior-year quarter was due to an increase in net proceeds from borrowings of \$0.5 billion, a decrease in repurchases of common stock of \$0.4 billion and higher contributions from our joint venture partners of \$0.2 billion.

During the quarter ended December 27, 2014, the Company's borrowing activity was as follows:

| (in millions) | September 27, 2014 | Borrowings | Reductions of borrowings | Other Activity | December 27, 2014 |
|--|-----------------------|------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| Commercial paper with original maturities less than three months, net ⁽¹⁾ | \$50 | \$1,025 | \$— | \$— | \$1,075 |
| Commercial paper with original maturities greater than three months | — | 1,722 | — | — | 1,722 |
| U.S. medium-term notes | 13,713 | — | (1,000 |) 3 | 12,716 |
| Foreign currency denominated debt | 783 | 69 | (93 |) (19 |) 740 |
| Other | 294 | — | (12 |) 8 | 290 |
| Total | \$14,840 | \$2,816 | \$(1,105 |) \$(8 |) \$16,543 |

⁽¹⁾ Borrowings and reductions of borrowings are reported net.

The Company's bank facilities as of December 27, 2014 were as follows:

| (in millions) | Committed Capacity | Capacity Used | Unused Capacity |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Bank facility expiring March 2015 | \$1,500 | \$— | \$1,500 |
| Bank facility expiring June 2017 | 2,250 | — | 2,250 |
| Bank facility expiring March 2019 | 2,250 | — | 2,250 |
| Total | \$6,000 | \$— | \$6,000 |

All of the above bank facilities allow for borrowings at LIBOR-based rates plus a spread depending on the credit default swap spread applicable to the Company's debt, subject to a cap and floor that vary with the Company's debt

rating assigned by Moody's Investors Service and Standard & Poor's. The spread above LIBOR can range from 0.23% to 1.63%. The Company

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also has the ability to issue up to \$800 million of letters of credit under the facility expiring in March 2019, which if utilized, reduces available borrowings under this facility. As of December 27, 2014, \$214 million of letters of credit were outstanding, of which none were issued under this facility.

The Company may use commercial paper borrowings up to the amount of its unused bank facilities, in conjunction with term debt issuance and operating cash flow, to retire or refinance other borrowings before or as they come due. On December 3, 2014, the Company declared a \$1.15 per share dividend (\$1.9 billion) related to fiscal 2014 for shareholders of record on December 15, 2014, which was paid on January 8, 2015.

During the quarter ended December 27, 2014, the Company repurchased 15 million shares of its common stock for \$1.3 billion. On January 30, 2015, the Company's Board of Directors increased the repurchase authorization to a total of 400 million shares as of that date. The repurchase program does not have an expiration date.

We believe that the Company's financial condition is strong and that its cash balances, other liquid assets, operating cash flows, access to debt and equity capital markets and borrowing capacity, taken together, provide adequate resources to fund ongoing operating requirements and future capital expenditures related to the expansion of existing businesses and development of new projects. However, the Company's operating cash flow and access to the capital markets can be impacted by macroeconomic factors outside of its control. In addition to macroeconomic factors, the Company's borrowing costs can be impacted by short- and long-term debt ratings assigned by nationally recognized rating agencies, which are based, in significant part, on the Company's performance as measured by certain credit metrics such as interest coverage and leverage ratios. As of December 27, 2014, Moody's Investors Service's long- and short-term debt ratings for the Company were A2 and P-1, respectively, with stable outlook; Standard & Poor's long- and short-term debt ratings for the Company were A and A-1, respectively, with stable outlook; and Fitch's long- and short-term debt ratings for the Company were A and F1, respectively, with stable outlook. The Company's bank facilities contain only one financial covenant, relating to interest coverage, which the Company met on December 27, 2014 by a significant margin. The Company's bank facilities also specifically exclude certain entities, including the International Theme Parks, from any representations, covenants or events of default.

COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Legal Matters

As disclosed in Note 10 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, the Company has exposure for certain legal matters, and the disclosure set forth in Note 10 relating to certain legal matters is incorporated herein by reference.

Guarantees

See Note 10 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for information regarding the Company's guarantees.

Tax Matters

As disclosed in Note 9 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in the 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K, the Company has exposure for certain tax matters.

Contractual Commitments

See Note 14 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in the 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K for information regarding the Company's contractual commitments.

OTHER MATTERS

Accounting Policies and Estimates

We believe that the application of the following accounting policies, which are important to our financial position and results of operations require significant judgments and estimates on the part of management. For a summary of our significant accounting policies, including the accounting policies discussed below, see Note 2 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in the 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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Film and Television Revenues and Costs

We expense film and television production, participation and residual costs over the applicable product life cycle based upon the ratio of the current period's revenues to the estimated remaining total revenues (Ultimate Revenues) for each production. If our estimate of Ultimate Revenues decreases, amortization of film and television costs may be accelerated. Conversely, if our estimate of Ultimate Revenues increases, film and television cost amortization may be slowed. For film productions, Ultimate Revenues include revenues from all sources that will be earned within ten years from the date of the initial theatrical release. For television series, Ultimate Revenues include revenues that will be earned within ten years from delivery of the first episode, or if still in production, five years from delivery of the most recent episode, if later.

With respect to films intended for theatrical release, the most sensitive factor affecting our estimate of Ultimate Revenues (and therefore affecting future film cost amortization and/or impairment) is theatrical performance. Revenues derived from other markets subsequent to the theatrical release (e.g., the home entertainment or television markets) have historically been highly correlated with the theatrical performance. Theatrical performance varies primarily based upon the public interest and demand for a particular film, the popularity of competing films at the time of release and the level of marketing effort. Upon a film's release and determination of the theatrical performance, the Company's estimates of revenues from succeeding windows and markets are revised based on historical relationships and an analysis of current market trends. The most sensitive factor affecting our estimate of Ultimate Revenues for released films is the level of expected home entertainment sales. Home entertainment sales vary based on the number and quality of competing home entertainment products, as well as the manner in which retailers market and price our products.

With respect to television series or other television productions intended for broadcast, the most sensitive factor affecting estimates of Ultimate Revenues is the program's rating and the strength of the advertising market. Program ratings, which are an indication of market acceptance, directly affect the Company's ability to generate advertising revenues during the airing of the program. In addition, television series with greater market acceptance are more likely to generate incremental revenues through the eventual sale of the program rights in the syndication, international and home entertainment markets. Alternatively, poor ratings may result in a television series cancellation, which would require an immediate write-down of any unamortized production costs. A significant decline in the advertising market would also negatively impact our estimates.

We expense the cost of television broadcast rights for acquired series, movies and other programs based on the number of times the program is expected to be aired or on a straight-line basis over the useful life, as appropriate. Amortization of those television programming assets being amortized on a number of airings basis may be accelerated if we reduce the estimated future airings and slowed if we increase the estimated future airings. The number of future airings of a particular program is impacted primarily by the program's ratings in previous airings, expected advertising rates and availability and quality of alternative programming. Accordingly, planned usage is reviewed periodically and revised if necessary. We amortize rights costs for multi-year sports programming arrangements during the applicable seasons based on the estimated relative value of each year in the arrangement. The estimated values of each year are based on our projections of revenues over the contract period, which include advertising revenue and an allocation of affiliate revenue. If the annual contractual payments related to each season approximate each season's relative value, we expense the related contractual payments during the applicable season. If planned usage patterns or estimated relative values by year were to change significantly, amortization of our sports rights costs may be accelerated or slowed.

Costs of film and television productions are subject to regular recoverability assessments, which compare the estimated fair values with the unamortized costs. The net realizable values of television broadcast program licenses and rights are reviewed using a daypart methodology. A daypart is defined as an aggregation of programs broadcast during a particular time of day or programs of a similar type. The Company's dayparts are: primetime, daytime, late night, news and sports (includes broadcast and cable networks). The net realizable values of other cable programming

assets are reviewed on an aggregated basis for each cable network. Individual programs are written off when there are no plans to air or sublicense the program. Estimated values are based upon assumptions about future demand and market conditions. If actual demand or market conditions are less favorable than our projections, film, television and programming cost write-downs may be required.

Revenue Recognition

The Company has revenue recognition policies for its various operating segments that are appropriate to the circumstances of each business. See Note 2 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in the 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K for a summary of these revenue recognition policies.

We reduce home entertainment and game revenues for estimated future returns of merchandise and for customer programs and sales incentives. These estimates are based upon historical return experience, current economic trends and projections of customer demand for and acceptance of our products. If we underestimate the level of returns and concessions in

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a particular period, we may record less revenue in later periods when returns exceed the estimated amount. Conversely, if we overestimate the level of returns and concessions for a period, we may have additional revenue in later periods when returns and concessions are less than estimated.

We recognize revenues from advance theme park ticket sales when the tickets are used. We recognize revenues from expiring multi-use tickets ratably over the estimated usage period. For non-expiring, multi-day tickets, we recognize revenue over a five-year time period based on estimated usage. The estimated usage periods are derived from historical usage patterns. If actual usage is different than our estimated usage, revenues may not be recognized in the periods the related services are rendered. In addition, a change in usage patterns would impact the timing of revenue recognition.

Pension and Postretirement Medical Plan Actuarial Assumptions

The Company's pension and postretirement medical benefit obligations and related costs are calculated using a number of actuarial assumptions. Two critical assumptions, the discount rate and the expected return on plan assets, are important elements of expense and/or liability measurement, which we evaluate annually. Refer to the 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K for estimated impacts of changes in these assumptions. Other assumptions include the healthcare cost trend rate and employee demographic factors such as retirement patterns, mortality, turnover and rate of compensation increase.

The discount rate enables us to state expected future cash payments for benefits as a present value on the measurement date. A lower discount rate increases the present value of benefit obligations and increases pension expense. The guideline for setting this rate is a high-quality long-term corporate bond rate. The Company's discount rate was determined by considering the average of pension yield curves constructed of a large population of high-quality corporate bonds. The resulting discount rate reflects the matching of plan liability cash flows to the yield curves. To determine the expected long-term rate of return on the plan assets, we consider the current and expected asset allocation, as well as historical and expected returns on each plan asset class. A lower expected rate of return on pension plan assets will increase pension expense.

Goodwill, Intangible Assets, Long-Lived Assets and Investments

The Company is required to test goodwill and other indefinite-lived intangible assets for impairment on an annual basis and if current events or circumstances require, on an interim basis. Goodwill is allocated to various reporting units, which are generally an operating segment or one level below the operating segment. The Company compares the fair value of each reporting unit to its carrying amount to determine if there is potential goodwill impairment. If the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying value, an impairment loss is recorded to the extent that the fair value of the goodwill within the reporting unit is less than the carrying value of the goodwill.

To determine the fair value of our reporting units, we generally use a present value technique (discounted cash flow) corroborated by market multiples when available and as appropriate. We apply what we believe to be the most appropriate valuation methodology for each of our reporting units. The discounted cash flow analyses are sensitive to our estimates of future revenue growth and margins for these businesses. We include in the projected cash flows an estimate of the revenue we believe the reporting unit would receive if the intellectual property developed by the reporting unit that is being used by other reporting units was licensed to an unrelated third party at its fair market value. These amounts are not necessarily the same as those included in segment operating results. We believe our estimates of fair value are consistent with how a marketplace participant would value our reporting units.

In times of adverse economic conditions in the global economy, the Company's long-term cash flow projections are subject to a greater degree of uncertainty than usual. If we had established different reporting units or utilized different valuation methodologies or assumptions, the impairment test results could differ, and we could be required to record impairment charges.

The Company is required to compare the fair values of other indefinite-lived intangible assets to their carrying amounts. If the carrying amount of an indefinite-lived intangible asset exceeds its fair value, an impairment loss is recognized. Fair values of other indefinite-lived intangible assets are determined based on discounted cash flows or appraised values, as appropriate.

The Company tests long-lived assets, including amortizable intangible assets, for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances (triggering events) indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. Once a triggering event has occurred, the impairment test employed is based on whether the intent is to hold the asset for continued use or to hold the asset for sale. The impairment test for assets held for use requires a comparison of cash flows expected to be generated over the

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useful life of an asset group to the carrying value of the asset group. An asset group is established by identifying the lowest level of cash flows generated by a group of assets that are largely independent of the cash flows of other assets and could include assets used across multiple businesses or segments. If the carrying value of an asset group exceeds the estimated undiscounted future cash flows, an impairment would be measured as the difference between the fair value of the group's long-lived assets and the carrying value of the group's long-lived assets. The impairment is allocated to the long-lived assets of the group on a pro rata basis using the relative carrying amounts, but only to the extent the carrying value of each asset is above its fair value. For assets held for sale, to the extent the carrying value is greater than the asset's fair value less costs to sell, an impairment loss is recognized for the difference. Determining whether a long-lived asset is impaired requires various estimates and assumptions, including whether a triggering event has occurred, the identification of the asset groups, estimates of future cash flows and the discount rate used to determine fair values. If we had established different asset groups or utilized different valuation methodologies or assumptions, the impairment test results could differ, and we could be required to record impairment charges. The Company has cost and equity investments. The fair value of these investments is dependent on the performance of the investee companies, as well as volatility inherent in the external markets for these investments. In assessing potential impairment of these investments, we consider these factors, as well as the forecasted financial performance of the investees and market values, where available. If these forecasts are not met or market values indicate an other-than-temporary decline in value, impairment charges may be required.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

We evaluate our allowance for doubtful accounts and estimate collectability of accounts receivable based on our analysis of historical bad debt experience in conjunction with our assessment of the financial condition of individual companies with which we do business. In times of domestic or global economic turmoil, our estimates and judgments with respect to the collectability of our receivables are subject to greater uncertainty than in more stable periods. If our estimate of uncollectible accounts is too low, costs and expenses may increase in future periods, and if it is too high, costs and expenses may decrease in future periods.

Contingencies and Litigation

We are currently involved in certain legal proceedings and, as required, have accrued estimates of the probable and estimable losses for the resolution of these claims. These estimates have been developed in consultation with outside counsel and are based upon an analysis of potential results, assuming a combination of litigation and settlement strategies. It is possible, however, that future results of operations for any particular quarterly or annual period could be materially affected by changes in our assumptions or the effectiveness of our strategies related to these proceedings. See Note 10 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for more detailed information on litigation exposure.

Income Tax Audits

As a matter of course, the Company is regularly audited by federal, state and foreign tax authorities. From time to time, these audits result in proposed assessments. Our determinations regarding the recognition of income tax benefits are made in consultation with outside tax and legal counsel, where appropriate, and are based upon the technical merits of our tax positions in consideration of applicable tax statutes and related interpretations and precedents and upon the expected outcome of proceedings (or negotiations) with taxing and legal authorities. The tax benefits ultimately realized by the Company may differ from those recognized in our future financial statements based on a number of factors, including the Company's decision to settle rather than litigate a matter, relevant legal precedent related to similar matters and the Company's success in supporting its filing positions with taxing authorities.

New Accounting Pronouncements

See Note 13 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for information regarding new accounting pronouncements.

MARKET RISK

The Company is exposed to the impact of interest rate changes, foreign currency fluctuations, commodity fluctuations and changes in the market values of its investments.

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Policies and Procedures

In the normal course of business, we employ established policies and procedures to manage the Company's exposure to changes in interest rates, foreign currencies and commodities using a variety of financial instruments.

Our objectives in managing exposure to interest rate changes are to limit the impact of interest rate volatility on earnings and cash flows and to lower overall borrowing costs. To achieve these objectives, we primarily use interest rate swaps to manage net exposure to interest rate changes related to the Company's portfolio of borrowings. By policy, the Company targets fixed-rate debt as a percentage of its net debt between minimum and maximum percentages.

Our objective in managing exposure to foreign currency fluctuations is to reduce volatility of earnings and cash flows in order to allow management to focus on core business issues and challenges. Accordingly, the Company enters into various contracts that change in value as foreign exchange rates change to protect the U.S. dollar equivalent value of its existing foreign currency assets, liabilities, commitments and forecasted foreign currency revenues and expenses. The Company utilizes option strategies and forward contracts that provide for the purchase or sale of foreign currencies to hedge probable, but not firmly committed, transactions. The Company also uses forward and option contracts to hedge foreign currency assets and liabilities. The principal foreign currencies hedged are the euro, British pound, Japanese yen and Canadian dollar. Cross-currency swaps are used to effectively convert foreign currency denominated borrowings to U.S. dollar denominated borrowings. By policy, the Company maintains hedge coverage between minimum and maximum percentages of its forecasted foreign exchange exposures generally for periods not to exceed four years. The gains and losses on these contracts offset changes in the U.S. dollar equivalent value of the related exposures. The economic or political conditions in a country could reduce our ability to hedge exposure to currency fluctuations in the country or our ability to repatriate revenue from the country.

Our objectives in managing exposure to commodity fluctuations are to use commodity derivatives to reduce volatility of earnings and cash flows arising from commodity price changes. The amounts hedged using commodity swap contracts are based on forecasted levels of consumption of certain commodities, such as fuel oil and gasoline.

It is the Company's policy to enter into foreign currency and interest rate derivative transactions and other financial instruments only to the extent considered necessary to meet its objectives as stated above. The Company does not enter into these transactions or any other hedging transactions for speculative purposes.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk. See Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures – We have established disclosure controls and procedures to ensure that the information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in SEC rules and forms and that such information is accumulated and made known to the officers who certify the Company's financial reports and to other members of senior management and the Board of Directors as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Based on their evaluation as of December 27, 2014, the principal executive officer and principal financial officer of the Company have concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) are effective.

There have been no changes in our internal controls over financial reporting during the first quarter of fiscal 2015 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. Legal Proceedings

As disclosed in Note 10 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, the Company is engaged in certain legal matters, and the disclosure set forth in Note 10 relating to certain legal matters is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 1A. Risk Factors

The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the Act) provides a safe harbor for “forward-looking statements” made by or on behalf of the Company. We may from time to time make written or oral statements that are “forward-looking,” including statements contained in this report and other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission and in reports to our shareholders. All forward-looking statements are made on the basis of management’s views and assumptions regarding future events and business performance as of the time the statements are made and the Company does not undertake any obligation to update its disclosure relating to forward-looking matters. Actual results may differ materially from those expressed or implied. Such differences may result from actions taken by the Company, including restructuring or strategic initiatives (including capital investments or asset acquisitions or dispositions), as well as from developments beyond the Company’s control, including: changes in domestic and global economic conditions, competitive conditions and consumer preferences; adverse weather conditions or natural disasters; health concerns; international, political or military developments; and technological developments. Such developments may affect travel and leisure businesses generally and may, among other things, affect the performance of the Company’s theatrical and home entertainment releases, the advertising market for broadcast and cable television programming, expenses of providing medical and pension benefits, demand for our products and performance of some or all company businesses either directly or through their impact on those who distribute our products. Additional factors are discussed in the 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K under the Item 1A, “Risk Factors.”

ITEM 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

The following table provides information about Company purchases of equity securities that are registered by the Company pursuant to Section 12 of the Exchange Act during the quarter ended December 27, 2014:

| Period | Total Number of Shares Purchased ⁽¹⁾ | Weighted Average Price Paid per Share | Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs | Maximum Number of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs ⁽²⁾ |
|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| September 28, 2014 – October 31, 2014 | 9,021,454 | \$85.36 | 8,995,481 | 68 million |
| November 1, 2014 – November 30, 2014 | 5,024,016 | 89.48 | 5,001,104 | 63 million |
| December 1, 2014 – December 27, 2014 | 980,009 | 92.01 | 953,989 | 62 million |
| Total | 15,025,479 | 87.17 | 14,950,574 | 62 million |

⁽¹⁾ 74,905 shares were purchased on the open market to provide shares to participants in the Walt Disney Investment Plan (WDIP). These purchases were not made pursuant to a publicly announced repurchase plan or program.

⁽²⁾ Under a share repurchase program implemented effective June 10, 1998, the Company is authorized to repurchase shares of its common stock. On January 30, 2015, the Company's Board of Directors increased the repurchase authorization to a total of 400 million shares as of that date. The repurchase program does not have an expiration date.

ITEM 6. Exhibits
See Index of Exhibits.

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY
(Registrant)

By: /s/ JAMES A. RASULO
James A. Rasulo,
Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

February 3, 2015
Burbank, California

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| Number and Description of Exhibit (Numbers Coincide with Item 601 of Regulation S-K) | Document Incorporated by Reference from a Previous Filing or Filed Herewith, as Indicated below | |
|---|--|--|
| 10.1 | Voluntary Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan | Exhibit 10.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K of the Company dated December 23, 2014 |
| 12.1 | Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges | Filed herewith |
| 31(a) | Rule 13a-14(a) Certification of Chief Executive Officer of the Company in accordance with Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 | Filed herewith |
| 31(b) | Rule 13a-14(a) Certification of Chief Financial Officer of the Company in accordance with Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 | Filed herewith |
| 32(a) | Section 1350 Certification of Chief Executive Officer of the Company in accordance with Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002* | Furnished |
| 32(b) | Section 1350 Certification of Chief Financial Officer of the Company in accordance with Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002* | Furnished |
| 101 | The following materials from the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 27, 2014 formatted in Extensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL): (i) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income, (ii) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income, (iii) the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, (iv) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, (v) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Equity and (vi) related notes | Filed |

* A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.