

Wabtec Reports Results For 3Q, Updates Guidance

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WILMERDING, Pa., Oct. 24, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Wabtec Corporation (NYSE: WAB) today reported results for the third quarter and updated its financial guidance for 2017.

2017 Third Quarter Consolidated Results

- Sales were \$958 million, a 42 percent increase compared to the year-ago quarter, as sales from acquisitions, mainly in the
 Transit Group, more than offset slightly lower organic sales. Changes in foreign exchange rates increased sales by \$7
 million compared to the year-ago guarter.
- Income from operations was \$102 million including expenses of \$20 million for contract adjustments and \$6 million for restructuring and integration actions. Excluding these expenses, the company's operating margin was 13.4 percent, slightly better than its adjusted operating margin in the first half of the year.
- Net interest expense was \$18 million, reflecting a higher debt balance due mainly to the Faiveley Transport acquisition in late 2016.
- Other expense was \$2.9 million, mainly due to a non-cash foreign exchange loss.
- Income tax expense was \$13 million including a benefit of \$10 million related to adjustments of foreign deferred tax liabilities. Excluding the tax benefit, the effective tax rate was 28 percent.
- Earnings per diluted share were 70 cents including expenses of 18 cents per diluted share for the contract adjustments and restructuring and integration actions. Excluding these items, adjusted earnings per diluted share were 88 cents.

2017 Third Quarter Segment Results

- In the Transit segment, sales increased 97 percent and income from operations decreased 7 percent compared to the year-ago third quarter. Transit sales increased by \$304 million, primarily due to sales from acquisitions of \$290 million. Changes in foreign exchange rates increased sales by \$5 million. Income from operations included expenses for contract adjustments and restructuring and integration of \$18 million. Excluding these expenses, adjusted income from operations increased 29 percent, with an operating margin of 10.7 percent.
- In the Freight segment, sales decreased 6 percent and income from operations decreased 21 percent. Freight sales decreased by \$22 million, primarily due to lower sales from original equipment rail products. Acquisitions increased sales by \$41 million and changes in foreign exchange rates increased sales by \$2 million. Income from operations included expenses for contract adjustments and restructuring and integration of \$7 million. Excluding these expenses, adjusted income from operations decreased 12 percent, with an operating margin of 20.2 percent.

Cash Flow Summary

- Cash from operations was \$40 million for the third quarter. For the first nine months of 2017, cash from operations decreased compared to the same period of 2016 mainly due to an increase in working capital.
- At Sept. 30, the company had cash of \$228 million and debt of \$1.9 billion. Total debt was 6 percent lower than at the end of the second guarter.

Backlog and Other Information

- During the quarter, the company's total, multi-year backlog increased 2 percent compared to the second quarter, to a
 record \$4.5 billion. The company's 12-month backlog, a subset of the total, increased 5 percent to a record \$2.2 billion.
 Recent new orders include projects in all major markets around the world and in all major product categories, including
 contracts worth more \$100 million to supply a variety of components and systems for the new generation of double deck
 trains for Paris.
- Following the end of the quarter, Wabtec acquired AM General Contractor, a manufacturer of fire protection and extinguishing systems, mainly for transit rail cars. Based in Europe, AM has annual sales of about \$25 million.

2017 Guidance Update

Based on its year-to-date results and fourth quarter forecast, Wabtec expects revenues for the year to be about \$3.8 billion and earnings per diluted share to be between \$3.45-\$3.50 excluding expenses for restructuring, integration and contract adjustments. The company's adjusted operating margin target in the fourth quarter is about 15 percent.

Raymond T. Betler, Wabtec's president and chief executive officer, said: "Excluding the contract adjustments and restructuring and integration expenses, our third quarter results were in line with our expectations. Although we have faced challenging market conditions this year, we have also seen many positive developments, too. During the third quarter our transit business once again grew its record backlog, winning orders throughout our major geographic markets and product categories. Our freight revenues and backlog have remained mostly flat for the past four quarters, indicating a level of stability, and we are seeing a slight pick-up in the aftermarket. We expect a strong finish to the year based on our existing backlog and increasing synergies.

"In addition, we have continued to make meaningful progress in the Faiveley integration, combining the best technologies, processes and practices from each company, less than one year after completing the acquisition. Last week, we presented to our Board of Directors our first strategic plan with Faiveley as part of Wabtec, and it was received enthusiastically. Based on this plan, we're excited about our worldwide growth opportunities and our ability to drive margin improvement through the application of lean principles and the Wabtec Excellence Program."

Wabtec Corporation (www.wabtec.com) is a leading global provider of equipment, systems and value-added services for transit and freight rail. Through its subsidiaries, the company manufactures a range of products for locomotives, freight cars and passenger transit vehicles. The company also builds new switcher and commuter locomotives, and provides aftermarket services. The company has facilities located throughout the world.

This release contains forward-looking statements, such as statements regarding the company's expectations about future sales and earnings. Actual results could differ materially from the results suggested in any forward-looking statement. Factors that could cause or contribute to these material differences include, but are not limited to, an economic slowdown in the markets we serve; changes in the expected timing of projects; a decrease in freight or passenger rail traffic; an increase in manufacturing costs; and other factors contained in the company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The company assumes no obligation to update these statements or advise of changes in the assumptions on which they are based.

Wabtec will host a call with analysts and investors at 10 a.m., eastern time, today. To listen via webcast, go to www.wabtec.com and click on "Webcasts" in the "Investor Relations" section.

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME FOR THE THREE AND NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 AND 2016 (AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS EXCEPT PER SHARE DATA) (UNAUDITED)

	Third Quarter 2017		Third Quarter 2016	For the Nine Months 2017	6	For the Nine Months 2016		
Net sales	\$ 957,931		\$ 675,574		\$ 2,806,218		\$ 2,171,206	;
Cost of sales	(704,728)	(463,093)	(2,009,34	5)	(1,466,156)	
Gross profit	253,203		212,481		796,873		705,050	
Gross profit as a % of Net Sales	26.4	%	31.5	%	28.4	%	32.5	%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(117,838)	(70,757)	(367,753)	(241,118)
Engineering expenses	(24,709)	(16,289)	(71,511)	(52,271)
Amortization expense	(8,645)	(5,339)	(27,039)	(16,100)
Total operating expenses	(151,192)	(92,385)	(466,303)	(309,489)
Operating expenses as a % of Net Sales	15.8	%	13.7	%	16.6	%	14.3	%
Income from operations	102,011		120,096		330,570		395,561	
Income from operations as a % of Net Sales	10.6	%	17.8	%	11.8	%	18.2	%
Interest expense, net	(17,893)	(6,057)	(51,025)	(15,897)
Other (expense) income, net	(2,933)	1,188		(2,166)	113	
Income from operations before income taxes	81,185		115,227		277,379		379,777	
Income tax expense	(12,746)	(32,799)	(64,776)	(112,701)
Effective tax rate	15.7	%	28.5	%	23.4	%	29.7	%
Net Income	68,439		82,428		212,603		267,076	
Less: Net (Gain) Loss attributable to noncontrolling interest	(1,040)	-		710		-	

Net income attributable to Wabtec shareholders	\$	67,399		\$ 82,428	\$ 213,313		\$ 267,076	
Earnings Per Common Share								
Basic Net income attributable to Wabtec shareholders	\$	0.70		\$ 0.92	\$ 2.23		\$ 2.94	
Diluted								
Net income attributable to Wabtec shareholders	\$	0.70		\$ 0.91	\$ 2.22		\$ 2.92	
Weighted average shares outstanding								
Basic		95,709		89,589	95,163		90,546	
Diluted		96,316		90,293	95,807		91,316	
Segment Information								
Freight Net Sales	\$	340,185		\$ 361,998	\$ 1,032,959		\$ 1,201,734	
Freight Income from Operations	\$	61,596		\$ 77,999	\$ 196,328		\$ 276,990	
Freight Operating Margin		18.1 %		21.5 %	19.0	%	23.0	%
Transit Net Sales	\$	617,746		\$ 313,576	\$ 1,773,259		\$ 969,472	
Transit Income from Operations	\$	47,531		\$ 51,164	\$ 155,901		\$ 148,321	
Transit Operating Margin		7.7 %		16.3 %	8.8	%	15.3	%
Backlog Information (Note: 12-month is a sub-set of total)	s	eptember 30, 2017	,	June 30, 2017				
Freight Total	\$	610,686		\$ 611,174				
Transit Total	\$	3,920,280		\$ 3,843,046				
Wabtec Total	\$	4,530,966		\$ 4,454,220				
Freight 12-Month	\$	419,659		\$ 413,231				
Transit 12-Month	\$	1,822,208		\$ 1,729,153				
Wabtec 12-Month	\$	2,241,867		\$ 2,142,384				

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

Unaudited

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	September 30, 2017			ecember 31, 2016				
In thousands								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	228,080	\$	398,484				
Receivables, net		1,144,339		942,508				
Inventories		764,781		658,510				
Current assets - other		139,925		868,129				
Total current assets		2,277,125		2,867,631				
Property, plant and equipment, net		550,367		518,376				
Goodwill		2,384,758		2,078,765				
Other intangibles, net		1,140,387		1,053,860				
Other long term assets		97,013		62,386				
Total assets	\$	6,449,650	\$	6,581,018				
Current liabilities	\$	1,465,440	\$	1,446,639				
Long-term debt		1,824,156		1,762,967				
Long-term liabilities - other		423,685		394,587				
Total liabilities		3,713,281		3,604,193				

Shareholders' equity	2,717,702	2,205,977
Non-controlling interest	18,667	770,848
Total shareholders' equity	\$ 2,736,369	\$ 2,976,825
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	\$ 6,449,650	\$ 6,581,018

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	U	naudited						
	Nine Months Ended September 30,							
		2017			2016			
In thousands								
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	26,511		\$	246,893			
Net cash used in investing activities		(149,824)		(115,891)		
Net cash used in financing activities		(70,049)		(112,336)		
Effect of changes in currency exchange rates		22,958			5,525			
(Decrease) increase in cash		(170,404)		24,191			
Cash, beginning of period		398,484			226,191			
Cash, end of period	\$	228,080		\$	250,382			

Set forth below is the calculation of the non-GAAP performance measures included in this press release. We believe that these measures provide useful

supplemental information to assess our operating performance and to evaluate period-to-period comparisons. Non-GAAP financial measures should be

viewed in addition to, and not as an alternative for, Wabtec's reported results prepared in accordance with GAAP.

Reconciliation of Reported Results to Adjusted Results

(in millions)	Third Qua							
	Gross	Operating	Income from	Interest &		Minority	Wabtec	
	Profit	Expenses	Operations	Other Exp	Tax	Interest	Net Income	EPS
Reported Results	\$ 253.2	\$ (151.2)	\$ 102.0	\$ (20.8)	\$ (12.7)	\$ (1.0)	\$ 67.5	\$ 0.70
Integration & Restructuring costs	-	5.9	5.9	-	(1.6)	-	4.3	\$ 0.04
Contract Adjustments	20.4	-	20.4	-	(7.1)	-	13.3	\$ 0.14
Tax on Opening Balance Sheet Adjustments	-	-	-	-	0.5	-	0.5	\$ 0.01
Adjusted Results	\$ 273.6	\$ (145.3)	\$ 128.3	\$ (20.8)	\$ (20.9)	\$ (1.0)	\$ 85.6	\$ 0.88

Reconciliation of Reported Results to Adjusted Results

	Year-to-Da	Year-to-Date 2017										
	Gross	Operating	Income from	Interest &		Minority	Wabtec					
	Profit	Expenses	Operations	Other Exp	Tax	Interest	Net Income	EPS				
Reported Results	\$ 796.9	\$ (466.3)	\$ 330.6	\$ (53.2)	\$ (64.8)	\$ 0.7	\$ 213.3	\$ 2.22				

Adjusted Results	\$ 820.7	\$ (445.9)	\$ 374.8	\$ (55.4)	\$ (74.7)	\$ (1.2)	\$ 243.3	\$ 2.52
Minority Interest Adjustment	-	-	-	-		(1.9)	(1.9)	\$ (0.02)
Contract Adjustments	20.4	-	20.4	-	(7.1)	-	13.3	\$ 0.14
Tax on Opening Balance Sheet Adjustments	-	-	-	-	3.0	-	3.0	\$ 0.03
Integration & Restructuring costs	-	20.4	20.4	(2.2)	(4.9)	-	13.2	\$ 0.14
One-Time Costs Related to Inventory Step-up	3.4	-	3.4	-	(0.9)	-	2.5	\$ 0.03

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