

West Corporation First Quarter 2016 - Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Adjusted Operating Income Reconciliation

Adjusted operating income is not a measure of financial performance under generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). The Company believes adjusted operating income provides a relevant measure of operating profitability and a useful basis for evaluating the ongoing operations of the Company. Adjusted operating income is used by the Company to assess operating income before the impact of acquisitions and acquisition-related costs and certain non-cash items. Adjusted operating income should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for operating income or other profitability data prepared in accordance with GAAP. Adjusted operating income, as presented, may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. Set forth below is a reconciliation of adjusted operating income from operating income.

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		Three Mo	arch 31,		
Consolidated:		2016		2015	% Change
Operating income	\$	108,924	\$	110,693	-1.6%
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		16,425		16,526	-0.6%
Share-based compensation		7,666		5,429	41.2%
Secondary equity offering expense		-		707	-
M&A and acquisition-related costs		1,088		778	39.8%
Adjusted operating income	\$	134,103	\$	134,133	0.0%
Adjusted operating income margin		23.5%		23.7%	
Unified Communications Services:					
Operating income	\$	89,068	\$	94,878	-6.1%
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		3,393		3,255	4.2%
Share-based compensation		4,328		3,271	32.3%
Secondary equity offering expense		-		45	-
M&A and acquisition-related costs		491		-	-
Adjusted operating income	\$	97,280	\$	101,449	-4.1%
Adjusted operating income margin		26.8%		27.5%	
Safety Services:					
Operating income	\$	8,973	\$	3,202	180.2%
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	•	3,383		4,649	-27.2%
Share-based compensation		1,227		919	33.5%
Secondary equity offering expense		-		15	-
Adjusted operating income	\$	13,583	\$	8,785	54.6%
Adjusted operating income margin	Ψ	19.1%	<u> </u>	12.8%	01.070
Interactive Services:					
Operating income	\$	5,808	\$	5,574	4.2%
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	Ψ	5,055	Ψ	3,795	33.2%
Share-based compensation		761		581	31.0%
Secondary equity offering expense		-		7	-
M&A and acquisition-related costs		552		628	-12.1%
Adjusted operating income	\$	12,176	\$	10,585	15.0%
Adjusted operating income margin	Ψ	17.0%	ψ	16.9%	13.070
Adjusted operating income margin		17.078		10.978	
Specialized Agent Services:	•		•		
Operating income	\$	4,518	\$	8,535	-47.1%
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		4,594	_	4,827	-4.8%
Share-based compensation		1,350		658	105.2%
Secondary equity offering expense		-		9	-
M&A and acquisition-related costs	-	-	-	150	-
Adjusted operating income	\$	10,462	\$	14,179	-26.2%
Adjusted operating income margin		15.3%	_	21.1%	
Corporate Other:					
Operating income (loss)	\$	557	\$	(1,496)	
Secondary equity offering expense		-		631	
M&A and acquisition-related costs		45		-	
Adjusted operating income (loss)	\$	602	\$	(865)	1

Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted Earnings per Share Reconciliation

Adjusted net income and adjusted earnings per share (EPS) are non-GAAP measures. The Company believes these measures provide a useful indication of profitability and basis for assessing the operations of the Company without the impact of bond redemption premiums, acquisitions and acquisition-related costs and certain non-cash items. Adjusted net income should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for net income or other profitability metrics prepared in accordance with GAAP. Adjusted net income, as presented, may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. The Company utilizes this non-GAAP measure to make decisions about the use of resources, analyze performance and measure management's performance with stated objectives. Set forth below is a reconciliation of adjusted net income from net income.

Reconciliation of Adjusted Net In Unaudited, in thousands except per share data							
CONTINUING OPERATIONS	Three Months Ended March 31,						
		2016		2015	% Change		
Income from continuing operations	\$	44,555	\$	48,634	-8.4%		
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	-	16,425		16,526			
Amortization of deferred financing costs		4,909		5,002			
Share-based compensation		7,666		5,429			
Secondary equity offering expense		-		707			
M&A and acquisition-related costs		1,088		778			
Pre-tax total		30,088		28,442			
Income tax expense on adjustments		10,772		10,168			
Adjusted income from continuing operations	\$	63,871	\$	66,908	-4.5%		
Diluted shares outstanding		84,615	_	86,226			
Adjusted EPS from continuing operations - diluted	\$	0.75	\$	0.78	-3.8%		
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	Three Months Ended March 31,						
		2016		2015			
Income from discontinued operations	\$	-	\$	31,866			
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		-		41			
Share-based compensation		-		1,576			
M&A and acquisition-related costs		-		356			
Pre-tax total		-		1,973			
Income tax benefit on adjustments		-		756			
Adjusted income from discontinued operations	\$	-	\$	33,083			
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Diluted shares outstanding	¢	84,615	¢	86,226			
Adjusted EPS from discontinued operations - diluted	\$	-	\$	0.38			
CONSOLIDATED		Three Mo	onths	Ended Ma	arch 31,		
		2016		2015	% Change		
Net income	\$	44,555	\$	80,500	-44.7%		
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		16,425		16,567			
Amortization of deferred financing costs		4,909		5,002			
Share-based compensation		7,666		7,005			
Secondary equity offering expense		-		707			
M&A and acquisition-related costs		1,088		1,134			
Pre-tax total		30,088		30,415			
Income tax expense on adjustments		10,772		10,924			
Adjusted net income	\$	63,871	\$	99,991	-36.1%		
Diluted shares outstanding		84,615	_	86,226			
Adjusted EPS - diluted	\$	0.75	\$	1.16	-35.3%		

Free Cash Flow Reconciliation

The Company believes free cash flow provides a relevant measure of liquidity and a useful basis for assessing the Company's ability to fund its activities, including the financing of acquisitions, debt service, stock repurchases and distribution of earnings to shareholders. Free cash flow is calculated as cash flows from operating activities less cash capital expenditures. Free cash flow is not a measure of financial performance under GAAP. Free cash flow should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for cash flows from operating activities or other liquidity measures prepared in accordance with GAAP. Free cash flow, as presented, may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. Set forth below is a reconciliation of free cash flow from cash flows from operating activities.

Unaudited, in thousands							
CONTINUING OPERATIONS	Three Months Ended March 31,						
		2016		2015	% Change		
Cash flows from operating activities	\$	60,052	\$	58,396	2.8%		
Cash capital expenditures		36,357		36,307	0.1%		
Free cash flow	\$	23,695	\$	22,089	7.3%		
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	Three Months Ended March 31,						
		2016		2015			
Cash flows from (used in) operating activities	\$	-	\$	(5,279)			
Cash capital expenditures		-		1,930			
Free cash flow	\$	-	\$	(7,209)			
CONSOLIDATED		Three Mo	onths	Ended Ma	arch 31,		
		2016		2015	% Change		
Cash flows from operating activities	\$	60,052	\$	53,117	13.1%		
Cash capital expenditures		36,357		38,237	-4.9%		
Free cash flow	\$	23,695	\$	14,880	59.2%		

EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation

The common definition of EBITDA is "Earnings Before Interest Expense, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization." In evaluating liquidity and performance, the Company uses "Adjusted EBITDA." The Company defines Adjusted EBITDA as earnings before interest expense, share-based compensation, taxes, depreciation and amortization and transaction costs. EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are not measures of financial performance or liquidity under GAAP. Although the Company uses Adjusted EBITDA as a measure of its liquidity, the use of Adjusted EBITDA is limited because it does not include certain material costs, such as depreciation, amortization and interest, necessary to operate the business. EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for net income, cash flow from operating activities or other income or cash flow data prepared in accordance with GAAP. Adjusted EBITDA, as presented, may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. Adjusted EBITDA is presented here as the Company understands investors use it as a measure of its historical ability to service debt and compliance with covenants in its senior credit facilities. Further, Adjusted EBITDA is presented here as the Company uses it to measure its performance and to conduct and evaluate its business during its regular review of operating results for the periods presented. Set forth below is a reconciliation of EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA from cash flow from operating activities and net income.

Unaudited, in thousands							
CONTINUING OPERATIONS	Three Months Ended Mar. 31,						
		2016		2015			
Cash flows from operating activities	\$	60,052	\$	58,396			
Income tax expense		24,846		27,056			
Deferred income tax expense		(2,377)		(2,961			
Interest expense and other financing charges		38,985		39,537			
Provision for share-based compensation		(7,666)		(5,429			
Amortization of deferred financing costs		(4,909)		(5,002			
Other		(434)		(216			
Changes in operating assets and liabilities,							
net of business acquisitions		48,384		50,767			
EBITDA		156,881		162,148			
Provision for share-based compensation		7,666		5,429			
Secondary equity offering expense		-		707			
M&A and acquisition-related costs		1,088		778			
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	165,635	\$	169,062			
Cash flows from operating activities	\$	60,052	\$	58,396			
Cash flows used in investing activities	\$	(39,460)	\$	(38,403			
Cash flows used in financing activities	\$	(70,245)	\$	(234,482			
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DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	Three Months Ended Mar. 31 2016 2015						
Cash flows from operating activities	\$	2010	\$				
Cash flows from operating activities	φ	-	φ	(5,279			
Deferred income tax expense		-	_	19,817 (4,334			
Provision for share-based compensation		-	-	(4,334)			
Other		-	-	29,596			
Changes in operating assets and liabilities,		-		29,390			
net of business acquisitions			-	13,500			
EBITDA		-		51,724			
Provision for share-based compensation		-	-	1,576			
M&A and acquisition-related costs		-		356			
Gain on sale of business		-	_				
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	-	\$	<u>(48,556</u> 5,100			
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Cash flows from operating activities	\$	_	\$	(5,279			
Cash flows from (used in) investing activities	\$	_	\$	263,806			
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Reconciliation of EBITDA and Adjusted EBITD	A from (Operating Ca	ash F	low, cont.			
CONSOLIDATED	Three Months Ended Mar. 31,						
		2016	2015				
Cash flows from operating activities	\$	60,052	\$	53,117			
Income tax expense		24,846		46,873			
Deferred income tax expense		(2,377)		(7,295)			
Interest expense and other financing charges		38,985		39,537			
Provision for share-based compensation		(7,666)		(7,005)			
Amortization of deferred financing costs		(4,909)		(5,002)			
Other		(434)		29,380			
Changes in operating assets and liabilities,							
net of business acquisitions		48,384		64,267			
EBITDA		156,881		213,872			
Provision for share-based compensation		7,666		7,005			
Secondary equity offering expense		-		707			
M&A and acquisition-related costs		1,088		1,134			
Gain on sale of business		-		(48,556)			
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	165,635	\$	174,162			
CONSOLIDATED							
Cash flows from operating activities	\$	60,052	\$	53,117			
Cash flows from (used in) investing activities	\$	(39,460)	\$	225,403			
Cash flows used in financing activities	\$	(70,245)	\$	(234,482)			

Unaudited, in thousands					
CONTINUING OPERATIONS	Th	ree Months	Ende	d Mar. 31,	
		2016	2015		
Income from continuing operations	\$	44,555	\$	48,634	
Interest expense and other financing charges		38,985		39,537	
Depreciation and amortization		48,495		46,921	
Income tax expense		24,846		27,056	
EBITDA		156,881		162,148	
Provision for share-based compensation		7,666		5,429	
Secondary equity offering expense		-		707	
M&A and acquisition-related costs		1,088		778	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	165,635	\$	169,062	
	Three Months Ended Mar. 31,				
DISCONTINUED OF ERATIONS		2016	2015		
Income from discontinued operations	\$	-	\$	31,866	
Depreciation and amortization	· ·	-		41	
Income tax expense		-		19,817	
EBITDA		-		51,724	
Provision for share-based compensation		-		1,576	
M&A and acquisition-related costs		-		356	
Gain on sale of business		-		(48,556	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	-	\$	5,100	
CONSOLIDATED	Th	ree Months	Endo	d Mar 31	
CONSOLIDATED	2016		2015		
Net income	\$	44,555	\$	80,500	
Interest expense and other financing charges	*	38,985	*	39,537	
Depreciation and amortization		48,495		46,962	
Income tax expense		24,846		46,873	
EBITDA		156,881		213,872	
Provision for share-based compensation		7,666		7,005	
Secondary equity offering expense		-		707	
M&A and acquisition-related costs		1,088		1,134	
Gain on sale of business	_	-		(48,556	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	165,635	\$	174,162	