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VITAMIN SHOPPE

Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2018 GAAP Reconciliation

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Adjusted information is non-GAAP financial information. These supplemental non-GAAP measures should not be considered superior to, or a substitute for, and should be considered in conjunction with the GAAP financial measures presented. The Company believes such non-GAAP financial information facilitates analysis and comparisons of our ongoing business operations because it excludes items that may not be indicative of, or are unrelated to the Company's core operating performance, and may assist investors with comparisons to prior periods and assessing trends in our underlying business. These adjustments are consistent with how management views our business. Management uses such non-GAAP financial information in making financial, operating and planning decisions and evaluating the Company's ongoing performance. A reconciliation of adjusted financial information to the most directly comparable financial measures calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP is shown in Table 4.

The Company defines Adjusted EBITDA as EBITDA (net income (loss) before interest expense, net, provision (benefit) for income taxes, depreciation and amortization), as further adjusted to exclude the effects of certain income and expense items that management believes make it more difficult to assess the Company's actual operating performance including certain items which are generally non-recurring. The Company has excluded the impact of such items from internal performance assessments. The Company believes that excluding such items helps investors compare operating performance with the results in prior periods. The Company believes it is appropriate to exclude these items as they are not related to ongoing operating performance and, therefore, limit comparability between periods and between The Vitamin Shoppe and similar companies.

A reconciliation of the projected Adjusted EBITDA which is a forward-looking non-GAAP financial measure, to projected net income is not provided because the company is unable to provide such reconciliation without unreasonable effort. The inability to provide a reconciliation is due to the uncertainty and inherent difficulty predicting the individual items that are added to, or subtracted from, net income in order to derive Adjusted EBITDA.

TABLE 1
VITAMIN SHOPPE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY
SUPPLEMENTAL OPERATING DATA
(Unaudited)

Amounts in millions except per share data
Figures may not sum due to rounding

Continuing Operations	Gross Profit	SG&A	Goodwill, Tradename and Store Fixed-Assets Impairment Charges	Operating Income (Loss)	Net Income (Loss)	Diluted EPS
Three months ended December 29, 2018:						
As Reported	\$ 80.8	\$ 84.7	\$ 1.5	\$ (5.4)	\$ (3.3)	\$ (0.14)
Tax carryback (1)	-	-	-	-	(1.1)	(0.05)
Gain on extinguishment of debt (2)	-	-	-	-	(0.5)	(0.02)
Management realignment charges (3)	-	(0.6)	-	0.6	0.4	0.02
Closing of distribution center (4)	(0.2)	-	-	(0.2)	(0.1)	(0.01)
As Adjusted	\$ 80.6	\$ 84.1	\$ 1.5	\$ (5.0)	\$ (4.5)	\$ (0.19)
Three months ended December 30, 2017:						
As Reported	\$ 79.6	\$ 86.0	\$ 0.8	\$ (7.2)	\$ (15.4)	\$ (0.66)
Impact of Tax Reform Act (5)	-	-	-	-	15.3	0.66
Closing of distribution center (4)	0.8	-	-	0.8	0.5	0.02
As Adjusted	\$ 80.4	\$ 86.0	\$ 0.8	\$ (6.3)	\$ 0.4	\$ 0.02
Fiscal year ended December 29, 2018:						
As Reported	\$ 354.8	\$ 344.9	\$ 3.0	\$ 6.8	\$ 13.5	\$ 0.58
Gain on extinguishment of debt (2)	-	-	-	-	(12.1)	(0.51)
Inventory charge (6)	3.6	-	-	3.6	2.6	0.11
Management realignment charges (3)	-	(2.8)	-	2.8	2.0	0.09
Closing of distribution center (4)	1.6	(1.1)	-	2.7	2.0	0.08
Tax Reform (7)	-	-	-	-	(1.3)	(0.06)
Tax carryback (1)	-	-	-	-	(1.1)	(0.05)
Shareholder settlement (8)	-	(0.7)	-	0.7	0.5	0.02
As Adjusted	\$ 360.0	\$ 340.3	\$ 3.0	\$ 16.7	\$ 6.1	\$ 0.26
Fiscal year ended December 30, 2017:						
As Reported	\$ 362.6	\$ 332.2	\$ 274.9	\$ (244.5)	\$ (235.3)	\$ (10.17)
Impairment charges on goodwill (9)	-	-	(210.6)	210.6	197.6	8.54
Impairment charge on tradename (10)	-	-	(59.4)	59.4	36.6	1.58
Impact of Tax Reform Act (5)	-	-	-	-	15.3	0.66
Store impairment charges (11)	-	-	(3.8)	3.8	2.3	0.10
Closing of distribution center (4)	2.8	(0.3)	-	3.1	1.9	0.08
As Adjusted	\$ 365.4	\$ 331.9	\$ 1.1	\$ 32.4	\$ 18.4	\$ 0.80

(1) Represents the tax benefit resulting from a tax credit carryback.

(2) Gain recognized on the repurchases of a portion of Convertible Notes, net of tax.

(3) Costs related to management turnover, including severance charges, recruitment costs and related professional fees.

(4) Costs related to the closing of the North Bergen, New Jersey distribution center.

(5) Tax expense resulting from the change in valuation of deferred tax assets under the Tax Cut and Jobs Act of 2017.

(6) Inventory charge resulting from an evaluation to optimize the Company's product assortment.

(7) Represents the tax benefit associated with tax accounting method changes and their effect on the revalued deferred tax assets and liabilities under the Tax Cut and Jobs Act of 2017.

(8) Professional fees incurred related to shareholder settlement.

(9) Impairment charges on the goodwill of the retail operations.

(10) Impairment charge on the Vitamin Shoppe tradename.

(11) Impairment charges on the fixed assets of retail locations.

About the Vitamin Shoppe, Inc. (NYSE:VSI)

Vitamin Shoppe is an omni-channel, specialty retailer of nutritional products based in Secaucus, New Jersey. In its stores and on its website, the Company carries a comprehensive retail assortment including: vitamins, minerals, specialty supplements, herbs, sports nutrition, homeopathic remedies, green living products, and beauty aids. In addition to offering products from approximately 700 national brands, the Vitamin Shoppe also carries products under The Vitamin Shoppe[®], BodyTech[®], True Athlete[®], MyTritition[®], plnt[®], ProBioCare[®], and Next Step[®] brands. The Vitamin Shoppe conducts business through more than 750 company-operated retail stores under The Vitamin Shoppe and Super Supplements retail banners, and through its website, www.vitaminshoppe.com. Follow the Vitamin Shoppe on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/THEVITAMINSHOPPE> and on Twitter at <http://twitter.com/VitaminShoppe>.

Forward Looking Statements

This press release contains “forward-looking” statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, including, without limitation, those that contain, or are identified by, words such as “outlook”, “guidance”, “believes”, “expects”, “potential”, “continues”, “may”, “will”, “should”, “predicts”, “intends”, “plans”, “estimates”, “anticipates”, “could” or the negative version of these words or other comparable words. These statements are subject to various risks and uncertainties, many of which are outside our control, including, among others, strength of the economy, changes in the overall level of consumer spending, the performance of the Company's products within the prevailing retail environment, implementation of our strategy, compliance with regulations, certifications and best practices with respect to the development, manufacture, sale and marketing of the Company's products, management changes, maintaining appropriate levels of inventory, changes in tax policy, ecommerce relationships, disruptions of manufacturing, warehouse or distribution facilities or information systems, regulatory environment and other specific factors discussed herein and in other Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") filings by us (including our reports on Forms 10-K and 10-Q filed with the SEC). We believe that all forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions when made; however, we caution that it is impossible to predict actual results or outcomes or the effects of risks, uncertainties or other factors on anticipated results or outcomes with certainty and that, accordingly, one should not place undue reliance on these statements. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date when made and we undertake no obligation to update these statements in light of subsequent events or developments. Actual results may differ materially from anticipated results or outcomes discussed in any forward-looking statement.

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