



Saputo Inc. (Saputo or the Company) is presenting the results for the third quarter of fiscal 2021, which ended on December 31, 2020.

- Revenues amounted to \$3.763 billion, a decrease of \$127.9 million or 3.3%.
- Adjusted EBITDA\* amounted to \$431.1 million, an increase of \$14.1 million or 3.4%.
- Net earnings totalled \$209.8 million and EPS\*\* (basic and diluted) were \$0.51, an increase as compared to \$197.8 million and EPS (basic and diluted) of \$0.49 and \$0.48.
- Adjusted net earnings excluding amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions\* totalled \$227.8 million, as compared to \$229.1 million, and the corresponding EPS\*\* (basic and diluted) were \$0.56 and \$0.55, as compared to \$0.56.

(in millions of Canadian (CDN) dollars, except per share amounts)

(unaudited)	For the three-month periods ended December 31		For the nine-month periods ended December 31	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
Revenues	3,762.9	3,890.8	10,855.9	11,224.8
Adjusted EBITDA*	431.1	417.0	1,168.1	1,169.4
Net earnings	209.8	197.8	522.5	494.1
Adjusted net earnings excluding amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions*	227.8	229.1	591.1	607.1
Net earnings per share				
Basic	0.51	0.49	1.28	1.24
Diluted	0.51	0.48	1.27	1.23
Adjusted net earnings per share excluding amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions*				
Basic	0.56	0.56	1.44	1.53
Diluted	0.55	0.56	1.44	1.52

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## HIGHLIGHTS

- The shift in consumer demand due to the COVID-19 pandemic continued to impact all the Company's sectors to varying degrees. During the quarter, overall sales volumes reached similar levels compared to the same period last fiscal year, with the Company benefiting from increased sales volumes in the retail and industrial market segments, despite lower sales volumes in the foodservice market segment.
  - USA Market Factors\*\* positively impacted adjusted EBITDA by approximately \$34 million. Lower sales volumes in the USA Sector affected efficiencies and the absorption of fixed costs.
  - In the Canada Sector, the continued positive impact of increased sales volumes in the retail market segment outweighed the impact of decreased sales volumes in the foodservice market segment.
  - The International Sector benefited from increased milk availability and the contribution of the specialty cheese business purchased from Lion Dairy & Drinks Pty Ltd (Specialty Cheese Business Acquisition) for the full quarter.
  - Higher sales volumes in the retail market segment benefited the Europe Sector.
  - A decrease in international cheese and dairy ingredient market prices negatively affected revenues and adjusted EBITDA.
- The Board of Directors approved a dividend of \$0.175 per share payable on March 26, 2021, to common shareholders of record on March 16, 2021.

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# Management's Discussion and Analysis

The goal of the management report is to analyze the results and the financial position of Saputo for the quarter ended December 31, 2020. The management report should be read while referring to Saputo's condensed interim consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes for the three and nine-month periods ended December 31, 2020 and 2019. The Company's condensed interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34, Interim Financial Reporting as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. The accounting policies of the Company are in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). All dollar amounts are in Canadian dollars, unless otherwise indicated. This report takes into account material elements between December 31, 2020, and February 4, 2021, the date on which this report was approved by the Company's Board of Directors. The information in this report is being presented as at December 31, 2020, unless otherwise specified. Additional information about the Company, including its Annual Report and Annual Information Form for the year ended March 31, 2020, can be obtained on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

## CAUTION REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This report contains statements which are forward-looking statements within the meaning of applicable securities laws. These forward-looking statements include, among others, statements with respect to the Company's objectives, outlook, business projects, strategies, beliefs, plans, expectations, targets, commitments and goals, including the Company's ability to achieve these targets, commitments and goals, and statements other than historical facts. The words "may", "could", "should", "will", "would", "believe", "plan", "expect", "intend", "anticipate", "estimate", "foresee", "objective", "continue", "propose", "aim", "commit", "assume", "forecast", "predict", "seek", "project", "potential" or "target", or the negative of these terms or variations of them, the use of conditional or future tense or words and expressions of similar nature, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. All statements other than statements of historical fact included in this report may constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of applicable securities laws.

By their nature, forward-looking statements are subject to a number of inherent risks and uncertainties. Actual results could differ materially from those stated, implied or projected in such forward-looking statements. As a result, the Company cannot guarantee that any forward-looking statements will materialize, and the Company warns readers that these forward-looking statements are not statements of historical fact or guarantees of future performance in any way. Assumptions, expectations and estimates made in the preparation of forward-looking statements and risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from current expectations are discussed in the Company's materials filed with the Canadian securities regulatory authorities from time to time, including the "Risks and Uncertainties" section of the Management's Discussion and Analysis dated June 4, 2020, available on SEDAR under the Company's profile at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

Such risks and uncertainties include the following: product liability; the COVID-19 pandemic; the availability of raw materials (including as a result of climate change or extreme weather) and related price variations, along with the ability for the Company to transfer those increases, if any, to its customers in competitive market conditions; the price fluctuation of its products in the countries in which it operates, as well as in international markets, which are based on supply and demand levels for dairy products; the increased competitive environment in the dairy industry; consolidation of clientele; supplier concentration; unanticipated business disruption; the economic environment; changes in environmental laws and regulations; cyber threats and other Information Technology-related risks relating to business disruptions, confidentiality, and data integrity; the Company's ability to identify, attract and retain qualified individuals; the failure to adequately integrate acquired businesses in a timely and efficient manner; changes in consumer trends. The Company's ability to achieve its environmental targets, commitments and goals is further subject to, among others, the Company's ability to access and implement all technology necessary to achieve its targets, commitments and goals, as well as the development and performance of technology and technological innovations and the future use and development of technology and associated expected future results, and environmental regulation.

Forward-looking statements are based on Management's current estimates, expectations and assumptions regarding, among other things, the projected revenues and expenses, the economic, industry, competitive and regulatory environments in which the Company operates or which could affect its activities, its ability to attract and retain customers and consumers, its environmental performance, its sustainability efforts, the effectiveness of its environmental and sustainability initiatives, the availability and cost of milk and other raw materials and energy supplies, its operating costs, the pricing of its finished products on the various markets in which it carries on business, and the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. Management believes that these estimates, expectations and assumptions are reasonable as of the date hereof, and are inherently subject to significant business, economic, competitive and other uncertainties and contingencies regarding future events, including the duration and severity of the COVID-19 pandemic, and are accordingly subject to changes after such date. Forward-looking statements are intended to provide shareholders with information regarding the Company, including its assessment of future financial plans, and may not be appropriate for other purposes. Undue importance should not be placed on forward-looking statements, and the information contained in such forward-looking statements should not be relied upon as of any other date.

All forward-looking statements included herein speak only as of the date hereof or as of the specific date of such forward-looking statements. Except as required under applicable securities legislation, Saputo does not undertake to update or revise forward-looking statements, whether written or verbal, that may be made from time to time by itself or on its behalf, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. All forward-looking statements contained herein are expressly qualified by this cautionary statement.

## CONSOLIDATED RESULTS

The Company reports its business under four sectors: Canada, USA, International, and Europe. The Canada Sector consists of the Dairy Division (Canada), the USA Sector consists of the Dairy Division (USA), the International Sector consists of the Dairy Division (Australia) and the Dairy Division (Argentina), and the Europe Sector consists of the Dairy Division (UK).

**Consolidated revenues** for the three-month period ended December 31, 2020, totalled \$3.763 billion, a decrease of \$127.9 million or 3.3%, as compared to \$3.891 billion for the same quarter last fiscal year. Since the beginning of fiscal 2021, the Company has experienced the shift in consumer demand caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Overall sales volumes reached similar levels compared to the same period last fiscal year, with the Company benefiting from increased sales volumes in the retail and industrial market segments, despite lower sales volumes in the foodservice market segment. The decrease in revenues was mainly in the USA Sector due to the large proportion of its foodservice activities and also as a result of lower international cheese and dairy ingredient market prices. Additional sales volumes in the Company's export markets positively impacted revenues despite varying government-imposed restrictions throughout the quarter. The combined effect of the higher average block market price\*\* and the lower average butter market price\*\* increased revenues by approximately \$30 million. Revenues were also positively impacted by higher domestic selling prices in the Canada Sector, which increased due to the higher cost of milk as raw material. The combined effect of the fluctuation of the Argentine peso and the Australian dollar versus the US dollar in the export markets had a positive impact on revenues. The inclusion of the Specialty Cheese Business Acquisition in the International Sector for the full quarter, as compared to a nine-week contribution during the same quarter last fiscal year, also increased revenues. Finally, the fluctuation of foreign currencies versus the Canadian dollar decreased revenues by approximately \$75 million.

For the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, revenues totalled \$10.856 billion, a decrease of \$368.9 million or 3.3%, as compared to \$11.225 billion for the same period last fiscal year. The global shift in consumer demand caused by the COVID-19 pandemic negatively impacted sales volumes in the foodservice market segment, mostly in the USA Sector, although partially offset by increased sales volumes in the retail and industrial market segments. Additional sales volumes in the Company's export markets positively impacted revenues despite varying government-imposed restrictions throughout the period. However, lower international cheese and dairy ingredient market prices negatively impacted revenues. Higher domestic selling prices in the Canada Sector and the International Sector, which increased due to the higher cost of milk as raw material, positively impacted revenues. The combined effect of the higher average block market price and the lower average butter market price decreased revenues by approximately \$7 million. In the International Sector, the combined effect of the fluctuation of the Argentine peso and the Australian dollar versus the US dollar in the export markets had a positive impact on revenues. The contributions of the Specialty Cheese Business Acquisition in the International Sector and the acquisition of Dairy Crest Group plc (Dairy Crest Acquisition) in the Europe Sector for the full period, as compared to partial contributions during the same period last fiscal year, positively impacted revenues. Lastly, the fluctuation of foreign currencies versus the Canadian dollar decreased revenues by approximately \$58 million.

**Consolidated adjusted EBITDA\*** for the three-month period ended December 31, 2020, totalled \$431.1 million, an increase of \$14.1 million or 3.4%, as compared to \$417.0 million for the same quarter last fiscal year. In a volatile dairy commodity market, USA Market Factors\*\* had a positive effect on adjusted EBITDA of approximately \$34 million, while the unfavourable relation between international cheese and dairy ingredient market prices and the cost of milk as raw material negatively impacted adjusted EBITDA. As a result of the shift in consumer demand, higher sales volumes in the retail and industrial market segments positively impacted adjusted EBITDA, not fully offsetting the negative impact of lower sales volumes in the foodservice market segment on efficiencies and the absorption of fixed costs, particularly in the USA Sector. In the International Sector, improved efficiencies, resulting from increased milk availability, positively impacted adjusted EBITDA. The inclusion of the Specialty Cheese Business Acquisition for the full quarter, as compared to a nine-week contribution during the same quarter last fiscal year, also contributed positively to adjusted EBITDA. Lower administrative costs positively impacted adjusted EBITDA as part of the Company's ongoing ban on non-essential business travel, the reduction of promotional activity and other initiatives in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic. The effect on adjusted EBITDA of foreign currency fluctuations versus the Canadian dollar was negligible.

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For the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, consolidated adjusted EBITDA totalled \$1.168 billion, a decrease of \$1.3 million or 0.1%, as compared to \$1.169 billion for the same period last fiscal year. Overall lower sales volumes negatively impacted efficiencies and the absorption of fixed costs, particularly in the USA Sector. In an extremely volatile dairy commodity market, USA Market Factors had a positive impact on adjusted EBITDA of approximately \$61 million, while the unfavourable relation between international cheese and dairy ingredient market prices and the cost of milk as raw material had a negative impact. Higher sales volumes and improved efficiencies in the International Sector, resulting from increased milk availability, and higher sales volumes in the retail market segment in the Canada Sector and Europe Sector, had a positive effect on adjusted EBITDA. The contributions of the Specialty Cheese Business Acquisition and the Dairy Crest Acquisition for the full period, as compared to partial contributions during the same period last fiscal year, also contributed positively to adjusted EBITDA. The ban on non-essential business travel, the reduction of promotional activity and other initiatives in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic mitigated the negative impacts on adjusted EBITDA of higher operational costs, including those related to additional supplies of personal protective equipment for employees and unproductive labour. The effect on adjusted EBITDA of foreign currency fluctuations versus the Canadian dollar was negligible.

**Consolidated operating costs excluding depreciation, amortization, inventory revaluation resulting from a business acquisition, and restructuring costs** for the three-month period ended December 31, 2020, totalled \$3.332 billion, a decrease of \$142.0 million or 4.1%, as compared to \$3.474 billion for the same quarter last fiscal year. The decrease was consistent with lower revenues, as described above, and dairy commodity market volatility, which, together, contributed to the lower cost of raw materials and consumables used. Employee salary and benefit expenses increased due to wage increases and the inclusion of the Specialty Cheese Business Acquisition for the full quarter, as compared to a nine-week contribution during the same quarter last fiscal year.

For the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, operating costs excluding depreciation, amortization, inventory revaluation resulting from a business acquisition, and restructuring costs totalled \$9.688 billion, a decrease of \$367.6 million or 3.7%, as compared to \$10.055 billion for the same period last fiscal year. The decrease was consistent with lower revenues, as described above, and extreme dairy commodity market volatility, which, together, contributed to the lower cost of raw materials and consumables used. Employee salary and benefit expenses increased due to wage increases and the contributions of the Specialty Cheese Business Acquisition and the Dairy Crest Acquisition for the full period, as compared to partial contributions during the same period last fiscal year.

**Depreciation and amortization** for the three-month period ended December 31, 2020, totalled \$128.5 million, an increase of \$6.7 million, as compared to \$121.8 million for the same quarter last fiscal year. For the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, depreciation and amortization expenses amounted to \$380.2 million, an increase of \$40.8 million, as compared to \$339.4 million for the same period last fiscal year. These increases were mainly attributable to additional depreciation and amortization related to recent acquisitions, as well as additions to property, plant and equipment, which increased the depreciable base.

In the second quarter of fiscal 2021, the Company realized a **gain on disposal of assets** of \$6.2 million (\$4.6 million after tax) relating to the sale of a facility within the Canada Sector.

**Impairment of intangible assets** for the three and nine-month periods ended December 31, 2020, totalled nil and \$19.0 million, respectively. This charge was related to the Company's decision to retire the COON cheese brand name from its Australian portfolio of brands and is part of a commitment to share in the responsibility to eliminate racism in all its forms.

**Inventory revaluation resulting from a business acquisition** for the three and nine-month periods ended December 31, 2019, amounted to nil and \$40.1 million, respectively, as compared to nil in the current fiscal year. This revaluation relating to the Dairy Crest Acquisition stemmed from added value attributed to the acquired inventory as part of the purchase price allocation and was fully amortized during fiscal 2020.

**Acquisition and restructuring costs** for the three and nine-month periods ended December 31, 2019, amounted to \$9.4 million and \$32.2 million, respectively, and were incurred mainly for the Dairy Crest Acquisition and the Specialty Cheese Business Acquisition, as compared to nil in the current fiscal year.

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**Financial charges** for the three-month period ended December 31, 2020, totalled \$25.5 million, a decrease of \$1.3 million or 4.9%, as compared to \$26.8 million for the same quarter last fiscal year. This includes a decrease in interest expense of \$5.8 million, mainly attributable to lower interest rates, and a decreased gain on hyperinflation of \$4.5 million derived from the indexation of non-monetary assets and liabilities. For the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, financial charges amounted to \$73.4 million, a decrease of \$16.4 million or 18.3%, as compared to \$89.8 million for the same period last fiscal year. This includes a decrease in interest expense of \$21.1 million, mainly attributable to a lower level of long-term debt and lower interest rates, and a decreased gain on hyperinflation of \$4.7 million.

**Income taxes** for the three-month period ended December 31, 2020, totalled \$67.3 million, reflecting an effective tax rate of 24.3% as compared to 23.6% for the same quarter last fiscal year. During the three-month periods ended December 31, 2020, and December 31, 2019, the Company recorded an income tax benefit related to a tax inflation adjustment pursuant to Argentine tax legislation. Excluding the effects of this tax inflation adjustment for both periods, the effective tax rates for the three-month periods ended December 31, 2020, and December 31, 2019, would have been 26.0% and 26.2%, respectively.

Income taxes for the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, totalled \$179.2 million, reflecting an effective tax rate of 25.5% as compared to 26.0% for the same period last fiscal year. During the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, the Company recorded an impairment of intangible assets charge and an income tax benefit related to a tax inflation adjustment pursuant to Argentine tax legislation. Income taxes during the nine-month period ended December 31, 2019, included the impact of the tax treatment of acquisition costs and of the income tax benefit related to a tax inflation adjustment in Argentina. Excluding these costs and this tax inflation adjustment, the effective tax rate would have been 25.5% and 26.4%, respectively.

The effective tax rate varies and could increase or decrease based on the geographic mix of earnings across the various jurisdictions in which Saputo operates, the amount and source of taxable income, amendments to tax legislations and income tax rates, changes in assumptions, as well as estimates used for tax assets and liabilities by the Company and its affiliates.

**Net earnings** for the three-month period ended December 31, 2020, totalled \$209.8 million, an increase of \$12.0 million or 6.1%, as compared to \$197.8 million for the same quarter last fiscal year. For the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, net earnings totalled \$522.5 million, an increase of \$28.4 million or 5.7%, as compared to \$494.1 million for the same period last fiscal year. These increases were mainly due to the aforementioned factors.

**Adjusted net earnings excluding amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions\*** for the three-month period ended December 31, 2020, totalled \$227.8 million, a decrease of \$1.3 million or 0.6%, as compared to \$229.1 million for the same quarter last fiscal year. For the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, adjusted net earnings excluding amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions totalled \$591.1 million, a decrease of \$16.0 million or 2.6%, as compared to \$607.1 million for the same period last fiscal year. These decreases were due to the aforementioned factors.

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## SELECTED QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

(in millions of CDN dollars, except per share amounts)

Fiscal years	2021			2020				2019
	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4
Revenues	3,762.9	3,702.2	3,390.8	3,718.7	3,890.8	3,665.6	3,668.4	3,236.5
Adjusted EBITDA*	431.1	370.5	366.5	298.4	417.0	394.4	358.0	275.1
Net earnings	209.8	170.8	141.9	88.7	197.8	174.9	121.4	124.2
Gain on disposal of assets <sup>1</sup>	—	(4.6)	—	—	—	—	—	—
Impairment of intangible assets <sup>1</sup>	—	—	19.0	—	—	—	—	—
Inventory revaluation resulting from a business acquisition <sup>1</sup>	—	—	—	—	—	10.5	22.0	—
Acquisition and restructuring costs <sup>1</sup>	—	—	—	10.1	6.4	0.4	21.5	1.6
Adjusted net earnings*	209.8	166.2	160.9	98.8	204.2	185.8	164.9	125.8
Adjusted net earnings excluding amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions*	227.8	184.1	179.2	116.5	229.1	198.3	179.7	133.8
Per share								
Net earnings								
Basic	0.51	0.42	0.35	0.22	0.49	0.44	0.31	0.32
Diluted	0.51	0.42	0.35	0.22	0.48	0.44	0.31	0.32
Adjusted net earnings*								
Basic	0.51	0.41	0.39	0.24	0.50	0.47	0.42	0.32
Diluted	0.51	0.40	0.39	0.24	0.50	0.47	0.42	0.32
Adjusted net earnings per share excluding amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions*								
Basic	0.56	0.45	0.44	0.29	0.56	0.50	0.46	0.34
Diluted	0.55	0.45	0.44	0.28	0.56	0.50	0.46	0.34

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<sup>1</sup> Net of income taxes.

### Selected factors positively (negatively) affecting financial performance

(in millions of CDN dollars)

Fiscal years	2021			2020			
	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
USA Market Factors* <sup>1</sup>	34	4	23	(8)	14	10	(8)
Inventory write-down	—	—	—	(18)	—	—	—
Foreign currency exchange <sup>1,2</sup>	—	4	(4)	(3)	(15)	(14)	(4)

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<sup>1</sup> As compared to same quarter last fiscal year.

<sup>2</sup> Foreign currency exchange includes effect on adjusted EBITDA of conversion of US dollars, Australian dollars, British pounds sterling and Argentine pesos to Canadian dollars.

## OUTLOOK

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to disrupt global economic conditions, financial markets (including pricing of commodities), supply chains and business productivity. With public authorities around the world continuing to impose restrictions, including social distancing and temporary closures in the foodservice space, consumer demand for the Company's products has been significantly impacted. Furthermore, the overall economy continues to perform below pre-pandemic levels in many of the regions where Saputo operates and sells its products.

Although the dairy commodities market remains volatile, for the remainder of fiscal 2021, and into the start of fiscal 2022, the Company expects this volatility to be more moderate than it has been in the previous nine months. In these unique global conditions, it remains impossible to predict if this volatility, as well as the fluctuations in international cheese and ingredient market prices, will have a positive or negative impact on future financial performance. It remains equally impossible to predict the magnitude of such impact.

Sales in the foodservice and industrial market segments will continue to be impacted as long as government-imposed restrictions are in flux. Saputo continues to work closely with customers in the foodservice market segment in developing innovative product offerings adapted to new consumer trends, such as take-out for in-home dining, which are expected to outlast the pandemic. In relation to the industrial market segment, volumes of products destined for export markets began to recover during the third quarter. This trend is expected to continue during the remainder of fiscal 2021, although unevenly, depending on the export market destination. Following the upward trend seen in the past quarters of fiscal 2021, retail market segment sales continue to perform well compared to pre-pandemic levels.

The Company is currently working to develop an accelerated global strategic plan laying out the Company's strategy to drive accelerated organic growth across all its platforms over the coming years. As part of this plan, Saputo made key hires in the USA Sector with the appointment of Ms. Lyne Castonguay, a leader with strong executive management experience in retail, as the new Deputy President and Chief Operating Officer, Dairy Division (USA). The Dairy Division (USA) also hired a head of marketing with a proven track record in marketing and category management. The Company intends to grow its USA Sector to outpace the growth in market consumption and its efforts are facilitated by the merger of its two former USA divisions into a single Dairy Division (USA) aligned under a common strategy. Indeed, this more agile structure will enable the Division to further its retail growth trajectory, to increase efficiencies in customer service and to better respond to evolving consumer needs and expectations.

Thanks to its strong portfolio of retail brands, and by adapting its product offering early on in the pandemic, the Company has captured opportunities arising from the increase in consumer demand in the retail market segment. The Company also recently expanded online direct to consumer strategies such as The Saputo Fridge in Canada, which was launched in the spring of 2020, to offer consumers limited shelf-life overstocked products and has since expanded its home delivery zone. Similarly, the Company recently launched an online ordering website for its multi-award-winning Cornish cheddar, *Davidstow* in the United Kingdom.

The Company will continue to explore further avenues to increase customer and consumer loyalty, as well as make disciplined investments in the diversification of its product portfolio and in brand recognition initiatives, including the following examples:

- Taking advantage of the *Armstrong* brand's popularity in Canada, building upon the success of its recent repositioning with new line extensions.
- Taking an early leadership position in the growing global plant-based cheese market, capitalizing on the Europe Sector's know-how and investing further in the development of products with the right taste and texture.
- Growing the *Cathedral City* brand through the continued development of new markets in Europe and North America and through innovation, such as the recyclable packaging program.
- Continuing to successfully respond to increasing demand for *Frylight*, the UK's 1-calorie oil spray, which has experienced sustained levels of demand and activity from customers.
- Introducing new updated packaging for *Vitalite* with plant-based messaging in the UK, highlighting key functional and nutritional benefits to facilitate consumer choice.
- The recent announcement of *CHEER* Cheese as the new name for *COON* cheese in Australia. The name change follows Saputo's careful and diligent review to honour the brand-affinity felt by consumers while aligning with current attitudes and perspectives. *CHEER* Cheese will start appearing on supermarket shelves across Australia as of July 2021.

As an essential provider, Saputo continues to navigate through the COVID-19 pandemic with limited operational disruption focusing on the following key operational priorities:

- safeguarding the health and safety of employees;
- adapting commercial initiatives, production and supply chain to consumer demand
- supporting customers with insights to adapt their offerings and address changing needs; and
- supporting communities through donations and financial support.

Saputo employees are a top priority, and the Company offers them well-being programs and initiatives as well as enhanced safety measures that complement the already robust protocols in each facility. Additionally, Saputo continues to carry out initiatives to recognize employees and patron farmers for their hard work and dedication. Since the onset of the pandemic, Saputo has been supporting communities through product donations to food banks, with ongoing financial and in-kind contributions reaching \$8.0 million to date.

The Company is confident in its ability to apply the learnings acquired since the onset of the pandemic. It has demonstrated its capacity to swiftly pivot its operations to new circumstances as they arise while staying on course with strategic investments aimed at fueling growth and honouring its long-standing commitment to manufacture quality products. After adapting manufacturing operations to local realities in a cost-efficient manner, the Company remains agile and flexible, from both a commercial and a production perspective, to adjust to further changes in consumer demand and, most notably, to the expected recovery in foodservice market segment demand. Furthermore, the Company is advancing as planned with its major investments in Canada to increase production capacity.

In both Argentina and Australia, Saputo is in a favourable position to realize operational efficiencies, with milk intake outpacing national milk production growth rates. The Company is pursuing efforts to capture additional opportunities derived from the combination of all its operations in Australia under a single platform, and to leverage its vast portfolio of brands.

After the successful integration of the Australian Specialty Cheese Business into its global Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) platform, the Company is pursuing its ERP deployment with upcoming scheduled integration phases in the Dairy Division (USA) and the Dairy Division (Australia). Saputo may re-plan deployment activities based on the evolution of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Saputo benefits from steady operational cash generation and a low debt position. This solid financial position and flexibility will allow the Company to grow organically through strategic capital investments in designated manufacturing facilities, new product development and the expansion of its export markets. In addition, the Company is well positioned to seize acquisition opportunities that are the right fit under the right conditions. With its strong appetite and acquisition strategy, Saputo is committed to product portfolio diversification by pursuing dairy alternative opportunities while remaining very bullish about dairy products. Saputo pursues sustainable opportunities in the dairy space through strategies, such as increasing milk intake from current suppliers in certain regions and entering into toll manufacturing contracts using third-party milk.

Furthermore, the Company is focused on delivering its Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) objectives as part of the Saputo Promise. In fiscal 2020, Saputo pledged to accelerate its global climate, water, and waste (including packaging) performance and announced clear targets and a formal commitment to allocate additional resources, including a three-year investment of \$50 million. Since, the Company has undertaken to deploy 12 specific projects globally which are currently on track to be completed by the end of the fiscal year and are expected to deliver estimated savings of more than 60,000 GJ of energy, 8,000 tons of CO<sub>2</sub> and 700 million L of water annually.

Saputo is also proud to have been awarded a score of B for its climate disclosure by CDP, the world's leading environmental disclosure platform. This is an improvement on prior results and places the Company well above the food and beverage processing group's average of D. This new score is a direct reflection of the significant steps Saputo took in 2020 as part of its pledge to accelerate its environmental performance by 2025.

Saputo is focused on managing through the current challenges to emerge an even stronger partner to its customers, and a stronger Company for its shareholders and other stakeholders. Profitability enhancement and stakeholder value creation remain the cornerstones of its objectives.

## LIQUIDITY, FINANCIAL AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

The intent of this section is to provide insight into the cash and capital management strategies of the Company and how they drive operational objectives, as well as to provide details on how the Company manages its liquidity risk to meet its financial obligations as they come due.

As the Company navigates through the evolution of the COVID-19 pandemic and the related uncertainties, it continues to focus on capital allocation priorities and cash flow generation. The Company's current capital allocation priorities are focused on investing wisely to support its organic growth, business operations, and its brands. Currently, the Company has no intention to repurchase common shares in the course of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2021.

The Company's cash and cash equivalents totalled \$505.7 million as at December 31, 2020. In addition to these funds, the Company has unused credit facilities of US\$1.000 billion under the North American bank credit facilities as at December 31, 2020. The Company believes it is well positioned to navigate current market conditions given its strong balance sheet.

The Company's liquidity needs are funded from cash generated by operations, unsecured bank credit facilities and unsecured senior notes. These funds are used principally for capital expenditures, dividends, debt repayments and business acquisitions and are expected to be sufficient to meet the Company's liquidity requirements. The Company does not foresee any difficulty in securing financing beyond what is currently available through existing arrangements or equity offerings, when appropriate, to fund possible acquisitions and to refinance debt obligations.

The Company's cash flows are summarized in the following table:

*(in millions of CDN dollars)*

	For the three-month periods ended December 31		For the nine-month periods ended December 31	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
Cash generated from operating activities	294.4	409.2	1,110.0	983.6
Net cash generated from operating activities	216.9	333.2	927.8	741.7
Cash used for investing activities	(99.7)	(360.2)	(229.9)	(2,293.5)
Cash (used for) generated from financing activities	(249.7)	89.3	(515.3)	1,667.5
(Decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(132.5)	62.3	182.6	115.7

**Net cash generated from operating activities** for the three-month period ended December 31, 2020, amounted to \$216.9 million, a decrease of \$116.3 million or 34.9%, in comparison to \$333.2 million for the same quarter last fiscal year. This decrease was related to changes in non-cash operating working capital items of \$140.3 million, which were driven by the fluctuation in accounts receivable, inventories, as well as payables in line with the fluctuation of market prices and an increase of \$3.9 million in interest paid. This decrease was partially offset by an increase in adjusted EBITDA of \$14.1 million, and lower income taxes paid of \$2.4 million.

For the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, net cash generated from operating activities amounted to \$927.8 million, as compared to \$741.7 million for the same period last fiscal year. This increase of \$186.1 million is due to an increase related to changes in non-cash operating working capital items of \$100.9 million, which were driven by the fluctuation in accounts receivable, inventories, as well as payables in line with the fluctuation of market prices. The increase was also due to the favourable timing of accounts receivable collections, decreases in interest paid and income taxes paid of \$19.0 million and \$40.7 million, respectively, and was partially offset by a decrease in adjusted EBITDA of \$1.3 million.

**Investing activities** for the three-month period ended December 31, 2020, were mainly comprised of \$90.2 million disbursed for additions to property, plant and equipment, additions to intangible assets totalling \$10.8 million related to the ERP initiative and proceeds from the disposal of assets in the amount of \$1.3 million.

For the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, investing activities were mainly comprised of \$235.0 million disbursed for additions to property, plant and equipment, additions to intangible assets totalling \$35.6 million related to the ERP initiative and proceeds from the disposal of assets in the amount of \$40.7 million.

**Financing activities** for the three-month period ended December 31, 2020, consisted of the issuance, on November 19, 2020, of Series 8 medium term notes for an aggregate principal of \$350.0 million. The net proceeds of the issuance were used to repay \$346.7 million of the 3-year tranche of the term loan facility incurred in connection with the Dairy Crest Acquisition and for general corporate purposes. In addition, the Company repaid \$186.7 million of long-term debt. Also, the Company paid \$20.4 million of lease liabilities and \$51.7 million in dividends. An amount of \$19.9 million was reinvested in common shares under the dividend reinvestment plan (DRIP). Finally, shares were issued as part of the stock option plan for \$8.2 million.

For the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, financing activities consisted mainly of the issuances, on June 16, 2020, of Series 7 medium term notes for an aggregate principal of \$700.0 million and, on November 19, 2020, of Series 8 medium term notes for an aggregate principal of \$350.0 million. A portion of the net proceeds of the issuance of Series 7 medium term notes were used to repay \$426.0 million of the term loan facility incurred in connection with the Dairy Crest Acquisition and \$206.0 million of revolving credit facilities for the Dairy Division (Australia), which included funds drawn in connection with the Specialty Cheese Business Acquisition. The net proceeds of the issuance of Series 8 medium term notes were used as described above. In addition, the Company repaid long-term debt during the period in the amount of \$319.5 million and bank loans of \$118.5 million. Also, the Company paid \$58.5 million of lease liabilities and \$102.9 million in dividends. An amount of \$38.2 million was reinvested in common shares under the DRIP. Finally, shares were issued as part of the stock option plan for \$12.8 million.

## Liquidity

(in millions of CDN dollars, except ratio)

	December 31, 2020	March 31, 2020
Current assets	4,140.6	4,069.0
Current liabilities	2,404.7	2,493.5
Working capital*	1,735.9	1,575.5
Working capital ratio*	1.72	1.63

\* Refer to the "Glossary" section of this Management's Discussion and Analysis.

The working capital ratio is an indication of the Company's ability to cover short-term liabilities with short-term assets, without having excess dormant assets. The increase in the working capital ratio is mainly due to higher cash and cash equivalents and lower accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

## Capital Management

The Company's capital strategy requires a well-balanced financing structure in order to maintain the flexibility needed to implement growth initiatives while allowing it to pursue disciplined capital investments and maximize shareholder value.

The Company targets a long-term leverage of approximately 2.25 times net debt to adjusted EBITDA\*\*. From time to time, the Company may deviate from its long-term leverage target to pursue acquisitions and other strategic opportunities.

(in millions of CDN dollars, except ratio and number of shares and options)

	December 31, 2020	March 31, 2020
Long-term debt	3,557.5	3,542.3
Bank loans	203.4	528.5
Lease Liabilities	469.4	414.8
Cash and cash equivalents	505.7	319.4
Net debt*	3,724.6	4,166.2
Trailing twelve months adjusted EBITDA**	1,466.5	1,467.8
Net debt to adjusted EBITDA**	2.54	2.84
Number of common shares	410,372,235	408,638,373
Number of stock options	24,267,971	20,946,092

\* Refer to the "Glossary" section of this Management's Discussion and Analysis.

\*\* See the "Non-IFRS Financial Measures" section of this Management's Discussion and Analysis for the reconciliations to IFRS measures.

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On November 19, 2020, the Company issued Series 8 medium term notes for an aggregate principal amount of \$350.0 million due November 19, 2026, bearing interest at 1.42%. The net proceeds of the issuance were used to repay \$346.7 million of the 3-year tranche of the term loan facility incurred in connection with the Dairy Crest Acquisition and for general corporate purposes.

On December 9, 2020, the Company filed an unallocated short form base shelf prospectus providing the Company the flexibility to make offerings of various securities for up to an aggregate amount of \$3.000 billion during the 25-month period that the base shelf prospectus is effective. On December 15, 2020, the Company renewed its medium term note (MTN) program by filing a supplement to the short form base shelf prospectus.

On June 16, 2020, the Company issued Series 7 medium term notes for an aggregate principal amount of \$700.0 million due June 16, 2027, bearing interest at 2.24%. The net proceeds of the issuance were used during the quarter to repay (i) the \$426.0 million 2-year tranche of the term loan facility incurred in connection with the Dairy Crest Acquisition and (ii) \$206.0 million of the revolving loan facilities for the Dairy Division (Australia), which included funds drawn in connection with the Specialty Cheese Business Acquisition. The remaining net proceeds were used for general corporate purposes.

The Company implemented a DRIP, which became effective as of the dividend paid on July 9, 2020. The DRIP provides eligible shareholders with the opportunity to have all or a portion of their cash dividends automatically reinvested into additional common shares.

As at December 31, 2020, the Company had \$505.7 million in cash and cash equivalents and available bank credit facilities of \$2.203 billion, of which \$203.4 million were drawn. See Notes 6 and 7 to the condensed interim consolidated financial statements for additional information related to bank loans and long-term debt.

Share capital authorized by the Company is comprised of an unlimited number of common shares. The common shares are voting and participating. As at January 31, 2021, 410,959,740 common shares and 24,179,710 stock options were outstanding.

## CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

The Company manages and continually monitors its commitments and contractual obligations to ensure that these can be met with funding provided by operations and capital structure optimization.

The Company's contractual obligations consist of commitments to repay long-term debt, payments for leased premises, equipment and rolling stock, as well as purchase obligations for capital expenditures and service agreements to which the Company is committed.

(in millions of CDN dollars)

	December 31, 2020				March 31, 2020			
	Long-term debt	Leases	Purchase obligations & other	Total	Long-term debt	Leases	Purchase obligations & other	Total
Less than 1 year	300.0	104.4	150.0	554.4	—	96.4	196.5	292.9
1–2 years	761.7	78.0	19.9	859.6	718.8	84.8	20.4	824.0
2–3 years	695.8	60.7	10.4	766.9	1,336.4	62.3	16.2	1,414.9
3–4 years	400.0	73.0	6.8	479.8	737.1	46.4	6.5	790.0
4–5 years	350.0	32.4	5.7	388.1	400.0	59.2	6.0	465.2
More than 5 years	1,050.0	286.8	4.0	1,340.8	350.0	159.8	7.9	517.7
	3,557.5	635.3	196.8	4,389.6	3,542.3	508.9	253.5	4,304.7

### Long-term debt

The Company's long-term debt is described in Note 7 to the condensed interim consolidated financial statements.

In connection with the acquisition of the activities of Murray Goulburn Co-Operative Co. Limited (Murray Goulburn Acquisition), the Company entered into a credit agreement in April 2018 providing for a non-revolving term facility comprised of three tranches. A total of \$1.288 billion was drawn, of which \$892.0 million has been repaid. The credit facility bears interest at lenders' prime rates plus a maximum of 1.00%, or bankers' acceptance rates or the Australian Bank Bill Rate plus 0.80% up to a maximum of 2.00%, depending on the Company's credit ratings and matures in April 2023.

In connection with the Dairy Crest Acquisition in April 2019, the Company entered into a credit agreement providing for a non-revolving term facility comprised of three tranches. A total of \$2.043 billion was drawn, of which \$1.581 billion has been repaid. The credit facility bears interest at lenders' prime rates plus a maximum of 1.00% or LIBOR or bankers' acceptance rates plus 0.80% up to a maximum of 2.00%, depending on the Company's credit ratings and matures in April 2022.

The Company's long-term debt also includes seven series of unsecured senior notes outstanding under its medium-term note program for a total of \$2.700 billion, with annual interest rates varying from 1.42% to 3.60% and maturities ranging from June 2021 to June 2027.

### Leases

As described in Note 5 to the condensed interim consolidated financial statements, during the second quarter of fiscal 2021, the Company entered into a 25-year lease agreement for a land and building allowing the Dairy Division (Canada) to better serve the fluid market in Western Canada. As at December 31, 2020, the Company held right-of-use assets of \$78.2 million, with a corresponding lease liability of \$58.3 million in relation to this transaction.

## FINANCIAL POSITION

The main financial position items as at December 31, 2020, varied as compared to the balances as at March 31, 2020, principally due to the strengthening of the Canadian dollar versus the US dollar.

The following table outlines the conversion rates of the respective local operations' financial position items in foreign currencies as at December 31, 2020, and March 31, 2020.

	As at December 31, 2020	As at March 31, 2020
US dollar / Canadian dollar <sup>1</sup>	1.2725	1.4062
Australian dollar / Canadian dollar <sup>1</sup>	0.9796	0.8621
Argentine peso / Canadian dollar <sup>1</sup>	0.0151	0.0219
British pound sterling / Canadian dollar <sup>1</sup>	1.7422	1.7462

<sup>1</sup> Based on Bank of Canada published information.

The fluctuation of the Canadian dollar versus the US dollar, the Argentine peso, the British pound sterling, and partially offset by the Australian dollar, resulted in lower values recorded for the financial position items of the foreign operations.

The net cash position (cash and cash equivalents less bank loans) increased from negative \$209.1 million as at March 31, 2020, to positive \$302.3 million as at December 31, 2020, mainly resulting from the increase in net cash generated from operating activities and a repayment of \$206.0 million in revolving loan facilities for the Dairy Division (Australia) following the issuance of the Series 7 medium term notes. The change in foreign currency translation adjustments recorded in other comprehensive income (loss) varied mainly due to the fluctuation of foreign currencies versus the Canadian dollar.

## ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

### ***EFFECT OF NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS, INTERPRETATIONS AND AMENDMENTS ADOPTED DURING THE PERIOD***

Please refer to Note 3 to the Company's condensed interim consolidated financial statements for the period ended December 31, 2020, for more information regarding the effect of new accounting standards, interpretations and amendments adopted on or after April 1, 2020.

### ***EFFECT OF NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS, INTERPRETATIONS AND AMENDMENTS NOT YET IMPLEMENTED***

Please refer to Note 3 to the Company's condensed interim consolidated financial statements for the period ended December 31, 2020, for more information regarding the effect of new accounting standards, interpretations and amendments not yet implemented.

## **FOLLOW-UP ON CERTAIN SPECIFIC ITEMS OF THE ANALYSIS**

For an analysis of guarantees, related-party transactions, critical accounting estimates and changes in accounting policies, risks and uncertainties, as well as a sensitivity analysis of interest rate and US currency fluctuations, the discussion provided in the Company's 2020 Annual Report can be consulted (pages 28 to 35 of the Management's Discussion and Analysis dated June 4, 2020).

## **DISCLOSURE CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures. The Company's disclosure controls and procedures are designed to provide reasonable assurance that material information relating to the Company is made known to Management in a timely manner to allow the information required to be disclosed under securities legislation to be recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in securities legislation.

## **INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING**

The CEO and the CFO are responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control over financial reporting. The Company's internal control over financial reporting is designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with IFRS.

The Company is taking a phased approach to its migration to a new ERP system, which is currently expected to be completed in fiscal 2023, subject to further re-planning, if necessary, based on the evolution of the COVID-19 pandemic. In order to maintain appropriate internal controls over financial reporting in the divisions that have migrated to the new ERP system, relevant changes have been made. There were no other changes to the Company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the period beginning on October 1, 2020, and ended on December 31, 2020, that have materially affected or are reasonably likely to materially affect the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

## INFORMATION BY SECTOR

### CANADA SECTOR

(in millions of CDN dollars)

Fiscal years	2021			2020			
	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Revenues	1,088.7	1,063.8	981.6	960.1	1,049.0	1,029.4	968.8
Adjusted EBITDA*	118.3	117.0	104.2	91.0	111.7	103.2	98.5

\* See the "Non-IFRS Financial Measures" section of this Management's Discussion and Analysis for the reconciliations to IFRS measures.

The Canada Sector consists of the Dairy Division (Canada).

#### Revenues

Revenues for the Canada Sector totalled \$1.089 billion for the three-month period ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$39.7 million or 3.8%, as compared to \$1.049 billion for the same quarter last fiscal year. Revenues were positively impacted by higher sales volumes, mainly in the fluid milk category. The shift in consumer demand related to the COVID-19 pandemic resulted in increased sales volumes in the retail and industrial market segments, which outweighed decreased sales volumes within the foodservice market segment. Higher selling prices in connection with the higher cost of milk as raw material also contributed positively to the increase in revenues.

For the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, revenues for the Canada Sector totalled \$3.134 billion, an increase of \$86.9 million or 2.9%, as compared to \$3.047 billion for the same period last fiscal year. Revenues were positively impacted by higher sales volumes, mainly in the fluid milk category. The shift in consumer demand related to the COVID-19 pandemic resulted in increased sales volumes in the retail and industrial market segments, which outweighed decreased sales volumes within the foodservice market segment. Higher selling prices in connection with the higher cost of milk as raw material also contributed positively to the increase in revenues.

#### Adjusted EBITDA

Adjusted EBITDA for the Canada Sector totalled \$118.3 million for the three-month period ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$6.6 million or 5.9%, as compared to \$111.7 million for the same quarter last fiscal year. Adjusted EBITDA was positively impacted by higher sales volumes within the retail and industrial market segments, which outweighed lower sales volumes in the foodservice market segment. Lower administrative costs positively impacted adjusted EBITDA as a result of the ongoing ban on non-essential business travel, limitations placed on promotional activity and other initiatives in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic.

For the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, adjusted EBITDA totalled \$339.5 million, an increase of \$26.1 million or 8.3%, as compared to \$313.4 million for the same period last fiscal year. Adjusted EBITDA was positively impacted by higher sales volumes within the retail and industrial market segments, which outweighed lower sales volumes in the foodservice market segment. Lower administrative costs positively impacted adjusted EBITDA as a result of the ongoing ban on non-essential business travel, limitations placed on promotional activity and other initiatives in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic.

## USA SECTOR

(in millions of CDN dollars)

Fiscal years	2021			2020			
	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Revenues	1,656.8	1,649.1	1,416.7	1,694.8	1,848.7	1,792.4	1,757.7
Adjusted EBITDA*	171.0	140.4	162.2	94.3	172.1	175.4	173.6

\* See the "Non-IFRS Financial Measures" section of this Management's Discussion and Analysis for the reconciliations to IFRS measures.

### Selected factors positively (negatively) affecting financial performance

(in millions of CDN dollars)

Fiscal years	2021			2020			
	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
USA Market Factors** <sup>1</sup>	34	4	23	(8)	14	10	(8)
Inventory write-down	—	—	—	(18)	—	—	—
US currency exchange <sup>1</sup>	(2)	2	5	1	—	1	6

\* Refer to the "Glossary" section of this Management's Discussion and Analysis.

<sup>1</sup> As compared to same quarter last fiscal year.

### Other pertinent information

(in US dollars, except for average exchange rate)

Fiscal years	2021			2020			
	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
<b>Block market price*</b>							
Opening	2.573	2.640	1.330	1.910	1.958	1.858	1.645
Closing	1.650	2.573	2.640	1.330	1.910	1.958	1.858
Average	2.129	2.249	1.778	1.835	1.971	1.912	1.711
<b>Butter market price*</b>							
Opening	1.510	1.765	1.335	1.950	2.128	2.410	2.255
Closing	1.420	1.510	1.765	1.335	1.950	2.128	2.410
Average	1.444	1.571	1.500	1.799	2.043	2.284	2.330
Average whey market price*	0.388	0.311	0.356	0.353	0.326	0.352	0.370
Spread*	0.168	0.141	0.047	0.113	(0.018)	0.029	0.001 <sup>2</sup>
US average exchange rate to Canadian dollar <sup>1</sup>	1.306	1.333	1.378	1.330	1.320	1.320	1.337

\* Refer to the "Glossary" section of this Management's Discussion and Analysis.

<sup>1</sup> Based on Bank of Canada published information.

<sup>2</sup> Updated to conform to the current Spread definition.

The USA Sector consists of the Dairy Division (USA). During the second quarter of fiscal 2021, the two former USA divisions, the Cheese Division (USA) and the Dairy Foods Division (USA), were merged into a single division now known as the Dairy Division (USA).

## Revenues

Revenues for the USA Sector totalled \$1.657 billion for the three-month period ended December 31, 2020, a decrease of \$191.9 million or 10.4%, as compared to \$1.849 billion for the same quarter last fiscal year. Revenues were negatively impacted by lower sales volumes, particularly in the foodservice market segment. The fluctuation of the average block market price positively impacted revenues, partially offset by the lower average butter market price, for a combined positive impact of approximately \$30 million. The fluctuation of the US dollar versus the Canadian dollar decreased revenues by approximately \$25 million.

For the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, revenues for the USA Sector totalled \$4.723 billion, a decrease of \$676.2 million or 12.5%, as compared to \$5.399 billion for the same period last fiscal year. Revenues were negatively impacted by lower sales volumes, particularly in the foodservice market segment. The lower average butter market price negatively impacted revenues, partially offset by the fluctuation of the average block market price, for a combined negative impact of approximately \$7 million. The fluctuation of the US dollar versus the Canadian dollar increased revenues by approximately \$47 million.

## Adjusted EBITDA

Adjusted EBITDA for the USA Sector totalled \$171.0 million for the three-month period ended December 31, 2020, a decrease of \$1.1 million or 0.6%, as compared to \$172.1 million for the same quarter last fiscal year. Adjusted EBITDA was negatively impacted by lower sales volumes as a result of the shift in consumer demand, which affected the Sector's efficiencies and the absorption of fixed costs. The relation between the average block market price and the cost of milk as raw material had a favourable impact on adjusted EBITDA. However, the net fluctuation of the average block market price and the lower average butter market price had an unfavourable impact on both the realization of inventories and the absorption of fixed costs, while the impact of dairy ingredient market prices was minimal. The combined effect of these USA Market Factors positively impacted adjusted EBITDA by approximately \$34 million. Also, lower administrative costs positively impacted adjusted EBITDA as a result of the ongoing ban on non-essential business travel, limitations placed on promotional activity and other initiatives in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic. Finally, the fluctuation of the US dollar versus the Canadian dollar had a negative impact on adjusted EBITDA of approximately \$2 million.

For the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, adjusted EBITDA totalled \$473.6 million, a decrease of \$47.5 million or 9.1%, as compared to \$521.1 million for the same period last fiscal year. Adjusted EBITDA was negatively impacted by lower sales volumes, which affected the Sector's efficiencies and the absorption of fixed costs. The relation between the average block market price and the cost of milk as raw material had a favourable impact on adjusted EBITDA. However, the net fluctuation of the average block market price and the lower average butter market price had an unfavourable impact on both the realization of inventories and the absorption of fixed costs, while the impact of dairy ingredient market prices was minimal. The combined effect of these USA Market Factors positively impacted adjusted EBITDA by approximately \$61 million. Also, lower administrative costs positively impacted adjusted EBITDA as a result of the ongoing ban on non-essential business travel, limitations placed on promotional activity and other initiatives in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic. The fluctuation of the US dollar versus the Canadian dollar had a positive impact on adjusted EBITDA of approximately \$5 million.

## INTERNATIONAL SECTOR

(in millions of CDN dollars)

Fiscal years	2021			2020			
	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Revenues	806.8	805.7	781.6	832.4	797.0	657.0	790.3
Adjusted EBITDA*	104.7	78.2	59.8	66.5	98.5	80.2	59.7

\* See the "Non-IFRS Financial Measures" section of this Management's Discussion and Analysis for the reconciliations to IFRS measures.

### Selected factors positively (negatively) affecting financial performance

(in millions of CDN dollars)

Fiscal years	2021			2020			
	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Foreign currency exchange <sup>1</sup>	4	(1)	(9)	(5)	(14)	(16)	(10)

<sup>1</sup> As compared to same quarter last fiscal year.

The International Sector consists of the Dairy Division (Australia) and the Dairy Division (Argentina).

### Revenues

Revenues for the International Sector totalled \$806.8 million for the three-month period ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$9.8 million or 1.2%, as compared to \$797.0 million for the same quarter last fiscal year. Revenues were positively impacted by higher sales volumes in the retail and foodservice market segments, particularly following the lift of government-imposed lockdowns in Australia. Additional sales volumes in the Company's export markets positively impacted revenues, despite varying government-imposed health restrictions. Revenues were positively impacted by higher selling prices in the Dairy Division (Argentina) as a result of the hyperinflationary economy. The positive impact of the devaluation of the Argentine peso versus the US dollar in the export markets, partially offset by the strengthening of the Australian dollar versus the US dollar, positively impacted revenues. However, a decrease in international cheese and dairy ingredient market prices had a negative impact on revenues. Also, lower selling prices in the domestic market in the Dairy Division (Australia), due to lower dairy commodity prices, negatively impacted revenues. The contribution of the Specialty Cheese Business Acquisition for the full quarter, as compared to a nine-week contribution during the same quarter last fiscal year, positively impacted revenues. The fluctuation of the functional currencies used in the International Sector versus the Canadian dollar had a negative impact on revenues of approximately \$53 million.

For the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, revenues for the International Sector totalled \$2.394 billion, an increase of \$149.8 million or 6.7%, as compared to \$2.244 billion for the same period last fiscal year. During the period, revenues increased in all market segments. Revenues were positively impacted by higher sales volumes and higher selling prices in the domestic market in Australia, as a result of the higher cost of milk as raw material, and in the Dairy Division (Argentina), as a result of the hyperinflationary economy. Despite varying government-imposed lockdowns throughout the period, additional sales volumes in the Company's export markets positively impacted revenues. However, a decrease in international cheese and dairy ingredient market prices had a negative impact on revenues. The positive impact of the devaluation of the Argentine peso versus the US dollar in the export markets, partially offset by the strengthening of the Australian dollar versus the US dollar, also positively impacted revenues. The contribution of the Specialty Cheese Business Acquisition for the full period, as compared to a nine-week contribution during the same period last fiscal year, positively impacted revenues. Conversely, the fluctuation of the functional currencies used in the International Sector versus the Canadian dollar had a negative impact on revenues of approximately \$120 million.

## **Adjusted EBITDA**

Adjusted EBITDA for the International Sector totalled \$104.7 million for the three-month period ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$6.2 million or 6.3%, as compared to \$98.5 million for the same quarter last fiscal year. Adjusted EBITDA was positively impacted by higher sales volumes and improved operational efficiencies, derived from increased milk availability. However, adjusted EBITDA was negatively impacted by the relation between international cheese and dairy ingredient market prices and the cost of milk as raw material. The contribution of the Specialty Cheese Business Acquisition for the full quarter, as compared to a nine-week contribution during the same quarter last fiscal year, increased adjusted EBITDA. The fluctuation of the functional currencies used in the International Sector versus the Canadian dollar had a positive impact on adjusted EBITDA of approximately \$4 million.

For the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, adjusted EBITDA totalled \$242.7 million, an increase of \$4.3 million or 1.8%, as compared to \$238.4 million for the same period last fiscal year. Adjusted EBITDA was positively impacted by higher sales volumes and improved operational efficiencies, derived from increased milk availability. However, adjusted EBITDA was negatively impacted by the unfavourable relation between international cheese and dairy ingredient market prices and the cost of milk as raw material. The contribution of the Specialty Cheese Business Acquisition for the full period, as compared to a nine-week contribution during the same period last fiscal year, also increased adjusted EBITDA. The fluctuation of the functional currencies used in the International Sector versus the Canadian dollar had a negative impact on adjusted EBITDA of approximately \$6 million.

## EUROPE SECTOR

(in millions of CDN dollars)

Fiscal years	2021			2020			
	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Revenues	210.6	183.6	210.9	231.4	196.1	186.8	151.6
Adjusted EBITDA*	37.1	34.9	40.3	46.6	34.7	35.6	26.2

\* See the "Non-IFRS Financial Measures" section of this Management's Discussion and Analysis for the reconciliations to IFRS measures.

The Europe Sector consists of the Dairy Division (UK).

### Revenues

Revenues for the Europe Sector totalled \$210.6 million for the three-month period ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$14.5 million or 7.4%, as compared to \$196.1 million for the same quarter last fiscal year. Revenues were positively impacted by higher sales volumes in the retail market segment, although partially offset by lower sales volumes in the industrial market segment, as a result of the continuing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. The fluctuation of the British pound sterling versus the Canadian dollar increased revenues by approximately \$3 million.

For the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, revenues for the Europe Sector totalled \$605.1 million, an increase of \$70.6 million or 13.2%, as compared to \$534.5 million for the same period last fiscal year. Revenues increased due to the contribution of the Dairy Crest Acquisition for the full period, as compared to a 37-week contribution during the same period last fiscal year. Revenues were also positively impacted by higher sales volumes in the retail market segment fueled by increased consumer demand related to the COVID-19 pandemic, although partially offset by lower sales volumes in the industrial market segment. The fluctuation of the British pound sterling versus the Canadian dollar increased revenues by approximately \$15 million.

### Adjusted EBITDA

Adjusted EBITDA for the Europe Sector totalled \$37.1 million for the three-month period ended December 31, 2020, an increase of \$2.4 million or 6.9%, as compared to \$34.7 million for the same quarter last fiscal year. Higher sales volumes in the retail market segment, partially offset by lower sales volumes in the industrial market segment, positively impacted adjusted EBITDA. The fluctuation of the British pound sterling versus the Canadian dollar increased adjusted EBITDA by approximately \$1 million.

For the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, adjusted EBITDA totalled \$112.3 million, an increase of \$15.8 million or 16.4%, as compared to \$96.5 million for the same period last fiscal year. Adjusted EBITDA was positively impacted by higher sales volumes in the retail market segment fueled by increased consumer demand, partially offset by lower sales volumes in the industrial market segment. Adjusted EBITDA also increased due to the contribution of the Dairy Crest Acquisition for the full period, as compared to a 37-week contribution during the same period last fiscal year. The fluctuation of the British pound sterling versus the Canadian dollar increased adjusted EBITDA by approximately \$3 million.

## NON-IFRS FINANCIAL MEASURES

The Company reports its financial results in accordance with IFRS. However, the Company uses the following non-IFRS financial measures to explain its financial performance:

- adjusted EBITDA;
- adjusted net earnings;
- adjusted net earnings per share;
- adjusted net earnings excluding amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions; and
- adjusted net earnings per share excluding amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions.

These non-IFRS financial measures have no standardized meaning under IFRS and are not likely to be comparable to similar measures presented by other issuers. Non-IFRS financial measures should not be viewed as a substitute for the related financial information prepared in accordance with IFRS. The components of each non-IFRS financial measure used by the Company for the three and nine-month periods ended December 31, 2020, and 2019, are described below and are subject to change based on future transactions or where Management deems necessary to provide a better understanding and comparability of future results and activities of the Company.

### Adjusted EBITDA

The Company believes that adjusted EBITDA provides investors with useful information because it is a common industry measure and it is also a key metric of the Company's operational and financial performance. The adjustments made to adjusted EBITDA, including the new impairment of intangible assets which is of an unusual nature, are not indicative of core business activities. The Company uses, and believes that investors and analysts also use, adjusted EBITDA to evaluate the performance of the business. Adjusted EBITDA is also a component in the determination of short-term incentive compensation for management.

Adjusted EBITDA for the three and nine-month periods ended December 31, 2020, and 2019, is equivalent to earnings before interest, income taxes, depreciation, amortization, impairment of intangible assets, gain on disposal of assets, inventory revaluation resulting from a business acquisition, and acquisition and restructuring costs, as this financial measure is presented in the Company's condensed interim consolidated income statement and, with respect to the Company's reportable segments, in the notes to the financial statements.

The following table provides a reconciliation of earnings before income taxes to adjusted EBITDA.

*(in millions of CDN dollars)*

	For the three-month periods ended December 31		For the nine-month periods ended December 31	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
Earnings before income taxes	277.1	259.0	701.7	667.9
Financial charges <sup>1</sup>	25.5	26.8	73.4	89.8
Inventory revaluation resulting from a business acquisition	—	—	—	40.1
Acquisition and restructuring costs	—	9.4	—	32.2
Impairment of intangible assets	—	—	19.0	—
Gain on disposal of assets	—	—	(6.2)	—
Depreciation and amortization	128.5	121.8	380.2	339.4
<b>Adjusted EBITDA</b>	<b>431.1</b>	<b>417.0</b>	<b>1,168.1</b>	<b>1,169.4</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes gain on hyperinflation. Refer to Note 9 to the Company's condensed interim consolidated financial statements for the period ended December 31, 2020, for more information.

## Adjusted net earnings and other non-IFRS financial measures used by the Company

Management believes that adjusted net earnings, adjusted net earnings excluding amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions, adjusted net earnings per share and adjusted net earnings per share excluding amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions provide useful information to investors because these financial measures provide precision with regards to the Company's ongoing operations. They also provide readers with a representation of the activities considered of relevance to the Company's financial performance and additional financial information that can be used to identify trends or additional disclosures about the way the Company operates, as well as comparability to the Company's prior year results. Management also believes that in the context of highly acquisitive companies, adjusted net earnings excluding amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions and adjusted net earnings per share excluding amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions (due to the application of various accounting policies in relation to the amortization of acquired intangible assets) are more effective measures to assess performance against its peer group.

The following table provides a reconciliation of net earnings and net earnings per share to adjusted net earnings and adjusted net earnings excluding amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions.

(in millions of CDN dollars, except per share amounts)

	For the three-month periods ended December 31					
	2020			2019		
	Total	Per Share		Total	Per Share	
Basic		Diluted	Basic		Diluted	
Net earnings	209.8	0.51	0.51	197.8	0.49	0.48
Acquisition and restructuring costs <sup>1</sup>	—	—	—	6.4	0.02	0.02
Adjusted net earnings	209.8	0.51	0.51	204.2	0.50	0.50
Amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions <sup>1</sup>	18.0	0.04	0.04	24.9	0.06	0.06
Adjusted net earnings excluding amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions	227.8	0.56	0.55	229.1	0.56	0.56

<sup>1</sup> Net of income taxes

(in millions of CDN dollars, except per share amounts)

	For the nine-month periods ended December 31					
	2020			2019		
	Total	Per Share		Total	Per Share	
Basic		Diluted	Basic		Diluted	
Net earnings	522.5	1.28	1.27	494.1	1.24	1.23
Impairment of intangible assets <sup>1</sup>	19.0	0.05	0.05	—	—	—
Gain on disposal of assets <sup>1</sup>	(4.6)	(0.01)	(0.01)	—	—	—
Inventory revaluation resulting from a business acquisition <sup>1</sup>	—	—	—	32.5	0.08	0.08
Acquisition and restructuring costs <sup>1</sup>	—	—	—	28.3	0.07	0.07
Adjusted net earnings	536.9	1.31	1.31	554.9	1.40	1.39
Amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions <sup>1</sup>	54.2	0.13	0.13	52.2	0.13	0.13
Adjusted net earnings excluding amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions	591.1	1.44	1.44	607.1	1.53	1.52

<sup>1</sup> Net of income taxes

## GLOSSARY

### ***Adjusted EBITDA***

"Adjusted EBITDA" means earnings before interest, income taxes, depreciation, amortization, impairment of intangible assets, gain on disposal of assets, inventory revaluation resulting from a business acquisition, and acquisition and restructuring costs.

### ***Adjusted net earnings***

"Adjusted net earnings" means net earnings prior to the inclusion of impairment of intangible assets, gain on disposal of assets, inventory revaluations resulting from a business acquisition, and acquisition and restructuring costs, net of applicable income taxes.

### ***Adjusted net earnings excluding amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions***

"Adjusted net earnings excluding amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions" means adjusted net earnings prior to the inclusion of amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions, net of applicable income taxes.

### ***Adjusted net earnings per share***

"Adjusted net earnings per share" (basic and diluted) means adjusted net earnings per basic and diluted common share.

### ***Adjusted net earnings per share excluding amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions***

"Adjusted net earnings per share excluding amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions" (basic and diluted) means adjusted net earnings per basic and diluted common share prior to the inclusion of amortization of intangible assets related to business acquisitions, net of applicable income taxes.

### ***Average whey powder market price***

"Average whey powder market price" means the average daily price for a pound of extra grade dry whey published on Daily Dairy Report.

### ***Block market price***

"Block market price" means the price per pound of a spot contract for cheddar cheese in 40-pound blocks traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME) published in the Daily Dairy Report, used as the base price for cheese.

### ***Butter market price***

"Butter market price" means the price per pound of a spot contract for Grade AA Butter traded on the CME published in the Daily Dairy Report, used as the base price for butter.

### ***EPS***

"EPS" means net earnings per share.

### ***Net debt***

"Net debt" means long-term debt, lease liabilities, and bank loans, including the current portion thereof, net of cash and cash equivalents.

### ***Net debt to adjusted EBITDA***

"Net debt to adjusted EBITDA" means net debt divided by the Trailing twelve months adjusted EBITDA.

### ***Spread***

"Spread" means the difference between the average block market price and the average cost of the corresponding quantity of Class III milk in the USA market based on the milk prices published by the United States Department of Agriculture.

**Trailing twelve months adjusted EBITDA**

"Trailing twelve months adjusted EBITDA" is calculated by adding the actual adjusted EBITDA results for the nine-months ended December 31, 2020, to the actual adjusted EBITDA results for the year ended March 31, 2020, and subtracting the actual adjusted EBITDA results for the nine-months ended December 31, 2019.

**USA Market Factors**

"USA Market Factors" include, for the USA Sector, the average block market price and its effect on the absorption of fixed costs and on the realization of inventories, the effect of the relation between the average block market price and the cost of milk as raw material, the market pricing impact related to sales of dairy ingredients, as well as the impact of the average butter market price related to dairy food products.

**Working capital**

"Working capital" means the Company's current assets minus its current liabilities.

**Working capital ratio**

"Working capital ratio" means the Company's current assets divided by its current liabilities.

## CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENTS

(in millions of CDN dollars, except per share amounts)  
(unaudited)

	For the three-month periods ended December 31		For the nine-month periods ended December 31	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
<b>Revenues (Note 14)</b>	\$ 3,762.9	\$ 3,890.8	\$ 10,855.9	\$ 11,224.8
Operating costs excluding depreciation, amortization, inventory revaluation resulting from a business acquisition, and restructuring costs (Note 4)	3,331.8	3,473.8	9,687.8	10,055.4
<b>Earnings before interest, income taxes, depreciation, amortization, impairment of intangible assets, gain on disposal of assets, inventory revaluation resulting from a business acquisition, and acquisition and restructuring costs</b>	<b>431.1</b>	417.0	<b>1,168.1</b>	1,169.4
Depreciation and amortization	128.5	121.8	380.2	339.4
Impairment of intangible assets (Note 14)	—	—	19.0	—
Gain on disposal of assets	—	—	(6.2)	—
Inventory revaluation resulting from a business acquisition (Note 13)	—	—	—	40.1
Acquisition and restructuring costs (Note 13)	—	9.4	—	32.2
Financial charges (Note 9)	25.5	26.8	73.4	89.8
<b>Earnings before income taxes</b>	<b>277.1</b>	259.0	<b>701.7</b>	667.9
Income taxes	67.3	61.2	179.2	173.8
<b>Net earnings</b>	<b>\$ 209.8</b>	\$ 197.8	<b>\$ 522.5</b>	\$ 494.1
<b>Net earnings per share (Note 11)</b>				
Basic	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.49	\$ 1.28	\$ 1.24
Diluted	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.48	\$ 1.27	\$ 1.23

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements.

## CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(in millions of CDN dollars)  
(unaudited)

	For the three-month periods ended December 31		For the nine-month periods ended December 31	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
<b>Net earnings</b>	<b>\$ 209.8</b>	<b>\$ 197.8</b>	<b>\$ 522.5</b>	<b>\$ 494.1</b>
Other comprehensive (loss) income:				
<i>Items that may be reclassified to net earnings:</i>				
Exchange differences arising from foreign currency translation	(164.2)	(6.4)	(337.6)	(218.0)
Inflation effect arising from the application of hyperinflation	(2.3)	(1.2)	(6.5)	(8.6)
Unrealized gains (losses) on cash flow hedges (Note 12)	18.8	7.6	65.9	(7.1)
Reclassification of (gains) losses on cash flow hedges to net earnings	(7.4)	3.3	6.3	11.6
Income taxes relating to items that may be reclassified to net earnings	(3.8)	(3.1)	(20.8)	(1.3)
	(158.9)	0.2	(292.7)	(223.4)
<i>Items that will not be reclassified to net earnings:</i>				
Actuarial loss (Note 10)	(51.8)	(61.6)	(214.4)	(36.8)
Income taxes relating to items that will not be reclassified to net earnings	9.9	10.1	41.8	6.1
	(41.9)	(51.5)	(172.6)	(30.7)
<b>Other comprehensive loss</b>	<b>(200.8)</b>	<b>(51.3)</b>	<b>(465.3)</b>	<b>(254.1)</b>
<b>Total comprehensive income</b>	<b>\$ 9.0</b>	<b>\$ 146.5</b>	<b>\$ 57.2</b>	<b>\$ 240.0</b>

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## CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

(in millions of CDN dollars, except common shares)  
(unaudited)

For the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020								
	Share capital		Reserves				Retained Earnings	Total Equity
	Common Shares	Amount	Foreign Currency Translation	Cash Flow Hedges	Stock Option Plan	Total Reserves		
<b>Balance, beginning of year</b>	408,638,373	\$ 1,685.7	\$ 667.9	\$ (40.3)	\$ 150.8	\$ 778.4	\$ 4,095.0	\$ 6,559.1
Net earnings	—	—	—	—	—	—	522.5	522.5
Other comprehensive loss	—	—	(344.1)	51.4	—	(292.7)	(172.6)	(465.3)
Total comprehensive income								57.2
Dividends declared (Note 8)	—	—	—	—	—	—	(212.9)	(212.9)
Stock option plan (Note 8)	—	—	—	—	16.6	16.6	—	16.6
Shares issued under dividend reinvestment plan (Note 8)	1,184,444	38.2	—	—	—	—	—	38.2
Shares issued under stock option plan (Note 8)	549,418	15.9	—	—	(2.6)	(2.6)	—	13.3
<b>Balance, end of period</b>	<b>410,372,235</b>	<b>\$ 1,739.8</b>	<b>\$ 323.8</b>	<b>\$ 11.1</b>	<b>\$ 164.8</b>	<b>\$ 499.7</b>	<b>\$ 4,232.0</b>	<b>\$ 6,471.5</b>

For the nine-month period ended December 31, 2019								
	Share capital		Reserves				Retained Earnings	Total Equity
	Common Shares	Amount	Foreign Currency Translation	Cash Flow Hedges	Stock Option Plan	Total Reserves		
<b>Balance, beginning of year</b>	390,198,386	\$ 991.7	\$ 582.1	\$ (2.3)	\$ 134.0	\$ 713.8	\$ 3,715.0	\$ 5,420.5
Net earnings (loss)	—	—	—	—	—	—	494.1	494.1
Other comprehensive loss	—	—	(226.6)	3.2	—	(223.4)	(30.7)	(254.1)
Total comprehensive income								240.0
Shares issued under Equity Offering – net of issuance costs (Note 8)	16,642,553	639.9	—	—	—	—	—	639.9
Dividends declared (Note 8)	—	—	—	—	—	—	(200.3)	(200.3)
Stock option plan (Note 8)	—	—	—	—	17.7	17.7	—	17.7
Shares issued under stock option plan (Note 8)	1,123,993	36.1	—	—	(4.4)	(4.4)	—	31.7
<b>Balance, end of period</b>	<b>407,964,932</b>	<b>\$ 1,667.7</b>	<b>\$ 355.5</b>	<b>\$ 0.9</b>	<b>\$ 147.3</b>	<b>\$ 503.7</b>	<b>\$ 3,978.1</b>	<b>\$ 6,149.5</b>

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## CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

(in millions of CDN dollars)  
(unaudited)

As at	December 31, 2020	March 31, 2020
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 505.7	\$ 319.4
Receivables	1,144.9	1,371.8
Inventories	2,375.0	2,220.9
Income taxes receivable	9.1	50.3
Prepaid expenses and other assets	105.9	106.6
	4,140.6	4,069.0
<b>Property, plant and equipment</b>	<b>3,761.9</b>	<b>3,850.0</b>
<b>Right-of-use assets (Note 5)</b>	<b>488.5</b>	<b>417.9</b>
<b>Goodwill</b>	<b>3,101.0</b>	<b>3,219.5</b>
<b>Intangible assets</b>	<b>1,541.0</b>	<b>1,640.7</b>
<b>Other assets</b>	<b>323.7</b>	<b>545.3</b>
<b>Deferred income taxes</b>	<b>13.7</b>	<b>50.7</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 13,370.4</b>	<b>\$ 13,793.1</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Bank loans (Note 6)	\$ 203.4	\$ 528.5
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	1,680.3	1,838.9
Dividends payable (Note 8)	71.8	—
Income taxes payable	67.0	51.4
Current portion of long-term debt (Note 7)	300.0	—
Current portion of lease liabilities (Note 5)	82.2	74.7
	2,404.7	2,493.5
<b>Long-term debt (Note 7)</b>	<b>3,257.5</b>	<b>3,542.3</b>
<b>Lease liabilities (Note 5)</b>	<b>387.2</b>	<b>340.1</b>
<b>Other liabilities</b>	<b>120.3</b>	<b>98.5</b>
<b>Deferred income taxes</b>	<b>729.2</b>	<b>759.6</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 6,898.9</b>	<b>\$ 7,234.0</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>		
Share capital (Note 8)	1,739.8	1,685.7
Reserves	499.7	778.4
Retained earnings	4,232.0	4,095.0
<b>Total equity</b>	<b>\$ 6,471.5</b>	<b>\$ 6,559.1</b>
<b>Total liabilities and equity</b>	<b>\$ 13,370.4</b>	<b>\$ 13,793.1</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements.

## CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(in millions of CDN dollars)  
(unaudited)

	For the three-month periods ended December 31		For the nine-month periods ended December 31	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
<b>Cash flows related to the following activities:</b>				
<b>Operating</b>				
Net earnings	\$ 209.8	\$ 197.8	\$ 522.5	\$ 494.1
Adjustments for:				
Stock-based compensation	10.6	10.1	24.4	25.3
Financial charges (Note 9)	25.5	26.8	73.4	89.8
Income tax expense	67.3	61.2	179.2	173.8
Depreciation and amortization	128.5	121.8	380.2	339.4
Impairment of intangible assets (Note 14)	—	—	19.0	—
(Gain) loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment and asset held for sale	0.2	(1.8)	(6.8)	(0.9)
Inventory revaluation resulting from a business acquisition	—	—	—	40.1
Foreign exchange gain on debt	(3.2)	(4.0)	(1.4)	(0.8)
Share of joint venture earnings, net of dividends received	(2.4)	(1.0)	0.4	12.5
Difference between funding of post-employment benefit plans and costs	(0.5)	(0.6)	(2.1)	(10.0)
Changes in non-cash operating working capital items	(141.4)	(1.1)	(78.8)	(179.7)
Cash generated from operating activities	294.4	409.2	1,110.0	983.6
Interest and financial charges paid	(40.9)	(37.0)	(90.1)	(109.1)
Income taxes paid	(36.6)	(39.0)	(92.1)	(132.8)
Net cash generated from operating activities	\$ 216.9	\$ 333.2	\$ 927.8	\$ 741.7
<b>Investing</b>				
Business acquisitions, net of cash acquired	—	(237.0)	—	(1,929.6)
Additions to property, plant and equipment	(90.2)	(108.2)	(235.0)	(322.0)
Additions to intangible assets	(10.8)	(18.5)	(35.6)	(50.4)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	1.3	3.5	40.7	8.5
Net cash used for investing activities	\$ (99.7)	\$ (360.2)	\$ (229.9)	\$ (2,293.5)
<b>Financing</b>				
Bank loans	(2.4)	211.7	(324.5)	337.4
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	350.0	400.0	1,050.0	2,461.5
Repayment of long-term debt	(533.4)	(438.6)	(1,092.2)	(1,545.6)
Repayment of lease liabilities	(20.4)	(19.2)	(58.5)	(55.7)
Net proceeds from issuance of share capital	8.2	4.7	12.8	670.2
Payment of dividends	(51.7)	(69.3)	(102.9)	(200.3)
Net cash (used for) generated from financing activities	\$ (249.7)	\$ 89.3	\$ (515.3)	\$ 1,667.5
<b>Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>(132.5)</b>	<b>62.3</b>	<b>182.6</b>	<b>115.7</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period</b>	<b>646.2</b>	<b>173.0</b>	<b>319.4</b>	<b>112.7</b>
<b>Effect of inflation</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>11.2</b>	<b>21.2</b>
<b>Effect of exchange rate changes</b>	<b>(12.5)</b>	<b>(0.3)</b>	<b>(7.5)</b>	<b>(6.3)</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, end of period</b>	<b>\$ 505.7</b>	<b>\$ 243.3</b>	<b>\$ 505.7</b>	<b>\$ 243.3</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements.

# NOTES TO THE CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the three and nine-month periods ended December 31, 2020, and 2019.

(Tabular amounts are in millions of CDN dollars except information on options, units and shares.)  
(unaudited)

## NOTE 1 CORPORATE INFORMATION

Saputo Inc. (the Company) is a publicly traded company incorporated and domiciled in Canada. The Company's shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "SAP." The Company produces, markets, and distributes a wide array of dairy products from Canada, the United States, Australia, Argentina, and the United Kingdom. The address of the Company's head office is 6869 Metropolitan Blvd. East, Montréal, Québec, Canada, H1P 1X8. The condensed interim consolidated financial statements (financial statements) of the Company for the period ended December 31, 2020, comprise the financial results of the Company and its subsidiaries.

The financial statements for the period ended December 31, 2020, were authorized for issuance by the Board of Directors on February 4, 2021.

## NOTE 2 BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34, Interim Financial Reporting, as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB). Accordingly, certain disclosure requirements that are necessary in the preparation of an annual report in compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) have been omitted or condensed.

## NOTE 3 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies and methods of computation applied in these financial statements are the same as those applied by the Company in its audited annual consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended March 31, 2020, except for the impact of the adoption of the new standards, interpretations and amendments and applicable standards, as described below.

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's audited annual consolidated financial statements as at March 31, 2020, and 2019, and for the years then ended.

### ***ECONOMIC CONDITIONS AND UNCERTAINTIES***

Current global economic conditions continue to be highly volatile due to the COVID-19 pandemic, which was declared in March 2020. The magnitude, duration and severity of the COVID-19 pandemic continue to be hard to predict and could affect the significant estimates and judgments used in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements.

### ***EFFECT OF NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS, INTERPRETATIONS AND AMENDMENTS NOT YET IMPLEMENTED***

The following standards, amendments to standards and interpretations were issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) and are applicable to the Company for its annual periods beginning on and after April 1, 2021, with an earlier application permitted:

#### ***IFRS 3, Reference to the Conceptual Framework***

In May 2020, Reference to the Conceptual Framework, amendments to IFRS 3, Business Combinations was issued. This amendment adds a requirement that, for transactions and other events within the scope of IAS 37, Provisions, contingent liabilities and contingent assets or IFRIC 21, Levies, an acquirer applies IAS 37 or IFRIC 21 (instead of the Conceptual Framework) to identify the liabilities it has assumed in a business combination. Also, an explicit statement was added requiring an acquirer to not recognize contingent assets acquired in a business combination.

This amendment is applicable to the Company beginning April 1, 2022, on a prospective basis. The Company will apply this amendment to applicable future business combinations.

## NOTE 3 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES CONT'D

### ***IAS 16, Property, Plant and Equipment: Proceeds Before Intended of Use***

In May 2020, the IASB issued Property, Plant and Equipment: Proceeds before Intended Use, Amendments to IAS 16. This amendment prohibits a company from deducting from the cost of property, plant and equipment amounts received from selling items produced while the company is preparing the asset for its intended use. Instead, a company will recognize such sales proceeds and related costs in profit or loss.

Management is currently assessing the impact of the adoption of this amendment on the Company's financial statements.

### ***IAS 37, Onerous Contracts – Cost of Fulfilling a Contract***

In May 2020, the IASB issued Onerous Contracts – Cost of Fulfilling a Contract (Amendments to IAS 37), amending the standard regarding costs a company should include as the cost of fulfilling a contract when assessing whether a contract is onerous.

Management is currently assessing the impact of the adoption of this amendment on the Company's financial statements.

### ***IFRS 9, IAS 39, IFRS 7, IFRS 4 and IFRS 16 – Interest Rate Benchmark Reform, Phase 2***

In August 2020, the IASB issued amendments to IFRS 9, IAS 39, IFRS 7, IFRS 4 and IFRS 16 to help entities that are impacted with the Interbank offered rates (IBOR) reform with practical expedients, clarification over the implication of the reform on hedge accounting and the introduction of new disclosures about the risks arising from the IBOR reform.

Management is currently assessing the impact of the adoption of this amendment on the Company's financial statements.

## ***EFFECT OF NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS, INTERPRETATIONS AND AMENDMENTS ADOPTED DURING THE PERIOD***

The following standards, amendments to existing standards and interpretations of standards were adopted by the Company on or after April 1, 2020:

### ***IFRS 3, Business Combinations***

In October 2018, the IASB issued an amendment to IFRS 3 to clarify the definition of a business, to resolve the difficulties that arise when an entity determines whether it has acquired a business or a group of assets.

The adoption of this amendment did not significantly impact the Company's financial statements.

### ***IFRS 9, Financial Instruments, IFRS 7, Financial Instruments disclosure and IAS 39, Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement***

In September 2019, the IASB issued amendments to IFRS 9, IAS 39, and IFRS 7 to address the implications of the IBOR reform for specific hedge accounting requirements, which require forward-looking analysis and additional disclosure requirements.

The adoption of these amendments did not significantly impact the Company's financial statements.

### ***IAS 1, Presentation of Financial Statements***

In January 2020, the IASB issued an amendment to clarify how to classify debt and other liabilities as current or non-current. The amendments help to determine whether, in the statement of financial position, debt and other liabilities with an uncertain settlement date should be classified as current (due or potentially due to be settled within one year) or non-current. The amendments also include clarifying the classification requirements for debt an entity might settle by converting it into equity.

The early adoption of this amendment did not have a significant impact on the Company's financial statements.

## NOTE 4 OPERATING COSTS EXCLUDING DEPRECIATION, AMORTIZATION, INVENTORY REVALUATION RESULTING FROM A BUSINESS ACQUISITION, AND RESTRUCTURING COSTS

	For the three-month periods ended December 31		For the nine-month periods ended December 31	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
Changes in inventories of finished goods and work in process	\$ (84.6)	\$ (92.2)	\$ (148.8)	\$ (150.3)
Raw materials and consumables used	2,602.4	2,713.8	7,403.6	7,732.9
Foreign exchange (gain) loss	(13.8)	3.3	(13.5)	10.5
Employee benefits expense	459.4	444.9	1,379.8	1,292.7
Selling costs	168.9	165.8	475.4	498.3
Other general and administrative costs	199.5	238.2	591.3	671.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,331.8</b>	<b>\$ 3,473.8</b>	<b>\$ 9,687.8</b>	<b>\$ 10,055.4</b>

## NOTE 5 RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS AND LEASE LIABILITIES

In the second quarter of fiscal 2021, the Company entered into a 25-year lease agreement for a land and building in the Dairy Division (Canada). As at December 31, 2020, the Company held right-of-use assets of \$78.2 million, with a corresponding lease liability of \$58.3 million in relation to this transaction.

## NOTE 6 BANK LOANS

The Company has available bank credit facilities providing for bank loans as follows:

Credit Facilities	Maturity	Available for use		Amount drawn	
		Canadian Currency Equivalent	Base Currency	December 31, 2020	March 31, 2020
North America-USA	November 2024 <sup>1</sup>	381.8 \$	300.0 USD	\$ —	\$ —
North America-Canada	November 2024 <sup>1</sup>	890.8 \$	700.0 USD	—	—
Canada	January 2021 <sup>2</sup>	26.0 \$	26.0 CAD	25.8	24.9
Australia	Yearly <sup>3</sup>	269.4 \$	275.0 AUD	49.0	238.4
Australia	Yearly <sup>3</sup>	127.3 \$	100.0 USD	35.4	128.5
Japan	Yearly <sup>4</sup>	98.4 \$	8,000.0 JPY	38.8	24.8
United Kingdom	Yearly <sup>5</sup>	130.7 \$	75.0 GBP	—	17.5
Argentina	Yearly <sup>6</sup>	174.3 \$	137.0 USD	6.4	53.4
Argentina	Yearly <sup>7</sup>	104.6 \$	6,929.0 ARS	48.0	41.0
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,203.3</b>		<b>\$ 203.4</b>	<b>\$ 528.5</b>

<sup>1</sup> Bears monthly interest at rates ranging from lender's prime rates plus a maximum of 1.00% or LIBOR or BBSY or banker's acceptance rate plus 0.80% up to a maximum of 2.00% depending on the Company credit ratings.

<sup>2</sup> Bears monthly interest at Bank's Prime Rate plus 0.25% or Banker's Acceptance Rate plus 1.25%.

<sup>3</sup> Bears monthly interest at LIBOR or Australian Bank Bill Rate plus up to 1.00% and can be drawn in AUD or USD.

<sup>4</sup> Bears monthly interest at TIBOR plus 0.70% and can be drawn in JPY.

<sup>5</sup> Bears monthly interest at rates ranging from base rate plus 0.70% or LIBOR plus 0.70% and can be drawn in GBP.

<sup>6</sup> Bears monthly interest at local rate and can be drawn in USD.

<sup>7</sup> Bears monthly interest at local rate and can be drawn in ARS.

## NOTE 7 LONG-TERM DEBT

	December 31, 2020	March 31, 2020
Unsecured bank term loan facilities		
Obtained April 2018 (AU\$600.0 million) and due in April 2023 <sup>1</sup>	\$ 395.8	\$ 437.1
Obtained April 2019 (\$426.0 million) and repaid in June 2020 <sup>2</sup>	—	418.8
Obtained April 2019 (£600.0 million) and due in April 2022 <sup>3</sup>	461.7	1,036.4
Unsecured senior notes <sup>4,5</sup>		
2.20%, issued in June 2016 and due in June 2021 (Series 2)	300.0	300.0
2.83%, issued in November 2016 and due in November 2023 (Series 3)	300.0	300.0
1.94%, issued in June 2017 and due in June 2022 (Series 4)	300.0	300.0
3.60%, issued in August 2018 and due in August 2025 (Series 5)	350.0	350.0
2.88%, issued in November 2019 and due in November 2024 (Series 6)	400.0	400.0
2.24%, issued in June 2020 and due in June 2027 (Series 7)	700.0	—
1.42%, issued in November 2020 and due in June 2026 (Series 8)	350.0	—
	<b>\$ 3,557.5</b>	<b>\$ 3,542.3</b>
Current portion	<b>300.0</b>	—
	<b>\$ 3,257.5</b>	<b>\$ 3,542.3</b>
Principal repayments are as follows:		
Less than 1 year	\$ 300.0	\$ —
1-2 years	761.7	718.8
2-3 years	695.8	1,336.4
3-4 years	400.0	737.1
4-5 years	350.0	400.0
More than 5 years	1,050.0	350.0
	<b>\$ 3,557.5</b>	<b>\$ 3,542.3</b>

<sup>1</sup> Bear monthly interest at rates ranging from lender's prime plus a maximum of 1.00%, or banker's acceptance rates or Australian Bank Bill Rate plus 0.80% up to a maximum of 2.00%, depending on the Company's credit ratings. Interest is paid every one, two, three or six months, as selected by the Company.

<sup>2</sup> Bore monthly interest at lender's prime rates plus a maximum of 1.00% or LIBOR or banker's acceptance rates plus 0.80% up to a maximum of 2.00%, depending on the Company's credit ratings.

<sup>3</sup> Bears monthly interest at lender's prime rates plus a maximum of 1.00% or LIBOR or banker's acceptance rates plus 0.80% up to a maximum of 2.00%, depending on the Company's credit ratings, and can be drawn in CAD, USD or £.

<sup>4</sup> Interest payments are semi-annual.

<sup>5</sup> On December 15, 2020, Saputo renewed its medium term note program by filing a supplement to its base shelf prospectus dated December 9, 2020, which provides the ability to make offerings of various securities during the 25-month period for which the base shelf prospectus is effective.

On June 16, 2020, the Company issued Series 7 medium term notes for an aggregate principal amount of \$700.0 million due June 16, 2027, bearing interest at 2.24%. The net proceeds of the issuance were used during the first quarter of fiscal 2021 to repay (i) the \$426.0 million 2-year tranche of the term loan facility incurred in connection with the Dairy Crest Acquisition and (ii) \$206.0 million (AU\$ 220.0 million) of revolving loan facilities for the Dairy Division (Australia), which included funds drawn in connection with the Specialty Cheese Business Acquisition. The remaining net proceeds were used for general corporate purposes.

On November 19, 2020, the Company issued Series 8 medium term notes for an aggregate principal amount of \$350.0 million due June 19, 2026, bearing interest at 1.42%. The net proceeds of the issuance were used to repay \$346.7 million (GBP 200.0 million) of the 3-year tranche of the term loan facility incurred in connection with the Dairy Crest Acquisition, and for general corporate purposes.

## NOTE 8 SHARE CAPITAL

### AUTHORIZED

The authorized share capital of the Company consists of an unlimited number of common shares. The common shares are voting and participating.

	Number of shares	Common Shares \$
Balance at April 1, 2020	408,638,373	\$ 1,685.7
Issued under dividend reinvestment plan	1,184,444	38.2
Issued on exercise of options	549,418	15.9
Balance at December 31, 2020	410,372,235	\$ 1,739.8

### SHARE OPTION PLAN

Changes in the number of outstanding options for the nine-month periods ended December 31, are as follows:

	December 31, 2020		December 31, 2019	
	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price
Balance, beginning of year	20,946,092	\$ 38.05	20,374,871	\$ 35.96
Options granted	4,637,830	\$ 33.35	3,319,450	\$ 45.30
Options exercised	(549,418)	\$ 23.35	(1,123,993)	\$ 26.89
Options cancelled	(766,533)	\$ 40.69	(717,753)	\$ 43.28
Balance, end of period	24,267,971	\$ 37.40	21,852,575	\$ 37.60

The weighted average exercise price of the options granted in fiscal 2021 is \$33.35, which corresponds to the weighted average market price for the five trading days immediately preceding the date of the grant (\$45.30 in fiscal 2020).

The weighted average fair value of options granted in fiscal 2021 was estimated at \$5.04 per option (\$7.67 in fiscal 2020), using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions:

	December 31, 2020	March 31, 2020
<b>Weighted average:</b>		
Risk-free interest rate	0.53 %	1.61 %
Expected life of options	6.3 years	6.2 years
Volatility <sup>1</sup>	21.17 %	18.41 %
Dividend rate	2.08 %	1.45 %

<sup>1</sup> The expected volatility is based on the historic share price volatility over a period similar to the life of the options.

A compensation expense of \$5.8 million (\$5.1 million net of taxes) and \$16.6 million (\$14.9 million net of taxes) relating to stock options was recorded in the consolidated income statements for the three and nine-month periods ended December 31, 2020, respectively. A compensation expense of \$5.8 million (\$5.2 million net of taxes) and \$17.7 million (\$15.9 million net of taxes) relating to stock options was recorded in the consolidated income statements for the three and nine-month periods ended December 31, 2019, respectively.

## NOTE 8 SHARE CAPITAL CONT'D

### **DIVIDENDS AND DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT PLAN**

The Company implemented a dividend reinvestment plan (DRIP), which became effective as of the dividend paid on July 9, 2020. The DRIP provides eligible shareholders with the opportunity to have all or a portion of their cash dividends automatically reinvested into additional common shares.

During the quarter, out of the dividend of \$0.175 per share totalling \$71.6 million, \$51.7 million was paid in cash and the remaining \$19.9 million was paid in common shares under the DRIP. On November 5, 2020, the Board of Directors approved a dividend of \$0.175 per share totalling \$71.8 million payable on January 7, 2021, to common shareholders of record on December 23, 2020. As a result, the Company issued 579,235 common shares at a share price of \$35.23 under its DRIP on January 7, 2021. The total dividends declared during the nine-month period ended December 31, 2020, is \$212.9 million.

## NOTE 9 FINANCIAL CHARGES

	For the three-month periods ended December 31		For the nine-month periods ended December 31	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
Interest on long-term debt	\$ 19.7	\$ 22.8	\$ 59.7	\$ 73.8
Other finance costs, net	6.6	8.2	20.4	24.0
Gain on hyperinflation	(2.8)	(7.3)	(12.2)	(16.9)
Interest on lease liabilities	3.9	4.0	11.1	12.5
Net interest revenue from defined benefit obligation	(1.9)	(0.9)	(5.6)	(3.6)
	\$ 25.5	\$ 26.8	\$ 73.4	\$ 89.8

## NOTE 10 NET ACTUARIAL LOSS

The Company recorded an actuarial loss of \$41.9 million (net of income taxes of \$9.9 million) and \$172.6 million (net of income taxes of \$41.8 million) related to its defined benefit pension plans in the condensed interim consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the three and nine-month periods ended December 31, 2020, respectively. The actuarial loss resulted from a decrease in the discount rate and an increase in the inflation rate. Partially offsetting this loss, was a higher than expected actual return on plan assets.

## NOTE 11 NET EARNINGS PER SHARE

	For the three-month periods ended December 31		For the nine-month periods ended December 31	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
Net earnings	\$ 209.8	\$ 197.8	\$ 522.5	\$ 494.1
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	410,185,362	407,839,202	409,409,731	397,719,371
Dilutive options	1,865,772	2,409,962	1,607,258	2,617,348
Weighted average diluted number of common shares outstanding	412,051,134	410,249,164	411,016,989	400,336,719
Basic net earnings per share	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.49	\$ 1.28	\$ 1.24
Diluted net earnings per share	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.48	\$ 1.27	\$ 1.23

When calculating diluted net earnings per share for the three and nine-month periods ended December 31, 2020, 15,132,890 and 15,132,890 options were excluded from the calculation because their exercise price is higher than the average market value of common shares during the same periods (13,989,414 and 9,974,143 options, were excluded for the three and nine-month periods ended December 31, 2019).

## NOTE 12 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Company determined that the fair value of certain of its financial assets and financial liabilities with short-term maturities approximates their carrying value. These financial instruments include cash and cash equivalents, receivables, bank loans, accounts payable and accrued liabilities. The table below presents the fair value and the carrying value of other financial instruments as at, December 31, 2020, and March 31, 2020. Since estimates are used to determine fair value, they must not be interpreted as being realizable in the event of a settlement of the instruments.

	December 31, 2020		March 31, 2020	
	Fair value	Carrying value	Fair value	Carrying value
<b>Cash flow hedges</b>				
Commodity derivatives (Level 2)	\$ (6.5)	\$ (6.5)	(28.7)	(28.7)
Foreign exchange derivatives (Level 2)	16.0	16.0	(9.1)	(9.1)
<b>Derivatives not designated in a formal hedging relationship</b>				
Equity forward contracts (Level 2)	2.2	2.2	(7.4)	(7.4)
Commodity derivatives (Level 2)	(1.8)	(1.8)	(10.1)	(10.1)
Foreign exchange derivatives (Level 2)	(0.2)	(0.2)	—	—
<b>Long-term debt (Level 2)</b>	<b>3,685.4</b>	<b>3,557.5</b>	3,505.7	3,542.3

## NOTE 13 BUSINESS ACQUISITIONS

### **LION DAIRY & DRINKS PTY LTD**

On October 28, 2019, the Company acquired the specialty cheese business of Lion Dairy & Drinks Pty Ltd (the Specialty Cheese Business). The Specialty Cheese Business is conducted at two manufacturing facilities located in Burnie and King Island, Tasmania (Australia) and employs approximately 400 people. The Specialty Cheese Business produces, markets and distributes a variety of specialty cheeses under a wide portfolio of Australian brands, including *Australian Gold*, *King Island Dairy*, *Mersey Valley*, *South Cape* and *Tasmanian Heritage*.

The purchase price of \$248.3 million (AU\$278.1 million), on a cash-free and debt-free basis, was paid in cash from cash on hand and available credit facilities. In connection with this acquisition, the Company incurred acquisition-related costs of approximately \$9 million mainly comprised of stamp duty taxes.

### **DAIRY CREST GROUP PLC**

On April 15, 2019, the Company completed the acquisition of Dairy Crest Group plc (Dairy Crest), based in the United Kingdom. Dairy Crest manufactures and markets cheese, butter, spreads, oils and value-added dairy ingredients. The acquisition enables Saputo to enter the UK market.

The total consideration of \$2.122 billion (£1.218 billion), was financed through a term loan facility (Note 8) and available cash. This consideration includes the purchase price for the entire issued ordinary share capital of \$1.695 billion (£973.1 million) and \$426.8 million (£245.1 million) of assumed debt. In connection with this acquisition, the Company incurred acquisition-related costs of approximately \$23 million recorded in the six-month period ended September 30, 2019, which included approximately \$9 million in stamp duty taxes.

The Company recorded charges of \$40.1 million during fiscal 2020 related to the non-cash fair value inventory adjustment as part of the Dairy Crest Acquisition purchase price allocation.

Other assets relating to the Dairy Crest Acquisition listed below are comprised of the acquired net pension surplus of \$283.1 million (£162.6 million) on the acquisition date. As at April 15, 2019, the fair value of plan assets and defined benefit pension plan obligations were \$2.031 billion (£1.166 billion) and \$1.748 billion (£1.004 billion), respectively. The plan assets are composed mainly of bonds and cash. The value of the defined benefit pension plan obligations was calculated using a discount rate of 2.6%.

Recognized goodwill reflects the value assigned to the European platform enabling growth and an assembled workforce within the Dairy Division (UK) CGU.

## NOTE 13 BUSINESS ACQUISITIONS CONT'D

The allocation of each purchase price is presented below.

		Dairy Crest	Specialty Cheese Business	Total
Assets acquired	Cash	\$ 7.0	\$ 13.0	\$ 20.0
	Receivables	54.6	37.1	91.7
	Inventories	369.4	45.7	415.1
	Income taxes receivable	1.5	—	1.5
	Prepaid expenses and other assets	12.1	0.4	12.5
	Property, plant and equipment	369.1	175.7	544.8
	Right-of-use assets	73.4	—	73.4
	Goodwill	541.5	—	541.5
	Intangible assets	802.8	9.6	812.4
	Other assets	283.1	2.6	285.7
	Deferred income taxes	—	1.5	1.5
Liabilities assumed	Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(151.7)	(25.0)	(176.7)
	Lease liabilities	(70.4)	—	(70.4)
	Other liabilities	(8.3)	(12.3)	(20.6)
	Long-term debt	(436.6)	—	(436.6)
	Deferred income taxes	(152.8)	—	(152.8)
Net assets acquired		\$ 1,694.7	\$ 248.3	\$ 1,943.0

## NOTE 14 SEGMENTED INFORMATION

The Company reports under four geographic sectors. The Canada Sector consists of the Dairy Division (Canada). The USA Sector consists of the Dairy Division (USA). During the second quarter of fiscal 2021, the Company announced the merger into a single division of its two former USA divisions, the Cheese Division (USA) and the Dairy Foods Division (USA), now known as the Dairy Division (USA). The International Sector consists of the Dairy Division (Australia) and the Dairy Division (Argentina). The Europe Sector consists of the Dairy Division (UK).

These reportable sectors are managed separately as each sector represents a strategic business unit that offers different products and serves different markets. The Company measures geographic and sector performance based on earnings before interest, income taxes, depreciation, amortization, impairment of intangible assets, gain on disposal of assets, inventory revaluation resulting from a business acquisition, and acquisition and restructuring costs.

The divisions within the International Sector have been combined due to similarities in global market factors and production processes.

The accounting policies of the sectors are the same as those described in Note 3 relating to significant accounting policies.

## NOTE 14 SEGMENTED INFORMATION CONT'D

### INFORMATION ON REPORTABLE SECTORS

	For the three-month periods ended December 31		For the nine-month periods ended December 31	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
<b>Revenues</b>				
Canada	\$ 1,088.7	\$ 1,049.0	\$ 3,134.1	\$ 3,047.2
USA	1,656.8	1,848.7	4,722.6	5,398.8
International <sup>1</sup>	806.8	797.0	2,394.1	2,244.3
Europe	210.6	196.1	605.1	534.5
	\$ 3,762.9	\$ 3,890.8	\$ 10,855.9	\$ 11,224.8
<b>Earnings before interest, income taxes, depreciation, amortization, impairment of intangible assets, gain on disposal of assets, inventory revaluation resulting from a business acquisition, and acquisition and restructuring costs</b>				
Canada	\$ 118.3	\$ 111.7	\$ 339.5	\$ 313.4
USA	171.0	172.1	473.6	521.1
International	104.7	98.5	242.7	238.4
Europe	37.1	34.7	112.3	96.5
	\$ 431.1	\$ 417.0	\$ 1,168.1	\$ 1,169.4
<b>Depreciation and amortization</b>				
Canada	\$ 25.3	\$ 23.0	\$ 72.4	\$ 68.5
USA	48.7	44.1	148.7	128.0
International	27.9	27.8	81.9	79.7
Europe	26.6	26.9	77.2	63.2
	\$ 128.5	\$ 121.8	\$ 380.2	\$ 339.4
Impairment of intangible assets <sup>2</sup>	—	—	19.0	—
Gain on disposal of assets	—	—	(6.2)	—
Inventory revaluation resulting from a business acquisition	—	—	—	40.1
Acquisition and restructuring costs	—	9.4	—	32.2
Financial charges	25.5	26.8	73.4	89.8
<b>Earnings before income taxes</b>	<b>277.1</b>	<b>259.0</b>	<b>701.7</b>	<b>667.9</b>
Income taxes	67.3	61.2	179.2	173.8
<b>Net earnings</b>	<b>\$ 209.8</b>	<b>\$ 197.8</b>	<b>\$ 522.5</b>	<b>\$ 494.1</b>

<sup>1</sup> Australia accounted for \$632.8 million and \$1,880.4 million of the International Sector revenues, while Argentina accounted for \$174.0 million and \$513.7 million for the three and nine-month periods ended December 31, 2020, respectively. Australia accounted for \$603.4 million and \$1,740.0 million of the International Sector revenues, while Argentina accounted for \$193.6 million and \$504.3 million for the three and nine-month periods ended December 31, 2019, respectively.

<sup>2</sup> Refers to a retired brand name from the Australian portfolio.

## NOTE 14 SEGMENTED INFORMATION CONT'D

### MARKET SEGMENT INFORMATION

For the three-month periods ended December 31

	Total		Canada		USA		International		Europe	
	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019
<b>Revenues</b>										
Retail	\$ 2,025.4	\$ 1,965.8	\$ 694.3	\$ 624.1	\$ 801.8	\$ 840.1	\$ 350.0	\$ 339.9	\$ 179.3	\$ 161.7
Foodservice	1,059.1	1,277.8	307.8	367.2	689.5	853.6	59.7	54.1	2.1	2.9
Industrial	678.4	647.2	86.6	57.7	165.5	155.0	397.1	403.0	29.2	31.5
	<b>3,762.9</b>	<b>3,890.8</b>	<b>1,088.7</b>	<b>1,049.0</b>	<b>1,656.8</b>	<b>1,848.7</b>	<b>806.8</b>	<b>797.0</b>	<b>210.6</b>	<b>196.1</b>

For the nine-month periods ended December 31

	Total		Canada		USA		International		Europe	
	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019
<b>Revenues</b>										
Retail	\$ 5,778.4	\$ 5,442.9	\$ 1,978.5	\$ 1,749.5	\$ 2,195.8	\$ 2,300.1	\$ 1,072.7	\$ 948.0	\$ 531.4	\$ 445.3
Foodservice	3,121.0	3,928.3	914.9	1,119.8	2,037.3	2,648.4	162.8	153.4	6.0	6.7
Industrial	1,956.5	1,853.6	240.7	177.9	489.5	450.3	1,158.6	1,142.9	67.7	82.5
	<b>10,855.9</b>	<b>11,224.8</b>	<b>3,134.1</b>	<b>3,047.2</b>	<b>4,722.6</b>	<b>5,398.8</b>	<b>2,394.1</b>	<b>2,244.3</b>	<b>605.1</b>	<b>534.5</b>