

Q4 and Fiscal 2023 Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Measures

Management of Lowe's Companies, Inc. (the Company) uses certain non-GAAP financial measures to provide additional insight for analysts and investors in evaluating the Company's financial and operating performance. These non-GAAP financial measures should not be considered alternatives to, or more meaningful indicators of, the Company's financial measures as prepared in accordance with GAAP. The Company's methods of determining these non-GAAP financial measures may differ from the methods used by other companies and may not be comparable.

The Company's non-GAAP financial measures are intended to provide better visibility to the following:

- 1. Operating performance,
- 2. Liquidity measures,
- 3. Leverage measures, and
- 4. Capital/asset productivity measures.

Operating Performance

The Company has provided the following non-GAAP financial measures to assist the user in comparing its operating performance for the three months and fiscal year ended February 2, 2024, with the respective periods ended February 3, 2023: adjusted selling, general and administrative expenses (SG&A); adjusted operating income; adjusted operating margin; adjusted effective tax rate; and adjusted diluted earnings per share. These measures exclude the impact of a certain item, further described below, not contemplated in Lowe's Business Outlook.

Fiscal 2023 Impacts

During fiscal 2023, the Company recognized financial impacts from the following, not contemplated in the Company's Business Outlook for fiscal 2023:

• In the first quarter of fiscal 2023, the Company recognized pre-tax income of \$63 million consisting of a realized gain on the contingent consideration and estimated adjustments to the selling price associated with the fiscal 2022 sale of the Canadian retail business (Canadian retail business transaction).

Fiscal 2022 Impacts

During fiscal 2022, the Company recognized financial impacts from the following, not contemplated in the Company's Business Outlook for fiscal 2022:

• In the third quarter of fiscal 2022, the Company recognized a pre-tax \$2.1 billion long-lived asset impairment of the Canadian retail business. In the fourth quarter of fiscal 2022, the Company recognized additional pre-tax costs totaling \$441 million, consisting of the loss on the sale and other closing costs associated with the sale of the Canadian retail business (Canadian retail business transaction).

	Three N	Months Ended	Years Ended				
Adjusted SG&A (in millions, except percentage data)	Febru	ıary 3, 2023		February 2, 2024	Fo	ebruary 3, 2023	
SG&A, As Reported	\$	5,131	\$	15,570	\$	20,332	
Canadian retail business transaction		(441)		63		(2,501)	
Adjusted SG&A	\$	4,690	\$	15,633	\$	17,786	
SG&A, % of Sales		22.86 %		18.02 %	6	20.94 %	
Adjusted SG&A, % of Sales		20.90 %		18.09 %	6	18.37 %	



	Three	Months Ended	Years Ended				
Adjusted Operating Income (in millions, except percentage data)	Febr	uary 3, 2023		February 2, 2024	Fe	ebruary 3, 2023	
Operating Income, As Reported	\$	1,704	\$	11,557	\$	10,159	
Canadian retail business transaction		441		(63)		2,501	
Adjusted Operating Income	\$	2,145	\$	11,494	\$	12,660	
Operating Margin, % of Sales		7.59 %		13.38 %)	10.47 %	
Adjusted Operating Margin, % of Sales		9.55 %		13.31 %	•	13.04 %	

	Three Months Ended				ıded
	February 3, 2023				23
Adjusted Effective Tax Rate (in millions, except percentage data)	Pre-Tax T			Income Tax rovision	Effective Tax Rate
Effective Tax Rate, As Reported	\$	1,382	\$	425	30.8 %
Canadian retail business transaction		441		13	
Adjusted Effective Tax Rate	\$	1,823	\$	438	24.0 %

	Years Ended										
	February 2, 2024				February 3, 2023						
Adjusted Effective Tax Rate (in millions, except percentage data)		Pre-Tax Larnings		ncome Tax ovision ¹	Effective Tax Rate		Income Pre-Tax Tax Earnings Provision		Tax	Effective Tax Rate	
Effective Tax Rate, As Reported	\$	10,175	\$	2,449	24.1 %	\$	9,036	\$	2,599	28.8 %	
Canadian retail business transaction		(63)		1			2,501		198		
Adjusted Effective Tax Rate	\$	10,112	\$	2,450	24.2 %	\$	11,537	\$	2,797	24.2 %	

	Three Months Ended February 3, 2023				
Adjusted Diluted Earnings Per Share	Pre-Tax Earnings	Tax 1		Net nings	
Diluted Earnings Per Share, As Reported			\$	1.58	
Canadian retail business transaction	0.73	(0.03)		0.70	
Adjusted Diluted Earnings Per Share			\$	2.28	

Represents the corresponding tax benefit or expense specifically related to the item excluded from adjusted diluted earnings per share.

Years Ended								
	February 2, 2024 Febru				oruary 3, 2023			
Adjusted Diluted Earnings Per Share	Pre-Tax Earnings	Tax ¹	Ea	Net arnings	Pre-Tax Earnings	Tax ¹	Ea	Net irnings
Diluted Earnings Per Share, As Reported			\$	13.20			\$	10.17
Canadian retail business transaction	(0.11)	_	-	(0.11)	3.95	(0.31)	3.64
Adjusted Diluted Earnings Per Share			\$	13.09			\$	13.81

Represents the corresponding tax benefit or expense specifically related to the item excluded from adjusted diluted earnings per share.



Liquidity Measures

Free Cash Flow

Lowe's believes Free Cash Flow is a useful measure and focuses on the Company's ability to generate excess cash from its business operations. The Company defines Free Cash Flow as net cash provided by operating activities less capital expenditures.

	Years Ended					
Free Cash Flow (in millions)		February 2, 2024	February 3, 2023			
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	8,140 \$	8,589			
Capital expenditures		(1,964)	(1,829)			
Free Cash Flow	\$	6,176 \$	6,760			

Leverage Measures

Lease Adjusted Debt to EBITDAR

Lowe's believes the ratio of Lease Adjusted Debt to EBITDAR is a useful supplemental measure and provides an indication of the results generated by the Company in relation to its level of indebtedness. The Company defines EBITDAR as four quarters' earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization, share-based payments, rent (inclusive of interest on operating leases), and certain items as defined by the Company's credit facility.

The Company defines Lease Adjusted Debt as short-term debt, current maturities of long-term debt, long-term debt excluding current maturities, and operating lease liabilities reflected on our balance sheet.

	Four (Four Quarters Ended				
EBITDAR (in millions)	February 2, 20	24	February 3, 2023			
Net Earnings	\$ 7,7	26 5	\$ 6,437			
Interest ¹	1,3	82	1,123			
Taxes	2,4	49	2,599			
Depreciation and amortization ²	1,9	23	1,965			
Share-based payments	2	10	233			
Rent	(59	711			
Certain charges ^{3, 4}		63)	2,501			
EBITDAR	\$ 14,2	86	\$ 15,569			

 $^{^{1}}$ Interest includes amortization of original issue discount, deferred loan costs & other non-cash amortization charges.

² Depreciation and amortization represents total depreciation, including amounts recognized in cost of goods sold, as well as amortization of certain trademarks and intangibles.

³ Certain charges for the four quarters ended February 2, 2024 include income of \$63 million of realized gain on contingent consideration and estimated adjustments to the selling price associated with the fiscal 2022 sale of the Canadian retail business.

⁴ Certain charges for the four quarters ended February 3, 2023 include \$2.5 billion of costs associated with the long-lived asset impairment, loss on sale, and other closing costs associated with the sale of the Canadian retail business.



	As of					
Lease Adjusted Debt (in millions)	Feb	ruary 2, 2024	Febi	ruary 3, 2023		
Short-term borrowings	\$		\$	499		
Current maturities of long-term debt		537		585		
Current operating lease liabilities		487		522		
Long-term debt excluding current maturities		35,384		32,876		
Noncurrent operating lease liabilities		3,737		3,512		
Lease Adjusted Debt	\$	40,145	\$	37,994		
EBITDAR	\$	14,286	\$	15,569		
Lease Adjusted Debt to EBITDAR		2.81		2.44		

Capital/Asset Productivity Measures

Return on Invested Capital

Return on Invested Capital (ROIC) is calculated using a non-GAAP financial measure. Lowe's believes ROIC is a meaningful metric for analysts and investors as a measure of how effectively the Company is using capital to generate financial returns. Although ROIC is a common financial metric, numerous methods exist for calculating ROIC. Accordingly, the method used by our management may differ from the methods used by other companies. We encourage you to understand the methods used by another company to calculate ROIC before comparing its ROIC to ours.

We define ROIC as the rolling 12 months' lease adjusted net operating profit after tax (Lease adjusted NOPAT) divided by the average of current year and prior year ending debt and shareholders' deficit. Lease adjusted NOPAT is a non-GAAP financial measure, and net earnings is considered to be the most comparable GAAP financial measure. The calculation of ROIC, together with a reconciliation of net earnings to Lease adjusted NOPAT, is as follows:

		Four Quarters Ended				
ROIC (in millions, except percentage data)	Febr	uary 2, 2024	February 3, 2023			
Numerator						
Net Earnings	\$	7,726	\$	6,437		
Plus:						
Interest expense – net		1,382		1,123		
Operating lease interest		157		163		
Provision for income taxes		2,449		2,599		
Lease adjusted net operating profit		11,714		10,322		
Less:						
Income tax adjustment ¹		2,819		2,970		
Lease adjusted net operating profit after tax	\$	8,895	\$	7,352		
Denominator						
Average debt and shareholders' deficit ²	\$	24,418	\$	24,155		
Net earnings to average debt and shareholders' deficit		31.6 % 26.				
Return on invested capital ³		36.4 %		30.4 %		

¹ Income tax adjustment is defined as lease adjusted net operating profit multiplied by the effective tax rate, which was 24.1% and 28.8% for the four quarters ended February 2, 2024, and February 3, 2023, respectively.

² Average debt and shareholders' deficit is defined as average current year and prior year ending debt, including current maturities, short-term borrowings, and operating lease liabilities, plus the average current year and prior year ending total shareholders' deficit.

³ As of February 3, 2023, ROIC was negatively impacted approximately 800 basis points as a result of the sale of the Canadian retail business.