# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K

## CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 30, 2020 (April 27, 2020)

# WESCO International, Inc.

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

225 West Station Square Drive Suite 700

Pittsburgh,

Pennsylvania

(Address of principal executive offices)

001-14989

(Commission File Number)

25-1723342

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

15219

(Zip Code)

(412) 454-2200 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

	Not applicable.					
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)						
SECURITIES R	EGISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OI	THE ACT:				
Title of Class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of Exchange on which registered				
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	WCC	New York Stock Exchange				
Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:						
$\hfill\square$ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)						
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$\hfill\Box$ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (	17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))					
$\hfill\Box$ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (	17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))					
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in chapter).	Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of the	is chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this				
Emerging growth company						
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to us the Exchange Act. $\Box$	se the extended transition period for complying with a	ny new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of				

## Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

The information in this Item 2.02 is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. The information in this Item 2.02 shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

On April 30, 2020, WESCO International, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its financial results for the first quarter of 2020. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

## Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers, Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On April 27, 2020, and in support of Company's efforts to reduce costs during the current period of uncertainty resulting from the economic downturn in connection with the COVID-19 pandemic, senior management recommended and the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company ("Board") approved a 25% temporary reduction in the base salaries of John J. Engel, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, and the following executive officers: Diane E. Lazzaris, Senior Vice President and Counsel; Robert Minicozzi, Vice President and Chief Information Officer, David S. Schulz, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Nelson J. Squires, III, Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer; and Christine A. Wolf, Senior Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer. In addition, the Board approved a temporary reduction of 25% in the cash retainer compensation for non-employee Directors. All of these reductions are effective May 1, 2020 and are expected to remain in place until September 30, 2020.

## Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

The information in this Item 7.01 is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. The information in this Item 7.01 shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

A slide presentation to be used by senior management of the Company in connection with its discussions with investors regarding the Company's financial results for the first quarter of 2020 is included in Exhibit 99.2 to this report and is being furnished in accordance with Regulation FD of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release, dated April 30, 2020

99.2 Slide presentation for investors

104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

	WESCO International, Inc.
	(Registrant)
April 30, 2020	By: /s/ David S. Schulz
(Date)	David S. Schulz
	Soniar Vice President and Chief Financial Officer



# NEWS RELEASE

WESCO International, Inc. / Suite 700, 225 West Station Square Drive / Pittsburgh, PA 15219

## WESCO International, Inc. Reports First Quarter 2020 Results Confirms Value of Strategic Combination with Anixter

## First quarter highlights:

- Consolidated net sales of \$2.0 billion, flat versus prior year
- Cost of goods sold as a percentage of net sales of 80.9%
  - Gross margin of 19.1%, up 50 basis points sequentially
- Operating profit of \$60.9 million, including \$4.9 million of merger-related expenses
- Earnings per diluted share of \$0.82
  - Diluted EPS of \$0.91 adjusted for merger-related transaction costs
- Operating cash flow of \$31.5 million
  - Free cash flow of \$15.8 million, or 46% of net income
- Anixter transaction on track to close in Q2 or Q3
  - Substantial progress made in integration planning

PITTSBURGH, April 30, 2020 /PRNewswire/ -- WESCO International, Inc. (NYSE: WCC), a leading provider of electrical, industrial, and communications maintenance, repair and operating (MRO) and original equipment manufacturer (OEM) products, construction materials, and advanced supply chain management and logistics services, announces its results for the first quarter of 2020.

Mr. John J. Engel, WESCO's Chairman, President and CEO, commented, "In these challenging times, we are committed to super-serving our customers while ensuring the integrity of their supply chains. All of our branches remain operational and we have taken the necessary steps to ensure the health and safety of our employees through implementing increased safety, sanitizing and social distancing protocols. Through the middle of March, our first quarter results were on track with our outlook. We had a strong start to the year with sales growth within our expected range and sequentially improving gross margins. In mid-March, the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic and government-imposed shutdowns impacted our customers and suppliers across all of our end markets. Through these difficult times, our top priority at WESCO is the health and safety of our employees and their families, our customers and supplier partners, our shareholders and the communities in which we operate. WESCO has been deemed an essential business and provides mission-critical electrical, industrial, utility and communications solutions that enable our customers to efficiently, effectively and safely operate their businesses. We have provided products to help maintain power to homes and essential businesses, connectors and cabling for broadband services to support virtual and remote work, and essential equipment for data center operations to meet the increased demand for bandwidth. We have also utilized our global scale and supply chain relationships to procure personal protective equipment for our customers and our employees. I would like to recognize and thank all of our WESCO associates for their inspirational dedication, commitment and hard work in managing through this crisis."

Mr. Engel continued, "Integration planning activities for the transformational combination of WESCO and Anixter are accelerating and we are more excited than ever about our opportunity to create the premier electrical and datacom distribution and supply chain services company. Our integration teams, comprising both WESCO and Anixter personnel, are working on numerous value creation initiatives for launch upon closing. We are highly confident in exceeding our three-year cost savings, sales growth and cash generation synergy targets communicated last month. We continue to be on track to close the transaction in the second or third quarter. With the challenging economic cycle we're facing near term, this strategic combination remains compelling as we're doubling the size of our company and will transform the new enterprise through execution of the integration plan and delivery of the synergies."

Mr. Engel concluded, "As we have in prior economic downturns, we are aggressively managing the business and have taken a series of cost reduction and cash management actions. We have successfully managed through every crisis we have faced over the last 25 years, and we will do so again. The duration of the current downturn and shape of the economic recovery remain uncertain, and as a result, we

are withdrawing our prior guidance for the year. WESCO supports critical infrastructure needs and the essential businesses of our customers around the world, and benefits from the resiliency of our operating model and the counter-cyclical free cash flow generation of our business. We remain focused on what we can control — our strategy, our investments, our team, and our execution, and we are confident that we will emerge an even stronger company through this cycle, as we have in the past."

The following are results for the three months ended March 31, 2020 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2019:

- Net sales were \$2.0 billion for the first quarter of 2020 and 2019. Organic sales for the first quarter of 2020 declined by 1.7% as the number of workdays and acquisitions positively impacted net sales by 1.6% and 0.5%, respectively. Net sales growth through the first ten weeks of the quarter were offset by declines during the last two weeks of March.
- Cost of goods sold for the first quarter of 2020 and 2019 was \$1.6 billion, and gross profit was \$376.4 million and \$382.5 million, respectively. As a percentage of net sales, gross profit was 19.1% and 19.5% for the first quarter of 2020 and 2019, respectively. Sequentially, gross profit as a percentage of net sales increased 50 basis points from 18.6%.
- Selling, general and administrative expenses were \$299.4 million, or 15.2% of net sales, for the first quarter of 2020, compared to \$296.6 million, or 15.1% of net sales, for the first quarter of 2020 include \$4.6 million of costs related to WESCO's merger with Anixter International, as announced on January 10, 2020. Adjusted for these costs, SG&A expenses were \$294.8 million, or 15.0% of net sales, for the first quarter of 2020.
- Operating profit was \$60.9 million for the first quarter of 2020, compared to \$70.7 million for the first quarter of 2019. Operating profit as a percentage of net sales was 3.1% for the current quarter, compared to 3.6% for the first quarter of the prior year. Adjusted for merger-related costs of \$4.6 million, operating profit was \$65.5 million for the first quarter of 2020, or 3.3% of net sales.
- Net interest and other for the first quarter of 2020 was \$16.5 million, compared to \$17.1 million for the first quarter of 2019. Net interest and other for the first quarter of 2020 includes approximately \$0.5 million of interest for borrowings against our accounts receivable securitization facility to fund the \$100.0 million termination fee described below.
- The effective tax rate for the first quarter of 2020 was 23.1%, compared to 21.7% for the first quarter of 2019. The higher effective tax rate in the current quarter is primarily due to the unfavorable effect of discrete income tax expense associated with stock-based awards. The effective tax rate for the current period would have been 21.4% without this discrete impact.
- Net income attributable to WESCO International, Inc. was \$34.4 million for the first quarter of 2020, compared to \$42.4 million for the first quarter of 2019.
- Earnings per diluted share for the first quarter of 2020 was \$0.82, based on 42.1 million diluted shares, compared to \$0.93 for the first quarter of 2019, based on 45.5 million diluted shares. Adjusted earnings per diluted share for the first quarter of 2020 was \$0.91.
- Operating cash flow for the first quarter of 2020 was \$15.8 million, compared to \$28.9 million for the first quarter of 2019. Free cash flow for the first quarter of 2020 was \$15.8 million, or 46% of net income, compared to \$18.0 million, or 43% of net income, for the first quarter of 2019.

#### Webcast and Teleconference Access

WESCO will conduct a webcast and teleconference to discuss the first quarter of 2020 earnings as described in this News Release on Thursday, April 30, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. E.T. The call will be broadcast live over the internet and can be accessed from the Investor Relations page of the Company's website at <a href="https://www.wesco.investorroom.com">www.wesco.investorroom.com</a>. The call will be archived on this internet site for seven days.

WESCO International, Inc. (NYSE: WCC), a publicly traded Fortune 500 holding company headquartered in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is a leading provider of electrical, industrial, and communications maintenance, repair and operating (MRO) and original equipment manufacturer (OEM) products, construction materials, and advanced supply chain management and logistic services. 2019 annual sales were approximately \$8.4 billion. The company employs approximately \$9.500 people, maintains relationships with approximately 30,000 suppliers, and serves approximately 70,000 active customers worldwide. Customers include commercial and industrial businesses, contractors, government agencies, institutions, telecommunications providers, and utilities. WESCO operates 11 fully automated distribution centers and approximately 500 branches in North America and international markets, providing a local presence for customers and a global network to serve multi-location businesses and multi-national corporations.

#### Forward-Looking Statements

All statements made herein that are not historical facts should be considered as forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results to differ materially. These statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding the expected completion and timing of the proposed transaction between WESCO International, Inc. ("WESCO") and Anixter International Inc. ("Anixter"), expected benefits and costs of the proposed transaction, and management plans relating to the proposed transaction, attements that address WESCO's expected future business and financial performance, statements regarding the impact of natural disasters, health epidemics and other outbreaks, especially the outbreak of COVID-19 since December 2019, which may have a material adverse effect on WESCO's business, results of operations and financial condition, and other statements identified by words such as anticipate, plan, believe, estimate, intend, expect, project, will and similar words, phrases or expressions. These forward-looking statements are based on current expectations and beliefs of WESCO's management as well as assumptions made by, and information currently available to, WESCO's management, current market trends and market conditions and involve risks and uncertainties, many of which are outside of WESCO's management's control, and which may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in forward-looking statements. Accordingly, you should not place undue reliance on such statements. Certain of these risks are set forth in the Company's annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019, as well as the Company's other reports filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC").

These risks, uncertainties and assumptions also include the timing, receipt and terms and conditions of any required governmental and regulatory approvals of the proposed transaction between WESCO and Anixter that could reduce anticipated benefits or cause the parties to abandon the proposed transaction, the occurrence of any event, change or other circumstances that could give rise to the termination of the merger agreement, the risk that the parties may not an attempt to a timely manner or at all, risks related to disruption of management time from ongoing business operations due to the proposed transaction, the risk that any announcements relating to the proposed transaction could have adverse effects on the market price of WESCO's common stock, the risk of any unexpected costs or expenses resulting from the proposed transaction, the risk that the proposed transaction and its announcement could have an adverse effect on the ability of WESCO or Anixter to retain customers and retain and hire key personnel and maintain relationships with their suppliers, customers and other business relationships and on their operating results and businesses generally, the risk that the pending proposed transaction could distract management of both entities and they will incur substantial costs, the risk that problems may arise in successfully integrating the businesses of the companies, which may result in the combined company not operating as effectively and efficiently as expected, the risk that the combined company may be unable to achieve synergies or other anticipated benefits of the proposed transaction or it may take longer than expected to achieve those synergies or benefits and other important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected. All such factors are difficult to predict and are beyond WESCO's control.

#### Additional Information and Where to Find It

This communication does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities or a solicitation of any vote or approval, nor shall there be any sale of securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction. No offer of securities hall be made except by means of a prospectus meeting the requirements of Section 10 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. In connection with the proposed transaction, on each of March 4, 2020 and March 9, 2020, WESCO filed with the SEC an amendment to the registration statement originally filed on February 7, 2020, which includes a prospectus of WESCO and a proxy statement and each party will file other documents regarding the proposed transaction with the SEC. The registration statement was declared effective by the SEC on March 11, 2020 and the proxy statement/prospectus has been mailed to Anixter's stockholders. INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS OF WESCO AND ANIXTER ARE URGED TO READ THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT, PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS AND OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE SEC CAREFULLY AND IN THEIR ENTIRETY WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE, BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT WESCO, ANIXTER AND THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION. Investors and security holders will be able to obtain free copies of the registration statement, proxy statement/prospectus and other documents filed with the SEC by WESCO or Anixter through the website maintained by the SEC at http://www.sec.gov. Copies of the documents filed with the SEC by Anixter will be available free of charge on Anixter's website at http://wwesco.investorroom.com/sec-filings and copies of the documents filed with the SEC by Anixter will be available free of charge on Anixter's website at http://westors.anixter.com/financials/sec-filings.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (dollar amounts in thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

		Three Months Ended			
	Ma	arch 31, 2020		March 31, 2019	
Net sales	\$	1,968,647	\$	1,961,267	
Cost of goods sold (excluding		1,592,249	80.9 %	1,578,771	80.5 %
depreciation and amortization)					
Selling, general and administrative expenses		299,392	15.2 %	296,528	15.1 %
Depreciation and amortization		16,093		15,242	
Income from operations		60,913	3.1 %	70,726	3.6 %
Net interest and other		16,472		17,120	
Income before income taxes	-	44,441	2.3 %	53,606	2.7 %
Provision for income taxes		10,266		11,656	
Net income	-	34,175	1.7 %	41,950	2.1 %
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests		(232)		(419)	
Net income attributable to WESCO International, Inc.	\$	34,407	1.7 % \$	42,369	2.2 %
Earnings per diluted common share	\$	0.82	\$	0.93	
Weighted-average common shares outstanding and common					
share equivalents used in computing earnings per diluted					
common share (in thousands)		42,075		45,491	

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(dollar amounts in thousands)
(Unaudited)

Assets	 March 31, 2020	1	December 31, 2019
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 342,560	\$	150,902
Trade accounts receivable, net	1,214,331		1,187,359
Inventories	950,521		1,011,674
Other current assets (1)	270,066		190,476
Total current assets	2,777,478		2,540,411
Other assets	2,453,478		2,477,224
Total assets	\$ 5,230,956	\$	5,017,635
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$ 804,330	\$	830,478
Short-term borrowings and current debt	24,476		26,685
Other current liabilities	 211,699		226,896
Total current liabilities	1,040,505		1,084,059
Long-term debt, net	1,542,602		1,257,067
Other noncurrent liabilities	445,723		417,838
Total liabilities	 3,028,830		2,758,964
Stockholders' Equity			
Total stockholders' equity	2,202,126		2,258,671
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 5,230,956	\$	5,017,635

<sup>(1)</sup> As previously announced, on January 10, 2020, WESCO entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement") with Anixter International Inc. ("Anixter") and Warrior Merger Sub, Inc. ("Merger Sub"), pursuant to which Merger Sub will be merged with and into Anixter (the "Merger"), with Anixter surviving the Merger as a wholly owned subsidiary of WESCO. Concurrently with the execution of the Merger Agreement, WESCO paid to entities affiliated with Clayton, Dubilier & Rice, LLC ("CD&R"), on behalf of Anixter, a termination fee of \$100 million that was required to terminate Anixter's then-existing merger agreement with CD&R. As of March 31, 2020, the termination fee is recorded on the balance sheet as a component of other current assets. Upon consummation of the merger with Anixter, the \$100 million termination fee will be accounted for as a portion of the merger consideration paid to the stockholders of Anixter.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (dollar amounts in thousands) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended			
	 March 31, 2020			
Operating Activities:				
Net income	\$ 34,175 \$	41,950		
Add back (deduct):				
Depreciation and amortization	16,093	15,242		
Deferred income taxes	1,979	893		
Change in trade receivables, net	(53,944)	(76,696)		
Change in inventories	37,807	(40,768)		
Change in accounts payable	(10,858)	68,085		
Other	 6,276	20,163		
Net cash provided by operating activities	31,528	28,869		
Investing Activities:				
Capital expenditures	(15,762)	(10,828)		
Other (1)	(94,503)	(27,689)		
Net cash used in investing activities	(110,265)	(38,517)		
Financing Activities:				
Debt borrowings, net	284,617	17,427		
Equity activity, net	(1,566)	(2,572)		
Other	(4,360)	4,391		
Net cash provided by financing activities	 278,691	19,246		
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(8,296)	159		
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	191,658	9,757		
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	 150,902	96,343		
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	\$ 342,560 \$	106,100		

 $<sup>^{(1)}</sup>$  Other investing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2020 includes the \$100 million termination fee described above.

## NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

This earnings release includes certain non-GAAP financial measures. These financial measures include organic sales growth, gross profit, gross margin, financial leverage, earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA), free cash flow, adjusted income from operations, and adjusted earnings per diluted share. The Company believes that these non-GAAP measures are useful to investors as they provide a better understanding of sales performance, and the use of debt and liquidity on a comparable basis. Management does not use these non-GAAP financial measures for any purpose other than the reasons stated above.

## RECONCILIATION OF NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

(dollar amounts in thousands, except organic sales data) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended
Organic Sales Growth:	March 31, 2020
Change in net sales	0.4 %
Impact from acquisitions	0.5 %
Impact from foreign exchange rates	— %
Impact from number of workdays	1.6 %
Organic sales growth	(1.7)%

Note: Organic sales growth is a measure of sales performance. Organic sales growth is calculated by deducting the percentage impact from acquisitions in the first year of ownership, foreign exchange rates and number of workdays from the overall percentage change in consolidated net sales.

	Three Months Ended				
Gross Profit:	March 31, 2020		March 31, 2019		
Net sales	\$	1,968,647	\$	1,961,267	
Cost of goods sold (excluding depreciation and amortization)		1,592,249		1,578,771	
Gross profit	\$	376,398	\$	382,496	
Gross margin		19.1 %		19.5 %	

Gross Profit:	Three Months Ended December 31, 2019		
Net sales	\$	2,099,452	
Cost of goods sold (excluding depreciation and amortization)		1,709,658	
Gross profit	\$	389,794	
Gross margin		18.6 %	

Note: Gross profit is a financial measure commonly used within the distribution industry. Gross profit is calculated by deducting cost of goods sold, excluding depreciation and amortization, from net sales. Gross margin is calculated by dividing gross profit by net sales.

RECONCILIATION OF NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES (dollar amounts in thousands) (Unaudited)

	Twelve Months En				
Financial Leverage:		March 31, 2020		December 31, 2019	
Income from operations	\$	336,404	\$	346,217	
Depreciation and amortization	3	62,958	Þ	62,107	
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EBITDA	2	399,362	2	408,324	
		March 31, 2020		December 31, 2019	
Short-term borrowings and current debt	\$	24,476	\$	26,685	
Long-term debt		1,542,602		1,257,067	
Debt issuance costs (1)		8,211		8,876	
Total debt		1,575,289		1,292,628	
Less: cash and cash equivalents		342,560		150,902	
Total debt, net of cash	\$	1,232,729	\$	1,141,726	
Financial leverage ratio		3.1		2.8	

<sup>(1)</sup> Long-term debt is presented in the condensed consolidated balance sheets net of debt issuance costs.

Note: Financial leverage measures the use of debt. Financial leverage ratio is calculated by dividing total debt, including debt issuance costs, net of cash, by EBITDA. EBITDA is defined as the trailing twelve months earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization.

	Three Months Ended				
Free Cash Flow:	March 31, 2020		M	arch 31, 2019	
Cash flow provided by operations	\$	31,528	\$	28,869	
Less: capital expenditures		(15,762)		(10,828)	
Free cash flow	\$	15,766	\$	18,041	
Percentage of net income		46 %		43 %	

Note: Free cash flow is a measure of liquidity. Capital expenditures are deducted from operating cash flow to determine free cash flow. Free cash flow is available to fund investing and financing activities.

		Three Months Ended				
Adjusted SG&A Expenses:		March 31, 2020		March 31, 2019		
Selling, general and administrative expenses	\$	299,392	\$	296,528		
Merger-related costs		(4,608)		_		
Adjusted selling, general and administrative expenses	\$	294,784	\$	296,528		

# RECONCILIATION OF NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES (dollar amounts in thousands) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended				
Adjusted Income from Operations:	March 31, 2020		March 31, 2019		
Income from operations	\$	60,913	\$	70,726	
Merger-related costs		4,608		_	
Adjusted income from operations	\$	65,521	\$	70,726	

	Three Months Ended						
Adjusted Net Interest and Other:	Ma	rch 31, 2020	March 31, 2019				
Net interest and other	\$	16,472	\$	17,120			
Merger-related interest expense		(515)		_			
Adjusted net interest and other	\$	15,957	\$	17,120			

		Three Mor	ths End	ed
Adjusted Provision for Income Taxes:	Mar	rch 31, 2020	1	March 31, 2019
Provision for income taxes	\$	10,266	\$	11,656
Income tax effect of merger-related transaction costs		1,183		_
Adjusted provision for income taxes	\$	11,449	\$	11,656

		Three Months Ended					
Adjusted Earnings Per Diluted Share:	Marc	ch 31, 2020	N	1arch 31, 2019			
Adjusted income from operations	S	65.521	\$	70,726			
Adjusted net interest and other		15,957		17,120			
Adjusted income before income taxes		49,564		53,606			
Adjusted provision for income taxes		11,449		11,656			
Adjusted net income		38,115		41,950			
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests		(232)		(419)			
Adjusted net income attributable to WESCO International, Inc.	\$	38,347	\$	42,369			
Diluted shares		42,075		45,491			
Adjusted earnings per diluted share	S	0.91	S	0.93			



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# Response to COVID-19 Pandemic

## **PRIORITIES ACTIONS TAKEN** · Implemented multi-shift strategy to promote social distancing **Protect** · Increased regular cleaning protocols **Employees** · Reward and recognition bonus for on-site employees · Implemented Business Continuity Plan Superserve · All U.S. and Canada facilities open to perform essential activities · Implemented "daily impact reporting" to provide supply chain visibility Customers Sourcing PPE equipment for customers as well as employees Drew \$100 million on inventory revolver; liquidity of \$732 million Adjusted hourly shifts to match demand and customer service needs Implemented temporary compensation reductions Board of Directors cash retainer 25% Respond to Current C-suite executive salaries 25% Vice President salaries 20% Environment Other employee salaries 12%-15% • Suspended 401(k) company match and deferred salary increases Reduced discretionary spending Ensure Liquidity | Reduce Costs | Preserve Flexibility Froze all non-essential capital expenditures

WESCO Has Taken Quick and Decisive Actions

# First Quarter Results Overview

	2019	2020	Versus PY	Adjustments	Q1 Outlook
Sales	\$1,961	\$1,969	0.4%		2% - 5%
Gross Profit	\$382	\$376	(1.6%)		
% of sales	19.5%	19.1%	(40) bps		
Adjusted SG&A	\$297	\$295	(0.6)%	\$4.6	
% of sales	15.1%	15.0%	(10) bps		
Adjusted Operating Profit	\$71	\$66	(7.4)%	\$4.6	3.4% - 3.6%
% of Sales	3.6%	3.3%	(30) bps		
Effective Tax Rate	21.7%	23.1%	140 bps		~22%
Adjusted Diluted EPS	\$0.93	\$0.91	(2.2)%	\$0.09	

## **First Quarter Highlights**

- · Results were on track with our outlook until mid-Mar
- WESCO deemed an essential business and all U.S. an Canada branches are operational
- Construction, Utility, and CIG growth in the U.S.; Indu and Utility growth in Canada
- Strong sales in Communications and Security, and Sa
- Gross margin up 50 basis points sequentially
- · Estimated pricing impact was slightly positive
- Preliminary April sales down ~16%
- Anixter Acquisition
  - Waiting period for regulatory approval in the U.S. expired; obtained regulatory clearances from Turl and Russia
  - Canada and Mexico regulatory approvals in proce
  - Obtained Anixter stockholder approval
  - Joint integration teams have accelerated planning
  - On track to close in Q2 or Q3

Company well positioned to navigate challenges of COVID-19

Note: Organic sales growth excludes the impact of acquisitions in the first year of ownership, foreign exchange rates and differences in the number of workdays. See appendix for non-GAAP reconciliations.

# First Quarter Sales Summary

ORGANIC SALES GROWTH	Year Over Year						
	Total	U.S.	Canada	International			
Industrial	(6.2)%	(8.6)%	1.5%	3.5%			
Construction	(2.0)%	1.7%	(8.3)%	(5.4)%			
Utility	8.9%	8.2%	27.5%	(20.7)%			
CIG	(0.7)%	2.3%	(9.8)%	(6.2)%			
	(1.7)%	(1.0)%	(4.3)%	(1.5)%			

ORGANIC SALES GROWTH	Year Over Year
January	2.2%
February	2.0%
March	(8.6)%

#### INDUSTRIAL

- · Global Account bidding activity robust
- COVID-19 driven declines with industrial customers starting in March across most verticals
- Secured new Global Account customer wins to be implemented post COVID-19 restrictions

# CONSTRUCTION

- Growth in January and February offset by March slowdown due to COVID-19 driven project delays
- · Backlog at historically high level due to new wins
- Project pipeline remains strong with order conversion being paced by customer project restart schedules

#### UTILITY

- Organic growth driven by new wins and scope expansion with current customers
- · Awarded large utility alliance contracts in the first quarter
- Integrated Supply solutions continue to drive customer value
- Expect renewable energy as well as grid reliability and modernization projects to drive future demand

#### CIG

- U.S. growth through February offset by reduced COVID-19 demand in N
   Supply chain solutions driving results in datacenter, security, and cloud technology projects
- Continue to be well positioned to serve data center construction, LED li renovation and retrofits, FTTx deployments and broadband build outs

Strong growth in Utilities, U.S. growth in Construction and CIG offset primarily by decline in Indust

Note: See appendix for non-GAAP reconciliations.

# Strong Balance Sheet

# Liquidity (as of 3/31/20)

- · Liquidity: \$732 million
  - Invested cash: \$285 million
  - Revolver availability: \$447 million
  - Used \$100 million in Q1 to pay CD&R break-up fee
  - Additional financing anticipated to replace Bridge Commitments for Anixter transaction

# **Bank Credit Facilities**

- Mature in 2022 and 2024
- Low cost LIBOR based
- Borrowing bases provide confidence in availability
  - Inventory holds value throughout the cycle
  - Diversified receivables pool with limited concentration
    - Largest balances with high credit quality customers
    - Collection activities performing consistent with historical levels
    - Bad debt experience consistent with recent quarters

# **Limited Operating Covenants**

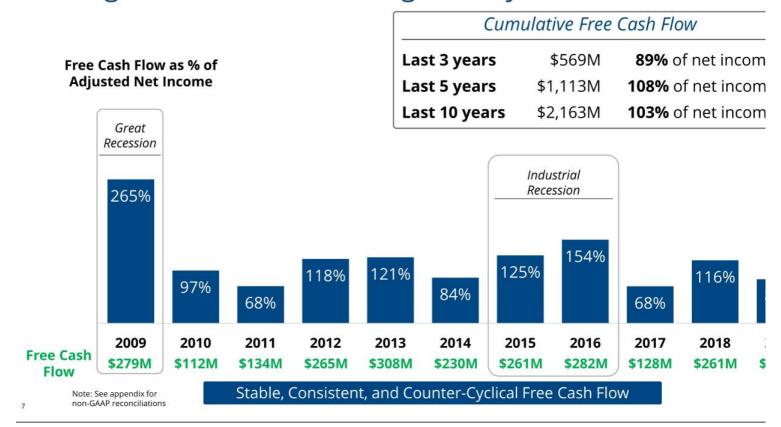
- · No maximum leverage covenant
- Fixed charge coverage covenant based on liquidity or availability

Covenant S	ummary			
Facility	Maturity	Fixed Charge Covenant	Measurement	Test
Revolver	Sept 2024	1.0 to 1.0	Revolver availability >\$60 million	\$447 million
AR Facility	Sept 2022	1.0 to 1.0	Liquidity > \$100 million	\$789 million <sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Balance sheet cash plus borrowing availability

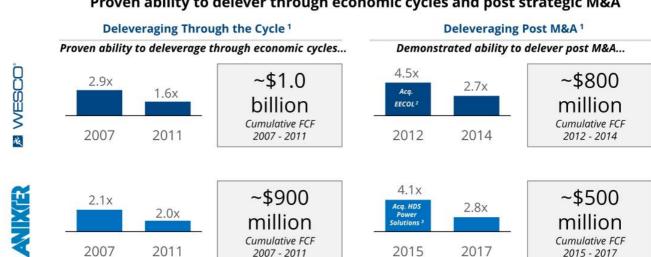
Strong Liquidity and Free Cash Flow Generation

# Strong Free Cash Flow Through the Cycle



# Resilient Business Model with Substantial Free Cash Flow and Rapid Deleveraging

# Proven ability to delever through economic cycles and post strategic M&A



...aided by dynamic countercyclical cash flow profile

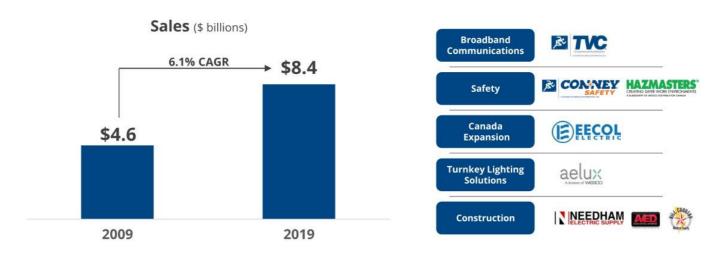
...through efficient integration and synergy realization

Since the Global Financial Crisis <sup>4</sup>, on a combined basis, WESCO and Anixter have generated free cash flow 5 in excess of \$4.0 billion

1. Charts reflect net debt to EBITDA. 2. WESCO completed its acquisition of EECOL in December 2012 for -\$1.1 billion. 3. Anixter competed its acquisition of HD Supply Power Solutions in October 2015 for -\$825 million. 4. Period reflects CY2009 through CY2019. 5. Free cash flow defined as cash flow from operating activities less capital expenditures.

# WESCO is Larger and More Diverse than 2009

Acquisitions have diversified WESCO by Product Line, End Market, Supplier, Customer, and Geography



Stronger, More Stable, and More Diversified

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# Transformational Combination of WESCO and Anixter

## **Transaction Milestones**

- ✓ Agreement announced
- ✓ Obtained committed financing
- ✓ HSR waiting period expired
- ✓ Approval received from Turkey and Russia
- Anixter stockholders approved the transaction
- Canada and Mexico regulatory approvals in process; supplementary information request received in Canada
- ✓ Tender and change of control process for Anixter 2023 and 2025 notes

Remain on track to complete the transaction in Q2 or Q3

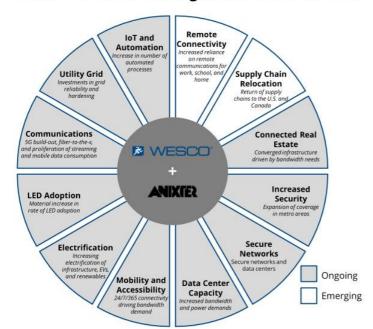
# **Integration Planning Progress**

- ✓ Integration planning underway
- ✓ Progress has been rapid and is accelerating
- ✓ Joint integration teams established with over 500 separate initiatives developed to date
- ✓ Planning process has revealed upside synerg opportunities
- ✓ Cultural alignment is strong

Expect to exceed cost, sales growth, and cash generation synergies

# Evolving Secular Trends Benefit WESCO + Anixter

# Secular Trends Benefitting WESCO and Anixter....



# ...Contribute to Financial Benefits of the Transformational Combination

# **Estimated Impact in Year Three**

- Accelerates sales growth by more than 100 bps
- Significant cross-selling and international expansion opportunitie
- ✓ Doubles standalone EPS growth rate
- ✓ Expands Adjusted EBITDA margin 100+ bps and delivers 50 - 60% EPS accretion
- ✓ Generates annual pro forma free cas flow of ~\$600 million

WESCO + Anixter combination benefits from numerous ongoing and attractive growth opportuni

# Summary

- Quick and decisive actions taken in response to COVID-19 pandemic
- Strong liquidity and favorable borrowing covenants
- Resilient business model and strong free cash flow throughout the cycle
- Larger and more diverse by product line, end market, and geography
- Anixter transaction is on track to close in Q2 or Q3
- · Substantial integration planning progress has already been completed
- WESCO + Anixter well positioned for evolving secular growth trends
- Expect to exceed cost, sales growth and cash generation synergies of the transformational combination of WESCO and Anixter

# **APPENDIX**

# First Quarter Diluted EPS and Sales Growth Walk

# Diluted EPS Walk<sup>1</sup>

Reported Q1 2019 Diluted EPS	\$0.93
Core operations	\$(0.02)
Foreign exchange rates	\$0.00
SLS acquisition	\$(0.05)
Тах	\$(0.02)
Lower share count	\$0.07
Adjusted Q1 2020 Diluted EPS	\$0.91
Merger-related transaction costs	\$(0.09)
Reported Q1 2020 Diluted EPS	\$0.82

# Sales Growth Walk

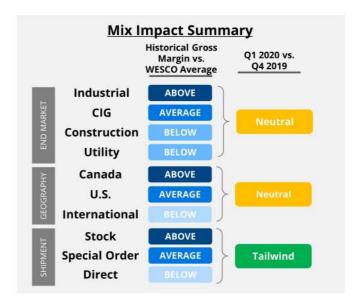
Q1 2019 Sales	\$1,961 M
u.s.	(80) bps
Canada	(80) bps
nternational	(10) bps
Organic Growth	(1.7)%
Foreign exchange rates	0 bps
SLS acquisition	50 bps
Number of workdays	160 bps
Q1 2020 Sales	\$1,969M
Reported Growth	0.4%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Calculation differences due to rounding.

# First Quarter Gross Margin Drivers

# Gross margin versus fourth quarter driven by three factors:

- Getting traction on our margin improvement initiatives
- Pass-through of supplier price increases in multi-year contracts
- Shipment mix

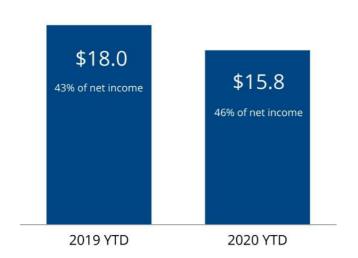


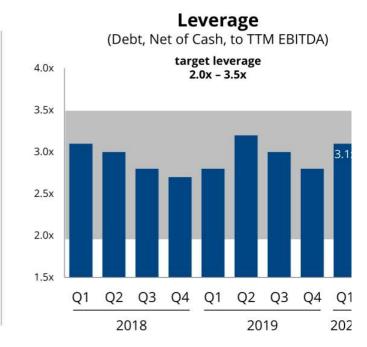
# Free Cash Flow & Leverage

# **Free Cash Flow**

(\$ Millions)

\$1 billion+ of free cash flow over the last 5 years





# Work Days

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	FY
2018	64	64	63	62	253
2019	63	64	63	62	252
2020	64	64	64	61	253

# **Adjusted Results**

				Q1 2020		
		Reported Results		Adjustments (1)		ljusted esults
(in millions, except for EPS)						
SG&A expenses	\$	299.4	\$	(4.6)	\$	294.8
Income from operations		60.9		4.6		65.5
Net interest and other		16.5		(0.5)		16.0
Income before income taxes	\$	44.4		5.1	\$	49.6
Income tax  Effective tax rate		10.3 23.1%		1.2		11.4 23.1%
Net income		34.2		2.5		38.1
Less: Non-controlling interests		(0.2)				(0.2)
Net income attributable to WESCO	\$	34.4		2.5	\$	38.4
Diluted Shares		42.1				42.1
EPS	\$	0.82			\$	0.91

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Merger-related transaction expenses and related income tax effect.

# First Quarter Organic Sales Growth

Year-over-Year

Three Months Ended,

	Ma	rch 31, 2019	N	larch 31, 2020		Growth	FX Impact	Workday	Growt
Industrial core sales	B. <del>7</del>	737		702	7	(4.6)%	0.0%	1.6%	(6.2)
Construction core sales		630		629		(0.2)%	0.2%	1.6%	(2.0)9
Utility core sales		308		341		10.6%	0.1%	1.6%	8.99
CIG core sales		280		281		0.7%	(0.2)%	1.6%	(0.7)9
Total core sales	\$	1,955	\$	1,954		(0.1)%	0.0%	1.6%	(1.7)9
U.S. core sales		1,455		1,464		0.6%	0.0%	1.6%	(1.0)9
Canada core sales		384		377	•	(2.1)%	0.7%	1.6%	(4.3)9
International core sales		116		113		(2.6)%	(2.7)%	1.6%	(1.5)9
Total core sales	\$	1,955	\$	1,954	**	(0.1)%	0.0%	1.6%	(1.7)9
Plus: SLS sales		6		15					
Total net sales	\$	1,961	\$	1,969					
Sequential		Three Mon	ths En	ded,		Reported	Less:	Less:	Organi
	Decem	ber 31, 2019	N	larch 31, 2020		Growth	FX Impact	Workday	Growt
Industrial sales		746		702	e	(5.9)%	0.1%	3.2%	(9.2)
Construction sales		692		637		(8.0)%	0.1%	3.2%	(11.3)9
Utility sales		335		341		1.9%	0.2%	3.2%	(1.5)9
CIG sales	-0.00	327		289	56	(11.5)%	0.2%	3.2%	(14.9)9
Total net sales		2,099		1,969		(6.2)%	0.2%	3.2%	(9.6)9

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# Capital Structure and Leverage

EBITDA	Twelve Months Ended,			
	December 31,2019	March 31, 2020		
Income from operations	346	336		
Depreciation and amortization	62	63		
EBITDA	408	399		

Debt	As	Maturity	
Debe	December 31, 2019	March 31, 2020	
AR Revolver (variable)	415	600	September 2022
Inventory Revolver (variable)	<u>=</u>	100	September 2024
2021 Senior Notes (fixed)	500	500	December 2021
2024 Senior Notes (fixed)	350	350	June 2024
Other	28	25	Various
Total debt <sup>1</sup>	1,293	1,575	
Less: cash and cash equivalents	151	343	
Total debt, net of cash	1,142	1,233	
Leverage	2.8x	3.1x	
Liquidity <sup>2</sup>	823	732	

<sup>(</sup>II) Debt is presented in the condensed consolidated balance sheets net of debt discount and debt issuance costs.
(II) Total availability under asset-backed credit facilities plus cash in investment accounts.

Note: For financial leverage ratio in prior periods, see quarterly earnings webcasts as previously furnished to the Securities & Exchange Commission, which can be obtained from the Investor Relations page of WESCO's website at www.wesco.com.

# Gross Profit and Free Cash Flow - Quarter

<b>Gross Profit</b>	Three Months Ended,			
	March 31, 2019	March 31, 2020		
Net sales	1,961	1,969		
Cost of goods sold <sup>1</sup>	1,579	1,592		
Gross profit <sup>2</sup>	382	376		
Gross margin <sup>2</sup>	19.5%	19.1%		

Free Cash Flow	Three Months Ended			
	March 31, 2019	March 31, 2020		
Net cash provided by operating activities	29	32		
Less: capital expenditures	(11)	(16)		
Free cash flow <sup>3</sup>	18	16		
Net income	42	34		
% of net income	43%	46%		

Note: For gross profit in prior periods, see quarterly earnings webcasts as previously furnished to the Securities & Exchange Commission, which can be obtained from the Investor Relations page of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Excluding depreciation and amortization. <sup>2</sup> Gross profit is calculated by deducting cost of goods sold, excluding depreciation and amortization, from net sales. Gross margin is calculated by dividing gross profit by net sales. <sup>3</sup> Free cash flow is provided by the Company as an additional liquidity measure. Capital expenditures are deducted from operating cash flow to determine free cash flow. Free cash flow is available to

# Free Cash Flow - Annual

	Twelve Months Ended December 31,									
(\$ millions)	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	20
Net cash provided by operating activities	292	127	168	288	315	251	283	300	149	29
Less: capital expenditures	(13)	(15)	(33)	(23)	(28)	(21)	(22)	(18)	(21)	(3
Plus: non-recurring pension contribution	-	-	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	
Free cash flow	279	112	134	265	308	230	261	282	128	26
Net income attributable to WESCO International, Inc.	105	115	196	202	276	276	211	102	164	22
Loss on debt redemption, net of tax	1 <del>-</del>	-	-		(=		(=	82	-	
ArcelorMittal litigation charge (recovery), net of tax	15			22	(22)		- 27		-	
Income tax expense for the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	26	
Adjusted net income attributable to WESCO International, Inc.	105	115	196	224	254	276	211	184	190	22
Net (loss) income attributable to noncontrolling interests	-	141	(0)	(0)	0	(0)	(2)	(0)	(0)	70
Adjusted net income	105	115	196	224	254	276	209	184	190	22
Free cash flow / Adjusted net income	265%	97%	68%	118%	121%	84%	125%	154%	68%	11