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USE OF NON-GAAP MEASURES

• This presentation includes the use of both GAAP (generally accepted accounting principles) and non-GAAP financial measures. The non-GAAP financial measures include: adjusted EPS, adjusted operating income, and return on invested capital.

• PolyOne’s chief operating decision maker uses these financial measures to monitor and evaluate the ongoing performance of the Company and each business segment and to allocate resources. In addition, operating income before special items and adjusted EPS are components of various PolyOne annual and long-term employee incentive plans.

• A reconciliation of each non-GAAP financial measure with the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure is attached to this presentation which is posted on our website at www.polyone.com.
To be the world’s premier provider of specialized polymer materials, services and solutions.
PolyOne
2018 Revenue | $3.5 Billion

Segment
- Color Additives & Inks 29%
- Specialties Engineered Materials 17%
- Performance Products & Solutions 19%
- Distribution 35%
- Transportation 17%
- Electrical & Electronics 6%
- Wire & Cable 10%
- Packaging 11%
- Building & Construction 11%
- Appliance 5%

End Market
- Industrial 15%
- Consumer 12%
- Healthcare 13%
- Electrical & Electronics 6%
- Wire & Cable 10%
- Packaging 11%
- Building & Construction 11%
- Appliance 5%

Geography
- United States 57%
- Europe 16%
- Asia 10%
- Latin America 10%
- Canada 7%
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- United States 57%
- Europe 16%
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- Latin America 10%
- Canada 7%
PROOF OF PERFORMANCE

ADJUSTED EPS EXPANSION

CONSECUTIVE YEARS


$0.13 $0.68 $0.82 $1.00 $1.31 $1.80 $1.96 $2.06 $2.21 $2.43

ROIC**

2006 2018

5.0% 14.1%

Operating Income
% of Sales

Color, Additives & Inks
1.7% 15.1%

Specialty Engineered Materials
1.1% 11.2%

Performance Products & Solutions
4.3% 10.0%

Distribution
2.6% 5.6%

*Pro Forma for sale of DSS
**ROIC is defined as TTM adjusted OI after tax divided by the sum of average debt and equity less cash over a 5 quarter period
SUSTAINABLE PATH TO DOUBLE-DIGIT EPS GROWTH

Expand specialty portfolio with strategic acquisitions

Innovate and develop new technologies and services

Double acquired company margins

Repurchase 600K-1M shares annually

Enhance efficiencies through Lean Six Sigma and commercial excellence

Increase commercial resources 5-7% annually

DOUBLE DIGIT EPS GROWTH

Double digit annual EPS growth
INVESTMENT IN COMMERCIAL RESOURCES DRIVING GROWTH

Increased commercial headcount

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Sustained revenue increases led by organic business

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THE EVOLVING CUSTOMER RELATIONSHIP

Traditional Path

Customer Service
Strategic Accounts/Field Sales
Business Development

Expanded Path

Lead Specialists
Inside Sales
Web and Social Media
EXPANDED PATH
ADDING CUSTOMER TOUCHPOINTS

Investments in digital and dedicated inside sales to improve customer experience

110% increase in leads (from 6,000 to 12,700) driven by website, phone, and online chat

- Inside sellers
  - 2014: 4
  - 2018: 24
- Inside sales/digital revenue
  - 2014: $11M
  - 2018: $109M
Aligning with Trends for Growth

**Transportation**
- Light-weighting

**Packaging**
- Facilitate alternative energy solutions
- Reduce packaging materials

**Healthcare**
- Improve recyclability

**Consumer**
- Reduce spread of infection
INNOVATION

Innovation comes from:
- Customization: 55%
- M&A: 30%
- Innovation Pipeline: 15%

Research & Development Spend ($ millions)
- 2006: $20
- 2018: $56

Vitality Index
% of sales from products launched last 5 years
- 2006: 12%
- 2018: 35%
3 HORIZONS OF DEVELOPMENT

**INNOVATION**

**Market**
- Create new markets, target new customer needs

**Adjacent**
- Opportunity for Growth Through New Product Pipeline

**Core**
- Customization

**Technical**
- New technology development outside of and with our current base
- Incremental development from existing base of technology
- New development adjacent to current technology

- Fiber-Line
- ColorMatrix - Liquid Color & Additives
- Gordon Composites/Polysand - Composites
- GLS – Thermoplastic Elastomers
- PlastiComp
- Non-Halogen Flame Retardants
- Barrier Technologies
- Fiber Colorants
- Advanced Composites
- Thermoplastic Elastomers
# Innovation Pipeline

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- **Breakthrough Platform**: 10
- **Derivative**: 7

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| Total | 74 | $3,822      |

#### Technologies
- **Advanced Composites**
- **Thermoplastic Elastomers**
- **Flame Retardant Polymers**
- **Barrier Materials**
- **Colorant Technologies**
INNOVATION SPOTLIGHT: COMPOSITES
COMPOSITES REFRESHER

Fiber

Composite

Polymer

Strength

Continuous Fiber Thermoset Composites

Continuous Fiber Thermoplastic Composites

Long Glass Fiber Thermoplastics

Short Glass Fiber Thermoplastics

Design Flexibility
**Thermoplastic Composites**
- Acquired Polystrand
- Acquired Gordon Composites

**Continuous Fiber Thermosets**
- Installed LFT production Avon Lake
- Acquired PlastiComp, specialty LFT producer
- Acquired Fiber-Line, specialty fiber processor

**Long Fiber Reinforced Thermoplastics**
- Long Fiber Thermoplastic (LFT) Technology
- Installed LFT production Barbastro, Spain
- Long Fiber Reinforced Thermoplastics (LFRP) in production
- Acquired Glasforms

**Timeline**
- 2009
- 2011
- 2012
- 2015
- 2016
- 2018
- 2019
COMPOSITES IN TRANSPORTATION

RAIL
Flooring
Door Panels
Side Walls

WATERCRAFT
Bulkheads and Transoms
Ceilings and Hatches
Doors and Cabinetry

HEAVY TRUCK
Flooring & Side Panels
Aerodynamic Fairings
Seat and Bunk Reinforcements
FIBER-LINE HIGHLIGHTS

Fiber Processing Capabilities
- Entangling
- Extrusion
- Pultrusion
- Twisting
- Winding
- Braiding
- Stranding

High Performance Fiber and Polymers Suppliers

Fiber-Line

Processing Technology

Coating Technology

Bare and Coated Fiber and Composite Rod

Customers

Polymer Formulation Capabilities
- Abrasion resistance
- Adhesion enhancement
- Anti-microbial
- Chemical resistance
- Color
- Conductivity
- Fire retardant
- Glow-in-the-dark
- Process enhancement
- UV inhibitor
- Water swellable
- Water repellency

2018PF Sales by Market
- Fiber Optics: 16%
- Industrial: 12%
- Oil & Gas: 71%
- Consumer: 1%

Estimated 2019 Sales:
$100M
1. Loose buffer tube – made of PBT, PTFE, Nylon 12, PP or other polymers. Holds multiple optical fibers.

2. Buffer thread (inside tubes) • PET, Polyester, Kevlar yarns coated with Swellcoat (absorbs and blocks water)

3. Optical fibers – Two parts of an optical fiber: core (carries the signal and cladding (reflects the signal to move it forward). Both parts are made of silica/glass or polymer.

4. Central support member • Pultruded composite rod, often polymer coated

5. Filler Yarns/Core Fillers (not visible) • PET, Polyester, Kevlar yarns coated with Swellcoat (absorbs and blocks water)

6. Binder • PET, Polyester, Kevlar yarns coated with Swellcoat (absorbs and blocks water)

7. Outer strength member • Base fiber of Kevlar, E-Glass, Zylon, Vectran LCP • Often be coated with Fiber-Line coatings (Swellcoat, Bondcoat, Wearcoat)

8. Cable jacket/sheath – Made of PE or PVC

9. Ripcords • Lubricated, color coated, various fibers • Rips through any material including steel armor • Made from Kevlar, Vectran LCP or PET polyester
FIBER OPTICAL GROWTH DRIVERS

5G technology will be a leading growth driver in fiber optic cable for several years

### 5G vs. 4G

- **10x**
  - Speed Increase

- **8x**
  - More Antennae Required

### 5G Networks

- Enable lower latency, greater flexibility & efficiency
- Installation of these networks are in the very early stages
- Installation will start in urban hubs and will continue to expand into suburban and rural areas
- By 2025, only 14% of the world will have 5G connections
- Growth is expected over multi-year period
INVEST-TO-GROW  M&A STRATEGY

Safety: Low EH&S risk profile
Technology: New and complementary technologies
Geography: Leverage our global footprint
Service: Strong customer relationships
People: Motivated team with a specialty culture
Financial: Foundational operating margins of 8-10% with ability to double
INVEST-TO-GROW M&A PLAYBOOK

8-10% operating margins

Phase 1
Safety First!
- Protect customers
- Retain employees

Invest in commercial resources
- Implement LSS to drive efficiency improvements
- Capture sourcing synergies
- Cross-sell & blend technology

Invest in commercial resources

Phase 2
- Innovate with combined portfolio
- Leverage PolyOne’s global reach

Phase 3
- 18-20% operating margins

Protect customers
Retain employees
Safety First!

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24
Established Acquisitions
(> 7 years)

- **Commercial Resources**
  - At Acquisition: $243
  - Today: $340
  - Increase: +40%

- **Operating Income** ($ in millions)
  - At Acquisition: $36
  - Today: $96
  - Increase: +165%

- **Operating Margins**
  - At Acquisition: 11%
  - Today: 20%
  - Increase: +900 bps
Recent Acquisitions

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## STRONG PIPELINE
**DRIVEN BY FRAGMENTED MARKET**

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| <$50M                | >250               | • Local to regional footprint  
                     |                    | • Niche technology focus  
                     |                    | • Concentrated customer base |
| $50M–$200M           | 150                | • Regional to global footprint  
                     |                    | • 1-3 specialty technologies  
                     |                    | • Diversified customer base |
| >$200M               | 30                 | • Global footprint with local service  
                     |                    | • Diverse specialty technologies  
                     |                    | • Highly diversified customer & market portfolio |
RETURNING CASH TO SHAREHOLDERS
OVER $1.2 BILLION SINCE 2011

Cumulative Share Repurchases
(In millions)

Increasing Annual Dividend

$0 $150 $300 $450 $600 $750 $900

Year Dividend Plan
$0.16 $0.20 $0.24 $0.32 $0.40 $0.48 $0.54 $0.70 $0.78

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ROIC DRIVES SHAREHOLDER RETURN

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2009: 6.3%
2018: 14.1%
Updated Expectations: 16-17%
WHY INVEST IN POLYONE?

THE NEW POLYONE: A SPECIALTY GROWTH COMPANY

- Growing leadership position in attractive markets
- Innovation, technology and service are differentiators
- Capital management is a strength: Record-setting cash generation to continue for years
- Expand ROIC while increasing invested capital
- Proven acquisition strategy with robust pipeline
- Commercial investments are fueling momentum and generating organic growth
SERVICE:
THE TIMELESS DIFFERENTIATOR
Talent Development

Campus Hires
- 2008: 0
- 2011: 25
- 2014: 47
- 2017: 90
- 2018: 141

PolyOne LSS Blackbelts
- 2008: 0
- 2011: 67
- 2014: 147
- 2017: 220
- 2018: 315

Leadership Program Participants
- 2012: 0
- 2013: 47
- 2014: 86
- 2015: 125
- 2016: 169
- 2018: 315
IQ DESIGN LABS

A UNIQUE CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE

Industrial Design
Material & Color Expertise
Manufacturing Expertise

Industrial designers
Opportunity funnel
New business revenue

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LSS CUSTOMER FIRST

Enables sales growth by building more intimate customer relationships, giving us insight to customers’ needs, with a service that is not easily replicated.

**Customer Projects**

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3D PRINTING
BRINGING NEW IDEAS TO LIFE

Enables validation of fit and function
Shortens design cycle and time to market
Avoids tooling rework
Drives innovation
Delivers substantial customer value
COLOMATRIX SELECT™

Innovative system for processors and OEMs to develop colors in real time

Complete system that provides customers with the freedom to match, prototype and produce color entirely within their own facility

From concept to production

Traditional Timeline
up to 24 weeks

99.9% Reduction in turnaround time

“Being able to create color and produce parts in 1 day is unheard of in this industry”

-CEO, Industry Leader
SEGMENT HIGHLIGHTS
INNOVATING WITH POLYONE
COLOR, ADDITIVES & INKS
END MARKETS & SOLUTIONS

- Packaging: 28%
- Industrial: 14%
- Textiles: 13%
- Wire & Cable: 11%
- Building & Construction: 10%
- Consumer: 8%
- Transportation: 8%
- Healthcare: 5%
- Appliances: 2%
- Electrical & Electronic: 1%
- Consumer: 8%

Solid Colorants
Liquid Colorants
Performance Additives
Screen Printing Inks
COLOR, ADDITIVES & INKS
2018 REVENUE | OVER $1 BILLION

Revenue by Region

- United States: 45%
- Europe: 35%
- Asia: 14%
- Canada: 1%
- Mexico: 3%
- South America: 2%
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Operating Income & Margin

- 2005: $4, 0.9%
- 2009: $25, 5.5%
- 2013: $104, 12.2%
- 2018: $159, 15.1%

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SPECIALTY ENGINEERED MATERIALS
END MARKETS & SOLUTIONS

- Consumer 21%
- Transportation 18%
- Appliance 3%
- Building & Construction 4%
- Packaging 7%
- Industrial 9%
- Healthcare 9%
- Electrical & Electronics 16%
- Wire & Cable 13%
- Engineered Formulations
- Advanced Composites
- Thermoplastic Elastomers

Wire & Cable 13%
Industrial 9%
Healthcare 9%
Electrical & Electronics 16%
Packaging 7%
Building & Construction 4%
Appliance 3%
Transportation 18%
Consumer 21%
Revenue by Region

- United States: 46%
- Canada: 2%
- Europe: 28%
- Asia: 24%

Operating Income & Margin

- 2005: 0.1%, $21
- 2009: 5.1%, $57
- 2013: 9.3%, $72
- 2018: 11.2%

2018 Revenue | $646 Million
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PERFORMANCE PRODUCTS & SOLUTIONS

END MARKETS & SOLUTIONS

- Building & Construction: 28%
- Industrial: 18%
- Electrical & Electronics: 4%
- Packaging: 4%
- Appliance: 6%
- Consumer: 7%
- Wire & Cable: 16%
- Transportation: 17%
- Specialty Vinyl Solutions
- Flame Retardant Polymers
- Healthcare Formulations
- Smart Device Materials

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DISTRIBUTION
END MARKETS & SUPPLIERS

2018 Revenue | $1.3 Billion

- Healthcare: 27%
- Transportation: 22%
- Industrial: 18%
- Consumer: 12%
- Appliance: 6%
- Electrical & Electronics: 5%
- Building & Construction: 5%
- Wire & Cable: 2%
- Packaging: 3%
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- Building & Construction: 5%
- Consumer: 12%
- Appliance: 6%
- Electrical & Electronics: 5%
- Industrial: 18%
- Healthcare: 27%

Operating Income & Margin

- 2005: $20, 2.9%
- 2009: $25, 4.0%
- 2013: $63, 5.9%
- 2018: $71, 5.6%
$1.3 \text{ billion} \text{ of raw material purchases in 2018 excluding Distribution business.}

Note: All figures exclude Distribution business.
TARGET END MARKETS & APPLICATION EXAMPLES
Target End Markets... Healthcare

- Structural Composites
- Elastomeric Grips and Handles
- Antimicrobial Technologies
- Thermally Conductive Technologies
- Anti-Counterfeiting Technologies
- Catheter Technologies
- Chemical Resistant Technologies
- Polymer Colorants
Target End Markets... Automotive

- Roof Systems
- Interior Structural Components
- Exterior / Interior Trim
- Seals & Flaps
- Fasteners
- Lighting
- Under-hood Components
- Electronics and Cameras
- Braces & Brackets
- Air Management
- Sound & Vibration Management

Under-hood Components

Interior Structural Components

Sound & Vibration Management

Roof Systems

Exterior / Interior Trim

Seals & Flaps

Fasteners

Lighting

Under-hood Components

Electronics and Cameras

Braces & Brackets

Air Management

Sound & Vibration Management
Target End Markets... Consumer

- Elastomeric Grips and Handles
- Polymer Colorants
- Thermally Conductive Components
- Structural Composite Components
Target End Markets... Packaging

UV Light Barrier Technologies
Cap & Closure Colorants
Laser Marking Additives
Oxygen Scavenger Technologies
Antistatic Technologies
Process Optimization Technologies
Antioxidant Technologies
Density Modified Technologies
Luxury Packaging

- Impart weight, sound and metallic finish to caps and closures for cosmetics and spirits applications
- Elevate quality and prestige perceptions among high-end consumers
- Eliminate time and cost associated with secondary operations and assembly
OnColor™ Super Concentrates

Optimize Color Usage

- Eliminate costs by increasing pigment density
- Enhance color performance without altering form and formulation
- Increase design capabilities by reducing weight and layer thickness
WithStand™ Antimicrobial Technology

Combat Bacteria Formation

- Inhibit microbial growth on polymer surfaces
- Enhance value or products and devices
- Highly versatile concentrate with the ability to be incorporated into a wide variety of products
Chemically Resistant Engineered Polymers

Medical Device Housings

- Durable, long-lasting products stand up to the most aggressive disinfectants
- Minimize environmental stress cracking and discoloration
- One of the broadest medically approved polymer and colorant portfolios
Color & Design Services

- Greater control of color development and supply chain
- Work across entire design process from concept to commercialization
- Inspire creativity in the use of polymer materials, colors, and effects
- Innovative brand differentiation
- Faster development timelines
Outdoor Applications

- Leading provider of high performance specialty materials for the recreational and sports & leisure industry
- Well positioned across all segments to address market needs
  - Metal to Polymer Conversion
  - Lightweighting
  - Thermal Management
  - Impact Performance
Fiber Colorants

- **ColorMatrix Fiber Colorant Solutions**
  - Proprietary advanced liquid color formulations and equipment enable greater efficiency and productivity
  - Eliminates aqueous dyeing and its associated wastewater treatment

- **Solid Color Concentrates**
  - Extrusion-spun fibers colored via solid masterbatch
Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures (Unaudited)
(Dollars in millions, except per share data)

Senior management uses comparisons of adjusted net income from continuing operations attributable to PolyOne shareholders and diluted adjusted earnings per share (EPS) from continuing operations attributable to PolyOne shareholders, excluding special items, to assess performance and facilitate comparability of results. Senior management believes these measures are useful to investors because they allow for comparison to PolyOne’s performance in prior periods without the effect of items that, by their nature, tend to obscure PolyOne’s operating results due to the potential variability across periods based on timing, frequency and magnitude. Non-GAAP financial measures have limitations as analytical tools and should not be considered in isolation from, or solely as alternatives to, financial measures prepared in accordance with GAAP. Below is a reconciliation of these non-GAAP financial measures to their most directly comparable financial measures calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP.

Adjusted EPS attributable to PolyOne common shareholders is calculated as follows:

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* Historical results are shown as presented in prior filings and have not been updated to reflect subsequent changes in accounting principle, discontinued operations or the related resegmentation.

(1) Special items include charges related to specific strategic initiatives or financial restructuring such as: consolidation of operations; debt extinguishment costs; costs incurred directly in relation to acquisitions or divestitures, including adjustments related to contingent consideration; employee separation costs resulting from personnel reduction programs; plant realignment costs, executive separation agreements; asset impairments; mark-to-market adjustments associated with actuarial gains and losses on pension and other post-retirement benefit plans; environmental remediation costs, fines, penalties and related insurance recoveries related to facilities no longer owned or closed in prior years; gains and losses on the divestiture of operating businesses, joint ventures and equity investments; gains and losses on facility or property sales or disposals; results of litigation, fines or penalties, where such litigation (or action relating to the fines or penalties) arose prior to the commencement of the performance period; one-time, non-recurring items; and the effect of changes in accounting principles or other such laws or provisions affecting reported results. Tax adjustments include the net tax benefit/(expense) from one-time income tax items, the set-up or reversal of uncertain tax position reserves and deferred income tax valuation allowance adjustments.