Twin Disc, Incorporated 2013 SECOND-QUARTER NEWSLETTER

December 28, 2012

To Our Shareholders:

As we stated last quarter, our fiscal 2013 results will be challenged by a decline in market activity in North America for our pressure pumping transmissions. Despite the lack of demand from this market, we were able to keep second quarter margins above 30 percent and maintain our overall profitability. This is a testament to our end market and geographic diversity, and flexible manufacturing operations.

Financial Results

Sales for the fiscal 2013 second quarter were \$72,325,000, down from a record \$82,941,000 for the same period last year. Year-to-date, sales were \$141,118,000, compared to the record \$164,271,000 for the fiscal 2012 first half. The decrease in sales was primarily the result of lower demand from customers in the pressure pumping sector of the North American oil and gas market. Offsetting weakness in this market was higher demand from customers in the North American and Asian commercial marine markets. Sales to customers serving the global mega yacht market remained at historical lows in the quarter, while demand remained steady for equipment used in the airport rescue and fire fighting (ARFF), and military markets.

Gross margin for the fiscal 2013 second quarter was 30.8 percent, compared to 35.6 percent in the fiscal 2012 second quarter and 28.2 percent in the fiscal 2013 first quarter. The anticipated year-over-year decline in the fiscal 2013 second quarter gross margin was the result of lower sales volumes and a less profitable mix of business. Year-to-date, gross margin was 29.6 percent, compared to 36.7 percent for the fiscal 2012 first half.

For the fiscal 2013 second quarter, marketing, engineering and administrative (ME&A) expenses, as a percentage of sales, were 23.2 percent, compared to 24.2 percent for the fiscal 2012 second quarter. ME&A expenses decreased \$3,327,000 versus the same period last fiscal year. Stock-based compensation expense decreased \$2,416,000 versus the prior year's second fiscal quarter. In addition, the annual bonus expense decreased approximately \$1,029,000 versus the prior year's second fiscal quarter.

Year-to-date, ME&A expenses, as a percentage of sales, were 23.7 percent, compared to 21.9 percent for the fiscal 2012 first six months. For the fiscal 2013 first half, ME&A expenses decreased \$2,616,000 versus the same period last fiscal year. Stock based compensation expense in the fiscal 2013 first half of \$923,000 decreased \$1,483,000 versus the same period a year ago. In addition, the annual bonus expense decreased approximately \$1,870,000 versus the prior fiscal year's first six months. The net remaining increase in ME&A expenses for the first half of fiscal 2013 primarily relates to increased research and development activities, wage inflation and additional headcount.

The effective tax rate for the first half of fiscal 2013 is 38.3 percent, which is slightly higher than the prior year rate of 35.5 percent. The current year rate is somewhat inflated due to the non-deductibility of the losses in certain foreign jurisdictions during the first half due to an ongoing valuation allowance determination. In addition, the Company recorded the favorable impact of an IRS audit settlement in the quarter (\$360,000), along with an additional reserve for uncertain tax positions (\$245,000). Adjusting for these discrete items, the rate would have been approximately 34.3 percent. The favorable impact of the recently extended research and development tax credit will be recorded in the third fiscal quarter, as it was signed January 2, 2013. The Company estimates the favorable impact of this item to be approximately \$500,000.

Net earnings attributable to Twin Disc for the fiscal 2013 second quarter were \$3,360,000, or \$0.29 per diluted share, compared to \$5,840,000, or \$0.50 per diluted share, for the fiscal 2012 second quarter. Year-to-date, net earnings attributable to Twin Disc were \$4,591,000, or \$0.40 per diluted share, compared to \$15,496,000, or \$1.34 per diluted share for the fiscal 2012 first half.

Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA)* was \$8,217,000 for the fiscal 2013 second quarter, compared to \$12,344,000 for the fiscal 2012 second quarter. For the fiscal 2013 first half, EBITDA was \$13,483,000, compared to \$30,116,000 for the fiscal 2012 comparable period.

Our balance sheet and liquidity continued to improve during the fiscal 2013 second quarter despite elevated inventory levels. We generated \$12,092,000 in cash from operations in the first half of fiscal 2013, which increased our overall cash position to \$20,570,000 at December 28, 2012 from \$15,701,000 at June 30, 2012. Total debt net of cash was \$13,424,000 at December 28, 2012, compared to \$16,444,000 at June 30, 2012, and \$23,118,000 at December 30, 2011. On November 19, 2012, the Company and our European subsidiary entered into a \$15,000,000 multi-currency revolving Credit Agreement with Wells Fargo Bank. This agreement provides our global operations with greater borrowing flexibility.

During the three month period ended December 28, 2012, we repurchased 185,000 shares of our common stock at an average price of \$16.59 per share for a total cost of \$3,069,000. We have 315,000 shares remaining under our authorized stock repurchase plan. Capital expenditures through the first six months of fiscal 2013 were \$3,529,000 and we anticipate investing approximately \$10,000,000 in capital expenditures this fiscal year.

Dividend

The Board of Directors declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of \$0.09 per share payable on March 1, 2013, to shareholders of record on February 8, 2013.

Outlook

Our six-month backlog at December 28, 2012 was \$68,230,000, compared to \$82,434,000 at September 28, 2012 and \$148,549,000 at December 30, 2011. The decline in backlog reflects continued weakness in demand from the North American oil and gas market. While the near-term outlook is going to be more challenging than originally expected, we continue to anticipate a recovery in 7500 and 8500 pressure pumping transmissions sales in fiscal 2014, which will be augmented by growing demand from customers in the commercial marine, industrial, legacy military and ARFF markets. We are optimistic that we are well positioned to capitalize on longer-term trends in all our end markets.

Michael E. Batten Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

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John H. Batten President and Chief Operating Officer

About Twin Disc, Inc.

Twin Disc, Inc. designs, manufactures and sells marine and heavy-duty off-highway power transmission equipment. Products offered include: marine transmissions, surface drives, propellers and boat management systems, as well as power-shift transmissions, hydraulic torque converters, power take-offs, industrial clutches and control systems. The Company sells its products to customers primarily in the pleasure craft, commercial and military marine markets, as well as in the energy and natural resources, government and industrial markets. The Company's worldwide sales to both domestic and foreign customers are transacted through a direct sales force and a distributor network.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release may contain statements that are forward looking as defined by the Securities and Exchange Commission in its rules, regulations and releases. The Company intends that such forward-looking statements be subject to the safe harbors created thereby. All forward-looking statements are based on current expectations regarding important risk factors including those identified in the Company's most recent periodic report and other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Accordingly, actual results may differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements, and the making of such statements should not be regarded as a representation by the Company or any other person that the results expressed therein will be achieved.

*Non-GAAP Financial Disclosures

Financial information excluding the impact of foreign currency exchange rate changes and the impact of acquisitions, if any, in this press release are not measures that are defined in U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP"). These items are measures that management believes are important to adjust for in order to have a meaningful comparison to prior and future periods and to provide a basis for future projections and for estimating our earnings growth prospects. Non-GAAP measures are used by management as a performance measure to judge profitability of our business absent the impact of foreign currency exchange rate changes and acquisitions. Management analyzes the company's business performance and trends excluding these amounts. These measures, as well as EBITDA, provide a more consistent view of performance than the closest GAAP equivalent for management and investors. Management compensates for this by using these measures in combination with the GAAP measures. The presentation of the non-GAAP measures in this press release are made alongside the most directly comparable GAAP measures.

Definition - Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization (EBITDA)

The sum of, net earnings and adding back provision for income taxes, interest expense, depreciation and amortization expenses: this is a financial measure of the profit generated excluding the above mentioned items.

Twin Disc, Incorporated Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income

(In thousands, except per-share data, unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	December 28, 2012	December 30, 2011*	December 28, 2012	December 30, 2011*
Net sales Cost of goods sold Gross profit	\$72,325 50,014 22,311	\$82,941 53,379 29,562	$$141,118 \\ \underline{99,391} \\ 41,727$	$$164,271 \\ 103,941 \\ \hline 60,330$
Marketing, engineering and administrative expenses Earnings from operations	16,770 5,541 329	20,097 9,465	33.390 8,337	36,006 24,324
Interest expense Other (income) expense, net	(22)	381 (150)_	635 105	740 (544)
Earnings before income taxes and noncontrolling interest Income taxes	5,234 1,815	9,234 3,385	7,597 2,912	24,128 8,569
Net earnings Less: Net earnings attributable to noncontrolling interest, net of tax Net earnings attributable to Twin Disc	3,419 (59) \$ 3,360	5,849 (9) \$ 5,840	4,685 (94) \$ 4,591	15,559 (63) \$ 15,496
Earnings per share data: Basic earnings per share attributable to Twin Disc common shareholders Diluted earnings per share attributable to Twin Disc common shareholders	\$ 0.30 \$ 0.29	\$ 0.51 \$ 0.50	\$ 0.41 \$ 0.40	\$ 1.36 \$ 1.34
Weighted average shares outstanding data Basic shares outstanding Diluted shares outstanding	: 11,366 11,434	11,429 11,572	11,368 11,441	11,411 11,555
Dividends per share	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.16
Comprehensive income: Net earnings Other comprehensive income (loss):	\$ 3,419	\$ 5,849	\$ 4,685	\$ 15,559
Foreign currency translation adjustment Benefit plan adjustments, net Comprehensive income Comprehensive income attributable	2,130 <u>652</u> 6,201	$\frac{(6,258)}{411}$	3,394 1,320 9,399	(8,533) <u>885</u> 7,911
to noncontrolling interest	(59)_	(9)	(94)	(63)
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Twin Disc	\$_6,142	\$(7)	\$	\$

^{*}Includes revisions to correct previously reported amounts. The Company's review of its reserve for uncertain tax positions identified errors that affected prior periods. The effect of the errors was not material to any previously issued financial statements, however, the cumulative effect of correcting the errors in the current year would have been material to fiscal year 2013. Therefore, the Company revised its prior period financial statements. As part of this revision, the Company recorded other previously disclosed out-of-period adjustments, which were immaterial, in the periods in which the errors originated. The aggregate impact was to decrease net earnings for the three months ended December 30, 2011 by \$17,000 and increase net earnings for the six months ended December 30, 2011 by \$58,000.

Reconciliation of Consolidated Net Earnings to EBITDA (In thousands, unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	December 28, 2012	December 30, 2011*	December 28, 2012	December 30, 2011*
Net earnings attributable to Twin Disc Interest expense	\$ 3,360 329	\$ 5,840 381	\$ 4,591 635	\$15,496 740
Income taxes Depreciation and amortization	1,815 2,713	3,385 2,738	2,912 5,345	8,569 5,311
Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization	\$ 8,217	\$12,344	\$13,483	\$30,116
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^{*}Includes revisions to previously reported amounts.

Twin Disc, Incorporated Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (In thousands, unaudited)

Assets	December 28, 2012	June 30, 2012*
Current assets: Cash Trade accounts receivable, net Inventories, net Deferred income taxes Other	\$ 20,570 38,465 118,298 4,555 11,200	\$ 15,701 63,438 103,178 3,745 11,099
Total current assets	193,088	197,161
Property, plant and equipment, net Goodwill, net Deferred income taxes Intangible assets, net Other assets TOTAL ASSETS	65,737 13,267 13,109 4,794 <u>9,581</u> \$299,576	66,356 13,116 14,335 4,996
Liabilities and Equity Current liabilities: Short-term borrowings and current		
maturities of long-term debt	\$ 3,697	\$ 3,744
Accounts payable Accrued liabilities	24,367 32,736	23,550 39,331
Total current liabilities	60,800	66,625
Long-term debt Accrued retirement benefits Deferred income taxes Other long-term liabilities Total liabilities	30,297 60,223 3,816 <u>3,291</u> 158,427	$28,401 \\ 64,009 \\ 3,340 \\ \underline{4,948} \\ 167,323$
Twin Disc Shareholders' Equity: Common shares authorized: 30,000,000;		
issued: 13,099,468; no par value Retained earnings Accumulated other comprehensive loss	11,901 186,842 (30,143) 168,600	12,759 184,306 (34,797) 162,268
Less treasury stock, at cost (1,855,984 and 1,794,981 shares, respectively)	28,423	26,781
Total Twin Disc Shareholders' equity	140,177	135,487
Noncontrolling interest	972	1,022
Total equity	141,149	136,509
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	<u>\$299,576</u>	\$ <u>303,832</u>

 $^{^*}$ Includes revisions to correct previously reported amounts resulting in an increase of \$777,000 to Other long-term liabilities, with an offsetting adjustment to Retained earnings.

Twin Disc, Incorporated Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (In thousands, unaudited)

	Six Months Ended	
	December 28, 2012	December 30, 2011*
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net earnings	\$ 4,685	\$ 15,559
Adjustments to reconcile to net earnings to cash (used) by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	5,345	5,311
Other non-cash changes, net	1,599	3,756
Net change in working capital, excluding cash		
and debt, and other	463	(28,215)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	12,092	(3,589)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Acquisitions of fixed assets	(3,529)	(6,893)
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets	35	72
Other, net	(293)	(293)
Net cash used by investing activities	(3,787)	(7,114)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Proceeds from notes payable	42	_
Principal payments of notes payable	(93)	(52)
Proceeds from long-term debt	1,892	12,122
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	189	169
Dividends paid to shareholders	(2,055)	(1,828)
Dividends paid to noncontrolling interest	(204)	(130)
Acquisition of treasury stock	(3,069)	
Excess tax benefits from stock compensation	1,276	535
Other	(1,700)	(185)
Net cash (used) provided by financing activities	(3,722)	10,631
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	286	(1,474)
Net change in cash	4,869	(1,546)
Cash:		
Beginning of period	15,701	20,167
End of period	<u>\$ 20,570</u>	\$ 18,621

 $^{^*}$ Includes corrections to previously reported amounts, resulting in a reclassification within Net cash used by operations.

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