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agenda

- Q1 performance summary
- Q1 financial results
- outlook
- update on strategic priorities
- closing comments
- o Q&A



Guillermo Novo, Chair & CEO Q1 performance summary



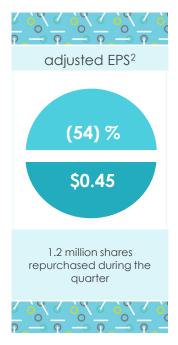


Q1 highlights¹







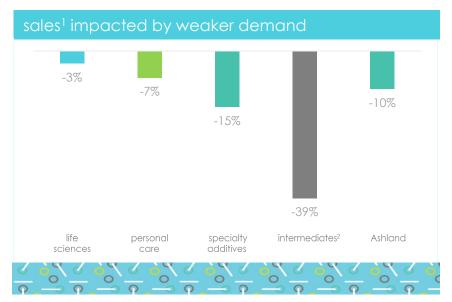


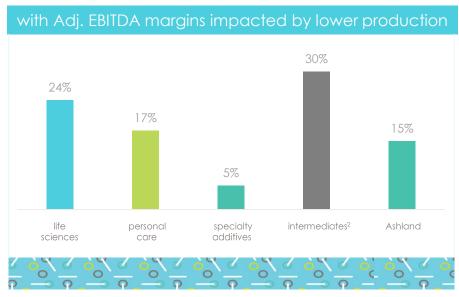
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producing to demand





- 1 Comparisons versus prior-year quarter.
- 2 Merchant sales represents ~65% of Intermediates.



Kevin Willis, CFO
Q1 financial results





fiscal-first quarter adjusted results¹

operating results summary

Ashland			
(\$US in millions, except percentages)	Q1 FY24	Q1 FY23	change
sales	\$473	\$525	(10) %
gross profit margin	25.2 %	31.4 %	(620) bps
SG&A / R&D costs / intangible amortization	\$103	\$116	(11) %
operating income	\$16	\$50	(68) %
EBITDA	\$70	\$108	(35) %
EBITDA margin	14.8 %	20.6 %	(580) bps
EPS (excluding acquisition amortization) ²	\$0.45	\$0.97	(54) %
ongoing free cash flow ³	\$66	(\$21)	NM



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 Unless otherwise noted, earnings are reported on a diluted-share basis.



Ongoing free cash flow defined as total cash flow provided by operating activities, less adjustments to property, plant and equipment and excluding any inflows or outflows related to U.S. and Foreign Accounts Receivable Sales Program, restructuring-related payments and environmental and related litigation payments.

life sciences



personal care



specialty additives



intermediates





business unit reviews

life sciences

highlights

- pharma demand down compared to strong prior year
- maintained strong recovery in nutraceuticals
- continued weakness in nutrition end-markets
- disciplined pricing with moderately deflationary raw materials
- o unfavorable product mix

adjusted results summary ¹			
(\$US in millions, except percentages)	Q1 FY24	Q1 FY23	change
sales	\$200	\$207	(3) %
gross profit	\$63	\$67	(6) %
gross profit margin	31.5 %	32.4 %	(90) bps
operating income	\$32	\$35	(9) %
EBITDA	\$48	\$52	(8) %
EBITDA margin	24.0 %	25.1 %	(110) bps











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personal care

highlights

- global consumer demand remains resilient
- continued weakness in skin-care and oral-care partially offset by hair-care
- o continued Avoca challenaes
- disciplined pricing with moderately deflationary raw materials
- absorption on lower production volume (no advance inventory build

adjusted results summary ¹			
(\$US in millions, except percentages)	Q1 FY24	Q1 FY23	change
sales	\$129	\$138	(7) %
gross profit	\$38	\$49	(22) %
gross profit margin	29.5 %	35.5 %	(600) bps
operating income	\$2	\$11	(82) %
EBITDA	\$22	\$32	(31) %
EBITDA margin	17.1 %	23.2 %	(610) bps

















Q1 FY24 year-over-year sales (HSD/MSD/LSD = high, mid or low single-digit %. DD = double-digit %)



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specialty additives

highlights

- lower volumes
- volumes less impacted
- raw materials
- advance inventory build)

adjusted results summary ¹			
(\$US in millions, except percentages)	Q1 FY24	Q1 FY23	change
sales	\$122	\$143	(15) %
gross profit	\$9	\$27	(67) %
gross profit margin	7.4 %	18.9 %	(1,150) bps
operating income	(\$11)	\$5	NM
EBITDA	\$6	\$23	(74) %
EBITDA margin	4.9 %	16.1 %	(1,120) bps















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intermediates

highlights

- merchant: broadly lower pricing and volumes
- captive: lower transfer pricing, partially offset by improved raw material cost, and reduced volumes

adjusted results summary ¹			
(\$US in millions, except percentages)	Q1 FY24	Q1 FY23	change
sales	\$33	\$54	(39) %
gross profit	\$9	\$22	(59) %
gross profit margin	27.3 %	40.7 %	(1,340) bps
operating income	\$7	\$20	(65) %
EBITDA	\$10	\$23	(57) %
EBITDA margin	30.3 %	42.6 %	(1,230) bps





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strong balance sheet

robust financial position with increased flexibility

share repurchases under \$1 billion authorization

- new \$100 million trading plan completed in December
- repurchased 1.2 million shares during the first quarter
- \$900 million remains under the current authorization
- repurchased \$1.05 billion / 11.1 million shares over the last 30 months

strong balance sheet¹

- cash and liquidity available of ~\$1.0 billion
- net debt² of \$901 million; net leverage³ of 2.1x
- no long-term debt maturities for the next three years

proactive inventory management and free cash flow generation

- reduced year-over-year inventory levels by \$136 million
- \$66 million of first quarter ongoing free cash flow

other long-term capital allocation priorities

- growth capital investment over the coming years
- slowing certain growth investments to keep pace with demand recovery
- increased flexibility to pursue future M&A strategy

enhanced balance sheet strength and flexibility



Net leverage = net debt / last-twelve-month Adjusted EBITDA.

Kevin Willis, CFO outlook





execute: four primary portfolio actions

strengthen our base and drive performance

status divest nutraceuticals business target to sign and close within FY24 action underway to wind-down U.S. optimize & consolidate CMC business production in 2Q-3Q FY24 / shift select SKUs advanced planning with implementation to optimize & consolidate MC-Industrial business commence shortly transition in-process to migrate product lines rebalance global HEC production network across the network

execute: a more durable and resilient portfolio

impact of our actions: stronger performance

impact1 adj. EBITDA 200 - 250 bps expansion margin returns² 150 - 200 bps (RONA) increase network³ 10 - 15%utilization rate increase working ~10% overall reduction capital

- o modest reduction in FY24 sales from portfolio actions
 - CMC + MC-Industrial: \$30-40 million lower sales
 - Nutraceuticals: dependent on closing date
 - HEC: no impact
- no change in adjusted EBITDA dollars
 - gross profit loss / stranded costs offset by restructuring
 - EBITDA neutral post-actions
- o overall production network utilization increase



fiscal Q2 and full-year outlook

forward looking insights

- converging sales volume and customer end-market demand
- o forecasting sequential Q2 recovery with second-half momentum
- o normalized order lead times
- deflationary raw materials to partially offset softer pricing
- producing to demand with an absorption benefit vs. prior year

risks and opportunities

- global recession impact on consumer
- demand recovery timing and magnitude
- changes in specific segment, region or customer demand
- variability in plant loading and operating levels
- o price vs. raw material cost balance
- inflationary cost trends return

fiscal Q2								
sales	\$565 - \$585 million							
adjusted EBITDA	\$115 - \$125 million							
fiscal full-year								
sales	\$2.15 - \$2.25 billion							
adjusted EBITDA	\$460 - \$500 million							
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agile, disciplined,								

focused on what we can control



Guillermo Novo, Chair & CEO update on strategic priorities





strategic priorities

shape and grow the portfolio

execute

- expand leading technology capacity
- exit select product/ business lines

globalize

- high-value product segments in key geographies
- expand big3 in Asia

innovate

- existing technology platforms
- new technology platforms

acquire

- drug delivery technologies
- o natural & biotech technologies
- high-value additives

sustainably shape and grow



globalize: expanding high-margin businesses

pharma

injectables



- growing pipeline for viatel[™] & vialose[™] (both, value & number of programs)
- recent launch (viatel[™] ultrapure)
 gaining adoption with commercial sales

OSD film coatings



- new customer wins enabling share gain in Latin America, Europe and U.S.
- enhancing customer experience with streamlined processes & local support

biofunctionals



- commissioned new production facility in Nanjing, China – supplying customers
- adding commercial members in select geographies (e.g., U.S.)

preservatives



- expanding labs across the globe with equivalent capabilities
- launching new multi-functional preservatives



personal care

innovate: advancing scalable growth



select updates



transformed vegetable oils

introduced 3 products in personal care (skin, sun & oral care) – sales ramping

exciting discoveries in coatings with additional functionalities

development progressing well in crop care for seed coatings



super wetting agents

launched 3 easy-wet[™] products with first commercial sales in coatings and growing pipeline

advancing OSD and injectable development (solubilizer)

crop care: field trials conducted with target launch in FY24



pH neutralizer

customer evaluations in-process with multiple samples

testing has verified multiple functionalities (beyond buffer)

first launch scheduled this year

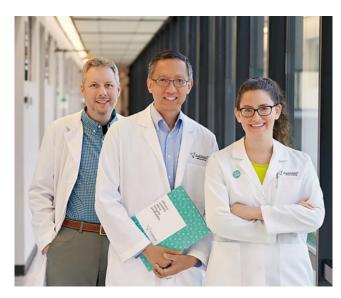
positive feedback and active engagement programs with leading personal care and coatings customers



our approach

build resilience focus on building clarity vs. certainty

- act on what we can control
- develop plans assuming the worse case
- be positioned to capitalize on upside
- remain on strategy
- maintain operating and capital allocation discipline
- take action to maximize fiscal year 2024 performance
- leverage opportunity to refine portfolio and improve quality/focus
- invest in our long-term growth strategy





thank you

Q&A









Q1 adjusted results summary¹

(\$US in millions, except percentages and per share data)	Q1 FY24	Q1 FY23	change
sales	\$473	\$525	(10) %
gross profit	\$119	\$165	(28) %
gross profit margin	25.2 %	31.4%	(620) bps
SG&A / R&D costs / intangible amort.	\$103	\$116	(11) %
operating income	\$16	\$50	(68) %
depreciation & amortization	\$56	\$59	(5) %
EBITDA	\$70	\$108	(35) %
EBITDA margin	14.8 %	20.6 %	(580) bps
net interest and other expense	\$7	\$7	- %
effective tax rate	13 %	15 %	(200) bps
income from continuing operations	\$6	\$36	(83) %
income from continuing operations (excluding intangible amortization)	\$23	\$54	(57) %
diluted share count (million shares)	51	55	(7) %
EPS (excluding intangible amortization)	\$0.45	\$0.97	(54) %

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Q1 business unit consolidation¹

(\$US in millions, except percentages)	life sciences	personal care	specialty additives	Intermediates	intercompany eliminations ²	unallocated and other ³	Ashland
sales	\$200	\$129	\$122	\$33	(\$11)	-	\$473
gross profit	\$63	\$38	\$9	\$9	-	-	\$119
gross profit margin	31.5 %	29.5 %	7.4 %	27.3 %	-	-	25.2 %
EBITDA	\$48	\$22	\$6	\$10	-	(\$16)	\$70
EBITDA margin	24.0 %	17.1 %	4.9 %	30.3 %	-	-	14.8 %

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² Intercompany sales from intermediates to all other segments recorded at market pricing and are eliminated in consolidation.

³ Unallocated and other includes legacy costs plus corporate governance (finance, legal, executive, etc.).

liquidity and net debt

(\$US in millions)	expiration	interest rate	Moody's rating	S&P rating	12/31/23 balance
cash					\$440
revolver and A/R facilities availability					596
cash and revolver availability ¹					\$1,036
US and foreign A/R sales program ¹					
debt					
2.00% notes (EUR)	Jan. 2028	2.000%	Bal	BB+	\$554
3.375% notes	Sept. 2031	3.375%	Bal	BB+	450
6.875% notes	May 2043	6.875%	Bal	BB+	282
revolving credit facility ²	July 2027	Term SOFR+137.5	-	-	-
6.50% junior subordinated notes	Jun. 2029	6.500%	B1	BB+	64
other ³		-	-	-	(9)
total debt			Ba1/stable	BB+/stable	\$1,341
cash					(440)
net debt					\$901



Total liquidity of \$1,036 million from all sources.
 Term SOFR benchmark rate to include 10 bps credit adjustment spread on USD 1-, 3-, and 6-month borrowings.
 Includes \$13 million of debt issuance cost discounts as of December 31, 2023.



¹ Although Ashland provides forward looking guidance for adjusted EBITDA in this presentation, Ashland is not reaffirming or providing forward-looking guidance for U.S. GAAP reported financial measures or a reconciliation of forward-looking non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable U.S. GAAP measure because it is unable to predict with reasonable certainty the ultimate outcome of certain significant items without unreasonable effort.



Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Data

for the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2023

(\$ millions, except pecentages)

Sales ¹	Q1 24	Q4 23	Q3 23	Q2 23	Total		Q1 23
Life Sciences	\$ 200	\$ 203	\$ 219	\$ 240	\$ 862	\$	207
Personal Care	129	146	146	167	588		138
Specialty Additives	122	144	152	161	579		143
Intermediates	33	37	43	51	164		54
Less: Intercompany Eliminations	(11)	(12)	(14)	(16)	(53)		(17)
Total	\$ 473	\$ 518	\$ 546	\$ 603	\$ 2,140	\$	525

					4	Adjusted EBITDA	
Adjusted EBITDA ¹	Q1 24	Q4 23	Q3 23	Q2 23	Total	Margin	Q1 23
Life Sciences	\$ 48	\$ 48	\$ 72	\$ 75	\$ 243	28.2% \$	52
Personal Care	22	36	35	35	128	21.8%	32
Specialty Additives	6	8	29	34	77	13.3%	23
Intermediates	10	3	16	20	49	29.9%	23
Unallocated	(16)	(21)	(19)	(19)	(75)		(22)
Total	\$ 70	\$ 74	\$ 133	\$ 145	\$ 422	19.7% \$	108



Segment Components of Key Items for Applicable Income Statement Captions – for the 3 months ended December 31, 2023 In millions - preliminary and unaudited

(\$ millions)	Three Months Ended December 31, 2023											
	Life Sciences			Personal Care		Specialty Additives		Intermediates		ocated Other	Total	
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)			-			_						
Operating key items:												
Environmental reserve adjustments	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(4)	\$	(4)
Restructuring, separation and other costs		-		-		- (01)		-		(4)		(4)
Accelerated depreciation		-		-		(21)		-		- (E)		(21)
Argentina currency devaluation impact All other operating income (loss)		32		2		(11)		7		(5) (14)		(5) 16
Operating income (loss)		32		2		(32)		7		(27)		(18)
NET INTEREST AND OTHER EXPENSE (INCOME)												
Key items										(31)		(31)
All other net interest and other expense										7		7
										(24)		(24)
OTHER NET PERIODIC BENEFIT LOSS										2		2
INCOME TAX EXPENSE (BENEFIT)												
Tax effect of key items (a)										(1)		(1)
Tax specific key items (b)										(24)		(24)
All other income tax expense										1		1 (0.1)
INCOME (LOSS) FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	\$	32	\$	2	\$	(32)	\$	7	\$	(24) 19	\$	(24) 28
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⁽a) Represents the tax effect of the key items that are previously identified above.

⁽b) Represents key items resulting from tax specific financial transactions, tax law changes or other matters that fall within the definition of tax specific key items. See slide 37 for additional information.

Segment Components of Key Items for Applicable Income Statement Captions – for the 3 months ended December 31, 2022 In millions - preliminary and unaudited

(\$ millions)

				Thre	e Mon	ths Ende	d Dece	ember 31,	2022			
	Life S	ciences		ersonal Care		ecialty ditives	Interi	mediates		ocated Other	Т	otal
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)												
Operating key items:	¢.		Φ.		Φ.				Φ.	(0)	c	(0)
Environmental reserve adjustments Restructuring, separation and other costs	\$	(1)	\$	_	\$	-	Þ	_	Þ	(8)	\$	(8)
Asset impairments		-		_		(4)		_		_		(4)
All other operating income (loss)		35		11		5		20		(21)		50
Operating income (loss)		34		11		1		20		(29)		37
NET INTEREST AND OTHER EXPENSE (INCOME)												
Key items										(21)		(21)
All other net interest and other expense										7		7
										(14)		(14)
OTHER NET PERIODIC BENEFIT LOSS										1		1
INCOME TAX EXPENSE (BENEFIT)												
Tax effect of key items (a)										2		2
All other income tax expense										6		6
INCOME (LOSS) FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	.\$	34	\$	11	\$	1	\$	20	\$	(24)	\$	<u>8</u> 42
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Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Data – Free Cash Flow and Adjusted Operating Income

for the 3 Months Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

(\$ millions)	Three months ended December 31					
Free cash flows		2023	2022			
Total cash flows provided (used) by operating activities from continuing						
operations	\$	201	\$	(29)		
Adjustments:						
Additions to property, plant and equipment		(36)		(23)		
Free cash flows	\$	165	\$	(52)		
Cash (inflows) outflows from U.S. Accounts Receivable Sales Program (a)		(8)		19		
Cash inflows from Foreign Accounts Receivable Sales Program (b)		(102)		-		
Restructuring-related payments (c)		3		1		
Environmental and related litigation payments (d)		8		11		
Ongoing free cash flow	\$	66	\$	(21)		
Net Income		26		40		
Adjusted EBITDA (e)	\$	70	\$	108		
Operating cash flow conversion (f)		773%		-73%		
Ongoing free cash flow conversion (a)		94%		-19%		

⁽a) Represents activity associated with the U.S. Accounts Receivable Sales Program impacting each period presented.

⁽g) Ongoing free cash flow conversion is defined as Ongoing free cash flow divided by Adjusted EBITDA

	Three months ended December 31						
Adjusted operating income	2	023	2	022			
Operating income (loss) (as reported)	\$	(18)	\$	37			
Key items, before tax:							
Restructuring, separation and other costs		4		1			
Environmental reserve adjustments		4		8			
Accelerated depreciation		21		-			
3 Argentina currency devaluation impact		5		-			
Asset impairments				4			
Adjusted operating income (non-GAAP)	\$	16	\$	50			



⁽b) Represents activity associated with the Foreign Accounts Receivable Sales Program impacting each period presented.

⁽c) Restructuring payments incurred during each period presented.

⁽d) Represents cash outflows associated with environmental and related litigation payments which will be reimbursed by the Environmental trust.

⁽e) See Adjusted EBITDA reconciliation.

⁽f) Operating cash flow conversion is defined as Cash flows provided (used) by operating activities from continuing operations divided by Net Income.

Ashland Inc.

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Data – Adjusted EBITDA

for the 3 Months Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

(\$ millions)

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Adjusted EBITDA - Ashland Inc.	2	023	2	2022
Net income	\$	26	\$	40
Income tax expense (benefit)		(24)		8
Net interest and other income		(24)		(14)
Depreciation and amortization (a)		56		59
EBITDA		34		93
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes		2		2
Operating key items (see slides 31 and 32)		34		13
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	70	\$	108



Three months anded

⁽a) Depreciation and amortization excludes accelerated depreciation of \$21 million for Specialty Additives for the three months ended December 31, 2023, which is included as a key item within this table as a component of Adjusted EBITDA.

Life Sciences and Personal Care

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Data – Adjusted EBITDA

for the 3 Months Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

(\$ millions)

	Three months ended December 31					
	2023		2022			
Adjusted EBITDA - Life Sciences						
Operating income	\$	32	\$	34		
Add:						
Depreciation and amortization		16		17		
Operating key items (see slides 31 and 32)		-		1		
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	48	\$	52		
EBITDA - Personal Care						
Operating income	\$	2	\$	11		
Add:						
Depreciation and amortization		20		21		
EBITDA	\$	22	\$	32		



Specialties Additives and Intermediates

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Data – Adjusted EBITDA

for the 3 Months Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

\$ millions)		Three months ended December 31	
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Adjusted EBITDA - Specialty Additives		(00) #	1
Operating income (loss)	\$	(32) \$	
Add:			
Depreciation and amortization ^(a)		17	18
Operating key items (see slides 31 and 32)		21	4
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	6 \$	23
EBITDA - Intermediates			
Operating income	\$	7 \$	20
Add:			
Depreciation and amortization		3	3
EBITDA	\$	10 \$	23



⁽a) Depreciation and amortization excludes accelerated depreciation of \$21 million for Specialty Additives for the three months ended December 31, 2023, which is included as a key item within this table as a component of Adjusted EBITDA.

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Data – Adjusted Income from Continuing Operations

for the 3 Months Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

millions)	

		DOCOI	311100101		
	2023		2022		
Income from continuing operations (as reported)	\$	28	\$	42	
Key items, before tax:					
Restructuring, separation and other costs		4		1	
Unrealized gains on securities		(31)		(21)	
Environmental reserve adjustments		4		8	
Accelerated depreciation		21		-	
Argentina currency devaluation impact		5		-	
Asset impairments		_		4	
Key items, before tax		3		(8)	
Tax effect of key items (a)		(1)		2	
Key items, after tax		2		(6)	
Tax specific key items:					
Other and tax reform related activity		(24)		-	
Tax specific key items (b)		(24)		-	
Total key items		(22)		(6)	
Adjusted income from continuing operations (non-GAAP)	\$	6	\$	36	
Amortization expense adjustment (net of tax) (c)		17		18	
Adjusted income from continuing operations (non-GAAP) excluding intangibles amortization expense	\$	23	\$	54	

⁽a) Represents the tax effect of the key items that are previously identified above.



Three months ended

December 31

⁽b) Represents key items resulting from tax specific financial transactions, tax law changes or other matters that fall within the definition of tax-specific key items. These tax-specific key items include the following: other and tax reform: includes the impact from the remeasurement of Ashland's foreign deferred tax balance resulting from the impact from rate changes for foreign jurisdictions and other tax law changes enacted during 2023.

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Data – Adjusted Diluted EPS from Continuing Operations

Three months ended

for the 3 Months Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

		Decen	nber (31
	2	2023		2022
Diluted EPS from continuing operations (as reported)	\$	0.54	\$	0.76
Key items, before tax:				
Restructuring, separation and other costs		0.08		0.02
Unrealized gains on securities		(0.60)		(0.38)
Environmental reserve adjustments		0.08		0.14
Accelerated depreciation		0.41		-
Argentina currency devaluation impact		0.10		-
Asset impairments		-		0.07
Key items, before tax		0.07		(0.15)
Tax effect of key items (a)		(0.02)		0.03
Key items, after tax		0.05		(0.12)
Tax specific key items:				
Other and tax reform related activity		(0.47)		-
Tax specific key items (b)		(0.47)		
Total key items		(0.42)		(0.12)
Adjusted diluted EPS from continuing operations (non-GAAP)	\$	0.12	\$	0.64
Amortization expense adjustment (net of tax) (c)		0.33		0.33
Adjusted diluted EPS from continuing operations (non-GAAP) excluding intangibles amortization expense	\$	0.45	\$	0.97



⁽a) Represents the tax effect of the key items that are previously identified above.

⁽b) Represents key items resulting from tax specific financial transactions, tax law changes or other matters that fall within the definition of tax-specific key items. These tax-specific key items include the following:

other and tax reform: includes the impact from the remeasurement of Ashland's foreign deferred tax balance resulting from the impact from rate changes for foreign jurisdictions and other tax law changes enacted during 2023.

⁽c) Amortization expense adjustment (net of tax) tax rates were 20% for the three months ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.

