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FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 or 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF \circ_{1934}

For the quarterly period ended June 24, 2017

or

..TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT OF SECTION 13 or 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from to
Commission File Number: 001-33268
CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY
Delaware 68-0275553
(State or other jurisdiction (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation or organization) Identification No.)

1340 Treat Blvd., Suite 600, Walnut Creek, California 94597

(Address of principal executive offices)

(925) 948-4000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. ý Yes "No Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). ý Yes "No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer " Accelerated filer ý

Non-accelerated filer "(Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company "

Emerging growth company "

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). "Yes \circ No

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Common Stock Outstanding as of July 25, 2017 12,160,023 Class A Common Stock Outstanding as of July 25, 2017 37,962,372 Class B Stock Outstanding as of July 25, 2017 1,652,262

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Safe Harbor Statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995

This Form 10-O includes "forward-looking statements." Forward-looking statements include statements concerning our plans, objectives, goals, strategies, future events, future revenues or performance, capital expenditures, plans or intentions relating to acquisitions, our competitive strengths and weaknesses, our business strategy and the trends we anticipate in the industries in which we operate and other information that is not historical information. When used in this Form 10-Q, the words "estimates," "expects," "anticipates," "projects," "plans," "intends," "believes" and variations of such words or similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements, including, without limitation, our future earnings expectations, are based upon our current expectations and various assumptions. Our expectations, beliefs and projections are expressed in good faith, and we believe there is a reasonable basis for them, but we cannot assure you that our expectations, beliefs and projections will be realized. There are a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements contained in this Form 10-O. Important factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements we make in this Form 10-Q are set forth in the Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 24, 2016, including the factors described in the section entitled "Item 1A – Risk Factors." If any of these risks or uncertainties materializes, or if any of our underlying assumptions are incorrect, our actual results may differ significantly from the results that we express in, or imply by, any of our forward-looking statements. We do not undertake any obligation to revise these forward-looking statements to reflect future events or circumstances, except as required by law. Presently known risk factors include, but are not limited to, the following factors:

seasonality and fluctuations in our operating results and cash flow;

- •fluctuations in market prices for seeds and grains and other raw materials;
- •our inability to pass through cost increases in a timely manner;
- our dependence upon key executives;

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- risks associated with new product introductions, including the risk that our new products will not produce sufficient sales to recoup our investment;
- fluctuations in energy prices, fuel and related petrochemical costs;
- •declines in consumer spending during economic downturns;
- •inflation, deflation and other adverse macro-economic conditions;
- •supply shortages in pet birds, small animals and fish;
- •adverse weather conditions;
- •risks associated with our acquisition strategy and joint ventures;
- •access to and cost of additional capital;
- •dependence on a small number of customers for a significant portion of our business;
- •increasing consolidation and other trends in the retail industry;
- •competition in our industries;
- •potential goodwill or intangible asset impairment;
- •continuing implementation of an enterprise resource planning information technology system;
- •our ability to protect our intellectual property rights;
- •potential environmental liabilities;
- •risk associated with international sourcing;
- •litigation and product liability claims;
- •regulatory issues;
- •the impact of product recalls;
- •potential costs and risks associated with actual or anticipated cyber attacks;
- •the voting power associated with our Class B stock; and
- •potential dilution from issuance of authorized shares.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in thousands, except share and per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	June 24, 2017	June 25, 2016	September 24, 2016
ASSETS			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$14,473	\$40,000	\$92,982
Restricted cash	10,999	12,029	10,910
Accounts receivable (less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$21,277,	279,504	241,954	201,151
\$25,429 and \$21,069)	,		
Inventories	383,449	361,813	362,004
Deferred taxes, prepaid expenses and other	51,964	45,075	47,759
Total current assets	740,389	700,871	714,806
Land, buildings, improvements and equipment—net	177,784	159,430	158,224
Goodwill	230,385	233,011	231,385
Other intangible assets—net	90,004	95,070	95,865
Other assets	113,185	28,525	11,913
Total	\$1,351,747	\$1,216,907	\$1,212,193
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$106,408	\$96,906	\$ 102,413
Accrued expenses	112,091	102,953	99,343
Current portion of long-term debt	375	530	463
Total current liabilities	218,874	200,389	202,219
Long-term debt	435,074	394,603	394,806
Deferred taxes and other long-term obligations	68,792	63,975	60,581
Equity:			
Common stock, 12,160,023, 11,998,472, and 11,998,472 shares outstanding	. 100	120	100
at June 24, 2017, June 25, 2016 and September 24, 2016	122	120	120
Class A common stock, \$0.01 par value: 37,933,970, 37,197,569 and			
37,418,572 shares outstanding at June 24, 2017, June 25, 2016 and	379	371	374
September 24, 2016			
Class B stock, \$0.01 par value: 1,652,262 shares outstanding	16	16	16
Additional paid-in capital	392,995	390,270	393,297
Accumulated earnings	235,070	166,112	160,501
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	•	•	(1,294)
Total Central Garden & Pet Company shareholders' equity	627,095	556,084	553,014
Noncontrolling interest	1,912	1,856	1,573
Total equity	629,007	557,940	554,587
Total	\$1,351,747	\$1,216,907	\$ 1,212,193
See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.	Ψ 1,001,7 T7	\$ 1, 2 10,707	¥ 1,=1=,1/0

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CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(in thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	Three Mor	nths Ended	Nine Months Ended		
	June 24,	June 25,	June 24,	June 25,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016	
Net sales	\$574,592	\$514,544	\$1,564,014	\$1,415,605	
Cost of goods sold and occupancy	391,319	350,799	1,076,534	982,735	
Gross profit	183,273	163,745	487,480	432,870	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	125,340	115,560	345,749	316,509	
Operating income	57,933	48,185	141,731	116,361	
Interest expense	(7,273)	(6,964)	(20,976)	(36,205)	
Interest income	53	43	99	74	
Other income (expense)	1,626	318	(306)	(243)	
Income before income taxes and noncontrolling interest	52,339	41,582	120,548	79,987	
Income tax expense	19,450	14,916	44,621	28,509	
Income including noncontrolling interest	32,889	26,666	75,927	51,478	
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	641	636	1,358	1,353	
Net income attributable to Central Garden & Pet Company	\$32,248	\$26,030	\$74,569	\$50,125	
Net income per share attributable to Central Garden & Pet					
Company:					
Basic	\$0.64	\$0.53	\$1.49	\$1.03	
Diluted	\$0.62	\$0.51	\$1.44	\$0.99	
Weighted average shares used in the computation of net income per	•				
share:					
Basic	50,507	49,120	50,084	48,801	
Diluted	51,825	51,063	51,769	50,743	
See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.					

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (in thousands) (Unaudited)

	Three M	onths	Nine Months		
	Ended		Ended		
	June 24, June 25,		June 24,	June 25,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016	
Income including noncontrolling interest	\$32,889	\$26,666	\$75,927	\$51,478	
Other comprehensive income (loss):					
Foreign currency translation	172	(277)	(193)	(969)	
Total comprehensive income	33,061	26,389	75,734	50,509	
Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interest	641	636	1,358	1,353	
Comprehensive income attributable to Central Garden & Pet Company	\$32,420	\$25,753	\$74,376	\$49,156	
See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.					

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CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (in thousands, unaudited)

	Nine Mor	nths
	Ended	
	June 24,	June 25,
	2017	2016
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$75,927	\$51,478
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash used by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	31,374	29,286
Amortization of deferred financing costs	1,021	1,164
Stock-based compensation	8,189	6,069
Excess tax benefits from stock-based awards	(17,205)	(4,726)
Deferred income taxes	10,420	
Write-off of deferred financing costs	_	3,337
Loss on sale of property and equipment	96	788
Gain on sale of facility	(2.050)	(2,544)
Other	1,241	190
Change in assets and liabilities (excluding businesses acquired):	-,- :-	-, -
Accounts receivable	(74.234)	(13,236)
Inventories		(5,928)
Prepaid expenses and other assets	11,774	
Accounts payable		(8,027)
Accrued expenses	10,629	
Other long-term obligations		(1,878)
Net cash provided by operating activities	42,648	
Cash flows from investing activities:	72,070	07,303
Additions to property and equipment	(37.087.)	(19,486)
Payments to acquire companies, net of cash acquired		(68,901)
Proceeds from the sale of business, facility and other assets	8,301	3,899
•	(89)	
Change in restricted cash	(11,495)	
Investment in equity method investee Other investing activities		
	(2,735)	
Net cash used in investing activities	(149,920)	(83,909)
Cash flows from financing activities:	(156	(400.220)
Repayments of long-term debt	(456)	(400,230)
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	456,000	400,000
Borrowings under revolving line of credit	456,000	419,000
Repayments under revolving line of credit	(416,000)	(419,000)
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	<u> </u>	280
Repurchase of common stock, including shares surrendered for tax withholding		(9,429)
Payment of contingent consideration liability	(1,222)	
Distribution to noncontrolling interest	(1,019)	(592)
Payment of financing costs		(7,560)
Excess tax benefits from stock-based awards	17,205	4,726
Net cash provided (used) by financing activities	28,854	(12,805)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(85)	(453)

Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(78,509) (7,584)
Cash and equivalents at beginning of period	92,982 47,584
Cash and equivalents at end of period	\$14,473 \$40,000
Supplemental information:	
Cash paid for interest	\$27,075 \$32,440
See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements	

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Three and Nine Months Ended June 24, 2017

(Unaudited)

1. Basis of Presentation

The condensed consolidated balance sheets of Central Garden & Pet Company and subsidiaries (the "Company" or "Central") as of June 24, 2017 and June 25, 2016, the condensed consolidated statements of operations and the condensed consolidated statements of comprehensive income for the three and nine months ended June 24, 2017 and June 25, 2016, and the condensed consolidated statements of cash flows for the nine months ended June 24, 2017 and June 25, 2016 have been prepared by the Company, without audit. In the opinion of management, the interim financial statements include all normal recurring adjustments necessary for a fair statement of the results for the interim periods presented.

For the Company's foreign business in the UK, the local currency is the functional currency. Assets and liabilities are translated using the exchange rate in effect at the balance sheet date. Income and expenses are translated at the average exchange rate for the period. Deferred taxes are not provided on translation gains and losses because the Company expects earnings of its foreign subsidiary to be permanently reinvested. Transaction gains and losses are included in results of operations. See Note 8, Supplemental Equity Information, for further detail.

Due to the seasonal nature of the Company's garden business, the results of operations for the three and nine months ended June 24, 2017 are not indicative of the operating results that may be expected for the entire fiscal year. These interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the annual audited financial statements, accounting policies and financial notes thereto, included in the Company's 2016 Annual Report on Form 10-K, which has previously been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The September 24, 2016 balance sheet presented herein was derived from the audited financial statements.

Noncontrolling Interest

Noncontrolling interest in the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements represents the 20% interest not owned by Central in a consolidated subsidiary. Since the Company controls this subsidiary, its financial statements are consolidated with those of the Company, and the noncontrolling owner's 20% share of the subsidiary's net assets and results of operations is deducted and reported as noncontrolling interest on the consolidated balance sheets and as net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interest in the consolidated statements of operations. See Note 8, Supplemental Equity Information, for additional information.

Restricted Cash

Restricted cash includes cash and highly liquid instruments that are used as collateral for stand-alone letter of credit agreements related to normal business transactions. These agreements require the Company to maintain specified amounts of cash as collateral in segregated accounts to support the letters of credit issued thereunder, which will affect the amount of cash the Company has available for other uses. The amount of cash collateral in these segregated accounts was approximately \$11.0 million, \$12.0 million and \$10.9 million as of June 24, 2017, June 25, 2016 and September 24, 2016, respectively, and is reflected in Restricted cash on the condensed consolidated balance sheets. Recent Accounting Pronouncements

Accounting Pronouncements Recently Adopted

Consolidation

In February 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-02 (ASU 2015-02), Amendments to the Consolidation Analysis to ASC Topic 810, Consolidation. ASU 2015-02 modifies the evaluation of whether limited partnerships and similar legal entities are VIEs or voting interest entities, eliminates the presumption that a general partner should consolidate a limited partnership and affects the consolidation analysis of reporting entities that are involved with VIEs, particularly those that have fee arrangements and related party relationships. ASU 2015-02 became effective during the Company's first quarter of fiscal 2017, and the adoption of the standard had no impact on the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements.

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Stock Based Compensation

In June 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-12 (ASU 2014-12), Compensation - Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Accounting for Share-Based Payments When the Terms of an Award Provide That a Performance Target Could Be Achieved after the Requisite Service Period. ASU 2014-12 requires that a performance target that affects vesting and that could be achieved after the requisite service period should be treated as a performance condition. A reporting entity should apply existing guidance in Topic 718 as it relates to awards with performance conditions that affect vesting to account for such awards. As such, the performance target should not be reflected in estimating the grant-date fair value of the award. ASU 2014-12 became effective during the Company's first quarter of fiscal 2017, and the adoption of the standard had no impact on the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements. Accounting Standards Not Yet Adopted

Revenue Recognition

In May 2014, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2014-09 (ASU 2014-09), Revenue from Contracts with Customers. This update was issued as Accounting Standards Codification Topic 606. The core principle of this amendment is that an entity should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. On July 9, 2015, the FASB deferred the effective date of ASU 2014-09 for one year. ASU 2014-09 is now effective for the Company beginning in the first quarter of its fiscal year ending September 28, 2019. Early adoption is permitted, but not before interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016. The guidance permits two implementation approaches, one requiring retrospective application of the new standard with restatement of prior years and one requiring prospective application of the new standard with disclosure of results under old standards. The Company is currently evaluating the impact that the adoption of this standard will have on its consolidated financial statements.

Leases

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02 (ASU 2016-02), Leases (Topic 842). ASU 2016-02 requires companies to generally recognize on the balance sheet operating and financing lease liabilities and corresponding right-of-use assets. ASU 2016-02 is effective for the Company in our first quarter of fiscal 2020 on a modified retrospective basis and earlier adoption is permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of its pending adoption of ASU 2016-02 on its consolidated financial statements, and it currently expects that most of its operating lease commitments will be subject to the new standard and recognized as operating lease liabilities and right-of-use assets upon the adoption of ASU 2016-02.

Stock Compensation

In March 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-09 (ASU 2016-09), Compensation - Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting. ASU 2016-09 simplifies the accounting for share-based payment award transactions including: income tax consequences, classification of awards as either equity or liabilities and classification on the statement of cash flows. ASU 2016-09 is effective for annual periods and interim periods within those annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016, or the Company's first quarter of fiscal 2018. Early adoption is permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the requirements of ASU 2016-09 and has not yet determined the impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In May 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-09 (ASU 2017-09), Compensation-Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Scope of Modification Accounting, which provides clarity on which changes to the terms or conditions of share-based payment awards require an entity to apply the modification accounting provisions required in Topic 718. The standard is effective for all entities for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2017, with early adoption permitted, including adoption in any interim period for which financial statements have not yet been issued. The Company does not expect the adoption of this ASU will have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements. Inventory Measurement

In July 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-11 (ASU 2015-11), Simplifying the Measurement of Inventory. Under ASU 2015-11, inventory will be measured at the "lower of cost and net realizable value" and options that currently exist for "market value" will be eliminated. The standard defines net realizable value as the "estimated selling prices in the

ordinary course of business, less reasonably predictable costs of completion, disposal, and transportation." No other changes were made to the current guidance on inventory measurement. ASU 2015-11 is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after

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December 15, 2016, or the Company's first quarter of fiscal 2018. Early application is permitted and should be applied prospectively. The Company does not expect the adoption of ASU 2015-11 will have a material impact on its condensed consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.

Balance Sheet Classification of Deferred Taxes.

In November 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-17, Balance Sheet Classification of Deferred Taxes. This ASU eliminates the current requirement for entities to present deferred tax liabilities and assets as current and noncurrent in a classified statement of financial position and instead requires that deferred income tax liabilities and assets be classified as noncurrent in a classified statement of financial position. The amendments in this update are effective for financial statements issued for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016, or the Company's first quarter of fiscal 2018, and interim periods within those annual periods. The standard allows for either a retrospective or prospective transition method and is not expected to have a significant impact on the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows. As of June 24, 2017, June 25, 2016 and September 24, 2016, net current deferred tax assets classified within deferred taxes, prepaid expenses and other current assets were \$30.4 million, \$29.7 million and \$31.5 million, respectively.

Statement of Cash Flows

In August 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-15, Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230): Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Cash Payments (ASU 2016-15). The ASU provides additional clarification guidance on the classification of certain cash receipts and payments in the statement of cash flows. The new guidance is effective for fiscal years and interim periods within those years beginning after December 15, 2017, or the Company's first quarter of fiscal 2019, with early adoption permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of ASU 2016-15 will have on its consolidated financial statements.

In November 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-18, Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230): Restricted Cash (a consensus of the FASB Emerging Issues Task Force) (ASU 2016-18). This ASU clarifies the presentation of restricted cash on the statement of cash flows. Amounts generally described as restricted cash and restricted cash equivalents should be included with cash and cash equivalents when reconciling the beginning and ending cash balances on the statement of cash flows. ASU 2016-18 is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, or the Company's first quarter of fiscal 2019, with early adoption permitted. The Company does not expect that ASU 2016-18 will have a material impact on its condensed consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.

Business Combinations

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU No. 2017-01, Clarifying the Definition of a Business (ASU 2017-01), which requires an evaluation of whether substantially all of the fair value of assets acquired is concentrated in a single identifiable asset or a group of similar identifiable assets. If so, the transaction does not qualify as a business. The guidance also requires an acquired business to include at least one substantive process and narrows the definition of outputs. The Company is required to apply this guidance to annual periods beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim periods within those periods, or the Company's first quarter of fiscal 2019. The Company is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of ASU 2017-01 will have on its consolidated financial statements.

Goodwill

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU No. 2017-04, Intangibles - Goodwill and Other: Simplifying the Test for Goodwill Impairment. The new guidance simplifies the subsequent measurement of goodwill by removing the second step of the two-step impairment test. The amendment requires an entity to perform its annual or interim goodwill impairment test by comparing the fair value of a reporting unit with its carrying amount. An entity still has the option to perform the qualitative assessment for a reporting unit to determine if the quantitative impairment test is necessary. The new guidance will be effective for annual periods or any interim goodwill impairment tests in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, or the Company's first quarter of fiscal 2021. The amendment should be applied on a prospective basis. Early adoption is permitted for interim or annual goodwill impairment tests performed on

testing dates after January 1, 2017. The Company will adopt this guidance in its fourth quarter of fiscal 2017 as part of its annual goodwill impairment testing.

2. Fair Value Measurements

ASC 820 establishes a single authoritative definition of fair value, a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosure of fair value measurements. ASC 820 requires financial assets and liabilities to be categorized based on the inputs used to calculate their fair values as follows:

Level 1 - Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 - Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.

Level 3 - Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, which reflect the Company's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability (including assumptions about risk). The Company's financial instruments include cash and equivalents, short term investments consisting of bank certificates of deposit, accounts receivable and payable, derivative instruments, short-term borrowings, and accrued liabilities. The carrying amount of these instruments approximates fair value because of their short-term nature. Assets and Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

The following table presents the Company's financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis based upon the level within the fair value hierarchy in which the fair value measurements fall, as of June 24, 2017 (in thousands):

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Level	1 1	evel:	2 L	evel	.5	Total

Liabilities:

Liability for contingent consideration (a) \$ 0 \$ 0 \$4,095 \$4,095 Total liabilities \$ 0 \$ 0 \$4,095 \$4,095

The following table presents the Company's financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis based upon the level within the fair value hierarchy in which the fair value measurements fall, as of June 25, 2016 (in thousands):

Level 1 Level 2 Level 3 Total

Liabilities:

Liability for contingent consideration (a) \$ 0 \$ 0 \$6,355 \$6,355 Total liabilities \$ 0 \$ 0 \$6,355 \$6,355

The following table presents our financial assets and liabilities at fair value on a recurring basis based upon the level within the fair value hierarchy in which the fair value measurements fall, as of September 24, 2016:

Level 1 Level 2 Level 3 Total

Liabilities:

Liability for contingent consideration (a) 0 0 5,113 5,113 Total liabilities 0 0 5,113 5,113

The liability for contingent consideration relates to an earn-out for B2E, acquired in December 2012, and future performance-based contingent payments for Hydro-Organics Wholesale, Inc., acquired in October 2015. The fair value of the estimated contingent consideration arrangement is determined based on the Company's evaluation as to the probability and amount of any earn-out that will be achieved based on expected future performance by the acquired entity. This is presented as part of long-term liabilities in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets.

The following table provides a summary of the changes in fair value of the Company's Level 3 financial instruments for the periods ended June 24, 2017 and June 25, 2016 (in thousands):

Balance September 24, 2016 Estimated contingent performance-based consideration established at the time of acquisition Changes in the fair value of contingent performance-based payments established at the time of acquisition Performance-based payments Balance June 24, 2017	Amount \$5,113 — 204 (1,222) \$4,095
Balance September 26, 2015 Estimated contingent performance-based consideration established at the time of acquisition Changes in the fair value of contingent performance-based payments established at the time of acquisition Balance June 25, 2016	Amount \$3,625 2,590 140 \$6,355

Assets and Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Non-Recurring Basis

The Company measures certain non-financial assets and liabilities, including long-lived assets, goodwill and intangible assets, at fair value on a non-recurring basis. Fair value measurements of non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities are used primarily in the impairment analyses of long-lived assets, goodwill and other intangible assets. During the periods ended June 24, 2017 and June 25, 2016, the Company was not required to measure any significant non-financial assets and liabilities at fair value.

Fair Value of Other Financial Instruments

In November 2015, the Company issued \$400 million aggregate principal amount of 6.125% senior notes due November 2023 (the "2023 Notes"). The estimated fair value of the Company's 2023 Notes as of June 24, 2017, June 25, 2016 and September 24, 2016 was \$430.5 million, \$417 million and \$430.3 million, respectively, compared to a carrying value of \$395.0 million, \$394.2 million and \$394.4 million, respectively.

3. Acquisitions

K&H Manufacturing

On April 28, 2017, the Company purchased K&H Manufacturing, a producer of premium pet supplies and the largest marketer of heated pet products in the country, for a purchase price of approximately \$48.0 million. The purchase price exceeded the estimated fair value of the net tangible assets acquired by approximately \$41.8 million, which is included in other assets in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheet as of June 24, 2017. The Company has not yet finalized the allocation of the purchase price to the fair value of the intangible assets acquired. K&H sells branded pet products under the K&H and K&H Pet brands. The acquisition is expected to complement the Company's existing dog and cat business.

Segrest Inc.

On October 24, 2016, the Company acquired Segrest, Inc., a wholesaler of aquarium fish, for a purchase price of approximately \$60.0 million, of which \$6.0 million is in an escrow account managed by an independent trustee and is payable contingent upon future events. The purchase price exceeded the estimated fair value of the net tangible assets acquired by approximately \$47.7 million, which is included in other assets in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheet as of June 24, 2017. The Company has not yet finalized the allocation of the purchase price to the fair value of the intangible assets acquired. This acquisition is expected to strengthen the Company's position in the aquatics category and provide the opportunity for synergies with the Company's existing aquatics business. Proforma financial information has not been presented as the Segrest and K&H acquisitions were not considered material to the Company's overall consolidated financial statements during the periods presented.

4. Inventories, net

Inventories, net of allowance for obsolescence, consist of the following (in thousands):

	June 24,	June 25,	September
	2017	2016	24, 2016
Raw materials	\$118,097	\$110,095	\$120,786
Work in progress	16,573	16,604	17,378
Finished goods	243,053	225,814	217,788
Supplies	5,726	9,300	6,052
Total inventories, net	\$383,449	\$361.813	\$362,004

5. Goodwill

The Company tests goodwill for impairment annually, or whenever events occur or circumstances change that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of a reporting unit below its carrying amount. This assessment involves the use of significant accounting judgments and estimates as to future operating results and discount rates. Changes in estimates or use of different assumptions could produce significantly different results. An impairment loss is generally recognized when the carrying amount of the reporting unit's net assets exceeds the estimated fair value of the reporting unit. The Company uses discounted cash flow analysis to estimate the fair value of our reporting units. The Company's goodwill impairment analysis also includes a comparison of the aggregate estimated fair value of its reporting units to the Company's total market capitalization.

6. Other Intangible Assets

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The following table summarizes the components of gross and net acquired intangible assets:

	Gross		Accumulated Impairment (in millions)	Net Carrying Value
June 24, 2017			(III IIIIIIIIII)	
Marketing-related intangible assets – amortizable	\$14.9	\$ (11.9)	\$ —	\$ 3.0
Marketing-related intangible assets – nonamortizable			(26.0)	36.7
Total	77.6	(11.9)	(26.0)	39.7
Customer-related intangible assets – amortizable	64.3	(29.0)		35.3
Other acquired intangible assets – amortizable	20.8	(12.4)	_	8.4
Other acquired intangible assets – nonamortizable	7.8		(1.2)	6.6
Total	28.6	(12.4)	(1.2)	15.0
Total other intangible assets	\$170.5	\$ (53.3)	\$ (27.2)	\$ 90.0
	Gross		Accumulated Impairment	Net Carrying Value
			(in millions)	
June 25, 2016				
Marketing-related intangible assets – amortizable	\$14.9	\$ (11.1)	\$ —	\$ 3.8
Marketing-related intangible assets – nonamortizable	63.0		(24.2)	38.8
Total	77.9	(11.1)	(24.2)	42.6
Customer-related intangible assets – amortizable	62.1	(25.8)	_	36.3
Other acquired intangible assets – amortizable	20.8	(11.2)	_	9.6
Other acquired intangible assets – nonamortizable	7.8		(1.2)	6.6
Total	28.6	(11.2)	,	16.2
Total other intangible assets	\$168.6	\$ (48.1)	\$ (25.4)	\$ 95.1
	Gross		Accumulated Impairment	Net Carrying Value
			(in millions)	
September 24, 2016				
Marketing-related intangible assets – amortizable	\$14.9	\$ (11.3)	\$ —	\$ 3.6
Marketing-related intangible assets – nonamortizable		_	(26.0)	37.0
Total	77.9	(11.3)	(26.0)	40.6
Customer-related intangible assets – amortizable	65.6	(26.1)	_	39.5
Other acquired intangible assets – amortizable	20.8	(11.6)	_	9.2
Other acquired intangible assets – nonamortizable	7.8	_	(1.2)	6.6
Total	28.6	(11.6)	,	15.8
Total other intangible assets	\$172.1	\$ (49.0)	\$ (27.2)	\$ 95.9

Other acquired intangible assets include contract-based and technology-based intangible assets.

The Company evaluates long-lived assets, including amortizable and indefinite-lived intangible assets, for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable. The Company evaluates indefinite-lived intangible assets on an annual basis. In the fourth quarter of fiscal 2016, the Company recognized a non-cash \$1.8 million impairment charge to certain indefinite-lived intangible assets as a result of increased competition in the marketplace and declining volume of sales. Other factors indicating the carrying value of the Company's amortizable intangible assets may not be recoverable were not present in fiscal 2016 or during the nine months ended June 24, 2017, and accordingly, no impairment testing was performed on these assets.

The Company amortizes its acquired intangible assets with definite lives over periods ranging from four years to 25 years; over weighted average remaining lives of six years for marketing-related intangibles, 11 years for customer-related intangibles and 13 years for other acquired intangibles. Amortization expense for intangibles subject

to amortization was approximately \$1.4 million and \$2.7 million for the three months ended June 24, 2017 and June 25, 2016, respectively, and \$4.3 million and \$4.9 million for the nine months ended June 24, 2017 and June 25, 2016, respectively, and is classified within operating expenses in the condensed consolidated statements of operations. Estimated annual amortization expense related to acquired intangible assets in each of the succeeding five years is estimated to be approximately \$5 million per year from fiscal 2017 through fiscal 2021.

7. Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt consists of the following:

	June 24, 2017 (in thousar	June 25, 2016 nds)	September 24, 2016
Senior notes, interest at 6.125%, payable semi-annually, principal due November 2023	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000
Unamortized debt issuance costs Net carrying value	(5,039) 394,961	(5,834) 394,166	(5,635) 394,365
Asset-based revolving credit facility, interest at LIBOR plus a margin of 1.25% to 1.50% or Base Rate plus a margin of 0.25% to 0.50%, final maturity April 2021	40,000	_	_
Other notes payable	488	967	904
Total	435,449	395,133	395,269
Less current portion	(375)	(530)	(463)
Long-term portion	\$435,074	\$394,603	\$394,806

Senior Notes and Redemption of Senior Subordinated Notes

On November 9, 2015, the Company issued \$400 million aggregate principal amount of 6.125% senior notes due November 2023. In December 2015, the Company used the net proceeds from the offering, together with available cash, to redeem its \$400 million aggregate principal amount of 8.25% senior subordinated notes due March 1, 2018 (2018 Notes) at a price of 102.063% of the principal amount and to pay fees and expenses related to the offering. The Company incurred approximately \$6.3 million of debt issuance costs in conjunction with these transactions, which included underwriter fees and legal, accounting and rating agency expenses. The debt issuance costs are being amortized over the term of the 2023 Notes.

As a result of the Company's redemption of the 2018 Notes, the Company incurred a call premium payment of \$8.3 million, overlapping interest expense for 30 days of approximately \$2.7 million and a \$3.3 million non-cash charge for the write off of unamortized deferred financing costs and discount related to the 2018 Notes. These amounts are included in interest expense in the condensed consolidated statements of operations for the nine months ended June 25, 2016.

The 2023 Notes require semiannual interest payments on May 15 and November 15. The 2023 Notes are unconditionally guaranteed on a senior basis by each of the Company's existing and future domestic restricted subsidiaries which are borrowers under or guarantors of Central's senior secured revolving credit facility. The 2023 Notes are unsecured senior obligations and are subordinated to all of the Company's existing and future secured debt, including the Company's Credit Facility, to the extent of the value of the collateral securing such indebtedness. The Company may redeem some or all of the 2023 Notes at any time, at its option, prior to November 15, 2018 at the principal amount plus a "make whole" premium. At any time prior to November 15, 2018, the Company may also redeem, at its option, up to 35% of the original aggregate principal amount of the notes with the proceeds of certain equity offerings at a redemption price of 106.125% of the principal amount of the notes. The Company may redeem some or all of the 2023 Notes, at its option, at any time on or after November 15, 2018 for 104.594%, on or after November 15, 2019 for 103.063%, on or after November 15, 2020 for 101.531% and on or after November 15, 2021 for 100%, plus accrued and unpaid interest.

The holders of the 2023 Notes have the right to require the Company to repurchase all or a portion of the 2023 Notes at a purchase price equal to 101% of the principal amount of the notes repurchased, plus accrued and unpaid interest upon the occurrence of a change of control.

The 2023 Notes contain customary high yield covenants, including covenants limiting debt incurrence and restricted payments, subject to certain baskets and exceptions. The Company was in compliance with all covenants as of June 24, 2017.

Asset-Based Loan Facility Amendment

On April 22, 2016, the Company entered into an amended and restated credit agreement which provides up to a \$400 million principal amount senior secured asset-based revolving credit facility, with up to an additional \$200 million principal amount available with the consent of the Lenders if the Company exercises the accordion feature set forth therein (collectively, the "Amended Credit Facility"). The Amended Credit Facility matures on April 22, 2021. The Company may borrow, repay and reborrow amounts under the Amended Credit Facility until its maturity date, at which time all amounts outstanding under the Amended Credit Facility must be repaid in full. As of June 24, 2017, there were borrowings of \$40.0 million outstanding and no letters of credit outstanding under the Credit Facility. There were other letters of credit of \$2.6 million outstanding as of June 24, 2017.

The Amended Credit Facility is subject to a borrowing base, calculated using a formula based upon eligible receivables and inventory, minus certain reserves and subject to restrictions. As of June 24, 2017, the borrowing base and remaining borrowing availability was \$360.0 million. Borrowings under the Amended Credit Facility bear interest at an index based on LIBOR or, at the option of the Company, the Base Rate (defined as the highest of (a) the SunTrust prime rate, (b) the Federal Funds Rate plus 0.5% and (c) one-month LIBOR plus 1.00%), plus, in either case, an applicable margin based on the Company's consolidated senior leverage ratio. Such applicable margin for LIBOR-based borrowings fluctuates between 1.25% - 1.50%, and was 1.25% as of June 24, 2017, and such applicable margin for Base Rate borrowings fluctuates between 0.25%-0.5%, and was 0.25% as of June 24, 2017. As of June 24, 2017, the applicable interest rate related to Base Rate borrowings was 4.5%, and the applicable interest rate related to LIBOR-based borrowings was 2.3%.

The Company incurred approximately \$1.2 million of debt issuance costs in conjunction with this transaction, which included underwriter fees, legal and accounting expenses. The debt issuance costs will be amortized over the term of the Amended Credit Facility.

The Amended Credit Facility contains customary covenants, including financial covenants which require the Company to maintain a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio of 1.00:1.00 upon reaching certain borrowing levels. The Amended Credit Facility is secured by substantially all assets of the Company. The Company was in compliance with all financial covenants under the Amended Credit Facility during the quarter ended June 24, 2017.

8. Supplemental Equity Information

The following table provides a summary of the changes in the carrying amounts of equity attributable to controlling interest and noncontrolling interest for the nine months ended June 24, 2017 and June 25, 2016

interest and noncontrolling	-	olling In		monuis en	ieu June 24	+, 2017 and	u J	une 23, 201	.0			
	Conti	oming in	CICSC			Accumula	ate	d				
(in thousands)	Comr Stock	non	nB	Additional Paid In Capital	Retained Earnings	Other Comprehe Income (Loss)			Noncontrol Interest	11i	ng Total	
Balance September 24, 2016	\$120	\$ 374	\$ 16	\$393,297	\$160,501	\$ (1,294)	\$553,014	\$ 1,573		\$554,58	7
Comprehensive income Amortization of					74,569	(193)	74,376	1,358		75,734	
share-based awards Restricted share activity,				6,377				6,377			6,377	
including net share settlement		(1)		(7,491)				(7,492)		(7,492)
Issuance of common stock, including net share settlement of stock options	2	6		(16,358)				(16,350)		(16,350)
Tax benefit on stock option exercise, net of tax deficiency Distribution to				17,170				17,170			17,170	
Noncontrolling interest									(1,019))	(1,019)
Balance June 24, 2017		\$ 379 trolling I		\$392,995	\$235,070	\$ (1,487)	\$627,095	\$ 1,912		\$629,00	7
	001.			•		Accumul	late	ed				
(in thousands)	Con Stoc	Class nm \ n ck Comm Stock		s Additiona Paid In kCapital	Retained Earnings	Other Compreh			Noncontrol Interest	11i	ng Total	
Balance September 26, 2015	\$11	9 \$ 364	\$ 16	\$388,636	\$115,987			\$505,286	\$ 1,094		\$506,38	0
Comprehensive income					50,125	(969)	49,156	1,353		50,509	
Amortization of share-based awards				4,796				4,796			4,796	
Restricted share activity, including net share settlement Issuance of common		1		(1,230)			(1,229)		(1,229)
stock, including net share settlement of stock option Tax benefit on stock		6		(6,654)			(6,647)		(6,647)
option exercise, net of tax deficiency				4,722				4,722			4,722	
actioner									(592))	(592)

Distribution to

Noncontrolling interest

Other 1 1

Balance June 25, 2016 \$120 \$ 371 \$16 \$390,270 \$166,112 \$ (805) \$556,084 \$ 1,856 \$557,940

9. Stock-Based Compensation

The Company recognized share-based compensation expense of \$8.2 million and \$6.1 million for the nine months ended June 24, 2017 and June 25, 2016, respectively, as a component of selling, general and administrative expenses. The tax benefit associated with share-based compensation expense for the nine months ended June 24, 2017 and June 25, 2016 was \$3.0 million and \$2.2 million, respectively.

10. Earnings Per Share

The following is a reconciliation of the numerators and denominators of the basic and diluted per share computations for income from continuing operations.

	Three M June 24,		nded	Nine Mo June 24,	ded	
	Income	Shares	Per Share	Income	Shares	Per Share
Basic EPS:						
Net income available to common shareholders	\$32,248	50,507	\$0.64	\$74,569	50,084	\$1.49
Effect of dilutive securities:						
Options to purchase common stock		810	(0.01)	_	1,080	(0.03)
Restricted shares		508	(0.01)	_	605	(0.02)
Diluted EPS:				_		
Net income available to common shareholders	\$32,248	51,825	\$0.62	\$74,569	51,769	\$1.44
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	Three M June 25,		nded	Nine Mo June 25,		ded
	June 25,	2016	nded Per	June 25,	2016	ded Per
		2016			2016	
Basic EPS:	June 25,	2016	Per	June 25,	2016	Per
Basic EPS: Net income available to common shareholders	June 25, Income	2016 Shares	Per Share	June 25, Income	2016 Shares	Per Share
	June 25, Income	2016 Shares	Per Share	June 25, Income	2016 Shares	Per Share
Net income available to common shareholders	June 25, Income	2016 Shares 49,120	Per Share \$0.53	June 25, Income \$50,125	2016 Shares	Per Share
Net income available to common shareholders Effect of dilutive securities:	June 25, Income	2016 Shares 49,120	Per Share \$0.53	June 25, Income \$50,125	2016 Shares 48,801	Per Share \$1.03
Net income available to common shareholders Effect of dilutive securities: Options to purchase common stock	June 25, Income	2016 Shares 49,120 1,211	Per Share \$0.53 (0.01)	June 25, Income \$50,125	2016 Shares 48,801 1,201	Per Share \$1.03 (0.03)

Options to purchase 2.7 million shares of common stock at prices ranging from \$6.43 to \$31.76 per share were outstanding at June 24, 2017, and options to purchase 4.5 million shares of common stock at prices ranging from \$6.43 to \$15.56 per share were outstanding at June 25, 2016.

For the three months ended June 24, 2017, options to purchase 0.6 million shares of common stock were outstanding but were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share, because the option exercise prices were greater than the average market price of the common shares and, therefore, the effect would be anti-dilutive. For the three months ended June 25, 2016, all options outstanding were included in the computation of diluted earnings per share.

For the nine month period ended June 24, 2017, options to purchase 0.6 million shares of common stock were outstanding but were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share, because the option exercise prices were greater than

the average market price of the common shares and, therefore, the effect would be anti-dilutive. For the nine month period ended June 25, 2016, all options outstanding were included in the computation of diluted earnings per share.

11. Segment Information

Management has determined that the Company has two operating segments, which are also reportable segments based on the level at which the Chief Operating Decision Maker reviews the results of operations to make decisions regarding performance assessment and resource allocation. These operating segments are Pet segment and Garden segment and are presented in the table below (in thousands).

		Three Mon	ths Ended	Nine Months	s Ended	
		June 24,	June 25,	June 24,	June 25,	
		2017	2016	2017	2016	
Net sales:		\$242.42		***		
Pet segment		•	\$287,213	\$915,876	\$811,203	
Garden segment			227,331	648,138	604,402	
Total net sales		\$574,592	\$514,544	\$1,564,014	\$1,415,605	
Operating income:						
Pet segment		36,092	38,759	104,143	97,363	
Garden segment		38,369	26,452	87,050	67,605	
Corporate)
Total income from operations		57,933	48,185	141,731	116,361	
Interest expense - net			,)
Other income (expense)		1,626	318		•)
Income tax expense		19,450	14,916	44,621	28,509	
Income including noncontrolling interest		32,889	26,666	75,927	51,478	
Net income attributable to noncontrolling intere		641	636	1,358	1,353	
Net income attributable to Central Garden & Pe	t Company	\$32,248	\$26,030	\$74,569	\$50,125	
Depreciation and amortization:						
Pet segment		\$6,794	6,700	\$18,798	\$16,120	
Garden segment		1,651	1,542	4,686	4,586	
Corporate		2,585	2,842	7,890	8,580	
Total depreciation and amortization		\$11,030	\$11,084	\$31,374	\$29,286	
	June 24,	June 25,	Septembe	r 24.		
	2017	2016	2016	,		
Assets:						
Pet segment	\$622,567	\$523,281	\$ 508,879			
Garden segment	368,365	327,768	304,901			
Corporate	360,815	365,858	398,413			
Total assets	\$1,351,747	\$1,216,907		93		
Goodwill (included in corporate assets above):						
Pet segment	\$224,912	\$229,713	\$ 225,912			
Garden segment	5,473	3,298	5,473			
Total goodwill	\$230,385	\$233,011	\$ 231,385			
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12. Consolidating Condensed Financial Information of Guarantor Subsidiaries

Certain 100% wholly-owned subsidiaries of the Company (as listed below, collectively the "Guarantor Subsidiaries") have guaranteed fully and unconditionally, on a joint and several basis, the obligation to pay principal and interest on the Company's 2023 Notes. Certain subsidiaries and operating divisions are not guarantors of the 2023 Notes. Those subsidiaries that are guarantors and co-obligors of the 2023 Notes are as follows:

Farnam Companies, Inc.

Four Paws Products Ltd.

Gulfstream Home & Garden, Inc.

Hydro-Organics Wholesale, Inc.

IMS Trading, LLC

IMS Southern, LLC

K&H Manufacturing, LLC

Kaytee Products, Inc.

Matson, LLC

New England Pottery, LLC

Pennington Seed, Inc. (including Gro Tec, Inc. and All-Glass Aquarium Co., Inc.)

Pets International, Ltd.

Segrest, Inc. (including Blue Springs Hatchery, Inc., Segrest Farms, Inc., Florida Tropical Distributors International, Inc., Sun Pet, Ltd and Aquatica Tropicals, Inc.)

T.F.H. Publications, Inc.

Wellmark International (including B2E Corporation and B2E Biotech LLC)

In lieu of providing separate audited financial statements for the Guarantor Subsidiaries, the Company has included the accompanying consolidating condensed financial statements based on the Company's understanding of the Securities and Exchange Commission's interpretation and application of Rule 3-10 of the Securities and Exchange Commission's Regulation S-X.

CONSOLIDATING CONDENSED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS Three Months Ended June 24, 2017 (in thousands)

	Parent		Non- Guarantor Subsidiar		Guarantor Subsidiaries	E	Eliminatio	ns	Consolidate	ed
Net sales	\$ 184,719		\$ 29,067		\$ 387,333	\$	\$ (26,527)	\$ 574,592	
Cost of goods sold and occupancy	142,533		20,636		252,678	(24,528)	391,319	
Gross profit	42,186		8,431		134,655	(1,999)	183,273	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	39,234		5,476		82,629	(1,999)	125,340	
Operating income	2,952		2,955		52,026	_	_		57,933	
Interest expense	(7,213)	(54)	(6) –	_		(7,273)
Interest income	53		_		_	_	_		53	
Other income	1,064		86		476	_	_		1,626	
Income (loss) before taxes and equity in earnings of affiliates	(3,144)	2,987		52,496	_	_		52,339	
Income tax expense (benefit)	(1,178)	1,096		19,532	_	_		19,450	
Equity in earnings of affiliates	34,214		_		1,302	(35,516)	_	
Net income including noncontrolling interest	32,248		1,891		34,266	(35,516)	32,889	
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest			641			-			641	
Net income attributable to Central Garden & Pet Company	\$ 32,248		\$ 1,250		\$ 34,266	\$	\$ (35,516)	\$ 32,248	

CONSOLIDATING CONDENSED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS Three Months Ended June 25, 2016 (in thousands)

	Parent		Non- Guarantor Subsidiar		Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminatio	ns	Consolidate	ed
Net sales	\$ 162,751		\$ 28,052		\$ 350,013	\$ (26,272)	\$ 514,544	
Cost of goods sold and occupancy	128,517		18,274		228,343	(24,335)	350,799	
Gross profit	34,234		9,778		121,670	(1,937)	163,745	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	36,826		5,380		75,291	(1,937)	115,560	
Operating income (loss)	(2,592)	4,398		46,379	_		48,185	
Interest expense	(6,904)	(53)	(7)	_		(6,964)
Interest income	42		1			_		43	
Other income (expense)	(108)	(146)	572	_		318	
Income (loss) before taxes and equity in earnings of affiliates	(9,562)	4,200		46,944	_		41,582	
Income tax expense (benefit)	(3,517)	1,552		16,881	_		14,916	
Equity in earnings of affiliates	32,075		_		2,148	(34,223)		
Net income including noncontrolling interest	26,030		2,648		32,211	(34,223)	26,666	
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	_		636		_	_		636	
Net income attributable to Central Garden & Pet Company	\$ 26,030		\$ 2,012		\$ 32,211	\$ (34,223)	\$ 26,030	

CONSOLIDATING CONDENSED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS Nine Months Ended June 24, 2017 (in thousands)

	Parent		Non- Guarantor Subsidiarie	es	Guarantor Subsidiaries		Elimination	ıs	Consolidated
Net sales	\$ 531,028		\$ 69,183		\$ 1,032,444		\$ (68,641)	\$1,564,014
Cost of goods sold and occupancy	409,262		52,442		678,798		(63,968)	1,076,534
Gross profit	121,766		16,741		353,646		(4,673)	487,480
Selling, general and administrative expenses	114,546		14,014		221,862		(4,673)	345,749
Operating income	7,220		2,727		131,784		_		141,731
Interest expense	(20,823)	(136)	(17)	_		(20,976)
Interest income	98		1		_		_		99
Other income (expense)	(276)	(301)	271		_		(306)
Income (loss) before taxes and equity in earnings of affiliates	(13,781)	2,291		132,038		_		120,548
Income tax expense (benefit)	(5,088)	1,133		48,576		_		44,621
Equity in earnings of affiliates	83,262		_		875		(84,137)	
Net income including noncontrolling interest	74,569		1,158		84,337		(84,137)	75,927
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest			1,358		_		_		1,358
Net income (loss) attributable to Central Garden & Pet Company	\$ 74,569		\$ (200)	\$ 84,337		\$ (84,137)	\$74,569

CONSOLIDATING CONDENSED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS Nine Months Ended June 25, 2016 (in thousands)

	Parent		Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	S	Guarantor Subsidiaries		Elimination	ıs	Consolidated
Net sales	\$ 456,568		\$ 73,324		\$ 953,925		\$ (68,212)	\$1,415,605
Cost of goods sold and occupancy	360,745		54,319		631,251		(63,580)	982,735
Gross profit	95,823		19,005		322,674		(4,632)	432,870
Selling, general and administrative expenses	102,990		14,283		203,868		(4,632)	316,509
Operating income (loss)	(7,167)	4,722		118,806		_		116,361
Interest expense	(36,065)	(133)	(7)	1			(36,205)
Interest income	71		3		_		_		74
Other income (expense)	(286)	(409)	452		_		(243)
Income (loss) before taxes and equity in earnings of affiliates	(43,447)	4,183		119,251		_		79,987
Income tax expense (benefit)	(15,437)	1,749		42,197				28,509
Equity in earnings of affiliates	78,135				1,971		(80,106)	_
Net income including noncontrolling interest	50,125		2,434		79,025		(80,106)	51,478
	_		1,353		_		_		1,353

Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest

Net income attributable to Central

Garden & Pet Company \$ 50,125 \$ 1,081 \$ 79,025 \$ (80,106) \$50,125

CONSOLIDATING CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE
(LOSS)
Three Months Ended June 24, 2017
(in thousands)
Non-

	Parent	Guarantor Subsidiarie	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	}	Consolidated
Net income	\$ 32,248	\$ 1,891	\$ 34,266	\$ (35,516)	\$ 32,889
Other comprehensive income:						
Foreign currency translation	172	116	19	(135)	172
Total comprehensive income	32,420	2,007	34,285	(35,651)	33,061
Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests	_	641	_	_		641
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Central Garden & Pet Company	\$ 32,420	\$ 1,366	\$ 34,285	\$ (35,651)	\$ 32,420

CONSOLIDATING CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE II (LOSS)

Three Months Ended June 25, 2016

(in thousands)

	Parent		Non- Guarantor Subsidiari		Guarantor Subsidiaries	Elimination	S	Consolidat	ted
Net income (loss)	\$ 26,030		\$ 2,648		\$ 32,211	\$ (34,223)	\$ 26,666	
Other comprehensive income (loss):									
Foreign currency translation	(277)	(233)	25	208		(277)
Total comprehensive income	25,753		2,415		32,236	(34,015)	26,389	
Comprehensive loss attributable to noncontrolling interests	_		636			_		636	
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Central Garden & Pet Company	\$ 25,753		\$ 1,779		\$ 32,236	\$ (34,015)	\$ 25,753	

CONSOLIDATING CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE IN Nine Months Ended June 24, 2017 (in thousands)

Non-Guarantor Guarantor Eliminations Consolidated Parent Subsidiaries **Subsidiaries** Net income (loss) \$ 74,569 \$ 1,158 \$ 84,337 \$ (84,137) \$ 75,927 Other comprehensive loss: Foreign currency translation (193) (144) (11) 155 (193)) Total comprehensive income (loss) 74,376 1,014 84,326 (83,982) 75,734 Comprehensive income attributable to 1,358 1,358 noncontrolling interests Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to \$ 74,376) \$ 84,326 \$ (83,982) \$ 74,376 \$ (344 Central Garden & Pet Company

CONSOLIDATING CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE II Nine Months Ended June 25, 2016

(in thousands)

	Parent		Non- Guarantor Subsidiar		Guarantor Subsidiaries	Elimination	s	Consolida	ted
Net income (loss)	\$ 50,125		\$ 2,434		\$ 79,025	\$ (80,106)	\$ 51,478	
Other comprehensive income (loss):									
Foreign currency translation	(969)	(773)	32	741		(969)
Total comprehensive income (loss)	49,156		1,661		79,057	(79,365)	50,509	
Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests	_		1,353			_		1,353	
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Central Garden & Pet Company	\$ 49,156		\$ 308		\$ 79,057	\$ (79,365)	\$ 49,156	

CONSOLIDATING CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET

June 24, 2017 (in thousands)

	Parent	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Consolidated
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$929	\$ 10,118	\$3,426	\$ —	\$ 14,473
Restricted cash	10,999	_		_	10,999
Accounts receivable, net	92,703	9,842	176,959	_	279,504
Inventories	127,307	10,567	245,575	_	383,449
Prepaid expenses and other	19,670	1,059	31,235		51,964
Total current assets	251,608	31,586	457,195		740,389
Land, buildings, improvements and equipment, net	37,823	4,065	135,896	_	177,784
Goodwill	15,058	_	215,327	_	230,385
Other long-term assets	34,273	3,200	167,858	(2,142)	203,189
Intercompany receivable	36,783		601,317	(638,100)	
Investment in subsidiaries	1,369,307	_	_	(1,369,307)	_
Total	\$1,744,852	\$ 38,851	\$1,577,593	\$(2,009,549)	\$ 1,351,747
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY					
Accounts payable	\$34,562	\$ 7,832	\$64,014	\$ —	\$ 106,408
Accrued expenses	57,235	2,632	52,224	_	112,091
Current portion of long-term debt	_	_	375	_	375
Total current liabilities	91,797	10,464	116,613		218,874
Long-term debt	434,962		112		435,074
Intercompany payable	588,378	49,722		(638,100)	
Losses in excess of investment in subsidiaries			19,327	(19,327)	
Other long-term obligations	2,620		68,314	(2,142)	68,792
Total Central Garden & Pet shareholders' equity (deficit)	627,095	(23,247)	1,373,227	(1,349,980)	627,095
Noncontrolling interest		1,912			1,912
Total equity (deficit)	627,095	•	1,373,227	(1,349,980)	•
Total	\$1,744,852		\$1,577,593	\$(2,009,549)	
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CONSOLIDATING CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET

June 25, 2016 (in thousands)

	Parent	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Consolidated
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$30,477	\$ 8,675	\$848	\$ —	\$40,000
Restricted cash	12,029	_			12,029
Accounts receivable, net	74,162	9,395	158,397	_	241,954
Inventories	105,440	9,037	247,336		361,813
Prepaid expenses and other	20,543	1,039	23,493	_	45,075
Total current assets	242,651	28,146	430,074		700,871
Land, buildings, improvements and equipment, net	43,475	3,877	112,078		159,430
Goodwill	18,858	_	214,153		233,011
Other long-term assets	37,139	3,294	84,702	(1,540)	123,595
Intercompany receivable	31,005		478,780	(509,785)	
Investment in subsidiaries	1,130,148			(1,130,148)	
Total	\$1,503,276	\$ 35,317	\$1,319,787	\$(1,641,473)	\$ 1,216,907
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY					
Accounts payable	\$26,818	\$ 6,210	\$63,878	\$	\$ 96,906
Accrued expenses	48,981	2,290	51,682	_	102,953
Current portion of long-term debt	154	_	376	_	530
Total current liabilities	75,953	8,500	115,936	_	200,389
Long-term debt	394,164	_	439	_	394,603
Intercompany payable	468,039	41,746	_	(509,785)	
Losses in excess of investment in subsidiaries	_	_	14,780	(14,780)	
Other long-term obligations	9,036	_	56,479	(1,540)	63,975
Total Central Garden & Pet shareholders' equity (deficit)	556,084	(16,785)	1,132,153	(1,115,368)	556,084
Noncontrolling interest		1,856			1,856
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Total equity (deficit)	,		1,132,153	(1,115,368)	
Total	\$1,503,276	φ 33,317	\$1,319,787	\$(1,641,473)	φ 1,210,907
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CONSOLIDATING CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET

September 24, 2016 (in thousands)

	Parent	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Consolidated
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$82,158	\$ 9,695	\$ 1,129	\$ -	-\$ 92,982
Restricted cash	10,910				10,910
Accounts receivable, net	59,617	5,156	136,378		201,151
Inventories	113,317	11,752	236,935		362,004
Prepaid expenses and other assets	20,978	817	25,964		