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FORM 10-Q

(Mark One) ý QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2013 OR o TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from

Commission File Number 001-11595

Astec Industries, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Tennessee (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 62-0873631 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

to

1725 Shepherd Road, Chattanooga, Tennessee37421(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

(423) 899-5898

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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.

YES ý NO o

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).

YES ý NO o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one): Large Accelerated Filer ý Accelerated Filer o

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

Smaller Reporting Company o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). YES o NO ý

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

Class Common Stock, par value \$0.20 Outstanding at April 26, 2013 22,851,658

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PART I -- FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

| Condensed C | ec Industries, In consolidated Bal (in thousands) (unaudited) | ance Sheets | | |
|---|--|-------------|-----|------------|
| | Ν | 1arch 31, | Dec | cember 31, |
| | | 2013 | | 2012 |
| ASSETS | | | | |
| Current assets: | ¢ | 72 175 | ¢ | 20.020 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ | 73,175 | \$ | 80,929 |
| Trade receivables, net | | 99,774 | | 85,595 |
| Other receivables | | 4,825 | | 3,453 |
| Inventories | | 322,007 | | 308,622 |
| Prepaid expenses and other | | 16,840 | | 11,282 |
| Deferred income tax assets | | 9,893 | | 9,985 |
| Total current assets | | 526,514 | | 499,866 |
| Property and equipment, net | | 186,192 | | 182,839 |
| Investments | | 10,156 | | 10,232 |
| Goodwill | | 14,978 | | 15,011 |
| Other long-term assets | | 15,756 | · | 16,617 |
| Total assets | \$ | 753,596 | \$ | 724,565 |
| LIABILITIES AND EQUITY | | | | |
| Current liabilities: | | | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ | 50,781 | \$ | 46,210 |
| Accrued product warranty | | 11,254 | | 11,052 |
| Customer deposits | | 54,478 | | 44,224 |
| Accrued payroll and related liabilities | | 15,193 | | 16,590 |
| Accrued loss reserves | | 3,679 | | 3,221 |
| Other current liabilities | | 25,530 | | 23,072 |
| Total current liabilities | | 160,915 | | 144,369 |
| Deferred income tax liabilities | | 14,147 | | 14,868 |
| Other long-term liabilities | | 17,852 | | 17,330 |
| Total liabilities | | 192,914 | | 176,567 |
| Shareholders' equity | | 557,410 | | 546,354 |
| Non-controlling interest | | 3,272 | | 1,644 |
| Total equity | | 560,682 | | 547,998 |
| Total liabilities and equity | \$ | 753,596 | \$ | 724,565 |

See Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

Astec Industries, Inc. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income (in thousands, except per share data) (unaudited)

| | Three Months Ended March 31, | | |
|---|---------------------------------|----|---------|
| | 2013 | | 2012 |
| Net sales | \$ 247,833 | \$ | 251,967 |
| Cost of sales | 189,266 | | 193,371 |
| Gross profit | 58,567 | | 58,596 |
| Selling, general, administrative and engineering expenses | 40,367 | | 40,143 |
| Income from operations | 18,200 | | 18,453 |
| Interest expense | 70 | | 47 |
| Other income, net of expenses | 752 | | 849 |
| Income from continuing operations before income taxes | 18,882 | | 19,255 |
| Income taxes on continuing operations | 5,631 | | 7,231 |
| Net income from continuing operations | 13,251 | | 12,024 |
| Income from discontinued operations, net of tax | - | | 234 |
| Net income | 13,251 | | 12,258 |
| Net income attributable to non-controlling interest | 80 | | 13 |
| Net income attributable to controlling interest | \$ 13,171 | \$ | 12,245 |
| | | | |
| Earnings per common share | | | |
| Net income attributable to controlling interest from continuing | | | |
| operations: | | | |
| Basic | \$ 0.58 | \$ | 0.53 |
| Diluted | \$ 0.57 | \$ | 0.52 |
| Income from discontinued operations, net of tax: | | | |
| Basic | \$ - | \$ | 0.01 |
| Diluted | \$ - | \$ | 0.01 |
| Net income attributable to controlling interest: | | | |
| Basic | \$ 0.58 | \$ | 0.54 |
| Diluted | \$ 0.57 | \$ | 0.53 |
| Weighted average number of common shares outstanding: | | | |
| Basic | 22,723 | | 22,643 |
| Diluted | 23,080 | | 23,054 |

See Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

Astec Industries, Inc. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (in thousands) (unaudited)

| | Three Months Ended | | | | | |
|---|--------------------|--------|---|----|--------|---|
| | March 31, | | | | | |
| | | 2013 | | | 2012 | |
| Net income | \$ | 13,251 | | \$ | 12,258 | |
| Other comprehensive income: | | | | | | |
| Change in unrecognized pension and post-retirement benefit | | | | | | |
| costs, net of tax of (70) and (25) | | (53 |) | | (25 |) |
| Foreign currency translation adjustments, net of tax of \$(310) and \$412 | | (1,859 |) | | 1,700 | |
| Other comprehensive income (loss) | | (1,912 |) | | 1,675 | |
| Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to non-controlling interest | | (45 |) | | 43 | |
| Comprehensive income attributable to controlling interest | \$ | 11,384 | | \$ | 13,890 | |

See Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

Astec Industries, Inc. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (in thousands) (unaudited)

| | (unaudited) | | Three Months Ended March 31, | | |
|--|-------------|---------|---------------------------------|---------|---|
| | | 2013 | | 2012 | |
| Cash flows from operating activities: | . | 10.051 | ¢ | | |
| Net income | \$ | 13,251 | \$ | 12,258 | |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash | | | | | |
| provided (used) | | | | | |
| by operating activities: | | | | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | | 5,428 | | 5,901 | |
| Provision for doubtful accounts | | 388 | | 8 | |
| Provision for warranties | | 2,760 | | 2,742 | |
| Deferred compensation benefit | | 186 | | 446 | |
| Sale of trading securities, net | | 109 | | 128 | |
| Stock-based compensation | | 435 | | 61 | |
| Tax expense (benefit) from stock incentive plans | | 76 | | (173 |) |
| Deferred income tax provision (benefit) | | (249 |) | 2,895 | |
| Gain on disposition of fixed assets | | (65 |) | (141 |) |
| (Increase) decrease in: | | | | | |
| Trade and other receivables | | (15,788 |) | (11,351 |) |
| Inventories | | (13,385 |) | (18,239 |) |
| Prepaid expenses | | (5,784 |) | 2,550 | |
| Other assets | | (1,070 |) | (764 |) |
| Increase (decrease) in: | | | | | |
| Accounts payable | | 4,571 | | 967 | |
| Accrued product warranty | | (2,482 |) | (3,210 |) |
| Customer deposits | | 10,255 | | (4,723 |) |
| Prepaid and income taxes payable | | 5,638 | | 2,499 | |
| Other current liabilities | | (3,488 |) | (3,368 |) |
| Net cash provided (used) by operating activities | | 786 | | (11,514 |) |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | | | | |
| Expenditures for property and equipment | | (9,339 |) | (5,369 |) |
| Proceeds from sale of property and equipment | | 77 | | 463 | |
| Net cash used by investing activities | | (9,262 |) | (4,906 |) |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | | | | | |
| Tax (expense) benefit from stock option exercise | | (76 |) | 173 | |
| Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan | | | | | |
| transactions, net | | 60 | | (58 |) |
| Withholding tax paid upon vesting of restricted | | | | | |
| stock units | | (783 |) | (686 |) |
| Proceeds from exercise of stock options | | 36 | , | 493 | |
| Sale of subsidiaries shares to minority shareholders | | 1,673 | | - | |
| Net cash provided (used) by financing activities | | 910 | | (78 |) |
| Effect of exchange rates on cash | | (188 |) | 635 | , |
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents | | (7,754 |) | (15,863 |) |
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|---|-------------|--------|----|--------|--|
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period | | 80,929 | | 57,505 | |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of period | \$ | 73,175 | \$ | 41,642 | |
| See Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Finan | cial Staten | nents | | | |

Astec Industries, Inc. Condensed Consolidated Statement of Equity For the Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 (in thousands) (unaudited)

| | Common Stock Shares | Common Stock Amount | Additional Paid-in- Capital | Accum- ulated Other Compre- hensive Income (Loss) | Company Shares Held by SERP | Retained Earnings | Non- controlling Interest | Total Equity |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|---|----------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Balance, December | | | - | | | - - | | |
| 31, 2012 | 22,799 | \$4,560 | \$ 133,809 | \$502 | \$(2,855) | \$410,338 | \$ 1,644 | \$547,998 |
| Net income | - | - | - | - | - | 13,171 | 80 | 13,251 |
| Other comprehensive income | - | - | - | (1,787) | - | - | (125) | (1,912) |
| Change in ownership percentage of subsidiaries | | | | | | | 1,673 | 1,673 |
| Stock-based | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1,075 | 1,075 |
| compensation | 1 | - | 435 | - | - | - | - | 435 |
| Stock issued under | | | | | | | | |
| incentive plans | 51 | 10 | (50) | - | - | - | - | (40) |
| Withholding tax paid upon vesting of RSUs | - | - | (783) | _ | - | - | - | (783) |
| SERP transactions, | | | | | 10 | | | 60 |
| net | - | - | 11 | - | 49 | - | - | 60 |
| Balance, March 31, 2013 | 22,851 | \$4,570 | \$ 133,422 | \$(1,285) | \$(2,806) | \$423,509 | \$ 3,272 | \$560,682 |

See Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

ASTEC INDUSTRIES, INC. NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP") for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. Operating results for the three-month period ended March 31, 2013 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2013. It is suggested that these condensed financial statements be read in conjunction with the financial statements and the notes thereto included in the Astec Industries, Inc. Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.

The condensed consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2012 has been derived from the audited financial statements at that date but does not include all of the information and footnotes required by U.S. GAAP for complete financial statements.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In December 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2011-11, "Balance Sheet (Topic 210), Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities" which describes when it is appropriate to offset financial assets and liabilities on the balance sheet. Companies will now have to disclose both gross and net information about instruments eligible for offset in the statement of financial position, instruments and transactions subject to an agreement similar to a master netting arrangement, and the collateral received in a master netting arrangement. The new disclosure will enable users of financial statements to understand significant quantitative differences in balance sheets prepared under US GAAP and IFRS related to the offsetting of financial instruments. The update is effective for annual and interim reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2013. The Company adopted this standard as of January 1, 2013. Adopting this update did not have a significant impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

Note 2. Earnings per Share

Basic earnings per share are determined by dividing earnings by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during each period. Diluted earnings per share include the potential dilutive effects of options, restricted stock units and shares held in the Company's Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan.

The following table sets forth the computation of net income attributable to controlling interest from continuing operations and the number of basic and diluted shares used in the computation of earnings per share:

| | Three Months Ended March 31, | | | |
|---|---------------------------------|--------|----|--------|
| | | 2012 | | |
| Numerator: | | | | |
| Net income from continuing operations | \$ | 13,251 | \$ | 12,024 |
| Net income attributable to non-controlling interests | | 80 | | 13 |
| Net income attributable to controlling interest from continuing | | | | |
| operations | \$ | 13,171 | \$ | 12,011 |

| Denominator: | | |
|---|--------|--------|
| Denominator for basic earnings per share | 22,723 | 22,643 |
| Effect of dilutive securities: | | |
| Employee stock options and restricted stock units | 243 | 305 |
| Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan | 114 | 106 |
| Denominator for diluted earnings per share | 23,080 | 23,054 |

A total of 323 options were antidilutive for each of the three-month periods ended March 31, 2013 and 2012. Antidilutive options are not included in the diluted earnings per share computation.

Note 3. Receivables

Receivables are net of allowances for doubtful accounts of \$2,394,000 and \$2,143,000 as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively.

Note 4. Inventories

Inventories consist of the following (in thousands):

| | March 31, | D | ecember 31, |
|-------------------------|---------------|----|-------------|
| | 2013 | | 2012 |
| Raw materials and parts | \$ 137,384 | \$ | 129,676 |
| Work-in-process | 78,508 | | 76,052 |
| Finished goods | 83,937 | | 81,000 |
| Used equipment | 22,178 | | 21,894 |
| Total | \$ 322,007 | \$ | 308,622 |

Note 5. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment is stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation of \$196,365,000 and \$192,165,000 as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively.

Note 6. Fair Value Measurements

The Company has various financial instruments that must be measured at fair value on a recurring basis, including marketable debt and equity securities held by Astec Insurance Company ("Astec Insurance"), the Company's captive insurance company, and marketable equity securities held in an unqualified Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan ("SERP"). The obligations of the Company associated with the financial assets held in the SERP also constitute a liability of the Company for financial reporting purposes. The Company's subsidiaries also occasionally enter into foreign currency exchange contracts to mitigate exposure to fluctuations in currency exchange rates.

The carrying amount of cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables, other receivables, revolving debt and accounts payable approximates their fair value because of the short-term nature of these instruments. Investments are carried at their fair value based on quoted market prices for identical or similar assets or, where no quoted prices exist, other observable inputs for the asset. The fair values of foreign currency exchange contracts are based on quotations from various banks for similar instruments using models with market based inputs.

Financial assets and liabilities are categorized based upon the level of judgment associated with the inputs used to measure their fair value. The inputs used to measure the fair value are identified in the following hierarchy:

| Level 1 - | Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. |
|-----------|--|
| Level 2 - | Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for similar assets or liabilities; or unadjusted quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active; or inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability. |
| Level 3 - | |

Inputs reflect management's best estimate of what market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability at the measurement date. Consideration is given to the risk inherent in the valuation technique and the risk inherent in the inputs to the model. As indicated in the tables below (which excludes the Company's pension assets), the Company has determined that all its financial assets and liabilities as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012 are level 1 and level 2 in the fair value hierarchy as defined above (in thousands):

| | | March 31, 2013 | | | |
|----------------------------------|---------|----------------|-------------|----------|--|
| | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Total | |
| Financial Assets: | | | | | |
| Trading equity securities: | | | | | |
| SERP money market fund | \$996 | \$ - | \$ - | \$996 | |
| SERP mutual funds | 1,803 | - | - | 1,803 | |
| Preferred stocks | 736 | - | - | 736 | |
| Trading debt securities: | | | | | |
| Corporate bonds | 3,928 | 911 | - | 4,839 | |
| Municipal bonds | 1,271 | 761 | - | 2,032 | |
| Floating rate notes | 574 | - | - | 574 | |
| U.S. Treasury bill | 200 | - | - | 200 | |
| Other | 51 | 394 | - | 445 | |
| Derivative financial instruments | - | 230 | - | 230 | |
| Total financial assets | \$9,559 | \$2,296 | \$ - | \$11,855 | |
| | | | | | |
| Financial Liabilities: | | | | | |
| SERP liabilities | \$- | \$6,769 | \$- | \$6,769 | |
| Derivative financial instruments | - | 37 | - | 37 | |
| Total financial liabilities | \$- | \$6,806 | \$- | \$6,806 | |

| Level 1 | T 10 | December 31, 2012 | | | | |
|---------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Level 2 | Level 3 | Total | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| 996 | \$- | \$- | \$996 | | | |
| 1,835 | - | - | 1,835 | | | |
| 720 | - | - | 720 | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| 3,342 | 909 | - | 4,251 | | | |
| 1,449 | 957 | - | 2,406 | | | |
| 749 | - | - | 749 | | | |
| 200 | - | - | 200 | | | |
| - | 409 | - | 409 | | | |
| 9,291 | \$2,275 | \$- | \$11,566 | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| - | \$6,674 | \$- | \$6,674 | | | |
| - | 145 | - | 145 | | | |
| - | \$6,819 | \$- | \$6,819 | | | |
| | ,835 720 3,342 ,449 749 200 0,291 | ,835 - 20 - 8,342 909 ,449 957 200 - 200 - 409 0,291 \$2,275 \$6,674 | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | | | |

The Company reevaluates the volume of trading activity for each of its investments at the end of each quarter and adjusts the level within the fair value hierarchy as needed. No transfers between levels occurred between December

31, 2012 and March 31, 2013.

| March 31, 2013: | Amortized Cost | Gross Unrealized Gains | Gross Unrealized Losses | Fair Value (Net Carrying Amount) |
|---------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Trading equity securities | \$3,281 | \$254 | \$- | \$3,535 |
| Trading debt securities | 7,948 | 142 | - | 8,090 |
| | \$11,229 | \$396 | \$ - | \$11,625 |
| | | | | |
| December 31, 2012: | | | | |
| Trading equity securities | \$3,432 | \$130 | \$11 | \$3,551 |
| Trading debt securities | 7,836 | 228 | 49 | 8,015 |
| | \$11,268 | \$358 | \$60 | \$11,566 |

The Company's investments (other than pension assets) consist of the following (in thousands):

The trading equity investments noted above are valued at their fair value based on their quoted market prices, and the debt securities are valued based upon a mix of observable market prices and model driven prices derived from a matrix of observable market prices for assets with similar characteristics obtained from a nationally recognized third party pricing service. Additionally, a significant portion of the trading equity securities are in equities and in money market and mutual funds. These money market and mutual funds are held in a SERP and thus are also included in the Company's liability under its SERP.

Trading debt securities are comprised of marketable debt securities held by Astec Insurance. Astec Insurance has an investment strategy that focuses on providing regular and predictable interest income from a diversified portfolio of high-quality fixed income securities. As of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, \$1,469,000 and \$1,334,000, respectively, of trading debt securities were due to mature within twelve months and, accordingly, are included in other current assets. The financial liabilities related to the SERP shown above are included in other long-term liabilities in the accompanying balance sheets.

Net unrealized gains or losses incurred during the three-month periods ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 on investments still held as of the end of each reporting period amounted to gains of \$134,000 and \$65,000, respectively.

Note 7. Debt

On April 12, 2012, the Company and certain of its subsidiaries entered into a new amended and restated credit agreement with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association ("Wells Fargo"), whereby Wells Fargo extended to the Company an unsecured line of credit of up to \$100,000,000, including a sub-limit for letters of credit of up to \$25,000,000. The new amended and restated credit agreement replaced an expiring \$100,000,000 credit facility between the Company and Wells Fargo. There were no outstanding revolving or term loan borrowings under the credit facilities at the time of transition or as of March 31, 2013. Letters of credit totaling \$10,295,000 were outstanding under the new agreement as of March 31, 2013, resulting in additional borrowing ability of \$89,705,000 on the Wells Fargo credit facility as of March 31, 2013. The new amended and restated agreement has a five-year term expiring in April 2017. Borrowings under the agreement are subject to an interest rate equal to the daily one month LIBOR rate plus a 0.75% margin. The unused facility fee is 0.175%. Interest only payments are due monthly. The new amended and restated credit agreement contains certain financial covenants, including provisions concerning required levels of annual net income, minimum tangible net worth and maximum allowed capital expenditures. The Company was in compliance with these covenants as of March 31, 2013.

The Company's South African subsidiary, Osborn Engineered Products SA (Pty) Ltd ("Osborn"), has a credit facility of \$8,124,000 (ZAR 75,000,000) to finance short-term working capital needs, as well as to cover performance letters of credit, advance payment and retention guarantees. As of March 31, 2013, Osborn had \$918,000 of borrowings, which are included in other current liabilities in the balance sheet, and \$1,903,000 in performance, advance payment and retention guarantees outstanding under the facility. The facility is unsecured and no unused facility fees are charged. As of March 31, 2013, Osborn had available credit under the facility of \$5,303,000. The interest rate is 0.25% less than the South Africa prime rate, resulting in a rate of 8.25% as of March 31, 2013.

The Company's Australian subsidiary, Astec Australia Pty Ltd ("Astec Australia"), has a credit facility to finance short-term working capital needs of \$104,000 (AUD 100,000) and a bank guarantee facility of \$1,355,000 (AUD 1,300,000) to facilitate contractual commitments and banking arrangements to finance foreign exchange dealer limit orders of up to \$3,910,000 (AUD 3,750,000), secured by cash balances in the amount of \$782,000 (AUD 750,000) and a \$1,600,000 letter of credit issued by the parent Company. No amounts were outstanding under the credit facility as of March 31, 2013; however, performance guarantees in the amount of \$1,212,000 were outstanding under the bank guarantee facility as of March 31, 2013. The interest rate is the Australian adjusted Bank Business Rate plus a margin of 1.05%. The interest rate was 11.17% as of March 31, 2013.

Note 8. Product Warranty Reserves

The Company warrants its products against manufacturing defects and performance to specified standards. The warranty period and performance standards vary by market and uses of its products, but generally range from three months to one year or up to a specified number of hours of operations. The Company estimates the costs that may be incurred under its warranties and records a liability at the time product sales are recorded. The product warranty liability is primarily based on historical claim rates, nature of claims and the associated cost.

Changes in the Company's product warranty liability for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 are as follows (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 2012 | | | | | | | |
|--|--|--------|-------|-----|--------|---|--|--|
| | | | March | 31, | | | | |
| | | 2013 | | | 2012 | | | |
| Reserve balance, beginning of the period | \$ | 11,052 | | \$ | 12,663 | | | |
| Warranty liabilities accrued | | 2,760 | | | 2,742 | | | |
| Warranty liabilities settled | | (2,482 |) | | (3,210 |) | | |
| Other | | (76 |) | | 63 | | | |
| Reserve balance, end of the period | \$ | 11,254 | | \$ | 12,258 | | | |

Note 9. Accrued Loss Reserves

The Company accrues reserves for losses related to known workers' compensation and general liability claims that have been incurred but not yet paid or are estimated to have been incurred but not yet reported to the Company. The undiscounted reserves are actuarially determined based on the Company's evaluation of the type and severity of individual claims and historical information, primarily its own claims experience, along with assumptions about future events. Changes in assumptions, as well as changes in actual experience, could cause these estimates to change in the future. Total accrued loss reserves were \$7,678,000 as of March 31, 2013 compared to \$7,315,000 as of December 31, 2012, of which \$3,999,000 and \$4,094,000 were included in other long-term liabilities as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively.

Note 10. Income Taxes

The Company's combined effective income tax rate on continuing operations was 29.8% and 37.6% for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The Company's effective tax rates for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 include the effect of state income taxes and other discrete

items. The tax rate for the three-month period March 31, 2013 also includes a benefit for research and development tax credits on eligible expenses incurred from January 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013 as legislation enacting the research and development credit for 2012 and 2013 was not approved by Congress until January 2013. The Company's effective tax rate for the three-month period ended March 31, 2012 did not include a benefit for research and development tax credits.

The Company's liability recorded for uncertain tax positions as of March 31, 2013 has not changed significantly in amount or composition since December 31, 2012.

Note 11. Segment Information

The Company has four reportable segments. These segments are combinations of business units that offer similar products and services. A brief description of each segment is as follows:

Asphalt Group - This segment consists of three business units that design, engineer, manufacture and market a complete line of portable, stationary and relocatable hot-mix asphalt plants and related components and a variety of heaters, heat transfer processing equipment, thermal fluid storage tanks and concrete plants. The principal purchasers of these products are asphalt producers, highway and heavy equipment contractors and foreign and domestic governmental agencies.

Aggregate and Mining Group - This segment consists of seven business units that design, engineer, manufacture and market a complete line of rock crushers, feeders, conveyors, screens and washing equipment. The principal purchasers of these products are open-mine and quarry operators.

Mobile Asphalt Paving Group - This segment consists of three business units that design, engineer, manufacture and market asphalt pavers, asphalt material transfer vehicles, milling machines and paver screeds. The principal purchasers of these products are highway and heavy equipment contractors and foreign and domestic governmental agencies.

Underground Group - This segment currently consists of two business units that design, engineer, manufacture and market a complete line of drilling rigs for the oil and gas, geothermal and water well industries, high pressure diesel pump trailers for fracking and cleaning oil and gas wells and a four-track surface miner. This segment previously included American Augers, Inc., which was sold in November 2012.

All Others - This category consists of the Company's other business units, including Peterson Pacific Corp., Astec Australia Pty Ltd, Astec Insurance Company and the parent company, Astec Industries, Inc., that do not meet the requirements for separate disclosure as an operating segment.

The Company evaluates performance and allocates resources based on profit or loss from operations before U.S. federal income taxes and corporate overhead. The accounting policies of the reportable segments are the same as those described in the summary of significant accounting policies.

Segment Information:

| | (in thousands) Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|--|---------|---|----|---------|---|----|--------|---|----|---------|----|----|--------|---|---------------|---|
| | | | | | | | | Mobile | | | | | | | | | |
| | Aggregate Asphalt | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Asphalt | | ar | d Minin | g | | Paving | | Un | dergrou | nd | | All | | | |
| | | Group | | | Group | | | Group | | | Group | | | Others | | Total | |
| Net sales to external | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| customers | \$ | 71,549 | | \$ | 90,762 | | \$ | 47,290 | | \$ | 14,706 | | \$ | 23,526 | | \$ 247,833 | |
| Intersegment sales | | 5,174 | | | 8,255 | | | 6,446 | | | 55 | | | - | | 19,930 | |
| Gross profit | | 20,154 | | | 23,040 | | | 10,559 | | | 275 | | | 4,539 | | 58,567 | |
| Gross profit percent | | 28.2 | % | | 25.4 | % | | 22.3 | % | | 1.9 | % | | 19.3 | % | 23.6 | % |
| Segment profit | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (loss) | \$ | 11,141 | | \$ | 9,057 | | | | | | | | | | | | |