SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

DATE OF REPORT (DATE OF EARLIEST EVENT REPORTED): JANUARY 28, 2004

KENNAMETAL INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission file number 1-5318

PENNSYLVANIA (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

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25-0900168 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

WORLD HEADQUARTERS 1600 TECHNOLOGY WAY P.O. BOX 231 LATROBE, PENNSYLVANIA 15650-0231 (Address of registrant's principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (724) 539-5000

ITEM 12. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On January 28, 2004, Kennametal Inc. ("Kennametal" or "the Company") issued a press release announcing financial results for its second quarter ended December 31, 2003.

The press release contains non-GAAP financial measures, including gross profit, operating expense, operating income, other (income) expense, net income and diluted EPS in each case excluding special items. The special items include: restructuring charges, Widia integration costs, pension curtailment, gain on Toshiba investment, and a charge related to a note receivable from a divestiture of a business by Kennametal in 2002. Kennametal management excludes these items in measuring and compensating internal performance to more easily compare the Company's financial performance period to period. We believe investors should have available the same information that management uses to measure and compensate performance. Kennametal management believes that presentation of these non-GAAP financial measures provides useful information into the results of operations of the Company for the current, past and future periods.

In addition to the items above, the press release also contains free operating cash flow and debt to capital. These financial measures are defined below:

#### Free Operating Cash Flow

Free operating cash flow is a non-GAAP presentation and is defined as cash provided by continuing operations (in accordance with GAAP) less capital expenditures plus proceeds from asset disposals. Free operating cash flow is considered to be an important indicator of Kennametal's ability to generate liquidity because it better represents cash generated from operations that can be used for strategic initiatives, dividends or debt repayment.

#### Debt-to-Capital

Debt to capital is defined by Kennametal as total current and long term debt, capital leases and notes payable divided by total Shareowner's equity plus minority interest plus total debt, capital leases and notes payable. Management believes that these financial measures provide additional insight into the underlying capital structure and performance of the Company.

Additionally, during our quarterly teleconference we may use various other non-GAAP financial measures to describe the underlying operating results. Accordingly, we have compiled below certain reconciliations as required by Regulation G.

## Primary Working Capital

Primary working capital is a non-GAAP presentation and is defined as accounts receivable, net plus inventories, net minus accounts payable. The most directly comparable GAAP measure is working capital, which is defined as current assets less current liabilities. We believe primary working capital better represents Kennametal's performance in managing certain assets and liabilities controllable at the business unit level and is used as such for internal performance measurement.

#### EBIT

EBIT is an acronym for Earnings Before Interest and Taxes and is not a calculation in accordance with GAAP. The most directly comparable GAAP measure is net income. However, we believe that EBIT is widely used as a measure of operating performance and we believe EBIT to be an important indicator of the Company's operational strength and performance. Nevertheless, the measure should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for operating income, cash flows from operating activities or any other measure for determining liquidity that is calculated in accordance with GAAP. Additionally, Kennametal will adjust EBIT for restructuring charges, interest income, and other items.

## Adjusted Sales

Kennametal adjusted sales as reported under GAAP for specific items including acquisitions and foreign currency translation. Management believes that adjusting the sales as reported under GAAP provides additional insight into the underlying operations. Management uses this information in reviewing operating performance and in the determination of compensation.

## Adjusted Gross Profit

Kennametal adjusted gross profit as recorded under GAAP for specific items Anagement believes that the adjusted gross profit information is an important indicator of the Company's underlying operating performance.

Operating Expense Reconciliation Kennametal adjusted operating expense as reported under GAAP for Widia Kennametal adjusted operating expense as reported under GAAP for Widia Integration, restructuring charges, Widia operating expense, pension curtailment, a note receivable from a divestiture of a business by Kennametal in 2002, foreign exchange and decreased pension income. Management believes that the adjusted operating expense provides additional insight into the underlying operations. Management uses this information in reviewing operating performance and in the determination of compensation.

# RECONCILIATION TO GAAP WORKING CAPITAL (UNAUDITED):

	December 31,		
	2003	2002	
Current assets	\$ 751,903	\$ 755,018	
Current liabilities	309,270	281,431	
Working capital in accordance with GAAP Excluded items: Cash and cash equivalents Deferred income taxes Other current assets	442,633 (15,086) (88,020) (39,460)	473,587 (18,155) (80,204) (53,868)	
Total excluded current assets	\$ (142,566)	\$ (152,227)	
Adjusted current assets	609,337	602,791	
Short-term debt, including notes payable	(12,872)	(17,591)	
Accrued liabilities	(183,835)	(171,726)	
Total excluded current liabilities	\$ (196,707)	\$ (189,317)	
Adjusted current liabilities	112,563	92,114	
Primary working capital	\$ 496,774	\$ 510,677	

# KENNAMETAL INC. EBIT RECONCILIATION (UNAUDITED):

	Quarter E Decembe		Six Months Ended December 31,		
	2003	2002	2003	2002	
Net income, as reported As % of sales Add back:	\$ 10,892 2.4%	\$ 2,470 0.6%	\$19,656 2.2%	\$13,299 1.6%	
Interest Taxes	6,547 5,315	9,594 893	13,147 9,767	18,079 6,148	
EBIT Additional adjustments:	22,754	12,957	42,570	37,526	
Minority interest	404	709	1,099	1,047	
Restructuring and asset impairment charges (1)	3,127	8,561	6,520	8,380	
Widia integration	-	1,364	1,559	2,075	
Pension Curtailment	1,299	-	1,299	-	
Gain on Toshiba Investment	(4,397)	-	(4,397)	-	
Note Receivable	2,000	-	2,000	-	
Interest income	(439)	(849)	(875)	(1,489)	
Securitization fees	483	536	880	1,073	
Adjusted EBIT	\$ 25,231	\$ 23,278	\$50,655 =========	\$48,612	
As % of Sales	5.5%	5.4%	5.6%	5.8%	

(1) Includes charges in cost of goods sold and restructuring expense.

MSSG SEGMENT (UNAUDITED):

		Quarter Ended December 31,		Six Months Ended December 31,	
	2003	2002	2003	2002	
Sales, as reported Widia sales (1) Foreign currency exchange	\$ 283,493 (21,013)	\$ 269,413 - -	\$554,622 (26,018) (32,111)	\$510,234 - -	
Adjusted sales	\$ 262,480	\$ 269,413	\$496,493	\$510,234 ========	

# MSSG EBIT (UNAUDITED):

	Quarter Ended December 31,		Six Months Ended December 31,	
	2003	2002	2003	2002
MSSG operating income, as reported As % of sales Other income	\$ 22,684 8.0% 1,702	\$ 17,394 6.5% 563	\$46,186 8.3% 1,966	\$41,004 8.0% 752
EBIT Adjustments:	24, 386	17,957	48,152	41,756
MSŠG restructuring (2) Widia integration	1,630	4,849 1,360	5,023 1,511	4,849 2,071
EBIT, excluding special charges	\$ 26,016	\$ 24,166	\$54,686	\$48,676
As % of sales	9.2%	9.0%	9.9%	9.5%

(1) Widia was acquired on August 30, 2002. Sales related to Widia for July and August have been removed from the 2003 results in order to reflect comparable Widia activity for both years.

(2) Includes charges in cost of goods sold and restructuring expense.

AMSG SEGMENT (UNAUDITED):

	Quarter Ended December 31,		Six Months Ended December 31,	
	2003	2002	2003	2002
Sales, as reported Widia acquisition (1) Foreign currency exchange	\$ 94,751 (4,592)	\$ 83,305 - -	\$188,382 (5,476) (7,367)	\$166,714 - -
Adjusted sales	\$ 90,159	\$ 83,305 ======	\$175,539 =======	\$166,714

## AMSG EBIT (UNAUDITED):

	Quarter Decemb		Six Months Ended December 31,		
	2003	2002	2003	2002	
AMSG operating income, as reported As % of sales Other income (expense)	\$ 9,407 9.9% 947	\$ 6,339 7.6% (103)	\$21,229 11.3% 1,060	\$17,724 10.6% (45)	
EBIT Adjustments:	10,354	6,236	22,289	17,679	
AMSG restructuring (2) Widia integration	1,497	2,259 4	1,497 48	2,078 4	
EBIT, excluding special charges	\$ 11,851	\$ 8,499	\$23,834	\$19,761	
As % of sales	12.5%	10.2%	12.7%	11.9%	

(1) Widia was acquired on August 30, 2002. Sales related to Widia for July and August have been removed from the 2003 results in order to reflect comparable Widia activity for both years.

(2) Includes charges in cost of goods sold and restructuring expense.

# J&L SEGMENT (UNAUDITED):

		Quarter Ended December 31,		Six Months Ended December 31,		
	2003	2002	2003	2002		
Sales, as reported Foreign currency exchange	\$ 50,341 (450)	\$ 48,076 -	\$ 98,480 (671)	\$ 96,283 -		
Adjusted sales	\$ 49,891 ============	\$ 48,076	\$ 97,809	\$ 96,283		

# J&L EBIT (UNAUDITED):

	e e	Quarter Ended December 31,		Six Months Ended December 31,	
	2003	2002	2003	2002	
J&L operating income, as reported As % of sales Other (expense)	\$ 4,306 8.6% 25	\$ 1,722 3.6% (38)	\$ 6,991 7.1% 25	\$ 3,886 4.0% (49)	
EBIT Adjustments: J&L restructuring	4,331	1,684 466	7,016	3,837 466	
EBIT, excluding special charges	\$ 4,331	\$ 2,150	\$ 7,016	\$ 4,303	
As % of sales	8.6%	4.5%	7.1%	4.5%	

FSS SEGMENT (UNAUDITED):

	Quarter Ended December 31,		Six Months Ended December 31,	
	2003	2002	2003	2002
Sales, as reported Foreign currency exchange	\$ 32,193 (137)	\$ 30,937 -	\$63,869 (216)	\$62,718 -
Adjusted sales	\$ 32,056	\$ 30,937	\$63,653	\$62,718

FSS EBIT (UNAUDITED):

	Quarter E Decembe	Six Months Ended December 31,		
	2003	2002	2003	2002
FSS operating (loss), as reported As % of sales Other (expense) income	\$ (159) -0.5% -	\$ (332) -1.1% (42)	\$ (440) -0.7% 2	\$ (351) -0.6% 58
EBIT Adjustments: FSS restructuring	(159)	(374) 29	(438)	(293) 29
EBIT, excluding special charges	\$ (159)	\$ (345)	\$ (438)	\$ (264)
As % of sales	-0.5%	-1.1%	-0.7%	-0.4%

## RECONCILIATION TO GAAP - GROSS PROFIT (UNAUDITED):

	QUARTER DECEMBE		QUARTER E DECEMBER		SIX MONTHS DECEMBER	
	2003	AS A % OF SALES	2002	AS A % OF SALES	2003	AS A % OF SALES
Gross profit Widia integration and restructuring charges	\$147,632	32.0% 0.0%	\$137,483 54	31.8% 0.0%	\$291,739 2,961	32.2% 0.3%
Pension Curtailment	779	0.2%	- 54	0.0%	779	0.3%
Gross profit, excluding special items	\$ 148,418	32.2%	\$137,537	31.8%	\$ 295,479	32.6%

	SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31,		
	2002	AS A % OF SALES	
Gross profit Widia integration and restructuring charges Pension Curtailment	\$ 268,452 54 -	32.1% 0.0% 0.0%	
Gross profit, excluding special items	\$ 268,506	32.1%	

## OPERATING EXPENSE RECONCILIATION (UNAUDITED):

	Quarter Ended Dec. 31, 2003	Quarter Ended Dec. 31, 2002	Six Months Ended Dec. 31, 2003	Six Months Ended Dec. 31, 2002
Operating expense, as reported Integration costs	\$ 124,723	\$ 115,677 (1,310)	\$ 245,962 (1,448)	\$ 220,512 (2,021)
Pension Curtailment Note Receivable	(520) (1,817)		(520) (1,817)	
Operating expense, excluding special items Less:	122,386	114,367	242,177	218,491
Widia operating expense (1)	-	-	8,441	-
Unfavorable foreign exchange	7,220	-	12,199	-
Operating expense, excluding special items, Widia expense and foreign exchange	\$ 115,166 =======	\$ 114,367 ========	\$ 221,537 ========	\$ 218,491 ========

(1) Widia was acquired on August 30, 2002. Operating expenses related to Widia for July and August have been removed from the 2003 results in order to reflect comparable Widia activity for both years.

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Exhibit Index Exhibit Description

99.1 Press Release dated January 28, 2004. Furnished herewith.

## SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

KENNAMETAL INC.

Date: January 28, 2004

By: /s/ TIMOTHY A. HIBBARD Timothy A. Hibbard Corporate Controller and Chief Accounting Officer FROM: KENNAMETAL INC. P.O. Box 231 Latrobe, PA 15650

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DATE: January 28, 2004

#### FOR RELEASE: Immediate

#### KENNAMETAL REPORTS STRONG GROWTH IN SECOND QUARTER EARNINGS

-	Sales up 7%
-	Reported earnings per diluted share of \$0.30, above
	guidance
-	Strong cash flow

LATROBE, Pa., January 28, 2004 - Kennametal Inc. (NYSE: KMT) today reported fiscal 2004 second- quarter earnings of \$0.30 per diluted share compared with earnings of \$0.07 per diluted share last year. Excluding special items in each period, diluted earnings per share were \$0.34 for the quarter, exceeding guidance, compared with last year's earnings per share of \$0.27. Sales of \$461 million were 7 percent above prior year on foreign currency effects, and a one percent increase in organic volume.

Earnings Per Share Excluding Special	Items
Company Guidance (10/29/03)	\$0.27 to \$0.32
Analyst Estimate Range (01/23/04)	\$0.30 to \$0.34
Earnings, Excluding Special Items	\$0.34

For the first six months of fiscal 2004, reported earnings of \$0.54 per diluted share compared with earnings of \$0.38 per diluted share last year. Excluding special items in each period, diluted earnings per share of \$0.68 were 17% above prior year's earnings of \$0.58.

Kennametal Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, Markos I. Tambakeras, said, "We were pleased to exceed our guidance for the quarter, and deliver 26 percent earnings per share growth over the prior year quarter. Our results reflect continued strong growth in the developing regions of Asia-Pacific and South America. In addition, our North American performance tracked well with macro-economic trends that have been forecasting a recovery for several months. Our confidence in the sustainability of the North American recovery was assisted by the return to growth of the Light and General Engineering market. Additionally, our sales to the Energy and Mining & Construction sectors grew at double-digit rates.

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Tambakeras continued, "In addition to our strong operating performance, we sustained our concurrent focus on generating cash and strengthening our balance sheet. \$34 million of free operating cash flow contributed to a further reduction of debt, and reduced our debt-to-capital ratio to 37 percent. As promised, the quarter also included the completion of the Widia restructuring."

#### \_\_\_\_\_ HIGHLIGHTS \_\_\_\_\_

#### SECOND QUARTER - FY04

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- Sales of \$460.8 million were 7 percent above last year's \$431.7 million. Sales results include a 6 percent benefit from foreign currency exchange and a 1 percent increase in organic sales volume.
- Reported net income was \$10.9 million against net income of \$2.5 million in the same quarter last year. Excluding special items, net income was \$12.3 million for the quarter, a 30 percent increase compared to net income of \$9.4 million last year reflecting the benefits of Widia synergies, cost reduction, reduced interest expense, and foreign currency exchange offset by increased employment costs.
- The current quarter included net special charges of 1.4 million, or \$0.04 per diluted share, associated with the previously announced curtailment charge related to the amendment of the Retirement Income Pension Plan, the finalization of the Widia integration and an allowance for a note receivable from a fiscal 2002 divestiture. These costs were offset by a gain on the sale of our 5 percent ownership interest in Toshiba Tungaloy. The prior-year quarter included net special charges of \$7.0 million, or \$0.20 per diluted share, largely related to the salaried workforce reduction and Widia integration.
- As expected, net cash flow from operations was \$43.2 million, versus \$36.3 million for the prior year. Free operating cash flow was \$33.8 million, versus \$25.0 million in the same period last year due to positive operating performance and reduction in inventory levels.
- Total debt was \$481 million, down \$44 million from June 2003, and \$136 million below December 2002.
- Debt to capital decreased to 37 percent, from 45 percent at the end of December in the prior year.

## FIRST SIX MONTHS - FY04

Sales of \$905.4 million were 8 percent above last year's \$835.9 million. The Widia acquisition and foreign currency exchange contributed to the growth.

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Reported net income was \$19.7 million compared to net income of \$13.3 million in the same period last year. Excluding special items, net income was \$24.4 million for the quarter, an 18 percent increase compared to net income of \$20.6 million last year

OUTLOOK

Performance in certain key North American markets during the December quarter corroborated positive macroeconomic indicators, and increased the probability of a sustained recovery in North American industrial markets. Europe remains challenging, with continued weakness in key markets and customers.

Tambakeras said, "On balance, we remain confident in our ability to deliver against our original earnings guidance for the year. While Europe is weaker than anticipated, North America is encouraging, and the rest of the world remains strong. In addition to North American market growth, the incremental seasonal strength of the second half of our fiscal year, and the addition of sales from the previously announced J&L and FSS contracts give us confidence that we will be able to deliver in excess of 35 percent earnings growth in fiscal 2004."

Sales for the third quarter of fiscal 2004 are expected to grow 10 to 12 percent year-over-year, including the impact of currency. Organic growth is anticipated to be 4 to 6 percent year-over-year, compared to a 1 percent increase in the second quarter. Reported diluted earnings per share are expected to be \$0.50 to \$0.60 per share.

Guidance for the full year remains essentially unchanged, but has been modified to reflect recent increases in raw material prices and persistent weakness in Europe. Sales are expected to grow 9 to 11 percent year-over-year, including the impact of currency. Reported diluted earnings per share are expected to be \$1.75 to \$1.95 per share. This includes net charges to date of approximately \$0.14 per share. Excluding these charges, diluted earnings per share are forecasted to range from \$1.90 to \$2.10 per share. The earnings outlook includes \$0.12 to \$0.15 of accretion from Widia.

Kennametal anticipates net cash flow provided by operating activities of approximately \$160 to \$175 million in fiscal 2004. Purchases of property, plant and equipment and proceeds from disposals of property, plant and equipment are expected to be approximately \$50 to \$60 million, net. Adjusting net cash flow provided by operating activities for the above items, Kennametal expects to generate between \$100 and \$125 million of free operating cash flow.

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Kennametal advises shareholders to note monthly order trends, for which the company makes a disclosure ten business days after the conclusion of each month. This information is available on the Investor Relations section of Kennametal's corporate web site at www.kennametal.com.

DIVIDEND DECLARED

Kennametal also announced its Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.17 cents per share, payable February 25, 2004, to shareowners of record as of the close of business February 10, 2004.

Second quarter results will be discussed in a live Internet broadcast at 10:00 a.m. today. Access the live or archived conference by visiting the Investor Relations section of Kennametal's corporate web site at www.kennametal.com.

This release contains "forward-looking" statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. You can identify these forward-looking statements by the fact they use words such as "should," "anticipate," "estimate," "approximate," "expect," "may," "will," "project," "intend," "plan," "believe," and others words of similar meaning and expression in connection with any discussion of future operating or financial performance. One can also identify forward-looking statements by the fact that they do not relate strictly to historical or current facts. These statements are likely to relate to, among other things, our goals, plans and projections regarding our financial position, results of operations, market position and product development, which are based on current expectations that involve inherent risks and uncertainties, including factors that could delay, divert or change any of them in the next several years. Although it is not possible to predict or identify all factors, they may include the following: global economic conditions; future terrorist attacks; epidemics; risks associated with integrating and divesting businesses and achieving the expected savings and synergies; demands on management resources; risks associated with international markets such as currency exchange rates, and social and political environments; competition; labor relations; commodity prices; demand for and market acceptance of new and existing products; and risks associated with the implementation of restructuring plans and environmental remediation matters. We can give no assurance that any goal or plan set forth in forward-looking statements can be achieved and readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such statements, which speak only as of the date made. We undertake no obligation to release publicly any revisions to forward-looking statements as a result of future events or developments.

Kennametal Inc. aspires to be the premier tooling solutions supplier in the world with operational excellence throughout the value chain and best-in-class manufacturing and technology. Kennametal strives to deliver superior shareowner value through top-tier financial performance. The company provides customers a broad range of technologically advanced tools, tooling systems and engineering services aimed at improving customers' manufacturing competitiveness. With about 13,500 employees worldwide, the company's annual sales approximate \$1.8 billion, with nearly half coming from sales outside the United States. Kennametal is a five-time winner of the GM "Supplier of the Year" award and is represented in

more than 60 countries. Kennametal operations in Europe are headquartered in Furth, Germany. Kennametal Asia Pacific operations are headquartered in Singapore. For more information, visit the company's web site at www.kennametal.com.

### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Consolidated financial highlights for Kennametal Inc. (NYSE: KMT) for the quarter and six months ended December 31, 2003 and 2002 are shown in the following tables (in thousands, except per share amounts).

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

		R ENDED BER 31,			
	2003	2002			
Sales Cost of goods sold (1)	\$ 460,778 313,146	\$ 431,731 294,248	\$ 905,353 613,614	\$ 835,949 567,497	
Gross profit Operating expense(2) Restructuring and asset impairment charges Amortization of intangibles	124,723 3,120	137,483 115,677 8,561 1,300	245,962 3,670	220,512 8,380	
Operating income Interest expense Other (income), net (3)	6,547	11,945 9,594 (1,721)	13,147	18,079	
Income before provision for income taxes and minority interest Provision for income taxes Minority interest	16,611 5,315 404	4,072 893 709	30,522 9,767 1,099	20,494 6,148 1,047	
Net income	\$ 10,892		\$ 19,656	\$ 13,299	
Basic earnings per share	======================================	\$ 0.07	=========== \$ 0.55 =========	\$ 0.38	
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.54	\$ 0.38	
Dividends per share	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.34	\$ 0.34	
Basic weighted average share outstanding	=========== 35,604 =========	35,126	======================================	35,086	
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	36,260 =======	35,414	36,124 ========	35,379 =======	

- (1) For the quarter ended December 31, 2003, these amounts include charges of \$0.8 million for the pension curtailment. For the six months ended December 31, 2003, these amounts include charges of \$0.1 million for integration activities, \$2.9 million related to restructuring programs, and \$0.8 million for the pension curtailment. For the quarter and six months ended December 31, 2002, these amounts include charges of \$0.1 million for the pension curtailment. For the quarter and six months ended December 31, 2002, these amounts include charges of \$0.1 million for integration activities related to the Widia acquisition.
- (2) For the quarter ended December 31, 2003, these amounts include charges of \$1.8 million related to a note receivable from a divestiture of a business by Kennametal in 2002, and \$0.5 million related to the pension curtailment. For the six months ended December 31, 2003, these amounts include charges of \$1.8 million related to a note receivable from a divestiture of a business by Kennametal in 2002, \$0.5 million related to the pension curtailment, and \$1.4 million for integration activities related to the Widia acquisition. For the quarter and six months ended December 31, 2002, these amounts include charges of \$1.3 million and \$2.0 million, respectively, for integration activities related to the Widia acquisition.
- (3) For the quarter and six months ended December 31, 2003, these amounts include income of \$4.4 million related to a gain on the sale of Toshiba Tungaloy investment and a charge of \$0.2 million on a note receivable from a divestiture of a business by Kennametal in 2002.

In addition to reported results under U.S. GAAP, the following financial highlight tables also include, where appropriate, a reconciliation of results excluding special items and free operating cash flow (which are non-GAAP measures), to the most directly comparable GAAP measures. Management believes that each of these non-GAAP financial measures is useful to investors to more easily compare the Company's financial performance period to period.

RECONCILIATION TO GAAP - QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER 31 (UNAUDITED)

	6	Gross Profit		Operating Expense		Operating Income	 Other (Income) / Expense		Net Income		Diluted Earnings Per Share
2003 Reported Results MSSG Restructuring AMSG Restructuring Pension Curtailment Gain on Toshiba Investment Note Receivable	\$	147,632 7 - 779 - -	\$	124,723 - (520) (1,817)	\$	19,303 1,630 1,497 1,299 - 1,817	\$ (3,855) - - 4,397 (183)	\$	10,892 1,109 1,018 883 (2,990) 1,360	\$	0.30 0.03 0.03 0.02 (0.08) 0.04
2003 Results Excluding Special Items	\$	148,418	\$	122,386	 \$	25,546	 \$  359	 \$	12,272	\$ \$	0.34
2002 Reported Results MSSG Restructuring AMSG Restructuring Corporate Restructuring J&L Restructuring FSS Restructuring Widia Integration Costs - MSSG Widia Integration Costs - AMSG	\$	137,483 - - - - 54 -	\$	115,677 - - - (1,306) (4)	\$	11,945 4,849 2,259 958 466 29 1,360 4	\$ (1,721) - - - - - - -	\$	2,470 3,394 1,577 670 327 20 967 3	\$	0.07 0.10 0.04 0.02 0.01 - 0.03
2002 Results Excluding Special Items	 \$ ==	137,537	\$ ====	114,367	\$ \$	21,870	\$ (1,721) =======	\$ =====	9,428	\$ =====	0.27

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (CONTINUED)

# RECONCILIATION TO GAAP - SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31 (UNAUDITED)

	Gross Profit	Operating Expense	Operating Income	Other (Income) / Expense	Net Income	Diluted Earnings Per Share
2003 Reported Results	\$ 291,739	\$ 245,962	\$ 41,151	\$ (2,518)	\$ 19,656	\$ 0.54
MSSG Restructuring	2,850	-	5,023	-	3,416	0.10
AMSG Restructuring	-	-	1,497	-	1,018	0.03
Widia Integration Costs - MSSG Widia Integration Costa	63	(1,448)	1,511	-	1,027	0.03
Widia Integration Costs - AMSG	48	-	48	-	33	-
Pension Curtailment	779	(520)	1,299	-	883	0.02
Gain on Toshiba Investment	-	-	-	4,397	(2,990)	(0.08)
Note Receivable	-	(1,817)	1,817	(183)	1,360	0.04
2003 Results Excluding Special Items	\$ 295,479	\$ 242,177	\$ 52,346	\$ 1,696	\$ 24,403 =======	\$ 0.68 ======
2002 Reported Results	\$ 268,452	\$ 220,512	\$ 37,446	\$ (1,127)	\$ 13,299	\$ 0.38
MSSG Restructuring	-	-	4,849	-	3,394	0.10
AMSG Restructuring	-	-	2,078	-	1,454	0.04
Corporate Restructuring	-	-	958	-	670	0.02
J&L Restructuring	-	-	466	-	327	0.01
FSS Restructuring Widia Integration Costs -	-	-	29	-	20	-
MSSG	54	(2,017)	2,071	-	1,450	0.03
Widia Integration Costs - AMSG	-	(4)	4	-	3	-
2002 Results Excluding Special Items	\$ 268,506	\$ 218,491	\$ 47,901	\$ (1,127)	\$ 20,617	\$ 0.58 =======

# SEGMENT DATA (UNAUDITED):

	Quarter Ended December 31,					x Months December	
	20	)03	200	)2*	2003		2002*
Sales: Metalworking Solutions and Services Group Advanced Materials Solutions Group J&L Industrial Supply Full Service Supply	\$			48,076	188, 98,	382 480	\$ 510,234 166,714 96,283 62,718
Total Sales	\$	460,778	\$	431,731	\$ 905,	353	\$ 835,949
Sales By Geographic Region: Within the United States International Total Sales		236,203 224,575 460,778			436,	536 	\$ 468,630 367,319 \$ 835,949
Operating Income (Loss), as reported: Metalworking Solutions and Services Group Advanced Materials Solutions Group J&L Industrial Supply Full Service Supply Corporate and Eliminations	\$	22,684 9,407 4,306 (159) (16,935)		17,394 6,339 1,722 (332) (13,178)	21, 6, (	440)	17,724 3,886 (351)
Total Operating Income	\$	19,303	\$	11,945	\$ 41,	151	\$ 37,446
Operating Income (Loss), excluding special charges: Metalworking Solutions and Services Group Advanced Materials Solutions Group J&L Industrial Supply Full Service Supply Corporate and Eliminations	\$	24,314 10,904 4,306 (159) (13,819)		23,603 8,602 2,188 (303) (12,220)	22, 6, (	991 440)	19,806 4,352 (322)
Total Operating Income	\$	25,546	\$	21,870	\$ 52,	346 ==== ====	\$ 47,901

 $^{*}\ensuremath{\mathsf{Prior}}$  year segment data has been restated for organizational changes

# OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) RECONCILIATION (UNAUDITED):

# QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER 31,

-	MSSG	AMSG	J&L	FSS (	Corp & Elim.
2003 Reported Operating Income (Loss) Restructuring Pension Curtailment Note Receivable	\$ 22,684 1,630 - -	\$ 9,407 1,497 - -	\$ 4,306 - - -	\$ (159) - - -	\$ (16,935) - 1,299 1,817
2003 Operating Income (Loss) Excluding Special Charges =	\$ 24,314 ========	\$ 10,904	\$ 4,306	\$ (159)	\$ (13,819)
2002 Reported Operating Income (Loss) Restructuring Widia Integration Costs	\$ 17,394 4,849 1,360	\$   6,339 2,259 4	\$ 1,722 466 -	\$ (332) 29 -	\$ (13,178) 958 -
2002 Operating Income (Loss) Excluding Special Charges	\$ 23,603	\$ 8,602	\$ 2,188	\$ (303)	\$ (12,220)

	Total
2003 Reported Operating Income (Loss)	\$ 19,303
Restructuring	3,127
Pension Curtailment	1,299
Note Receivable	1,817
2003 Operating Income (Loss) Excluding Special Charges	\$ 25,546 ======
2002 Reported Operating Income (Loss)	\$ 11,945
Restructuring	8,561
Widia Integration Costs	1,364

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2002	Operating	Income	(Loss)	Excluding	Special	Charges	\$ 21,870
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SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31,	MSSG	AMSG	J&L	FSS
2003 Reported Operating Income (Loss) Restructuring Widia Integration Costs Pension Curtailment Note Receivable	\$ 46,186 5,023 1,511 - -	\$ 21,229 1,497 48 - -	\$ 6,991 - - - -	\$ (440) - - - -
2003 Operating Income (Loss) Excluding Special Charges	\$ 52,720	\$ 22,774	\$ 6,991	\$ (440)
2002 Reported Operating Income (Loss) Restructuring Widia Integration Costs	\$ 41,004 4,849 2,071	\$ 17,724 2,078 4	\$3,886 466 -	\$ (351) 29 -
2002 Operating Income (Loss) Excluding Special Charges	\$ 47,924 ========	\$ 19,806	\$ 4,352	\$ (322)

	Corp & Elim.	Total
2003 Reported Operating Income (Loss) Restructuring Widia Integration Costs Pension Curtailment Note Receivable	\$ (32,815) - 1,299 1,817	<pre>\$ 41,151 6,520 1,559 1,299 1,817</pre>
2003 Operating Income (Loss) Excluding Special Charges	\$ (29,699)	\$ 52,346

\$ (24,817) \$ 37,446 958 8,380

Widia Integration Costs	-	2,075
2002 Operating Income (Loss) Excluding Special Charges	\$ (23,859)	\$ 47,901

# RECONCILIATION TO OPERATING CASH FLOW INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)

	Quarter Ended December 31,		Six Months Ended December 31,	
	2003	2002	2003	2002
Net income	\$ 10,892	\$ 2,470	\$ 19,656	\$ 13,299
Other non-cash items Depreciation and amortization	4,746 16,489	3,484 20,914	11,219 31,840	5,489 39,980
Change in inventory	10,409	3,379	15,437	13,500
Change in accounts receivable	18,343	24,973	23, 397	30,911
Change in accounts payable	3,332	(11,637)	(9,180)	(25,736)
Change in other assets and liabilities	(22,354)	(7,310)	(37,027)	(2,856)
Net cash flow provided by operating activities	43,157	36,273	55,342	74,587
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(11,259)	(11,536)	(21,853)	(22,011)
Proceeds from disposals of property, plant and equipment	1,854	238	2,388	843
Free operating cash flow	\$ 33,752	\$ 24,975 ====================================	\$ 35,877	\$ 53,419

# CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)

	Quarter Ended				
	12/31/03	09/30/03	06/30/03	03/31/03	12/31/02
ASSETS					
Cash and equivalents Accounts receivable, net of allowance	\$    15,086 223,087	\$ 14,720 232,146	\$   15,093 231,803	\$ 17,250 235,908	\$ 18,155 199,261
Inventories	386, 250	387,877	389, 613	408, 996	403, 530
Deferred income taxes	88,020	86,888	97,237	81,651	80,204
Other current assets	39,460	47,003	48,606	44,286	53,868
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS					
	751,903	768,634	782,352	788,091	755,018
Property, plant and equipment, net					
Goodwill and Intangible assets, net	487,530 500,890	489,242 484,662	489,828	476,208 491,987	480,066 478,060
Other assets	72,802	67,108	470,165 71,542		104,937
TOTAL	\$ 1,813,125	\$ 1,809,646	\$ 1,813,887	\$ 1,863,445	\$ 1,818,081
LIABILITIES					
Short-term debt, including notes payable	\$ 12,872	\$ 11,375	\$ 10,845	\$ 15,068	\$ 17,591
Accounts payable	112,563	107,653	118,509	120,981	92,114
Accrued liabilities	183,835	197,578	206,993	208,816	171,726
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES					
	309,270	316,606	336,347	344,865	281,431
Long-term debt					
	468,455	508,763	514,842	565,067	599,425
Deferred income taxes	36,087	41,368	514,842 43,543	38,382	46,801
Other liabilities	191,585	180,258	178,698	140,550	135,101
TOTAL LIABILITIES					
	1,005,397	1,046,995	1,073,430	1,088,864	1,062,758
MINORITY INTEREST	16,286	16,089	18,880	18,070	17,594
SHAREOWNERS' EQUITY	791,442	746,562	721,577	756,511	737,729
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TOTAL	\$ 1,813,125 =======	\$ 1,809,646	\$ 1,813,887 ========	\$ 1,863,445 =======	\$ 1,818,081 =======

	TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2004	
Forecasted net cash flow provided by operating activities	\$160,000 - 175,000	
Forecasted purchases and disposals of property, plant and equipment	(50,000) - (60,000)	
Forecasted free operating cash flow	\$100,000 - 125,000 ==================	