

# Kadant Reports Fourth Quarter and Fiscal Year 2020 Results

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### Record Bookings, Operating Cash Flow, and Free Cash Flow in Q4 2020

WESTFORD, Mass., Feb. 17, 2021 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Kadant Inc. (NYSE: KAI) reported its financial results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended January 2, 2021.

### **Fourth Quarter Financial Highlights**

- Operating cash flow increased 3% to a record \$40 million.
- Free cash flow increased 7% to a record \$38 million.
- Bookings increased 23% to a record \$197 million.
- Revenue decreased 8% to \$168 million.
- GAAP diluted EPS increased 84% to \$1.40.
- Adjusted diluted EPS increased 17% to \$1.54.
- Net income increased 85% to \$16 million.
- Adjusted EBITDA was \$32 million and represented 19.1% of revenue.

### Fiscal Year Financial Highlights

- Operating cash flow was \$93 million and free cash flow was \$85 million.
- Bookings decreased 6% to \$648 million.
- Revenue decreased 10% to \$635 million.
- GAAP diluted EPS increased 5% to \$4.77.
- Adjusted diluted EPS decreased 7% to \$5.00.
- Net income increased 6% to \$55 million.
- Adjusted EBITDA decreased 9% to \$116 million and represented 18.3% of revenue.

Note: Percent changes above are based on comparison to the prior year period. Free cash flow, adjusted diluted EPS, adjusted EBITDA, adjusted EBITDA margin, and changes in organic revenue are non-GAAP financial measures that exclude certain items as detailed later in this press release under the heading "Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures."

## **Management Commentary**

"While the past year has been dominated by the global pandemic that impacted communities around the world, I am proud of the pivotal role Kadant has played in helping essential industries continue to operate," said Jeffrey L. Powell, president and chief executive officer. "Our leadership teams across the globe continue to work tirelessly to safeguard our employees while meeting the needs of our customers. New order activity and revenue continued their upward trajectory in the fourth quarter of 2020 led by robust capital project activity in our Industrial Processing segment and strong demand for our parts and consumables across all our operating segments.

"Overall, the quarter was better than expected with solid execution from our businesses enabling us to deliver strong margins and earnings in the fourth quarter. This led to record cash flow from operations and record free cash flow in the quarter which, combined with our debt repayments, helped reduce our leverage ratio to 1.61. As our end-market conditions improve and the broader macroeconomic outlook becomes increasingly positive, we are well-positioned to capitalize on new opportunities and accelerate revenue growth."

## Fourth Quarter 2020 compared to 2019

Revenue decreased eight percent to \$168.4 million compared to \$182.7 million in 2019. Organic revenue was down 10 percent, which excludes an acquisition and a two percent increase from the favorable effect of foreign currency translation. Gross margin was 44.1 percent compared to 40.9 percent in 2019.

GAAP diluted earnings per share (EPS) was \$1.40 compared to \$0.76 in 2019. Adjusted diluted EPS increased 17 percent to \$1.54 compared to \$1.32 in 2019. Adjusted diluted EPS in 2020 excludes \$0.13 of impairment and restructuring costs and \$0.01 of acquired backlog amortization. Adjusted diluted EPS in 2019 excludes a \$0.55 settlement loss, \$0.17 of impairment and restructuring costs, and a \$0.16 discrete tax benefit. Net income was \$16.2 million compared to \$8.7 million in 2019 and adjusted EBITDA was \$32.1 million compared to \$32.2 million in the prior year quarter. Cash flow from operations increased three percent to a record \$40.3 million compared to \$39.2 million in 2019.

Bookings increased 23 percent to a record \$196.5 million compared to \$159.8 million in 2019. Organic bookings increased 20 percent, which excludes an acquisition and a three percent increase from the favorable effect of foreign currency translation.

## Fiscal Year 2020 compared to 2019

Revenue decreased 10 percent to \$635.0 million compared to \$704.6 million in 2019. Organic revenue was down 10 percent, which excludes an acquisition and the unfavorable effect of foreign currency translation. Gross margin was 43.7 percent compared to 41.7 percent in 2019.

GAAP diluted EPS increased five percent to \$4.77 compared to \$4.54 in 2019. Adjusted diluted EPS decreased seven percent to \$5.00 compared to \$5.36 in 2019. Adjusted diluted EPS in 2020 excludes \$0.19 of impairment and restructuring costs, \$0.04 of acquired backlog amortization, \$0.03 of acquisition costs, and a \$0.03 discrete tax benefit. Adjusted diluted EPS in 2019 excludes a \$0.55 settlement loss, \$0.32 of acquired profit in inventory

and backlog amortization, a \$0.29 discrete tax benefit, \$0.17 of impairment and restructuring costs, and \$0.06 of acquisition costs. Net income was \$55.2 million compared to \$52.1 million in 2019. Adjusted EBITDA decreased nine percent to \$115.9 million compared to \$127.1 million in 2019. Cash flow from operations decreased five percent to \$92.9 million compared to \$97.4 million in 2019.

Bookings decreased six percent to \$648.5 million compared to \$688.3 million in 2019. Organic bookings were down six percent, which excludes an acquisition and the unfavorable effect of foreign currency translation.

#### **Summary and Outlook**

"Our record bookings in the fourth quarter were led by strong capital project activity and solid contributions from our parts and consumables," Mr. Powell continued. "As we start 2021, we expect demand to improve as industrial production continues to strengthen. Our global footprint and the diversity of our product offerings have provided stability as the timing of the market recovery has varied by region and industry. While we have seen a recent strengthening in demand, there is uncertainty in how global markets may respond to the pandemic as the vaccine distribution has proven to be uneven around the world. As a result, we will not be providing guidance at this time."

#### **Conference Call**

Kadant will hold a webcast with a slide presentation for investors on Thursday, February 18, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. eastern time to discuss its fourth quarter and full-year performance, as well as future expectations. To access the webcast, including the slideshow and accompanying audio, go to <a href="https://www.kadant.com">www.kadant.com</a> and click on "Investors." To listen to the webcast via teleconference, call 888-326-8410 within the U.S., or +1-704-385-4884 outside the U.S. and reference participant passcode 2636925. Prior to the call, our earnings release and the slides used in the webcast presentation will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and will be available at <a href="https://www.sec.gov">www.sec.gov</a>. An archive of the webcast presentation will be available on our website until March 19, 2021.

Shortly after the webcast, Kadant will post its updated general investor presentation incorporating the fourth quarter and fiscal year results on its website at <a href="https://www.kadant.com">www.kadant.com</a> under the "Investors" section.

### **Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

In addition to the financial measures prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), we use certain non-GAAP financial measures, including increases or decreases in revenue excluding the effect of acquisitions and foreign currency translation (organic revenue), adjusted operating income, adjusted net income, adjusted diluted EPS, earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization (EBITDA), adjusted EBITDA, adjusted EBITDA margin, and free cash flow.

We believe these non-GAAP financial measures, when taken together with the corresponding GAAP financial measures, provide meaningful supplemental information regarding our performance by excluding certain items that may not be indicative of our core business, operating results, or future outlook. We believe that the inclusion of such measures helps investors gain an understanding of our underlying operating performance and future prospects, consistent with how management measures and forecasts our performance, especially when comparing such results to previous periods or forecasts and to the performance of our competitors. Such measures are also used by us in our financial and operating decision-making and for compensation purposes. We also believe this information is responsive to investors' requests and gives them an additional measure of our performance.

The non-GAAP financial measures included in this press release are not meant to be considered superior to or a substitute for the results of operations prepared in accordance with GAAP. In addition, the non-GAAP financial measures included in this press release have limitations associated with their use as compared to the most directly comparable GAAP measures, in that they may be different from, and therefore not comparable to, similar measures used by other companies.

Revenue in the fourth quarter of 2020 included a \$3.6 million favorable foreign currency translation effect and \$0.7 million from an acquisition. Revenue in 2020 included a \$2.2 million unfavorable foreign currency translation effect and \$1.6 million from an acquisition. We present increases or decreases in organic revenue, which excludes the effect of acquisitions and foreign currency translation, to provide investors insight into underlying revenue trends.

Our non-GAAP financial measures exclude benefit plan settlement losses, impairment and restructuring costs, acquisition costs, amortization expense related to acquired profit in inventory and backlog, and discrete tax items. Free cash flow excludes capital expenditures from cash flow from operations. These items are excluded as they are not indicative of our core operating results and are not comparable to other periods, which have differing levels of incremental costs, expenditures or income, or none at all.

## Fourth Quarter

Adjusted operating income, adjusted EBITDA, and adjusted EBITDA margin exclude:

- Pre-tax impairment and restructuring costs of \$2.1 million in 2020 and \$2.5 million in 2019.
- Pre-tax expense related to acquired backlog amortization of \$0.2 million in 2020.

Adjusted net income and adjusted diluted EPS exclude:

- After-tax settlement loss of \$6.4 million (\$5.9 million pre-tax and tax expense of \$0.5 million) in 2019.
- After-tax impairment and restructuring costs of \$1.5 million (\$2.1 million net of tax of \$0.6 million) in 2020 and \$1.9 million (\$2.5 million net of tax of \$0.6 million) in 2019.
- After-tax expense related to acquired backlog amortization of \$0.1 million (\$0.2 million net of tax of \$0.1 million) in 2020.
- A discrete tax benefit of \$1.8 million in 2019.

Free cash flow is calculated as cash flow from operations less:

Capital expenditures of \$2.2 million in 2020 and \$3.7 million in 2019.

Adjusted operating income, adjusted EBITDA, and adjusted EBITDA margin exclude:

- Pre-tax impairment and restructuring costs of \$3.0 million in 2020 and \$2.5 million in 2019.
- Pre-tax acquisition costs of \$0.5 million in 2020 and \$0.8 million in 2019.
- Pre-tax expense related to acquired backlog amortization of \$0.5 million in 2020 and \$1.3 million in 2019.
- Pre-tax expense related to amortization of acquired profit in inventory of \$3.5 million in 2019.

Adjusted net income and adjusted diluted EPS exclude:

- After-tax settlement loss of \$6.4 million (\$5.9 million pre-tax and tax expense of \$0.5 million).
- After-tax impairment and restructuring costs of \$2.2 million (\$3.0 million net of tax of \$0.8 million) in 2020 and \$1.9 million (\$2.5 million net of tax of \$0.6 million) in 2019.
- After-tax acquisition costs of \$0.4 million (\$0.5 million net of tax of \$0.1 million) in 2020 and \$0.7 million (\$0.8 million net of tax of \$0.1 million) in 2019.
- After-tax expense related to acquired backlog amortization of \$0.4 million (\$0.5 million net of tax of \$0.1 million) in 2020 and \$1.0 million (\$1.3 million net of tax of \$0.3 million) in 2019.
- After-tax expense related to amortization of acquired profit in inventory of \$2.7 million (\$3.5 million net of tax of \$0.8 million) in 2019.
- A discrete tax benefit of \$0.3 million in 2020 and \$3.3 million in 2019.

Free cash flow is calculated as cash flow from operations less:

• Capital expenditures of \$7.6 million in 2020 and \$10.0 million in 2019.

Reconciliations of the non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures are set forth in this press release.

### Financial Highlights (unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share amounts and percentages)

		Three Mo	onths	Ended		Twelve M	onths I	Ended
Consolidated Statement of Income		Jan. 2, 2021		Dec. 28, 2019		Jan. 2, 2021	[	Dec. 28, 2019
Revenue	\$	168,431	\$	182,659	\$	635,028	\$	704,644
Costs and Operating Expenses:								
Cost of revenue		94,212		108,032		357,722		410,884
Selling, general, and administrative expenses		47,387		47,642		181,905		192,525
Research and development expenses		2,766		2,904		11,298		10,884
Impairment and restructuring costs (b)		2,053		2,528		2,979		2,528
		146,418		161,106		553,904		616,821
Operating Income		22,013		21,553		81,124		87,823
Interest Income		41		55		181		213
Interest Expense		(1,363)		(2,612)		(7,423)		(12,755)
Other Expense, Net (c)		(100)		(6,063)		(195)		(6,359)
Income Before Provision for Income Taxes		20,591		12,933		73,687		68,922
Provision for Income Taxes		4,210		4,048	_	17,948		16,358
Net Income		16,381		8,885		55,739		52,564
Net Income Attributable to Noncontrolling Interest		(174)		(136)		(543)		(496)
Net Income Attributable to Kadant	\$	16,207	\$	8,749	\$	55,196	\$	52,068
Earnings per Share Attributable to Kadant:								
Basic	\$	1.41	\$	0.77	\$	4.81	\$	4.63
Diluted	\$	1.40	\$	0.76	\$	4.77	\$	4.54
Weighted Average Shares:								
Basic		11,513		11,344		11,482		11,235
Diluted	_	11,608		11,525	= =	11,564	_	11,457
		Three Mo	onths	Ended		Three Mo	onths E	Ended
Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted Diluted EPS (a)		Jan. 2, 2021	Jan. 2, 2021			Dec. 28, 2019	Dec. 28, 2019	
Net Income and Diluted EPS Attributable to Kadant, as Reported	\$	16,207	\$	1.40	\$	8,749	\$	0.76

Adjustments for the Following: Settlement Loss, Net of Tax (c)		_		_		6,352		0.55
Impairment and Restructuring Costs, Net of Tax (b) Amortization of Acquired Backlog, Net of Tax (g)		1,543 132		0.13 0.01		1,905 15 (1,839)		0.17
Discrete Tax Items (i)  Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted Diluted EPS (a)	\$	17,882	•	1.54	\$	15,182	\$	(0.16) 1.32
Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted Diluted EFS (a)	Ψ	17,002	Φ	1.54	<u> </u>	10,102	Φ	1.32
	_	Twelve Mo	onths			Twelve Mo	nths	
Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted Diluted EPS (a)		Jan. 2, 2021		Jan. 2, 2021		Dec. 28, 2019		Dec. 28, 2019
Net Income and Diluted EPS Attributable to Kadant, as Reported	\$	55,196	\$	4.77	\$	52,068	\$	4.54
Adjustments for the Following: Settlement Loss, Net of Tax (c)						6,352		0.55
Impairment and Restructuring Costs, Net of Tax (b)		2,210		0.19		1,905		0.33
Acquisition Costs, Net of Tax		355		0.03		699		0.06
Amortization of Acquired Profit in Inventory and								
Backlog, Net of Tax (g,h)		407		0.04		3,702		0.32
Discrete Tax Items (i)		(338)		(0.03)		(3,338)		(0.29)
Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted Diluted EPS (a)	\$	57,830	\$	5.00	\$	61,388	\$	5.36
		Three Mo	nths	Ended				ecrease Excluding
Revenue by Segment (d)		Jan. 2, 2021		Dec. 28, 2019		Decrease	A	cquisition and FX (a,e)
Flow Control	\$	60,115	\$	61,547	\$	(1,432)	\$	(2,304)
Industrial Processing	*	69,109	•	79,049	*	(9,940)	*	(12,283)
Material Handling		39,207		42,063		(2,856)		(3,951)
	\$	168,431	\$	182,659	\$	(14,228)	\$	(18,538)
Percentage of Parts and Consumables Revenue	=	67 %	:=	60 %				
		Twelve Mo	onths	s Ended				ecrease Excluding cquisition and FX
		Jan. 2, 2021		Dec. 28, 2019		Decrease		. (a,e)
Flow Control	\$	225,444	\$	250,339	\$	(24,895)	\$	(22,073)
Industrial Processing		261,577		301,948		(40,371)		(41,658)
Material Handling	_	148,007	_	152,357	_	(4,350)	_	(5,267)
	\$	635,028	\$	704,644	\$	(69,616)	\$	(68,998)
Percentage of Parts and Consumables Revenue	=	66 %	=	63 %				
							Inc	crease (Decrease)
		Three Mo	nths	Ended				Excluding
Bookings by Segment (d)		Jan. 2, 2021		Dec. 28, 2019	Inc	rease (Decrease)	A	cquisition and FX (e)
Flow Control	\$	61,878	\$	56,974	\$	4,904	\$	4,171
Industrial Processing	Ψ	94,759	Ψ	61,874	Ψ	32,885	Ψ	29,972
Material Handling		39,898		40,935		(1,037)		(2,196)
•	\$	196,535	\$	159,783	\$	36,752	\$	31,947
Percentage of Parts and Consumables Bookings		61 %		70 %				
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		Twelve Mo	onths	s Ended				ecrease Excluding cquisition and FX
		Jan. 2, 2021		Dec. 28, 2019		Decrease	A	(e)
Flow Control	\$	228,591	\$	241,220	\$	(12,629)	\$	(9,345)
Industrial Processing	-	273,644		290,881		(17,237)		(18,818)
Material Handling		146,242		156,184		(9,942)		(11,201)
	\$	648,477	\$	688,285	\$	(39,808)	\$	(39,364)
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	Three Months Ended					Twelve Months Ended				
Business Segment Information (d)		lan. 2, 2021		Dec. 28, 2019		Jan. 2, 2021		Dec. 28, 2019		
Gross Margin:										
Flow Control		52.5 %		50.5 %		52.9 %		51.4 %		
Industrial Processing		42.3 %		36.2 %		41.3 %		38.3 %		
Material Handling		34.3 %		35.6 %		33.7 %		32.5 %		
		44.1 %	=	40.9 %	=	43.7 %	=	41.7 %		
Operating Income:										
Flow Control	\$	14,170	\$	12,123	\$	51,530	\$	55,343		
Industrial Processing		10,824		10,769		42,971		49,599		
Material Handling		4,034		6,085		14,375		11,600		
Corporate		(7,015)		(7,424)		(27,752)		(28,719)		
	\$	22,013	\$	21,553	\$	81,124	\$	87,823		
Adjusted Operating Income (a,f):										
Flow Control	\$	14,108	\$	12,123	\$	52,189	\$	55,343		
Industrial Processing		12,840	·	13,297		45,788	·	52,127		
Material Handling		4,310		6,105		14,907		17,315		
Corporate		(7,015)		(7,424)		(27,752)		(28,719)		
·	\$	24,243	\$	24,101	\$	85,132	\$	96,066		
Capital Expenditures:										
Flow Control	\$	1,141	\$	825	\$	2,808	\$	2,639		
Industrial Processing	Ψ	663	Ψ	1,890	Ψ	3,123	Ψ	5,113		
Material Handling		372		999		1,539		2,144		
Corporate		_		7		125		61		
Co.po.a.o	\$	2,176	\$	3,721	\$	7,595	\$	9,957		
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Cash Flow and Other Data	Three Months Ended  Jan. 2, 2021 Dec. 28, 2019				Twelve Mo Jan. 2, 2021	ontn				
Cash Provided by Operations	\$	40,283	\$	Dec. 28, 2019 39,247	\$	92,884	\$	Dec. 28, 2019 97,413		
Less: Capital Expenditures	Ψ	(2,176)	Ψ	(3,721)	Ψ	(7,595)	Ψ	(9,957)		
	\$	38,107	\$	35,526	\$	85,289	\$	87,456		
Free Cash Flow (a)	Ψ	30,107	Ψ	00,020	Ψ	00,200	Ψ	07,400		
Depreciation and Amortization Expense	\$	8,074	\$	8,086	\$	31,334	\$	32,390		
Balance Sheet Data						Jan. 2, 2021		Dec. 28, 2019		
Assets					•	00.010	•	00.0=0		
Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Restricted Cash					\$	66,640	\$	68,273		
Accounts Receivable, net						91,540		95,740		
Inventories						106,814		102,715		
Unbilled Revenue						7,576 84,642		13,162 86,032		
Property, Plant, and Equipment, net						160,965				
Intangible Assets Goodwill						351,753		173,896 336,032		
Other Assets						57,641		63,537		
Other Assets					\$	927,571	\$	939,387		
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity										
Accounts Payable					\$	32,264	\$	45,852		
Debt Obligations						227,963		294,717		
Other Borrowings						5,511		6,308		
Other Liabilities						164,928		165,431		
Total Liabilities						430,666		512,308		
Stockholders' Equity						496,905	_	427,079		
					\$	927,571	\$	939,387		
		Three Mor	nths E	Ended		Twelve Mo	onth	s Ended		

Reconciliation (a,d)		Jan. 2, 2021		Dec. 28, 2019		Jan. 2, 2021	D	ec. 28, 2019
Consolidated								
Net Income Attributable to Kadant	\$	16,207	\$	8,749	\$	55,196	\$	52,068
Net Income Attributable to Noncontrolling Interest		174		136		543		496
Provision for Income Taxes		4,210		4,048		17,948		16,358
Interest Expense, Net		1,322		2,557		7,242		12,542
Other Expense, Net (c)		100		6,063		195		6,359
Operating Income		22,013		21,553		81,124		87,823
Impairment and Restructuring Costs (b)		2,053		2,528		2,979		2,528
Acquisition Costs		_		_		485		843
Acquired Backlog Amortization (g)		177		20		544		1,323
Acquired Profit in Inventory (h)								3,549
Adjusted Operating Income (a)		24,243		24,101		85,132		96,066
Depreciation and Amortization		7,897		8,066		30,790		31,067
Adjusted EBITDA (a)	\$	32,140	\$	32,167	\$	115,922	\$	127,133
Adjusted EBITDA Margin (a,j)		19.1 %	_	17.6 %	_	18.3 %		18.0
Flow Control								
Operating Income	\$	14,170	\$	12,123	\$	51,530	\$	55,343
Restructuring (Income) Costs		(62)		_		659		_
Adjusted Operating Income (a)		14,108		12,123		52,189		55,343
Depreciation and Amortization		1,604		1,780		6,333		6,603
Adjusted EBITDA (a)	\$	15,712	\$	13,903	\$	58,522	\$	61,946
Adjusted EBITDA Margin (a,j)	_	26.1 %	_	22.6 %	_	26.0 %		24.7
ndustrial Processing								
Operating Income	\$	10,824	\$	10,769	\$	42,971	\$	49,599
Impairment and Restructuring Costs	*	1,933	Ψ	2,528	Ψ	2,138	*	2,528
Acquisition Costs		-,555		_,5_5		485		_,===
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Restructuring (Income) Costs	 (62)	 	 659		
Adjusted Operating Income (a)	14,108	12,123	52,189		55,343
Depreciation and Amortization	 1,604	 1,780	6,333		6,603
Adjusted EBITDA (a)	\$ 15,712	\$ 13,903	\$ 58,522	\$	61,946
Adjusted EBITDA Margin (a,j)	 26.1 %	 22.6 %	 26.0 %	=	24.7 %
Industrial Processing					
Operating Income	\$ 10,824	\$ 10,769	\$ 42,971	\$	49,599
Impairment and Restructuring Costs	1,933	2,528	2,138		2,528
Acquisition Costs	_	_	485		_
Acquired Backlog Amortization (g)	 83	 	194		
Adjusted Operating Income (a)	12,840	13,297	45,788		52,127
Depreciation and Amortization	 3,371	 3,281	12,969		13,012
Adjusted EBITDA (a)	\$ 16,211	\$ 16,578	\$ 58,757	\$	65,139
Adjusted EBITDA Margin (a,j)	 23.5 %	 21.0 %	22.5 %		21.6 %
Material Handling					
Operating Income	\$ 4,034	\$ 6,085	\$ 14,375	\$	11,600
Restructuring Costs	182	_	182		_
Acquisition Costs	_	_	_		843
Acquired Backlog Amortization (g)	94	20	350		1,323
Acquired Profit in Inventory (h)	_	_	_		3,549
Adjusted Operating Income (a)	 4,310	6,105	14,907		17,315
Depreciation and Amortization	 2,862	2,946	 11,278		11,205
Adjusted EBITDA (a)	\$ 7,172	\$ 9,051	\$ 26,185	\$	28,520
Adjusted EBITDA Margin (a,j)	 18.3 %	 21.5 %	17.7 %		18.7 %
Corporate					
Operating Loss	\$ (7,015)	\$ (7,424)	\$ (27,752)	\$	(28,719)
	60	59	210		247
Depreciation and Amortization		\$ (7,365)	\$ (27,542)	\$	(28,472)

- (b) The fourth quarter of 2020 includes an intangible asset impairment charge of \$1,861 (\$1,389 after tax) related to our Industrial Processing segment's timber-harvesting product line and consolidated restructuring costs of \$192 (\$154 after tax), and the full-year 2020 includes an intangible asset impairment charge of \$1,861 (\$1,389 after tax) and restructuring costs of \$1,118 (\$821 after tax). The fourth quarter and full-year of 2019 includes an intangible asset impairment charge of \$2,336 (\$1,765 after tax) and restructuring costs of \$192 (\$140 after tax) related to our Industrial Processing segment's timber-harvesting product line.
- (c) Includes a settlement loss of \$5,887 (\$6,352 after tax) in the three- and twelve-month periods ended December 28, 2019 associated with the termination of defined benefit plans at one of our U.S. operations.
- (d) Reflects our new reportable operating segments announced on April 22, 2020. Prior period information has been recast to conform to the current period presentation.
- (e) Represents the increase (decrease) resulting from the exclusion of an acquisition and from the conversion of current period amounts reported in local currencies into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate of the prior period compared to the U.S. dollar amount reported in the prior period.
- (f) See reconciliation to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure under "Adjusted Operating Income and Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation."
- (g) Represents intangible amortization expense associated with acquired backlog.
- (h) Represents expense within cost of revenues associated with amortization of acquired profit in inventory.
- (i) The discrete tax benefit of \$1,839, or \$0.16 per diluted share, in the fourth quarter of 2019 and \$3,338, or \$0.29 per diluted share, for the full-year 2019 relates to the exercise of employee stock options, which were significantly higher in these periods than in other comparable reporting periods.
- (j) Calculated as adjusted EBITDA divided by revenue in each period.

#### **About Kadant**

Kadant Inc. is a global supplier of high-value, critical components and engineered systems used in process industries worldwide. The Company's products, technologies, and services play an integral role in enhancing process efficiency, optimizing energy utilization, and maximizing productivity in resource-intensive industries. Kadant is based in Westford, Massachusetts, with approximately 2,600 employees in 20 countries worldwide. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.kadant.com">www.kadant.com</a>.

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The following constitutes a "Safe Harbor" statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995: This press release contains forwardlooking statements that involve a number of risks and uncertainties, including forward-looking statements about our future financial and operating performance, demand for our products, and economic and industry outlook. These forward-looking statements represent our expectations as of the date of this press release. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise. These forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties that may cause our actual results to differ materially from these forward-looking statements as a result of various important factors, including those set forth under the heading "Risk Factors" in Kadant's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 28, 2019 and subsequent filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These include risks and uncertainties relating to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on our operating and financial results; adverse changes in global and local economic conditions; the variability and difficulty in accurately predicting revenues from large capital equipment and systems projects; our customers' ability to obtain financing for capital equipment projects; international sales and operations; health epidemics; changes to government regulations and policies around the world; policies of the Chinese government; the variability and uncertainties in sales of capital equipment in China; levels of residential construction activity; reductions by our wood processing customers of their capital spending or production of oriented strand board; changes to the global timber supply; cyclical economic conditions affecting the global mining industry; development and use of digital media; currency fluctuations; demand for coal, including economic and environmental risks associated with coal; price increases or shortages of raw materials; dependence on certain suppliers; our acquisition strategy; failure of our information systems or breaches of data security and cybertheft; compliance with government regulations and policies and compliance with laws; implementation of our internal growth strategy; competition; soundness of suppliers and customers; changes in our tax provision or exposure to additional tax liabilities; our ability to successfully manage our manufacturing operations; disruption in production; future restructurings; economic conditions and regulatory changes caused by the United Kingdom's exit from the European Union; our debt obligations; restrictions in our credit agreement and note purchase agreement; substitution of an alternative index for LIBOR; loss of key personnel and effective succession planning; protection of intellectual property; fluctuations in our share price; soundness of financial institutions; environmental laws and regulations; climate change; environmental, health and safety laws and regulations; adequacy of our insurance coverage; anti-takeover provisions; and reliance on third-party research.

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