UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 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): July 28, 2020

KADANT INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission file number 001-11406

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

52-1762325

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

One Technology Park Drive Westford, Massachusetts 01886 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code) (978) 776-2000 (Registrant's telephone num'

Check the appr	opriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously s	atisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the f	following provisions:
	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Ac	t (17 CFR 230.425)	
	Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (1	17 CFR 240.14a-12)	
	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under	the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))	
	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under	the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))	
	Securities re	gistered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Securities Exchange	Act of 1934:
	Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
	Common Stock, \$.01 par value	KAI	New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this

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

KADANT INC.

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On July 28, 2020, Kadant Inc. (the "Company") announced its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended June 27, 2020. The full text of the press release issued in connection with the announcement is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On July 29, 2020, the Company will hold a webcast and conference call to discuss its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended June 27, 2020. A copy of the slides that will be presented on the webcast and discussed in the conference call is furnished as Exhibit 99.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information in Item 2.02 and Item 7.01 of this Form 8-K (including Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2) shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibits relating to Item 2.02 and Item 7.01 shall be deemed to be furnished and not filed.

Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

Exhibit No.	Description of Exhibits
99.1	Press Release issued by the Company on July 28, 2020 announcing its financial results.
99.2	Slides to be presented by the Company on July 29, 2020.

KADANT INC.

SIGNATURE

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

KADANT INC.

Date: July 28, 2020

By /s/ Michael J. McKenney

Michael J. McKenney Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer KĀDANT

KADANT INC. One Technology Park Drive Westford, MA 01886

NEWS

Kadant Reports Second Quarter 2020 Results

WESTFORD, Mass., July 28, 2020 - Kadant Inc. (NYSE: KAI) reported its financial results for the second quarter ended June 27, 2020.

Second Quarter 2020 Financial Highlights

- · Bookings decreased 24% to \$133 million.
- Revenue decreased 14% to \$153 million
- GAAP diluted EPS decreased 30% to \$1.00.
- · Adjusted diluted EPS decreased 25% to \$1.06.
- · Net income decreased 29% to \$12 million.
- Adjusted EBITDA decreased 19% to \$27 million and represented 17.4% of revenue.
- Operating cash flow was \$22 million.
- Our balance sheet remains healthy and our liquidity position is solid.

Note: Adjusted diluted EPS, adjusted EBITDA, adjusted EBITDA margin, free cash flow, 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

"Despite challenging circumstances, our workforce around the world continues to perform exceptionally well to meet the needs and expectations of our customers," said Jeffrey L. Powell, president and chief executive officer of Kadant. "While second quarter revenue was weaker year-over-year, especially given a difficult comparable period and pandemic-related challenges, our cash flow and healthy balance sheet continue to be a source of strength. Our operating cash flow was \$22 million for the second quarter, down three percent from the prior year, while our free cash flow increased to \$21 million.

"Our parts and consumables revenue made up 64 percent of our second quarter revenue and that aspect of our business continues to provide a relatively stable revenue stream. Our parts and consumables support the production of essential items found in health care facilities and grocery stores and in packaging shipped directly to consumers and businesses. They also support the requirements of critical infrastructure such as housing, highway construction and road repair, and other basic societal needs.

"Strategic acquisitions continue to be an important part of our growth strategy and today we announced our acquisition of a leading North American industrial automation and controls solution provider completed in the second quarter. This acquisition will help us enhance and expand our smart connected product offerings around the world."

Second Quarter 2020 compared to 2019

Revenue decreased 14 percent to \$152.9 million compared to \$177.2 million in 2019. Organic revenue was down 12 percent, which excludes an acquisition and a two percent decrease from the unfavorable effect of foreign currency translation. Gross margin was 43.5 percent compared to 42.0 percent in 2019.

GAAP diluted earnings per share (EPS) decreased 30 percent to \$1.00 compared to \$1.42 in 2019. Adjusted diluted EPS decreased 25 percent to \$1.06 compared to \$1.42 in 2019. Adjusted diluted EPS in 2020 excludes \$0.03 of restructuring costs and \$0.03 of acquisition costs. Adjusted diluted EPS in 2019 excludes \$0.10 of amortization expense from acquired profit in inventory and backlog and an \$0.11 discrete tax benefit related to the exercise of employee stock options. Adjusted EBITDA decreased 19 percent to \$26.6 million compared to \$32.7 million in 2019. Cash flow from operations decreased three percent to \$22.0 million in 2019.

Bookings decreased 24 percent to \$133.0 million compared to \$174.0 million in 2019. Organic bookings were down 21 percent, which excludes an acquisition and a two percent decrease from the unfavorable effect of foreign currency translation.

Summary and Outloo

"Our decentralized structure and global footprint combined with our strong aftermarket business have provided stability in this environment," Mr. Powell continued. "We were pleased with the solid execution by our divisions, resulting in \$21 million of free cash flow for the second quarter further strengthening our liquidity position. Looking ahead, we expect the third quarter will be our weakest quarter of the year and are anticipating an improvement in business activity in the fourth quarter assuming economies continue to re-open and consumer demand strengthens. However, given the current uncertainty surrounding the timing of the recovery in markets around the world, we will not be providing guidance at this time. Despite this, the underlying fundamentals of our markets and our business remain strong."

Conference Call

Kadant will hold a webcast with a slide presentation for investors on Wednesday, July 29, 2020, at 11:00 a.m. eastern time to discuss its second quarter performance, as well as future expectations. To access the webcast, including the slideshow and accompanying audio, go to www.kadant.com 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 4880692. 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 www.sec.gov. An archive of the webcast presentation will be available on our website until August 28, 2020.

Shortly after the webcast, Kadant will post its updated general investors presentation incorporating the second quarter results on its website at www.kadant.com 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 second quarter of 2020 included a \$4.0 million unfavorable foreign currency translation effect and \$0.2 million from an acquisition. Revenue in the first six months of 2020 included a \$6.5 million unfavorable foreign currency translation effect and \$0.2 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 restructuring costs, acquisition costs, amortization expense related to acquired profit in inventory and backlog, and discrete tax items. 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, or none at all.

Second Quarter

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

- Pre-tax acquisition costs of \$0.4 million in 2020.
- Pre-tax restructuring costs of \$0.5 million in 2020
- Pre-tax expense related to amortization of acquired profit in inventory and backlog of \$1.5 million in 2019.

- Adjusted net income and adjusted diluted EPS exclude:

 After-tax acquisition costs of \$0.3 million (\$0.4 million net of tax of \$0.1 million) in 2020.
 - After-tax restructuring costs of \$0.3 million (\$0.5 million net of tax of \$0.2 million) in 2020.
 - After-tax expense related to amortization of acquired profit in inventory and backlog of \$1.2 million (\$1.5 million net of tax of \$0.3 million) in 2019.
 - A discrete tax benefit of \$1.2 million in 2019.

First Six Months

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

- Pre-tax acquisition costs of \$0.4 million in 2020 and \$0.8 million in 2019.

 Pre-tax restructuring costs of \$0.5 million in 2020.

 Pre-tax expense related to amortization of acquired profit in inventory and backlog of \$4.8 million in 2019.

Adjusted net income and adjusted diluted EPS exclude:

- After-tax acquisition costs of \$0.3 million (\$0.4 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 restructuring costs of \$0.3 million (\$0.5 million net of tax of \$0.2 million) in 2020.
- After-tax expense related to amortization of acquired profit in inventory and backlog of \$3.7 million (\$4.8 million net of tax of \$1.1 million) in 2019.
- A discrete tax benefit of \$1.2 million in 2019.

Free cash flow is calculated as cash flow from operations less:
Capital expenditures of \$3.6 million in 2020 and \$4.1 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.

-more-

Financial Highlights (unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share amounts and percentages)

	Three Mo	nths I	Ended		Six Mon	ths En	ded
Consolidated Statement of Income	 June 27, 2020		June 29, 2019		June 27, 2020		June 29, 2019
Revenue	\$ 152,860	\$	177,165	\$	311,987	\$	348,481
Costs and Operating Expenses:							
Cost of revenue	86,412		102,794		177,216		203,595
Selling, general, and administrative expenses	45,073		48,467		90,665		97,786
Research and development expenses	2,798		2,762		5,874		5,383
Restructuring costs	456		_		456		_
	134,739		154,023	,	274,211		306,764
Operating Income	18,121		23,142		37,776		41,717
Interest Income	37		59		88		115
Interest Expense	(1,931)		(3,573)		(4,390)		(7,077)
Other Expense, Net	(31)		(99)		(63)		(198)
Income Before Provision for Income Taxes	16,196		19,529		33,411		34,557
Provision for Income Taxes	4,474		3,128		9,033		7,091
Net Income	 11,722		16,401		24,378		27,466
Net Income Attributable to Noncontrolling Interest	(115)		(97)		(240)		(262)
Net Income Attributable to Kadant	\$ 11,607	\$	16,304	\$	24,138	\$	27,204
Earnings per Share Attributable to Kadant:							
Basic	\$ 1.01	\$	1.46	\$	2.11	\$	2.44
Diluted	\$ 1.00	\$	1.42	\$	2.09	\$	2.38
Weighted Average Shares:							
Basic	11,482		11,194		11,457		11,164
Diluted	 11,552		11,448		11,530		11,416
	 Three Mo	nths I	Ended		Three Mo	nths E	inded
Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted Diluted EPS (a)	June 27, 2020		June 27, 2020		June 29, 2019		June 29, 2019
Net Income and Diluted EPS Attributable to Kadant, as Reported	\$ 11,607	\$	1.00	\$	16,304	\$	1.42
Adjustments for the Following:							
Restructuring Costs, Net of Tax	332		0.03		_		_
Acquicition Costs, Not of Tay	297		0.03				

 Net Income and Diluted EPS Attributable to Kadant, as Reported
 \$ 11,607
 \$ 1.00
 \$ 16,304
 \$ 1.42

 Adjustments for the Following:
 Restructuring Costs, Net of Tax
 332
 0.03
 —
 —

 Acquisition Costs, Net of Tax
 297
 0.03
 —
 —

 Amortization of Acquired Profit in Inventory and Backlog, Net of Tax (f.g)
 20
 —
 1,158
 0.10

 Discrete Tax Items
 —
 —
 (1,235)
 (0.11)

 Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted Diluted EPS (a)
 \$ 12,256
 \$ 1.06
 16,227
 \$ 1.42

	Six Mon	ths E	nded		Six Mon	ths End	led
	 June 27, 2020		June 27, 2020		June 29, 2019		June 29, 2019
Net Income and Diluted EPS Attributable to Kadant, as Reported	\$ 24,138	\$	2.09	\$	27,204	\$	2.38
Adjustments for the Following:							
Restructuring Costs, Net of Tax	332		0.03		_		_
Acquisition Costs, Net of Tax	297		0.03		699		0.06
Amortization of Acquired Profit in Inventory and Backlog, Net of Tax (f,g)	26		_		3,671		0.32
Discrete Tax Items	_		_		(1,235)		(0.11)
Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted Diluted EPS (a)	\$ 24,793	\$	2.15	\$	30,339	\$	2.66
	Three Mo	onths	Ended				ncrease (Decrease)
Revenue by Segment (b)	 June 27, 2020		June 29, 2019	,	Increase (Decrease)	EXC	luding Acquisition and FX (a,c)
Flow Control	\$ 51,365	\$	65,273	\$	(13,908)	\$	(11,784)
Industrial Processing	65,673		76,396		(10,723)		(9,387)
Material Handling	35,822		35,496		326		641
	\$ 152,860	\$	177,165	\$	(24,305)	\$	(20,530)
	Six Mon	iths E	nded				ncrease (Decrease) luding Acquisition and
	 June 27, 2020		June 29, 2019		Decrease	EXC	FX (a,c)
Flow Control	\$ 108,514	\$	126,417	\$	(17,903)	\$	(14,469)
Industrial Processing	130,382		148,670		(18,288)		(16,069)
Material Handling	73,091		73,394		(303)		373
	\$ 311,987	\$	348,481	\$	(36,494)	\$	(30,165)
	 Three Mo	nths	Ended				ncrease (Decrease) luding Acquisition and
Revenue by Geography (d)	June 27, 2020		June 29, 2019		Decrease	LAU	FX (a,c)
North America	\$ 88,718	\$	98,667	\$	(9,949)	\$	(9,082)
Europe	37,916		43,813		(5,897)		(4,890)
Asia	16,237		23,696		(7,459)		(6,845)
Rest of World	9,989		10,989		(1,000)		287
	\$ 152,860	\$	177,165	\$	(24,305)	\$	(20,530)

		Six Mon	ths Ende	d			ase (Decrease) ng Acquisition and
	J	une 27, 2020		June 29, 2019	Decrease	Excludi	FX (a,c)
North America	\$	182,541	\$	199,543	\$ (17,002)	\$	(16,040)
Europe		73,930		82,798	(8,868)		(6,779)
Asia		32,145		40,774	(8,629)		(7,500)
Rest of World		23,371		25,366	(1,995)		154
	\$	311,987	\$	348,481	\$ (36,494)	\$	(30,165)
		Three Mo	nths End	led			
Bookings by Segment (b)		une 27, 2020		June 29, 2019	Decrease		ease Excluding sition and FX (c)
Flow Control	\$	49,361	\$	60,694	\$ (11,333)	\$	(9,287)
Industrial Processing		53,144		75,008	(21,864)		(20,604)
Material Handling		30,471		38,258	(7,787)		(7,504)
_	\$	132,976	\$	173,960	\$ (40,984)	\$	(37,395)
		Six Mon une 27, 2020	ths Ende	d June 29, 2019	Decrease		ease Excluding sition and FX (c)
Flow Control				-	\$ Decrease (8,324)		
Flow Control Industrial Processing		une 27, 2020		June 29, 2019	\$	Acqui	sition and FX (c)
Industrial Processing		une 27, 2020 117,105		June 29, 2019 125,429	\$ (8,324)	Acqui	sition and FX (c) (4,759)
		une 27, 2020 117,105 118,982		June 29, 2019 125,429 154,079	\$ (8,324) (35,097)	Acqui	sition and FX (c) (4,759) (33,077)
Industrial Processing Material Handling	\$	une 27, 2020 117,105 118,982 72,506 308,593 Three Mo	\$ sonths End	June 29, 2019 125,429 154,079 78,064 357,572	(8,324) (35,097) (5,558) (48,979)	Acqui	(4,759) (33,077) (4,948) (42,784)
Industrial Processing Material Handling Business Segment Information (b)	\$	une 27, 2020 117,105 118,982 72,506 308,593	\$ sonths End	June 29, 2019 125,429 154,079 78,064 357,572	(8,324) (35,097) (5,558) (48,979)	Acqui	(4,759) (33,077) (4,948)
Industrial Processing Material Handling Business Segment Information (b) Gross Margin:	\$	une 27, 2020 117,105 118,982 72,506 308,593 Three Mo	\$ sonths End	June 29, 2019 125,429 154,079 78,064 357,572 led June 29, 2019	(8,324) (35,097) (5,558) (48,979) Six Mont June 27, 2020	Acqui	(4,759) (33,077) (4,948) (42,784)
Industrial Processing Material Handling Business Segment Information (b) Gross Margin: Flow Control	\$	une 27, 2020 117,105 118,982 72,506 308,593 Three Mo une 27, 2020	\$ sonths End	June 29, 2019 125,429 154,079 78,064 357,572 led June 29, 2019 51.0%	(8,324) (35,097) (5,558) (48,979) Six Moni June 27, 2020	Acqui	sition and FX (c) (4,759) (33,077) (4,948) (42,784) une 29, 2019
Industrial Processing Material Handling Business Segment Information (b) Gross Margin: Flow Control Industrial Processing	\$	une 27, 2020 117,105 116,982 72,506 308,593 Three Mo une 27, 2020 53.5% 40.9%	\$ sonths End	June 29, 2019 125,429 154,079 78,064 357,572 ded June 29, 2019 51.0% 39.4%	(8,324) (35,097) (5,558) (48,979) Six Moni June 27, 2020 53.2% 39.7%	Acqui	sition and FX (c) (4,759) (33,077) (4,948) (42,784) une 29, 2019 51.0% 39.2%
Industrial Processing Material Handling Business Segment Information (b) Gross Margin: Flow Control	\$	une 27, 2020 117,105 118,982 72,506 309,593 Three Mo une 27, 2020 53,5% 40,9% 33,8%	\$ sonths End	June 29, 2019 125,429 154,079 78,064 357,572 ded June 29, 2019 51.0% 39.4% 30.9%	(8,324) (35,097) (5,558) (48,979) Six Mont June 27, 2020 53,2% 39,7% 34,7%	Acqui	sition and FX (c) (4,759) (33,077) (4,948) (42,784) une 29, 2019 51.0% 39.2% 30.1%
Industrial Processing Material Handling Business Segment Information (b) Gross Margin: Flow Control Industrial Processing	\$	une 27, 2020 117,105 116,982 72,506 308,593 Three Mo une 27, 2020 53.5% 40.9%	\$ sonths End	June 29, 2019 125,429 154,079 78,064 357,572 ded June 29, 2019 51.0% 39.4%	(8,324) (35,097) (5,558) (48,979) Six Moni June 27, 2020 53.2% 39.7%	Acqui	sition and FX (c) (4,759) (33,077) (4,948) (42,784) une 29, 2019 51.0% 39.2% 30.1%
Industrial Processing Material Handling Business Segment Information (b) Gross Margin: Flow Control Industrial Processing	\$	une 27, 2020 117,105 118,982 72,506 309,593 Three Mo une 27, 2020 53,5% 40,9% 33,8%	\$ sonths End	June 29, 2019 125,429 154,079 78,064 357,572 ded June 29, 2019 51.0% 39.4% 30.9%	(8,324) (35,097) (5,558) (48,979) Six Mont June 27, 2020 53,2% 39,7% 34,7%	Acqui	sition and FX (c) (4,759) (33,077) (4,948) (42,784) une 29, 2019 51.0% 39.2% 30.1%
Industrial Processing Material Handling Business Segment Information (b) Gross Margin: Flow Control Industrial Processing Material Handling	\$	une 27, 2020 117,105 118,982 72,506 309,593 Three Mo une 27, 2020 53,5% 40,9% 33,8%	\$ sonths End	June 29, 2019 125,429 154,079 78,064 357,572 ded June 29, 2019 51.0% 39.4% 30.9%	(8,324) (35,097) (5,558) (48,979) Six Mont June 27, 2020 53,2% 39,7% 34,7%	Acqui	sition and FX (c) (4,759) (33,077) (4,948) (42,784) une 29, 2019 51.0% 39.2% 30.1%
Industrial Processing Material Handling Business Segment Information (b) Gross Margin: Flow Control Industrial Processing Material Handling Operating Income:	\$ \$	une 27, 2020 117,105 118,982 72,506 308,593 Three Mo une 27, 2020 53.5% 40.9% 33.8% 43.5%	\$ souther End	June 29, 2019 125,429 154,079 78,064 357,572 led June 29, 2019 51.0% 39.4% 30.9% 42.0%	\$ (8,324) (35,097) (5,558) (48,979) Six Mont June 27, 2020 53.2% 39.7% 34.7% 43.2%	\$ \$ ths Ended	sition and FX (c) (4,759) (33,077) (4,948) (42,784) une 29, 2019 51.0% 39.2% 30.1% 41.6%
Industrial Processing Material Handling Business Segment Information (b) Gross Margin: Flow Control Industrial Processing Material Handling Operating Income: Flow Control	\$ \$	une 27, 2020 117,105 118,982 72,506 308,593 Three Mo une 27, 2020 53.5% 40.9% 33.8% 43.5%	\$ souther End	June 29, 2019 125,429 154,079 78,064 357,572 led June 29, 2019 51.0% 39.4% 30.9% 42.0%	\$ (8,324) (35,097) (5,558) (48,979) Six Mont June 27, 2020 53,2% 39,7% 34,7% 43,2%	\$ \$ ths Ended	sition and FX (c) (4,759) (33,077) (4,948) (42,784) une 29, 2019 51.0% 39.2% 30.1% 41.6%
Industrial Processing Material Handling Business Segment Information (b) Gross Margin: Flow Control Industrial Processing Material Handling Operating Income: Flow Control Industrial Processing	\$ \$	une 27, 2020 117,105 118,982 72,506 308,593 Three Mo une 27, 2020 53.5% 40.9% 43.5% 10,260 10,639	\$ souther End	June 29, 2019 125,429 154,079 78,064 357,572 led June 29, 2019 51.0% 39.4% 30.9% 42.0% 15,133 13,869	\$ (8,324) (35,097) (5,558) (48,979) Six Moni June 27, 2020 53,2% 39,7% 43,2% 23,590 20,075	\$ \$ ths Ended	sition and FX (c) (4,759) (33,077) (4,948) (42,784) une 29, 2019 51.0% 39.2% 30.1% 41.6%

Adjusted Operating Income (a,e):								
Flow Control	\$	10,716	\$	15,133	\$	24,046	\$	28,117
Industrial Processing		11,074		13,869		20,510		25,723
Material Handling		3,593		2,782		7,735		7,664
Corporate		(6,371)		(7,119)		(13,616)		(14,113
	\$	19,012	\$	24,665	\$	38,675	\$	47,391
Capital Expenditures:								
Flow Control	\$	337	\$	707	\$	1,158	\$	1,178
Industrial Processing		211		807		1,675		2,170
Material Handling		283		415		681		748
Corporate	_	80	_	46	_	83	_	47
	\$	911	\$	1,975	\$	3,597	\$	4,143
		Three Mo	nths I	Ended		Six Mon	ths E	nded
Cash Flow and Other Data		June 27, 2020		June 29, 2019	_	June 27, 2020		June 29, 2019
Cash Provided by Operations	\$	22,039	\$	22,612	\$	28,208	\$	32,488
Less: Capital Expenditures		(911)		(1,975)		(3,597)		(4,143
Free Cash Flow (a)	\$	21,128	\$	20,637	\$	24,611	\$	28,345
Depreciation and Amortization Expense	\$	7,576	\$	8,310	\$	15,174	\$	16,541
Balance Sheet Data						June 27, 2020		December 28, 2019
Assets						ounc 27, 2020		December 20, 2013
Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Restricted Cash					\$	60.949	\$	68,273
Accounts Receivable, net					Ψ	89,393	Ψ	95,740
Inventories						109,663		102,715
Unbilled Revenue						10,444		13,162
Property, Plant, and Equipment, net						82,242		86,032
Intangible Assets						167,314		173,896
Goodwill						337,993		336,032
Other Assets						57,294		63,537
0.110.7.000.0					\$	915,292	\$	939,387
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity								
Accounts Payable					\$	39,922	\$	45,852
Debt Obligations						277,525		294,717
Other Borrowings						5,622		6,308
Other Liabilities						151,864		165,431
Total Liabilities						474,933		512,308
Stockholders' Equity						440,359		427,079
• •					\$	915,292	\$	939,387

		Three Mo	nths E	nded		Six Month		ded
Adjusted Operating Income and Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation (a,b)	Ju	ne 27, 2020		June 29, 2019		June 27, 2020		June 29, 2019
Consolidated								
Net Income Attributable to Kadant	\$	11,607	\$	16,304	\$	24,138	\$	27,204
Net Income Attributable to Noncontrolling Interest		115		97		240		262
Provision for Income Taxes		4,474		3,128		9,033		7,091
Interest Expense, Net		1,894		3,514		4,302		6,962
Other Expense, Net		31		99		63		198
Operating Income		18,121		23,142		37,776		41,717
Restructuring Costs		456		_		456		_
Acquisition Costs		407		_		407		843
Acquired Backlog Amortization (f)		28		284		36		1,282
Acquired Profit in Inventory (g)		_		1,239		_		3,549
Adjusted Operating Income (a)		19,012		24,665		38,675		47,391
Depreciation and Amortization		7,548		8,026		15,138		15,259
Adjusted EBITDA (a)	\$	26,560	\$	32,691	\$	53,813	\$	62,650
Adjusted EBITDA Margin (a,h)		17.4%		18.5%		17.2%		18.0%
Flow Control								
Operating Income	\$	10,260	\$	15,133	\$	23,590	\$	28,117
Restructuring Costs		456		_		456		_
Adjusted Operating Income (a)		10,716		15,133		24,046		28,117
Depreciation and Amortization		1,579		1,608		3,165		3,194
Adjusted EBITDA (a)	\$	12,295	\$	16,741	\$	27,211	\$	31,311
Adjusted EBITDA Margin (a,h)		23.9%		25.6%		25.1%		24.8%
Industrial Processing								
Operating Income	\$	10,639	\$	13,869	\$	20,075	\$	25,723
Acquisition Costs	Ψ	407	Ψ	13,009	Ψ	407	Ψ	25,725
Acquired Backlog Amortization (f)		28				28		_
Adjusted Operating Income (a)		11,074	_	13,869	_	20,510	_	25,723
Depreciation and Amortization		3,126		3,238		6,287		6,482
Adjusted EBITDA (a)	\$	14,200	\$	17,107	\$	26,797	\$	32,205
Adjusted EBITDA Margin (a,h)		21.6%		22.4%		20.6%		21.7%
Aujusteu CDT DA Matyiti (d,11)		21.0%	_	22.4%	_	20.6%	_	21.7%

-more-

Material Handling				
Operating Income	\$ 3,593	\$ 1,259	\$ 7,727	\$ 1,990
Acquisition Costs	_	_	_	843
Acquired Backlog Amortization (f)	_	284	8	1,282
Acquired Profit in Inventory (g)	_	1,239	_	3,549
Adjusted Operating Income (a)	 3,593	 2,782	7,735	7,664
Depreciation and Amortization	2,795	3,115	5,592	5,458
Adjusted EBITDA (a)	\$ 6,388	\$ 5,897	\$ 13,327	\$ 13,122
Adjusted EBITDA Margin (a,h)	 17.8%	16.6%	 18.2%	17.9%
Corporate				
Operating Loss	\$ (6,371)	\$ (7,119)	\$ (13,616)	\$ (14,113)
Depreciation and Amortization	 48	65	94	125
EBITDA (a)	\$ (6,323)	\$ (7,054)	\$ (13,522)	\$ (13,988)

- (a) Represents a non-GAAP financial measure.
- (b) Reflects our new reportable operating segments announced on April 22, 2020. Prior period information has been recast to conform to the current period presentation.
- (c) 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.
- (d) Geographic revenues are attributed to regions based on customer location.
- (e) See reconciliation to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure under "Adjusted Operating Income and Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation."
- (f) Represents intangible amortization expense associated with acquired backlog.
- (g) Represents expense within cost of revenues associated with amortization of acquired profit in inventory.
- (h) 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 2,700 employees in 20 countries worldwide. For more information, visit www.kadant.com.

Safe Harbor Statement

The following constitutes a "Safe Harbor" statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995: This press release contains forward-looking 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 are subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties that may cause our actual results to differ materially from 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 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; comp

Contacts

Investor Contact Information:
Michael McKenney, 978-776-2000
IR@kadant.com
or
Media Contact Information:
Wes Martz, 269-278-1715
media@kadant.com



Second Quarter 2020 Business Review

KĀDANT

July 29, 2020

Forward-Looking Statements

The following constitutes a "Safe Harbor" statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995: This presentation contains forward-looking 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 Kadant's expectations as of the date of this presentation. 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 forwardlooking 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.



Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

In addition to the financial measures prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), we use certain non-GAAP financial measures, including adjusted diluted EPS, adjusted earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization (adjusted EBITDA), adjusted EBITDA margin, and free cash flow. Specific non-GAAP financial measures have been marked with an * (asterisk) within this presentation. A reconciliation of those numbers to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures is shown in the Appendix and in our second quarter 2020 earnings press release issued July 28, 2020, which is available in the Investors section of our website at investor.kadant.com under the heading News Releases.

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 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 presentation 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 presentation 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.





Jeffrey L. Powell | President & CEO

KĀDANT

Operational Highlights

- Our global workforce performed exceptionally well with continued commitment to meet our customers' needs
- Safeguarding our workplaces and protecting the health and safety of our employees remains a core priority
- Our balance sheet remains healthy and our liquidity position remains solid

KĀDANT

ALO220 Business Review, July 20, 2020 | #0,2020 Kadant Inc. All rights received

Q2 2020 Performance

(\$ in millions, except per share amounts)

	Q2 20	Q2 19	Change
Revenue	\$152.9	\$177.2	-13.7%
Net Income	\$11.6	\$16.3	-28.8%
Adjusted EBITDA*	\$26.6	\$32.7	-18.8%
Adjusted EBITDA Margin*	17.4%	18.5%	-110 bps
Diluted EPS	\$1.00	\$1.42	-29.6%
Adjusted Diluted EPS*	\$1.06	\$1.42	-25.4%
Operating Cash Flow	\$22.0	\$22.6	-2.5%
Free Cash Flow*	\$21.1	\$20.6	+2.4%
Bookings	\$133.0	\$174.0	-23.6%

HIGHLIGHTS

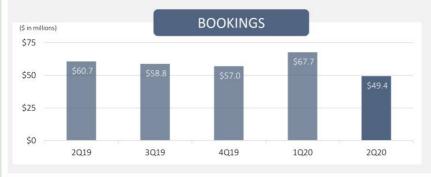
- Free cash flow* was strong at \$21 million and increased 2% over Q2 2019
- Parts and consumables revenue was relatively stable and made up 64% of Q2 revenue
- Completed the acquisition of automation and controls solution provider, Cogent Industrial Technologies

KĀDANT

Flow Control

Custom-engineered products, systems, and technologies that control the flow of fluids

\$ in millions	Q2 20	Q2 19	Change
Revenue	\$51.4	\$65.3	-21.3%
Bookings	\$49.4	\$60.7	-18.7%
Adjusted EBITDA*	\$12.3	\$16.7	-26.6%
Adjusted EBITDA Margin*	23.9%	25.6%	-170 bps



HIGHLIGHTS

- Softness in general industry outside o critical infrastructure manufacturers
- Large capital project activity and service work most impacted
- Parts and consumables revenue made up 72% of total Q2 revenue
- Improved bookings activity in June following a notably weak April/May

KĀDANT

Industrial Processing

Products used to recycle paper and paperboard and to process timber

\$ in millions	Q2 20	Q2 19	Change
Revenue	\$65.7	\$76.4	-14.0%
Bookings	\$53.1	\$75.0	-29.1%
Adjusted EBITDA*	\$14.2	\$17.1	-17.0%
Adjusted EBITDA Margin*	21.6%	22.4%	-80 bps



HIGHLIGHTS

- Strong demand for wood products, lumber prices near all-time high
- U.S. housing starts surprisingly strong
- Parts and consumables revenue made up 62% of total Q2 revenue
- Increasing project activity expected as new inquiries continue to grow

KĀDANT

Material Handling

Products used to handle bulk and discrete materials for secondary processing.

\$ in millions	Q2 20	Q2 19	Change
Revenue	\$35.8	\$35.5	+0.9%
Bookings	\$30.5	\$38.3	-20.4%
Adjusted EBITDA*	\$6.4	\$5.9	+8.3%
Adjusted EBITDA Margin*	17.8%	16.6%	+120 bps



HIGHLIGHTS

- Solid performance in the aggregates and food sectors
- Capital project and service work negatively impacted
- Parts and consumables revenue made up 55% of total Q2 revenue
- Solid execution and product mix led to adjusted EBITDA* increasing 8%

KĀDANT

Business Outlook

- Certain end markets are showing signs of gradual recovery
- Q3 is expected to be the weakest quarter of the year
- Expect increased business activity in Q4
- Our strong cash flow positions us well to navigate through these uncertain times and capitalize on new opportunities

KĀDANT

ALCOZO Business Provious, July 20, 2020, 1, 60, 2020 Kadant Inc. All rights recognised



Michael J. McKenney | EVP & CFO

KĀDANT

Q2 2020 Financial Performance

HIGHLIGHTS.

- Adjusted EBITDA margin* of 17.4%
- Operating cash flows of \$22.0 million
- Free cash flow* of \$21.1 million
- Net debt of \$222 million; leverage ratio 1 of 2.01

(\$ in millions, except per share amounts

	Q2 20	Q2 19
Gross Margin	43.5%	42.0%
SG&A % of Revenue	29.5%	27.4%
Operating Income	\$18.1	\$23.1
Net Income	\$11.6	\$16.3
Adjusted EBITDA*	\$26.6	\$32.7
Diluted EPS	\$1.00	\$1.42
Adjusted Diluted EPS*	\$1.06	\$1.42

KĀDANT

Key Consolidated Financial Metrics

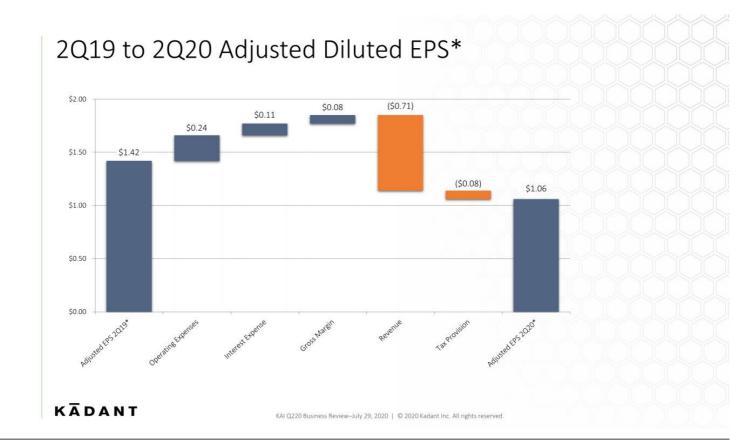








KĀDANT



Key Liquidity Metrics

\$ in millions	Q2 20	Q1 20	Q2 19
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	\$60.9	\$62.1	\$58.1
Debt	\$277.5	\$289.5	\$340.2
Lease obligations	\$5.6	\$5.9	\$6.6
Net Debt	\$222.2	\$233.3	\$288.7
Leverage ratio ¹	2.01	2.04	2.19
Working capital % LTM revenue ²	14.8%	14.2%	15.4%
Cash conversion days ³	128 days	119 days	117 days

- Net debt decreased 23% from Q2 2019
- Paid down \$13.8 million of debt in the second quarter of 2020
- Our liquidity remains solid with \$400 million in borrowing capacity
 - Over \$130 million under our revolving credit facility; an additional uncommitted \$150 million
 - Up to \$115 million through our note purchase agreement

KĀDANT



Michael J. McKenney | EVP & CFO

KĀDANT

Questions & Answers

To ask a question, please call **888-326-8410** within the U.S. or +1 704-385-4884 outside the U.S. and reference **488 0692**.

Please mute the audio on your computer.

KĀDANT

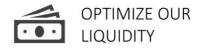
2020 Key Priorities



SAFEGUARD OUR EMPLOYEES







KĀDANT



Thank You

INVESTOR RELATIONS CONTACT

Michael McKenney, 978-776-2000 IR@kadant.com

MEDIA RELATIONS CONTACT

Wes Martz, 269-278-1715 media@kadant.com

KĀDANT

July 29, 2020

APPENDIX

Second Quarter 2020 Business Review

KĀDANT

Strategic Operating Segments



- Fluid Handling and Doctoring, Cleaning, & Filtration product lines
- Custom-engineered products, systems and technologies that control the flow of fluids
- Key industries include packaging, tissue, food, and metals
- \$250 million revenue (2019)



- Stock Preparation and Wood Processing product lines
- Products used to recycle paper and paperboard and process timber
- Key industries include packaging, tissue, wood products, and alternative fuels
- \$302 million revenue (2019)

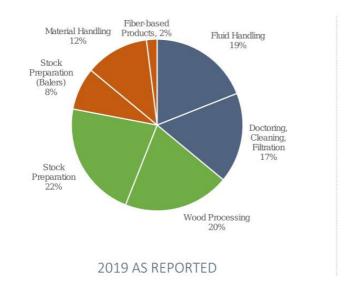


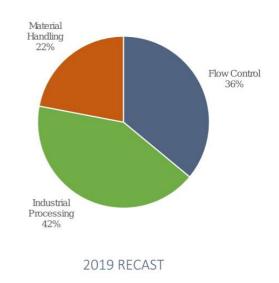
MATERIAL HANDLING

- Conveyors, Vibratory Feeders, Balers, and Fiber-based Products
- Products used to handle bulk and discrete materials for secondary processing
- Key industries include aggregates, mining, food, and waste management
- \$152 million revenue (2019)

KĀDANT

Operating Segment Revenue





KĀDANT

Adjusted Diluted EPS Reconciliation

Adjusted diluted EPS (earnings per share) is a non-GAAP financial measure.

	Q2 20	Q2 19
Diluted EPS, as reported	\$1.00	\$1.42
Restructuring Costs, Net of Tax	\$0.03	8.
Acquisition Costs, Net of Tax	\$0.03	-
Amortization of Acquired Profit in Inventory and Backlog, Net of Tax	-	\$0.10
Discrete Tax Items	(62)	(\$0.11)
Adjusted Diluted EPS	\$1.06	\$1.42

Free Cash Flow Reconciliation

Free cash flow is a non-GAAP financial measure.

\$ in thousands	Q2 20	Q2 19	
Cash Provided by Operations	\$22,039	\$22,612	
Capital Expenditures	(911)	(1,975)	
Free Cash Flow	\$21,128	\$20,637	

KĀDANT

Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation

Adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDA margin are non-GAAP financial measures. Adjusted EBITDA margin is calculated by dividing adjusted EBITDA in a given period by revenue in the same period.

\$ in thousands	Q2 20	Q2 19
Net Income Attributable to Kadant	\$11,607	\$16,304
Net Income Attributable to Noncontrolling Interest	115	97
Provision for Income Taxes	4,474	3,128
Interest Expense, Net	1,894	3,514
Other Expense, Net	31	99
Restructuring Costs	456	-
Acquisition Costs	407	-
Acquired Backlog Amortization	28	284
Acquired Profit in Inventory	(2)	1,239
Depreciation and Amortization	7,548	8,026
Adjusted EBITDA	\$26,560	\$32,691
Adjusted EBITDA Margin	17.4%	18.5%



Notes

PRESENTATION NOTES

- This presentation reflects our new reportable operating segments, as announced on the Form 8-K we filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on April 22, 2020. Prior periods have been recast to conform to this presentation.
 All references to EPS (earnings per share) are to our EPS as calculated on a diluted basis.
 Percent change in slides 6-10 is calculated using actual numbers reported in our press release dated July 28, 2020.

FOOTNOTES

- 1) Leverage ratio is calculated by dividing total debt by EBITDA. For purposes of this calculation, EBITDA is calculated by adding or subtracting certain items from Adjusted EBITDA, as required by our amended and restated credit facility ("Credit Facility"). Our Credit Facility defines total debt as debt less worldwide cash of up to \$30 million.
- 2) Working capital is defined as current assets less current liabilities, excluding cash and debt. LTM is defined as last 12 months.
- 3) Cash conversion days is based on days in receivables plus days in inventory less days in accounts payable.

