

TENNECO INC  
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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 10-Q**

(Mark One)

- QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
For the Quarterly Period Ended March 31, 2009  
OR  
 TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Commission file number 1-12387

**TENNECO INC.**

*(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)*

**Delaware**

*(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or  
organization)*

**76-0515284**

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

**500 North Field Drive, Lake Forest, Illinois**

*(Address of principal executive offices)*

**60045**

*(Zip Code)*

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (847) 482-5000**

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports) and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes  No

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

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

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

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

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share: 47,247,724 shares outstanding as of April 30, 2009.

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\* No response to this item is included herein for the reason that it is inapplicable or the answer to such item is negative.

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**CAUTIONARY STATEMENT FOR PURPOSES OF THE SAFE HARBOR  
PROVISIONS OF THE PRIVATE SECURITIES LITIGATION REFORM ACT OF 1995**

This Quarterly Report contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 concerning, among other things, our prospects and business strategies. These forward-looking statements are included in various sections of this report, including the section entitled Outlook appearing in Item 2 of this report. The words may, will, believe, should, could, plan, expect, anticipate, estimate, and similar (and variations thereof), identify these forward-looking statements. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in these forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, these expectations may not prove to be correct. Because these forward-looking statements are also subject to risks and uncertainties, actual results may differ materially from the expectations expressed in the forward-looking statements. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements include:

general economic, business and market conditions, including without limitation the severe financial difficulties facing a number of companies in the automotive industry as a result of the current global economic crisis, including the recent filing for bankruptcy protection by Chrysler LLC and a potential filing for bankruptcy protection by General Motors, and the potential impact thereof on labor unrest, supply chain disruptions, weakness in demand and the collectibility of any accounts receivable due to us from such companies;

our ability to access the capital or credit markets and the costs of capital, including the recent global financial and liquidity crisis, changes in interest rates, market perceptions of the industries in which we operate or ratings of securities;

the recent volatility in the credit markets, the losses which may be sustained by our lenders due to their lending and other financial relationships and the general instability of financial institutions due to a weakened economy;

changes in consumer demand, prices and our ability to have our products included on top selling vehicles, such as the significant shift in consumer preferences from light trucks, which tend to be higher margin products for our customers and us, to other vehicles in light of higher fuel cost and the impact of the current global economic crisis, and other factors impacting the cyclicity of automotive production and sales of automobiles which include our products, and the potential negative impact on our revenues and margins from such products;

changes in automotive manufacturers' production rates and their actual and forecasted requirements for our products, such as the recent and significant production cuts by automotive manufacturers in response to difficult economic conditions;

the overall highly competitive nature of the automotive parts industry, and our resultant inability to realize the sales represented by our awarded book of business (which is based on anticipated pricing for the applicable program over its life, and is subject to increases or decreases due to changes in customer requirements, customer and consumer preferences, and the number of vehicles actually produced by customers);

the loss of any of our large original equipment manufacturer (OEM) customers (on whom we depend for a substantial portion of our revenues), or the loss of market shares by these customers if we are unable to achieve increased sales to other OEMs;

labor disruptions at our facilities or any labor or other economic disruptions at any of our significant customers or suppliers or any of our customers' other suppliers (such as the 2008 strike at American Axle, which disrupted

our supply of products for significant General Motors platforms);

increases in the costs of raw materials, including our ability to successfully reduce the impact of any such cost increases through materials substitutions, cost reduction initiatives, low cost country sourcing, and price recovery efforts with aftermarket and OE customers;

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the cyclical nature of the global vehicle industry, including the performance of the global aftermarket sector and the longer product lives of automobile parts;

our continued success in cost reduction and cash management programs and our ability to execute restructuring and other cost reduction plans and to realize anticipated benefits from these plans;

costs related to product warranties;

the impact of consolidation among automotive parts suppliers and customers on our ability to compete;

operating hazards associated with our business;

changes in distribution channels or competitive conditions in the markets and countries where we operate, including the impact of changes in distribution channels for aftermarket products on our ability to increase or maintain aftermarket sales;

the negative impact of higher fuel prices and overall market weakness on discretionary purchases of aftermarket products by consumers;

the cost and outcome of existing and any future legal proceedings;

economic, exchange rate and political conditions in the foreign countries where we operate or sell our products;

customer acceptance of new products;

new technologies that reduce the demand for certain of our products or otherwise render them obsolete;

our ability to realize our business strategy of improving operating performance;

our inability to successfully integrate any acquisitions that we complete;

changes by the Financial Accounting Standards Board or the Securities and Exchange Commission of authoritative generally accepted accounting principles or policies;

potential legislation, regulatory changes and other governmental actions, including the ability to receive regulatory approvals and the timing of such approvals;

the impact of changes in and compliance with laws and regulations, including environmental laws and regulations, environmental liabilities in excess of the amount reserved and the adoption of the current mandated timelines for worldwide emission regulation;

the potential impairment in the carrying value of our long-lived assets and goodwill or our deferred tax assets;

potential volatility in our effective tax rate;

acts of war and/or terrorism, including, but not limited to, the events taking place in the Middle East, the current military action in Iraq and Afghanistan, the current situation in North Korea and the continuing war on terrorism, as well as actions taken or to be taken by the United States and other governments as a result of

further acts or threats of terrorism, and the impact of these acts on economic, financial and social conditions in the countries where we operate; and

the timing and occurrence (or non-occurrence) of other transactions, events and circumstances which may be beyond our control.

The risks included here are not exhaustive. Refer to Part I, Item 1A Risk Factors in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, for further discussion regarding our exposure to risks. Additionally, new risk factors emerge from time to time and it is not possible for us to predict all such risk factors, nor to assess the impact such risk factors might have on our business or the extent to which any factor or combination of factors may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements. Given these risks and uncertainties, investors should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements as a prediction of actual results.



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**PART I.**

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

**ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)**

**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

**To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of  
Tenneco Inc.**

We have reviewed the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet of Tenneco Inc. and consolidated subsidiaries (the Company) as of March 31, 2009, and the related condensed consolidated statements of income (loss), cash flows, comprehensive income (loss), and changes in shareholders' equity for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2009 and 2008. These interim financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management.

We conducted our reviews in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). A review of interim financial information consists principally of applying analytical procedures and making inquiries of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters. It is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our reviews, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to such condensed consolidated interim financial statements for them to be in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We have previously audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheet of Tenneco Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2008, and the related consolidated statements of income (loss), cash flows, changes in shareholders' equity, and comprehensive income (loss) and financial statement schedule for the year then ended prior to retrospective adjustment for the adoption of FASB Statement No. 160, *Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements*, (not presented herein); and in our report dated February 27, 2009, we expressed an unqualified opinion on those consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule. We also audited the adjustments described in Note 1 that were applied to retrospectively adjust the December 31, 2008 consolidated balance sheet of Tenneco Inc. and consolidated subsidiaries (not presented herein). In our opinion, such adjustments are appropriate and have been properly applied to the previously issued consolidated balance sheet in deriving the accompanying retrospectively adjusted condensed consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2008.

**DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP**

Chicago, Illinois  
May 6, 2009

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## TENNECO INC.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (LOSS)  
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2009	2008
	(Millions Except Share and Per Share Amounts)	
<b>Revenues</b>		
Net sales and operating revenues	\$ 967	\$ 1,560
<b>Costs and expenses</b>		
Cost of sales (exclusive of depreciation and amortization shown below)	827	1,326
Engineering, research, and development	21	36
Selling, general, and administrative	78	105
Depreciation and amortization of other intangibles	52	55
	978	1,522
<b>Other income (expense)</b>		
Loss on sale of receivables	(2)	(2)
Other income		3
	(2)	1
<b>Income (loss) before interest expense, income taxes, and noncontrolling interests</b>		
	(13)	39
Interest expense (net of interest capitalized of \$2 million for each of the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008)	31	25
Income tax expense	3	5
Net income (loss)	(47)	9
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	2	3
<b>Net income (loss) attributable to Tenneco Inc.</b>	<b>\$ (49)</b>	<b>\$ 6</b>
<b>Earnings (loss) per share</b>		
Weighted average shares of common stock outstanding		
Basic	46,671,289	46,253,272
Diluted	46,671,289	47,737,835
Basic earnings (loss) per share of common stock	\$ (1.05)	\$ 0.14
Diluted earnings (loss) per share of common stock	\$ (1.05)	\$ 0.13

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these statements of income (loss).

**Table of Contents****TENNECO INC.****CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS  
(Unaudited)**

	<b>March 31, 2009</b>	<b>December 31, 2008</b>
	<b>(Millions)</b>	
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 113	\$ 126
Receivables		
Customer notes and accounts, net	587	529
Other	23	45
Inventories		
Finished goods	199	211
Work in process	124	143
Raw materials	100	114
Materials and supplies	42	45
Deferred income taxes	21	18
Prepayments and other	104	107
Total current assets	1,313	1,338
Other assets:		
Long-term receivables, net	10	11
Goodwill	91	95
Intangibles, net	26	26
Deferred income taxes	87	88
Other	123	125
	337	345
Plant, property, and equipment, at cost	2,896	2,960
Less Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(1,804)	(1,815)
	1,092	1,145
Total assets	\$ 2,742	\$ 2,828

**LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY**

Current liabilities:		
Short-term debt (including current maturities of long-term debt)	\$ 61	\$ 49
Trade payables	663	790
Accrued taxes	29	30
Accrued interest	32	22

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Accrued liabilities	205	201
Other	51	65
Total current liabilities	1,041	1,157
Long-term debt	1,526	1,402
Deferred income taxes	51	51
Postretirement benefits	368	377
Deferred credits and other liabilities	60	61
Commitments and contingencies		
Total liabilities	3,046	3,048
Redeemable noncontrolling interests	8	7
Tenneco Inc. Shareholders' equity:		
Common stock		
Premium on common stock and other capital surplus	2,812	2,809
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(358)	(318)
Retained earnings (accumulated deficit)	(2,551)	(2,502)
	(97)	(11)
Less: Shares held as treasury stock, at cost	240	240
Total Tenneco Inc. shareholders' equity	(337)	(251)
Noncontrolling interests	25	24
Total equity	(312)	(227)
Total liabilities, redeemable noncontrolling interests and equity	\$ 2,742	\$ 2,828

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these balance sheets.

**Table of Contents****TENNECO INC.****CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

(Unaudited)

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>	
	<b>March 31,</b>	
	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
	<b>(Millions)</b>	
<b>Operating Activities</b>		
Net income (loss)	\$ (47)	\$ 9
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to cash used by operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization of other intangibles	52	55
Deferred income taxes	1	(5)
Stock-based compensation	2	3
Loss on sale of assets	2	2
Changes in components of working capital		
(Increase) decrease in receivables	(54)	(87)
(Increase) decrease in inventories	34	(43)
(Increase) decrease in prepayments and other current assets	(1)	(17)
Increase (decrease) in payables	(74)	23
Increase (decrease) in accrued taxes	(3)	(1)
Increase (decrease) in accrued interest	10	9
Increase (decrease) in other current liabilities	(3)	(11)
Change in long-term assets	2	(5)
Change in long-term liabilities	(5)	3
Other	3	1
Net cash used by operating activities	(81)	(64)
<b>Investing Activities</b>		
Proceeds from the sale of assets	2	1
Cash payments for plant, property, and equipment	(36)	(63)
Cash payments for software related intangible assets	(2)	(5)
Acquisition of business, net of cash acquired	1	
Net cash used by investing activities	(35)	(67)
<b>Financing Activities</b>		
Issuance of common shares		1
Issuance of long-term debt	2	
Debt issuance cost of long-term debt	(8)	
Retirement of long-term debt	(1)	(3)
Increase (decrease) in bank overdrafts	(13)	(3)
	137	91

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Net increase (decrease) in revolver borrowings and short-term debt excluding current maturities of long-term debt			
Distributions to noncontrolling interest partners			(2)
Net cash provided by financing activities	117		84
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(14)		20
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(13)		(27)
Cash and cash equivalents January 1	126		188
Cash and cash equivalents, March 31 (Note)	\$ 113	\$	161
<b>Supplemental Cash Flow Information</b>			
Cash paid during the period for interest	\$ 22	\$	22
Cash paid during the period for income taxes (net of refunds)	4		12
<b>Non-cash Investing and Financing Activities</b>			
Period ended balance of payable for plant, property, and equipment	\$ 17	\$	29

**Note:** Cash and cash equivalents include highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less at the date of purchase.

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these statements of cash flows.

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## TENNECO INC.

**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY**  
(Unaudited)

	<b>Three Months Ended March 31,</b>			
	<b>2009</b>		<b>2008</b>	
	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Amount</b>
	<b>(Millions Except Share Amounts)</b>			
<b>Tenneco Inc. Shareholders:</b>				
<b>Common Stock</b>				
Balance January 1	48,314,490	\$	47,892,532	\$
Issued pursuant to benefit plans	294,487		231,646	
Stock options exercised			43,824	
Balance March 31	48,608,977		48,168,002	
<b>Premium on Common Stock and Other Capital Surplus</b>				
Balance January 1		2,809		2,800
Premium on common stock issued pursuant to benefit plans		3		3
Balance March 31		2,812		2,803
<b>Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss</b>				
Balance January 1		(318)		(73)
Other comprehensive income (loss)		(40)		54
Balance March 31		(358)		(19)
<b>Retained Earnings (Accumulated Deficit)</b>				
Balance January 1		(2,502)		(2,087)
Net income (loss) attributable to Tenneco Inc.		(49)		6
Other				1
Balance March 31		(2,551)		(2,080)
<b>Less Common Stock Held as Treasury Stock, at Cost</b>				
Balance January 1 and March 31	1,294,692	240	1,294,692	240
Total Tenneco Inc. shareholders equity		\$ (337)		\$ 464
<b>Noncontrolling Interests:</b>				
Balance January 1		24		25
Net income		1		2



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Balance March 31	\$ 25	\$ 27
<b>Total equity</b>	\$ (312)	\$ 491

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these statements of changes in shareholders' equity.

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## TENNECO INC.

**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)**  
**(Unaudited)**

**Three Months Ended March 31, 2009**

	<b>Tenneco Inc.</b>	<b>Noncontrolling</b>		<b>Total</b>
	<b>Accumulated</b>	<b>Accumulated</b>		<b>Accumulated</b>
	<b>Other</b>	<b>Other</b>		<b>Other</b>
	<b>Comprehensive</b>	<b>Comprehensive</b>		<b>Comprehensive</b>
	<b>Income</b>	<b>Income</b>		<b>Income</b>
	<b>(Loss)</b>	<b>(Loss)</b>		<b>(Loss)</b>
	<b>(Millions)</b>			
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>	\$	(49)	\$	1
				\$ (48)
<b>Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)</b>				
<b>Cumulative Translation Adjustment</b>				
Balance January 1	\$ (42)	\$	\$	(42)
Translation of foreign currency statements	(40)	(40)		(40) (40)
Balance March 31	(82)			(82)
<b>Additional Liability for Pension Benefits</b>				
Balance January 1 and March 31	(276)			(276)
Balance March 31	\$ (358)	\$	\$	(358)
<b>Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)</b>		(40)		(40)
<b>Comprehensive Income (Loss)</b>	\$	(89)	\$	1
				\$ (88)

**Three Months Ended March 31, 2008**

	<b>Tenneco Inc.</b>	<b>Noncontrolling</b>		<b>Total</b>
	<b>Accumulated</b>	<b>Accumulated</b>		<b>Accumulated</b>
	<b>Other</b>	<b>Other</b>		<b>Other</b>

	Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Comprehensive Income (Loss)
	(Millions)					
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>		\$ 6		\$ 2		\$ 8
<b>Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)</b>						
<b>Cumulative Translation Adjustment</b>						
Balance January 1	\$ 85		\$		\$ 85	
Translation of foreign currency statements	54	54			54	54
Balance March 31	139				139	
<b>Additional Liability for Pension Benefits</b>						
Balance January 1 and March 31	(158)				(158)	
Balance March 31	\$ (19)		\$		\$ (19)	
<b>Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)</b>		54				54
<b>Comprehensive Income (Loss)</b>		\$ 60		\$ 2		\$ 62

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these statements of comprehensive income (loss).

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**TENNECO INC.**

**NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

(Unaudited)

(1) As you read the accompanying financial statements you should also read our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008.

In our opinion, the accompanying unaudited financial statements contain all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) necessary to present fairly Tenneco Inc.'s financial position, results of operations, cash flows, changes in shareholders' equity, and comprehensive income (loss) for the periods indicated. We have prepared the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements pursuant to the rules and regulations of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission for interim financial information. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) for annual financial statements.

Our condensed consolidated financial statements include all majority-owned subsidiaries. We carry investments in 20 percent to 50 percent owned companies as an equity method investment, at cost plus equity in undistributed earnings since the date of acquisition and cumulative translation adjustments. We have eliminated intercompany transactions.

Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior period cash flow statements to conform to the current year presentation. We have reclassified \$(3) million from the line item other operating activities for the quarter ended March 31, 2008, into two new line items, change in long-term assets and change in long-term liabilities to provide additional details on our cash flow statement. We have also reclassified \$(4) million from the line item other operating activities to increase (decrease) in payables to classify currency movement with the related line items. We have also reclassified several amounts within the operating section of the cash flow statement, none of which were significant, to conform to the current year presentation. Additionally, we have reclassified \$3 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2008, from the line item increase (decrease) in payables in the operating section of the cash flow to a new line item increase (decrease) in bank overdrafts in the financing section.

On January 1, 2009, we adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 160, Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements which required us to reclassify retrospectively for all periods presented, noncontrolling ownership interests (formerly called minority interests) from the mezzanine section of the balance sheet between liabilities and equity to the equity section of the balance sheet, and to change our presentation of net income (loss) in the condensed consolidated statements of cash flows to include the portion of net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling ownership interests with a corresponding reduction in other operating activities. We have also expanded our financial statement presentation and disclosure of noncontrolling ownership interests on our condensed consolidated statements of income (loss), condensed consolidated statements of comprehensive income (loss) and condensed consolidated statements of changes in shareholders' equity in accordance with the new SFAS No. 160 disclosure requirements.

We are subject to the requirements of EITF Topic No. D-98, Classification and Measurement of Redeemable Securities (EITF D-98), which interprets Rule 5-02.28 of Regulation S-X. Rule 5-02.28 requires shares whose redemption are outside of the control of the issuer to be classified outside of permanent equity. We have noncontrolling interests in two joint ventures with redemption features that could require us to purchase the noncontrolling interest at fair value in the event of a change in control of Tenneco, Inc. Additionally, a noncontrolling interest in a third joint venture requires us to purchase the noncontrolling interest at fair value in the event of default or under certain other circumstances. We do not believe that it is probable that the redemption features in any of these

joint venture agreements will be triggered. However, the redemption of these shares is not solely within our control. Accordingly, the related noncontrolling interests are presented as Redeemable noncontrolling interests in the mezzanine section of our condensed consolidated balance sheets in accordance with EITF D-98. EITF D-98 does not impact the accounting for noncontrolling interests on our condensed consolidated statements of net income (loss).

(2) In September 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued SFAS No. 157 Fair Value Measurement which is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after November 15,

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(Unaudited)

2007. We have adopted the measurement and disclosure provisions of SFAS No. 157 relating to our financial assets and liabilities which are measured on a recurring basis on January 1, 2008. On January 1, 2009, we adopted the measurement and disclosure provision of SFAS No. 157 relating to our non-recurring nonfinancial assets and liabilities. The adoption of SFAS No. 157 did not have a material impact on our fair value measurements. SFAS No. 157 defines fair value as the price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants. SFAS No. 157 establishes a fair value hierarchy, which prioritizes the inputs used in measuring fair value into the following levels:

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

Level 2 Inputs, other than quoted prices in active markets, that are observable either directly or indirectly.

Level 3 Unobservable inputs based on our own assumptions.

The fair value of our recurring financial assets and liabilities at March 31, 2009 are as follows:

	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2 (Millions)</b>	<b>Level 3</b>
<b>Financial Assets:</b>			
Foreign exchange forward contracts	n/a	\$ 1	n/a

*Foreign exchange forward contracts* We use foreign exchange forward purchase and sales contracts with terms of less than one year to hedge our exposure to changes in foreign currency exchange rates. Our primary exposure to changes in foreign currency rates results from intercompany loans made between affiliates to minimize the need for borrowings from third parties. Additionally, we enter into foreign currency forward purchase and sale contracts to mitigate our exposure to changes in exchange rates on certain intercompany and third-party trade receivables and payables. We do not enter into derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes. The fair value of our foreign exchange forward contracts is based on a model which incorporates observable inputs including quoted spot rates, forward exchange rates and discounted future expected cash flows utilizing market interest rates with similar quality and maturity characteristics. We have not designated our foreign exchange forward contracts as hedging instruments under FASB Statement No. 133, *Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*. Accordingly, the change in fair value of these foreign exchange forward contracts is recorded as part of currency gains (losses) within Other income in the condensed consolidated statements of income (loss). The fair value of foreign exchange forward contracts are recorded in Prepayments and other current assets or Other current liabilities in the condensed consolidated balance sheet. The fair value of our foreign exchange forward contracts, presented on a gross basis by derivative contract at March 31, 2009 was as follows:

	<b>Fair Value of Derivative Instruments</b>		
	<b>Asset Derivatives</b>	<b>Liability Derivatives</b>	<b>Total</b>
Foreign exchange forward contracts	\$ 2	\$ 1	\$ 1

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The following table summarizes by major currency the notional amounts, weighted-average settlement rates, and fair value for foreign currency forward purchase and sale contracts as of March 31, 2009:

		<b>Notional Amount in Foreign Currency (Millions Except Settlement Rates)</b>	<b>March 31, 2009 Weighted Average Settlement Rates</b>	<b>Fair Value in U.S. Dollars</b>
Australian dollars	Purchase	35	0.695	\$ 25
	Sell	(7)	0.695	(5)
British pounds	Purchase	25	1.435	36
	Sell	(23)	1.435	(33)
European euro	Purchase			
	Sell	(17)	1.330	(22)
South African rand	Purchase	392	0.105	