

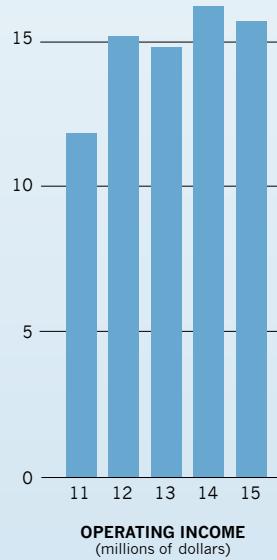
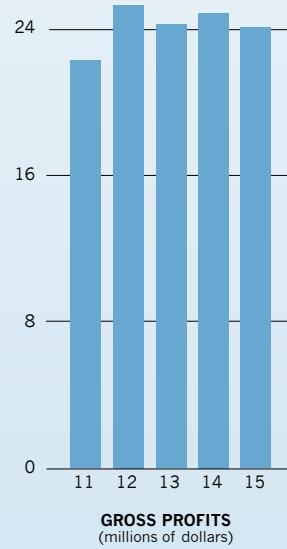
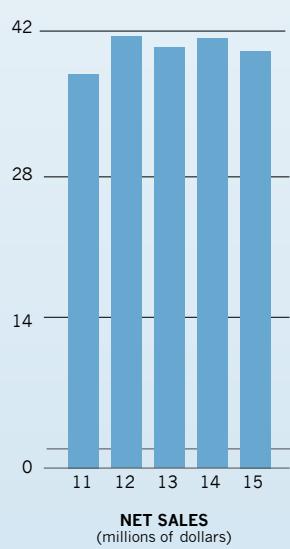
A photograph of a person from behind, standing on a rocky mountain ridge. They are wearing a blue and white patterned shirt, dark pants, and a backpack. Their arms are wide open, and they are looking towards a vast landscape of mountains under a blue sky with scattered white clouds.

UTAH MEDICAL PRODUCTS, INC.

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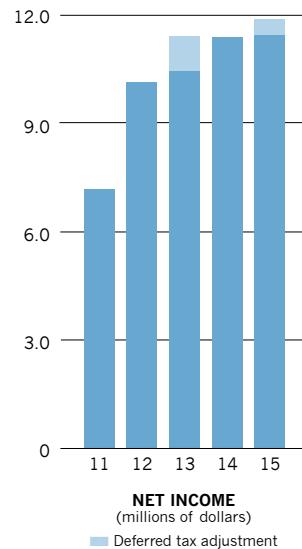
*Utah Medical Products, Inc., with particular interest in health care for women and their babies, develops, manufactures and markets a broad range of disposable and reusable specialty medical devices recognized by clinicians in hundreds of countries around the world as the standard for obtaining optimal long term outcomes for their patients.*



## 5 Year Summary of Operations

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

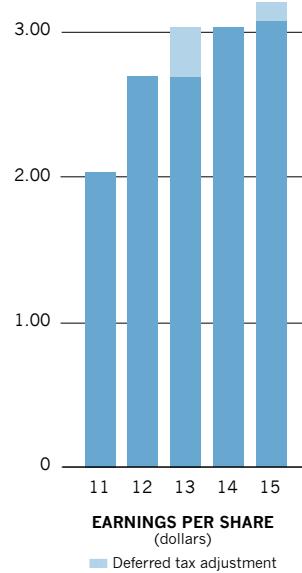
	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Net sales	\$40,157	\$41,278	\$40,493	\$41,552	\$37,860
Net income	11,843	11,378	11,406	10,169	7,414
Total assets	79,175	81,076	80,711	76,935	76,389
Long-term debt	—	973	5,065	9,003	16,242
Stockholders' equity	69,648	64,556	60,581	50,972	40,757
Earnings per common share (diluted)	\$ 3.14	\$ 3.02	\$ 3.02	\$ 2.74	\$ 2.03
Cash dividends per share	\$ 1.03	\$ 1.01	\$ .99	\$ .97	\$ .95
Weighted average common shares (diluted)	3,767	3,774	3,775	3,711	3,645



## Quarterly Income Statement Summaries

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
<b>2015</b>				
Net sales	\$10,233	\$10,397	\$ 9,945	\$ 9,582
Gross profit	6,112	6,099	6,079	5,894
Net income	2,667	2,918	3,047	3,211
Earnings per share	\$ .71	\$ .77	\$ .81	\$ .85
<b>2014</b>				
Net sales	\$ 9,827	\$10,491	\$10,717	\$10,243
Gross profit	6,050	6,349	6,196	6,388
Net income	2,722	2,834	2,822	3,000
Earnings per share	\$ .72	\$ .75	\$ .75	\$ .80
<b>2013</b>				
Net sales	\$10,374	\$10,002	\$10,032	\$10,085
Gross profit	6,281	6,048	5,949	5,994
Net income	2,735	2,632	2,571	3,468
Earnings per share	\$ .73	\$ .70	\$ .68	\$ .92



# LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

## To Our Stockholders

As expected, the big story with respect to the 2015 financial performance of Utah Medical Products, Inc. (NASDAQ: UTMD) was the relative strength of the U.S. Dollar (USD). This was generally true of other companies in the medical device industry which have a significant portion of their sales outside the United States (OUS). Consolidated global sales were about 3% lower than in 2014. Opposite to the prior two years when the bright spot in our business was the growth in sales OUS, 2015 international sales were \$2 million (9%) lower than in 2014. OUS sales would have been only \$367,000 (2%) lower with the FX rates of 2014 (constant currency). Constant currency 2015 consolidated global sales were \$515,000 (1%) higher.

In other words, constant currency OUS sales were \$1,635,000 higher than the reported USD revenues for 2015. Eighty-two percent of the OUS sales decline was due to foreign currency exchange (FX) rates on the portion of OUS sales made in Great Britain Pounds (GBP), Euros (EUR) and Australian Dollars (AUD). Although the use of unique medical devices is usually less affected by slower economic conditions, some lower demand did result from pressure to use cheaper alternatives which are not as safe or effective, as well as from the inherent price increase for distributors in countries, such as located in Africa and South America, which purchase UTMD's devices in fixed USD prices. Simply put, higher FX volatility yields higher volatility in revenues and earnings. It currently seems a fact of life.

Thankfully, U.S. domestic sales were up 5%, led by sales to Femcare's exclusive U.S. distributor of the Filshie Clip System, CooperSurgical Inc. (CSI), which were 12% higher. This was the third time in the last four years that UTMD realized double-digit percentage CSI sales growth for the tried and true Filshie Clip System for permanent female sterilization. Second, U.S. OEM sales were up 11%. This was the fourth consecutive year of double-digit percentage growth

in demand for components manufactured under UTMD's quality system for other U.S. companies. Last, direct sales of medical devices to domestic end-user facilities were 1% higher after being lower in each of the prior three years. I suppose that this was finally the confirmation of greater device sales under the PPACA (Obamacare) that the lawmakers believed justified the 2.3% of sales Medical Device Excise Tax (MDET) in effect for the last three years. Recognizing the obvious negative impact, Congress recently suspended the MDET for 2016 and 2017. This will be a substantial shot in the arm for many struggling medical device companies, part of a formerly premier job-creating industry, and will add about \$300,000 to UTMD's 2016 earnings before tax (EBT), 39% of which UTMD will surrender to U.S. federal and state governments as a result of the highest corporate income tax rates in the world.

With respect to corporate income tax rates, I would like to specifically acknowledge our support for the pro-business policies of Ireland and the UK. These policies will, in contrast to the U.S., raise the standard of living of their citizens, and already have benefited UTMD's stockholders which include thousands of the middle-class and elderly. It is not surprising that successful companies are relocating outside the U.S. Why would anyone wish to reside in a community in which she or he is routinely demonized despite sincere efforts to improve the public health, while being overly-burdened with unnecessary bureaucratic regulations and exploited by unreasonable confiscation of the results of dedicated hard work? In a presidential election year, I would like to think that there is an opportunity to correct the path the U.S. is on, but we are unlikely to be pleased with the election outcome given the available candidates. Nevertheless, UTMD expects to continue its successful fight for safer, better and more affordable health care for patients whose lives matter, and improved value for UTMD stockholders, the vast majority of which are not among the top 1%.

One of the Company's best accomplishments in 2015, despite the top line pressure, was its ability to maintain excellent profit margins which continue to provide positive cash flow and drive its Return on Stockholder Equity (ROE). UTMD's EBT margin, bottom line profits before income taxes divided by sales, improved to 38.7% compared to 38.3% in 2014. Please note that EBT are not affected by the adjustment to the tax provision resulting from the UK government's 2015 lowering of future corporate income tax rates. The 2015 end-of-year \$351,000 adjustment to UTMD's deferred tax liability balance sheet account, which increased Net Income (after taxes) by the same amount, is explained in the Management Discussion & Analysis (MD&A) section of this report and UTMD's 2015 SEC Form 10-K available at <http://www.utahmed.com>.

As you know, a primary financial objective for UTMD management is to maximize ROE. Despite the higher EBT margin, UTMD's 2015 ROE (calculated before dividends) slipped to 17% from 18% in 2014 and an average of 28% over the last 29 years. The ROE dilution occurred because average Stockholders' Equity increased 7% while Net Income increased 4%. The large increase in Stockholders' Equity was from a continued accumulation of cash together with elimination of debt. Although UTMD's significant cash balances dilute its ROE, they also provide for stability in the presence of volatile financial markets and uncertain economic conditions, allowing business decisions that are made in the long term best interest of stockholders.

Two key methods for allocating capital in a way that would improve ROE remain 1) share repurchases, and 2) strategic investments that would help grow Net Income. Of course, the best time to repurchase shares for the benefit of continuing stockholders is when the share price is low, not high. Since a stock market peak in the middle of 2015, the share prices of comparable companies as measured by the Russell 2000 Index and NASDAQ Index, as of this writing, are down about

20% while UTMD's share price remains about the same. We should be grateful that our stockholders do not wish to sell UTMD stock, but this situation has not provided a reasonable opportunity for UTMD to repurchase its shares. With regard to investments which would increase ROE, as promised, we spent a lot of time and effort looking for acquisitions in 2015, without consummation. UTMD's investment criteria are conservative. We are not anxious to grow the top line at the expense of dilution of the bottom line. We are not interested in substantially increasing business risk, or in accepting a potentially infinite time horizon to obtain a return on investment. UTMD remains vigilant and financially well-positioned to move quickly, hopefully in 2016, when a good acquisition opportunity becomes available.

We expect 2016 to be another challenging year, with the outcome difficult to project. I don't know if the USD will continue to strengthen relative to the GBP, EUR and AUD, but we are planning that it will continue, albeit at a slower pace than in 2015, again negatively affecting OUS sales. In brief, for 2016 income statement performance, management is targeting gross profits the same as in 2015, lower operating expenses led by the relief of the MDET, and lower non-operating expenses from the lack of interest expense and lower loss from remeasured currency value of bank balances held in EUR currency. At the bottom line, this should lead to an approximate 3% increase in Net Income and Earnings Per Share (excluding the "windfall" net profit gain in 2015 from deferred tax liability adjustment due to the enactment of lower future UK tax rates).

Thank you for your patience in challenging times as continuing stockholders in UTMD.



**Kevin L. Cornwell**

*Chairman & CEO*

# Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

*Currency amounts are in thousands except per-share amounts and where noted. Currencies are abbreviated as follows: the U.S. Dollar (USD), the Great Britain Pound (GBP), the Euro (EUR) and Australian Dollar (AUD).*

The following comments should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements.

## Overview

As an international company, UTMD's financial results in 2015 were dominated by changes in foreign currency exchange (FX) rates. Income statement results in 2015 compared to 2014 were as follows:

	2015	2014	change
<b>Net Sales</b>	\$ 40,157	\$ 41,278	-2.7%
<b>Gross Profit</b>	24,185	24,983	-3.2%
<b>Operating Income</b>	15,651	16,202	-3.4%
<b>Income Before Tax</b>	15,545	15,812	-1.7%
<b>Net Income</b>	11,843	11,378	+4.1%
<b>Earnings per Share</b>	3.140	3.015	+4.1%

A comparison of profit margins in 2015 to 2014 follows:

	2015	2014
<b>Gross Profit Margin</b>	60.2%	60.5%
<b>Operating Income Margin</b>	39.0%	39.3%
<b>Net Income Margin</b>	29.5%	27.6%

Net Income (NI) and earnings per share (EPS) in 2015 benefited from a \$351 reduction in the 2015 income tax provision (increasing NI \$351 and EPS \$.093) due to the United Kingdom (UK) enacting lower corporate income tax rates beginning in 2017 over the remaining ten year amortization life of Femcare Identifiable Intangible Assets (IIA).

As stockholders likely remember, in March 2011 UTMD acquired 100% of the stock of Femcare Holdings Limited in the UK, and its subsidiaries (Femcare). Included in the purchase price were IIA of \$38.8 million, almost all of which are being amortized over a fifteen-year useful life, with the amortization expense included in (G&A) operating expenses. This approximately \$2.6 million per year amortization expense reduces the income statement tax provision, but is not deductible on the tax return. As a consequence, on the acquisition date in 2011, UTMD created a deferred tax liability (DTL) on its balance sheet, using UK tax rates then in effect, which represented the future tax impact of the amortization of IIA over the fifteen year life.

According to U.S. GAAP, the total effect of tax rate changes on deferred tax balances is recorded as a component of the income tax provision related to continuing operations in the period in

which the law is enacted. In other words, the total reduction in the DTL in 2015 that resulted from lower future tax rates over the remaining almost 10 years of Femcare IIA amortization, which amounted to \$351, reduced UTMD's reported 2015 tax provision and increased reported NI by the same amount per U.S. GAAP. The adjustment only affected UTMD's income tax provision, NI and EPS, not Revenues (Sales), Gross Profit (GP), Operating Income (OI) or Earnings Before Taxes (EBT).

Without including the effect of the UK tax law change on the DTL and the income tax provision, UTMD's 2015 NI and EPS compared to 2014 on a non-GAAP basis were as follows:

	2015	2014	change
<b>Net Income</b>	\$ 11,493	\$ 11,378	+1.0%
<b>Earnings per Share</b>	3.047	3.015	+1.0%

Similarly, UTMD's NI Margin (NIM) in 2015 compared to 2014 on a non-GAAP basis (before the DTL adjustment) was as follows:

	2015	2014
<b>Net Income Margin</b>	28.6%	27.6%

The Company believes that the presentation of results excluding the adjustments in DTL and 2015 tax provision provides meaningful supplemental information to both management and investors that is indicative of UTMD's core operating results in 2015 compared to 2014.

The Company's continued excellent positive cash flow in 2015 allowed it to eliminate the remaining balances on bank loans that it incurred to help finance the purchase of Femcare in March 2011, while increasing cash dividends paid to shareholders and continuing its program to repurchase shares in the open market. Less than four years after acquiring Femcare for \$41 million without diluting stockholders, the Company became debt free again.

As a result of the weaker FX rates on UTMD's foreign currency sales, Consolidated Net Sales were 2.7% lower in 2015 compared to 2014. Foreign currency sales were reduced by \$1,635 (12.0%) compared to sales using the same FX rates of 2014 ("constant currency sales"). On a transaction weighted-average basis, the change in FX rates reduced GBP sales 7.5%, EUR sales 15.9% and AUD sales 17.0%. On a constant currency basis, 2015 total Consolidated Sales were 1.2% higher.

Except for Sales, UTMD met or exceeded all of its financial performance objectives for 2015 which were disclosed in the 2014 SEC Form 10-K despite the fact that the actual FX impact on Sales was substantially more negative than anticipated.

In 2015 compared to 2014, domestic sales were 5% higher and international sales were 9% lower. On a constant currency basis, international sales were less than 2% lower.

Better absorption of fixed manufacturing overheads in Utah and Ireland due to higher production activity, in-house assembly and packaging of Filshie Sterishot kits instead of using an external vendor, lower transportation costs and lower employee health plan expenses in the U.S. compared to the prior year combined to almost offset the negative FX impact of USD cost of materials for Ireland, the UK and Australia. On the other hand, consolidated operating expenses were \$247 lower in 2015 than in 2014 due to the favorable effect of FX rates on reducing the USD equivalent of subsidiary expenses in foreign currencies. As a result, UTMD was able to manage total operating expenses at the same ratio of sales (21.3%) in both 2015 and 2014 despite lower USD Sales in 2015. Non-operating expenses were \$284 lower in 2015 compared to the prior year, primarily due to \$224 lower interest expense. Without the benefit of the DTL adjustment and consequent reduction in income tax provision, UTMD improved its NIM by a full percentage point in 2015. This was accomplished as a result of a shift in EBT mix to Ireland, the sovereignty with the lowest income tax rate, and a lower UK income tax rate compared to the prior year. With the DTL adjustment, UTMD increased its U.S. GAAP 2015 EPS 4% to \$3.140 from \$3.015 in 2014.

EPS in 2015 benefited slightly from open market purchases of 13,000 UTMD shares and a lower dilution impact from employee stock options by 7,500 shares.

The Company believes that investors benefit from referring to the 2015 non-GAAP financial measures in assessing UTMD's performance. The non-GAAP financial measures also facilitate management's internal comparisons for purposes of planning future performance. The non-GAAP financial measures disclosed by UTMD should not be considered a substitute for or superior to financial measures calculated in accordance with GAAP, and the financial results calculated in accordance with GAAP and reconciliations to those financial statements should be carefully evaluated.

Measures of the Company's liquidity and overall financial condition improved in 2015 as UTMD reduced total liabilities 42% and increased current assets 11%. The total debt ratio (total liabilities to total assets) declined to 12% at the end of 2015 from 20% at the end of 2014. The current ratio (current assets to current liabilities) increased to 8.1 from 3.3 at the end of 2014. Cash generation remained strong, allowing a 2% increase in cash dividends to shareholders while paying off total bank loan principal balances of \$4.9 million and making open market share repurchases of \$0.7 million. Stockholders' Equity increased to \$69.6 million from \$64.6 million despite combined

dividends and share repurchases of \$4.5 million, which reduce Stockholders' Equity. The return on average Stockholders' Equity (ROE) prior to the payment of dividends was 17% in 2015 compared to 18% ROE in 2014 due to a 7% increase in average Stockholders' Equity in 2015.

## **Productivity of Assets and Working Capital Assets**

**Assets.** Year-end 2015 total consolidated assets were \$79,175 comprised of \$32,873 in current assets, \$7,369 in consolidated net property, plant and equipment (PP&E) and \$38,933 in net intangible assets. This compares to \$81,076 total assets at the end of 2014 comprised of \$29,675 in current assets, \$8,236 in consolidated net PP&E and \$43,165 in net intangible assets. Total asset turns (total consolidated sales divided by average total assets for the year) in 2015 were 50%, compared to 51% in 2014. Please the charts on the next page.

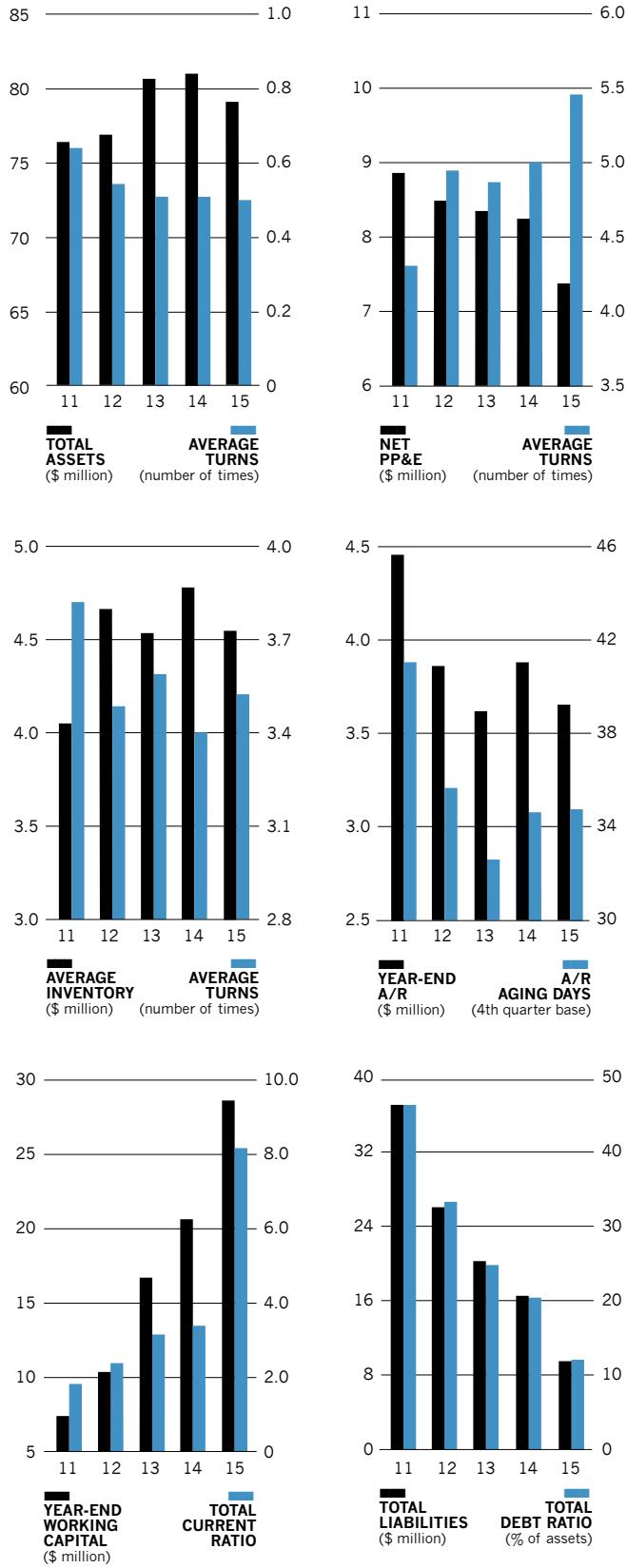
Current assets increased \$3,198 due to a \$4,001 increase in cash and investments, a \$141 decrease in accounts and other receivables and a \$676 decrease in year-end inventories. Year-end 2015 and 2014 cash and investment balances were \$23,333 and \$19,332, representing 29% and 24% of total assets, respectively. Net (after allowance for doubtful accounts) year-end trade accounts receivable (A/R) balances decreased \$231 due to lower 4Q 2015 sales and to 0.5% of A/R over 90 days from date of invoice at the end of 2015 compared to 1.9% at the end of 2014. The Company believes any older A/R will be collected or are within its reserve balances for uncollectible amounts. Average days in A/R from date of invoice on December 31, 2015 were 34 days based on 4Q 2015 shipments, slightly better than at the end of 2014. This performance remains well within management's trade A/R objective. Average 2015 inventory turns improved to 3.5 compared to 3.4 in 2014. The higher turns were back within management guidelines after dipping below in 2014, when UTMD substantially increased its inventory of Filshie Sterishot disposable applicator components as a hedge against an interruption of supply during the early stages of conversion to manufacturing in-house.

Current liabilities were \$4,906 (55%) lower at the end of 2015 compared to the end of 2014 primarily because of paying off the bank loans. Working capital (current assets minus current liabilities) at year-end 2015 was \$28,807 compared to \$20,704 at year-end 2014. The end of 2015 working capital exceeds UTMD's needs for normal operations and funding organic growth.

PP&E includes Utah, Ireland, England and Australia manufacturing molds, production tooling and equipment, test equipment, product development laboratory equipment, computers and software, warehouse equipment, furniture and fixtures, buildings and real estate. UTMD owns its

# Management's Discussion and Analysis

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facilities in Utah, Ireland and Australia, the fungible market value of which increases UTMD's enterprise value relative to most of its industry peers. Almost all of UTMD's devices are manufactured either in its Utah or Ireland facilities. The Australia facility is a distribution operation. The Femcare UK subsidiary facility is leased. Ending 2015 net consolidated PP&E (depreciated book value of all fixed assets) decreased \$867 as a result of \$619 in depreciation, capital expenditures of \$176 and the lower year-end USD value of PP&E in Ireland, England and Australia from changes in FX rates. The net book value of U.S. PP&E at the end of 2015 compared to the end of 2014 declined \$234. In USD terms, PP&E in Ireland declined \$460, in England declined \$84 and in Australia declined \$89, according to the following end-of-year FX rates which applied to all assets and liabilities of each applicable foreign subsidiary:

	12-31-15	12-31-14
EUR	1.0866	1.2110
GBP	1.4763	1.5586
AUD	0.7294	0.8181

The year-end 2015 net book value (after accumulated depreciation) of consolidated PP&E was 27% of purchase cost. End-of-year PP&E turns (Sales divided by Net PP&E) improved to 5.4 in 2015 compared to 5.0 in 2014. Since UTMD's PP&E is in good working order and capable of supporting increased sales activity, the continued productivity of fixed assets will remain a source of future profitability. In 2016, PP&E purchases to support ongoing operations are not likely to exceed depreciation of fixed assets.

Net intangible assets (after accumulated amortization) are comprised of the capitalized costs of obtaining patents and other intellectual property, as well as identifiable intangible assets (IIA) and goodwill resulting from acquisitions. Net intangible assets were \$38,933 (49% of total assets) at the end of 2015 compared to \$43,165 (53% of total assets) at the end of 2014. Per U.S. GAAP, intangible assets are categorized as either 1) IIA, which are amortized over the estimated useful life of the assets, or 2) goodwill, which is not amortized or expensed until the associated economic value of the acquired asset becomes impaired. The two categories of Femcare intangibles at year-end 2015 were net IIA of \$24,102 and goodwill of \$7,533. The accumulated amortization of Femcare IIA as of December 31, 2015 since the March 18, 2011 acquisition was \$11,416. UTMD's goodwill balance was \$14,725 at the end of 2015, 38% of total net intangibles. Because the products associated with UTMD's acquisitions of Columbia Medical in 1997, Gesco in 1998 and Abcorp in 2004 continue to be viable parts of UTMD's overall business, UTMD does not expect the current

# Consolidated Balance Sheet

(In thousands)

December 31,	2015	2014
<b>Assets</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 23,278	\$ 19,274
Investments, available-for-sale (notes 3 and 4)	55	58
Accounts and other receivables, net (note 2)	4,563	4,703
Inventories (note 2)	4,196	4,872
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	418	465
Deferred income taxes (note 8)	363	303
Total current assets	32,873	29,675
Property and equipment, net (notes 5 and 11)	7,369	8,236
Goodwill	14,725	15,145
Other intangible assets (note 2)	37,772	39,675
Other intangible assets — accumulated amortization	(13,564)	(11,655)
Other intangible assets — net (note 2)	24,208	28,020
Total assets	\$ 79,175	\$ 81,076
<b>Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 649	\$ 929
Accrued expenses (note 2)	3,417	4,148
Current portion of note payable (note 6)	—	3,894
Total current liabilities	4,066	8,971
Notes payable (note 6)	—	973
Deferred tax liability - intangible assets	4,452	5,581
Deferred income taxes (note 8)	1,009	995
Total liabilities	9,527	16,520
Commitments and contingencies (notes 7 and 13)	—	—
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, \$.01 par value; 5,000 shares authorized, no shares issued and outstanding	—	—
Common stock, \$.01 par value; 50,000 shares authorized, issued 3,751 shares in 2015 and 3,748 shares in 2014	38	37
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(5,961)	(3,234)
Additional paid-in capital	2,710	2,890
Retained earnings	72,861	64,863
Total stockholders' equity	69,648	64,556
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 79,175	\$ 81,076

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

# Management's Discussion and Analysis

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goodwill value associated with the four acquisitions (including Femcare) to become impaired in 2016. Additions to intangibles in 2015 were \$70, while there was \$2,528 in amortization expense. The 2015 non-cash amortization expense of Femcare IIA was \$2,467 compared to \$2,660 in 2014. The difference was due to the change in USD/GBP FX rate. The 2016 non-cash amortization expense of Femcare IIA will be GBP 1,599, or \$2,431 if the average USD/GBP FX rate is 1.52.

**Liabilities.** As noted above, UTMD's current liabilities declined 55% (\$4,906) and total liabilities declined 42% (\$6,992), at the end of 2015 from the end of 2014. The resulting 2015 year-end total debt ratio was 12%, compared to 20% at the end of 2014. Total liabilities declined because of \$4,867 repayment of bank loans and a \$1,128 reduction in the DTL. The DTL, which was created as a result of the fifteen year deferred tax consequence of the amortization of Femcare's IIA, had a 2015 year-end balance of \$4,452, down from \$5,581 at the end of 2014. The large decline in the DTL was the result of a combination of the 2015 amortization of IIA, the 4Q 2015 adjustment to the DTL due to the enactment of lower future UK income tax rates, and the change in the USD/GBP year-end FX rates. In addition to liabilities stated on the balance sheet, UTMD has operating lease and purchase obligations described in Note 7 to the financial statements.

## Results of Operations

**a) Revenues.** Global Consolidated Sales in 2015 were \$40,157 compared to \$41,278 in 2014 and 40,493 in 2013.

The Company believes that revenue should be recognized at the time of shipment as title generally passes to the customer at the time of shipment, or completion of services performed under contract. Revenue recognized by UTMD is based upon documented arrangements and fixed contracts in which the selling price is fixed prior to acceptance and completion of an order. Revenue from product or service sales is generally recognized at the time the product is shipped or service completed and invoiced, and collectibility is reasonably assured. Over 99% of UTMD's revenue is recognized at the time UTMD ships a physical medical device to a customer, where the selling price for the item shipped was agreed prior to UTMD's acceptance and completion of the customer order. There are no post-shipment obligations which have been or are expected to be material to financial results.

There are circumstances under which revenue may be recognized when product is not shipped, which meet the criteria of SAB 104: the Company provides engineering services, for example, design and production of manufacturing tooling that may be used in subsequent UTMD manufacturing of custom components for other companies. This revenue is recognized when UTMD's service has been completed according to a fixed contractual agreement.

Terms of sale are established in advance of UTMD's acceptance of customer orders. In the U.S., Ireland, UK and Australia, UTMD generally accepts orders directly from and ships directly to end user clinical facilities, as well as third party medical/surgical distributors, under UTMD's Standard Terms and Conditions (T&C) of Sale. About 14% of UTMD's domestic end user sales go through third party med/surg distributors which contract separately with clinical facilities to provide purchasing, storage and scheduled delivery functions for the applicable facility. UTMD's T&C of Sale are substantially the same in the U.S., Ireland, UK and Australia.

UTMD may have separate discounted pricing agreements with a clinical facility or group of affiliated facilities based on volume of purchases. Pricing agreements which are documented arrangements with clinical facilities, or groups of affiliated facilities, if applicable, are established in advance of orders accepted or shipments made. For existing customers, past actual shipment volumes determine the fixed price by part number for the next agreement period of one or two years. For new customers, the customer's best estimate of volume is accepted by UTMD for determining the ensuing fixed prices for the agreement period. New customers typically have no longer than one-year agreements. Prices are not adjusted after an order is accepted. For the sake of clarity, the separate pricing agreements with clinical facilities based on volume of purchases disclosure is not inconsistent with UTMD's disclosure above that the selling price is fixed prior to the acceptance of a specific customer order.

UTMD's global consolidated trade sales are comprised of domestic and international sales. Domestic sales include 1) direct domestic sales, sales of finished devices to end-user facilities and med/surg distributors in the U.S.; 2) domestic OEM sales, sales of components or finished products, which may not be medical devices, to other companies for inclusion in their products; and 3) sales of the Filshie Clip System by Femcare UK to its U.S. distributor, CooperSurgical Inc. (CSI). International sales are sales from UTMD in the U.S. to customers outside the U.S. and all sales from UTMD subsidiaries in Ireland, Australia and the UK other than Femcare UK sales to CSI. The term "trade" means sales to customers which are not part of UTMD. Each UTMD entity except Femcare Australia also has intercompany sales of components and/or finished devices to other UTMD entities.

U.S. domestic sales in 2015 were \$20,364 (51% of total sales) compared to \$19,483 (47% of total sales) in 2014 and \$18,965 (47% of total sales) in 2013. The contributors to the \$881 (+5%) higher domestic sales were \$458 (+12%) higher Filshie Clip System sales to CSI, \$261 (+11%) higher sales of components and devices to OEM customers and \$162 (+1%) higher sales to direct users.

# Consolidated Statement of Income and Comprehensive Income

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

Years ended December 31,	2015	2014	2013
Sales, net (notes 10, 12 and 13)	\$ 40,157	\$ 41,278	\$ 40,493
Cost of goods sold	15,972	16,295	16,220
Gross profit	24,185	24,983	24,273
Operating expense:			
Sales and marketing	2,164	2,211	2,790
Research and development	522	460	491
General and administrative	5,848	6,110	6,164
Operating income	15,651	16,202	14,828
Other income (expense):			
Dividend and interest income	5	7	7
Royalty income (note 13)	93	99	90
Interest expense	(65)	(289)	(438)
Other, net	(139)	(207)	(11)
Income before provision for income taxes	15,545	15,812	14,476
Provision for income taxes (note 8)	3,702	4,434	3,070
Net income	\$ 11,843	\$ 11,378	\$ 11,406
Earnings per common share (basic) (note 1):	\$ 3.16	\$ 3.04	\$ 3.06
Earnings per common share (diluted) (note 1):	\$ 3.14	\$ 3.02	\$ 3.02
Other comprehensive income:			
Foreign currency translation net of taxes of \$0 in all periods	\$ (2,724)	\$ (3,252)	\$ 859
Unrealized gain (loss) on investments net of taxes of \$(1), \$1 and \$6	(2)	1	8
Total comprehensive income	\$ 9,117	\$ 8,127	\$ 12,273

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By product category, domestic direct sales of neonatal products were \$4,363 (about the same), labor & delivery (L&D) products \$3,916 (3% lower), BPM products \$782 (1% lower) and gynecology/urology products excluding the Filshie Clip System \$4,521 (3% higher). The lower L&D sales were due to further tightening of compliance under GPO contracts by U.S. hospitals and lower intrauterine pressure monitoring utilization rates by existing customers.

International sales in 2015 were \$19,793 compared to \$21,795 in 2014 and \$21,528 in 2013. International sales in 2015 were overall \$2,002 (9%) lower than in 2014, but \$1,635 (82%) of the decline was due to the change in FX rates. As a result, international sales slipped to 49% of global consolidated sales in 2015 from 53% in both 2014 and 2013. Sixty percent of international sales, or 30% of total sales, were invoiced in foreign currencies. A 12% combined negative FX rate impact on 30% of total sales created a 3.6% decline in total consolidated sales. GBP, EUR and AUD currency sales represented 15%, 8% and 6% of total 2015 USD-converted sales, respectively. UTMD's FX rates for income statement purposes are transaction-weighted averages. The average FX rates from the applicable foreign currency to USD during 2015 compared to 2014 FX rates were:

	2015	2014	change
GBP	1.528	1.650	(7.4%)
EUR	1.105	1.314	(16.5%)
AUD	0.750	0.904	(17.0%)
Sales Weighted Average			(12.0%)

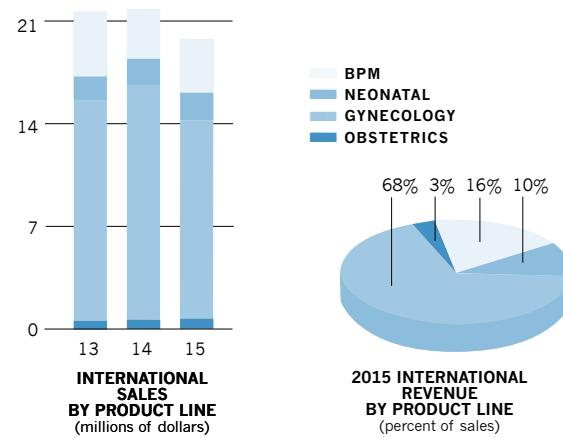
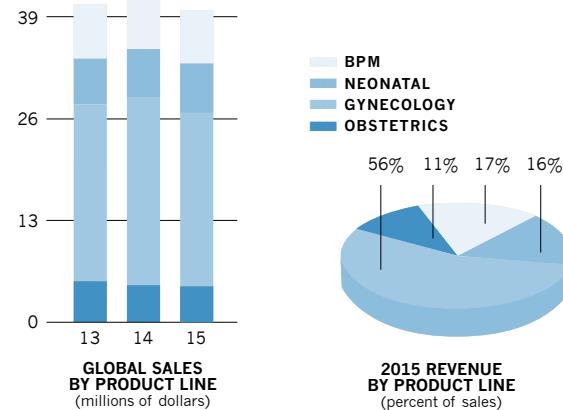
Despite a 16.5% weaker EUR, USD denominated trade (excludes intercompany) sales of devices to international customers by UTMD's Ireland facility (UTMD Ltd) were up \$2,194 (62%) for 2015 compared to 2014, 1) because BPM kit sales to UTMD's China distributor, which were suspended for nine months in 2014, resumed for the full year of 2015, and 2) because Filshie Sterishot II kits manufactured in Ireland were shipped directly to international distributors for the full year rather than a partial year in 2014 after UTMD Ltd. began manufacturing them. In EUR terms, UTMD Ltd 2015 sales including intercompany shipments were up 82% for the year.

USD-denominated sales of devices to domestic and international customers by Femcare-Nikomed, Ltd (UK subsidiary), excluding intercompany sales, were down \$3,184 (24%) compared to 2014, partly due to the 7.4% weaker GBP but also due to the conversion of international Sterishot kit shipments to Ireland. In GBP terms, 2015 UK subsidiary trade sales were down 18% for the year.

USD-denominated sales of devices to end-users in Australia by Femcare's Australia distribution subsidiary (Femcare Australia) were down \$635 (20%) in 2015 compared to the previous year due primarily to the 17.0% weaker AUD relative to the USD. Although demand for UTMD devices remains stable in Australia, UTMD expects that in 2016, USD-converted AUD sales may again decline by 6-7% due to a continued weaker AUD FX rate, on the average, compared to 2015.

Like in 2015, fluctuations in FX rates relative to the USD can have a significant effect on consolidated sales reported in USD terms in any particular reporting period. Looking forward to 2016, UTMD expects that its foreign currency sales are likely to be negatively impacted by an additional 3-4% on the average when converting from EUR, GBP and AUD to USD, compared to a negative 12% impact in 2015. Assuming that foreign currency sales will remain about 30% of total consolidated

## PRODUCT LINE SALES BY SALES CHANNEL



sales, UTMD is planning for an FX rate impact in 2016 that will likely reduce total consolidated constant currency sales by about 1%.

UTMD groups its sales into four general product categories: 1) obstetrics, comprised of labor and delivery management tools for monitoring fetal and maternal well-being, for reducing risk in performing difficult delivery procedures and for improving clinician and patient safety; 2) gynecology/ electrosurgery/ urology, comprised of tools for gynecological procedures associated primarily with cervical/ uterine disease including LETZ, endometrial tissue sampling, transvaginal uterine sonography, diagnostic laparoscopy, surgical contraception and other MIS procedures; specialty excision and incision tools; conservative urinary incontinence therapy devices; and urology surgical procedure devices; 3) neonatal critical care, comprised of devices that provide developmentally-friendly care to the most critically ill babies, including providing vascular access, enteral feeding, administering vital fluids, oxygen therapy while maintaining a neutral thermal environment, providing protection and assisting in specialized applications; and 4) blood pressure monitoring/ accessories/ other, comprised of specialized components as well as molded parts and assemblies sold on an OEM basis to other companies. In these four categories, UTMD's primary revenue contributors enjoy significant brand awareness by clinical users.

Global revenues by product category	2015	%	2014	%	2013	%
Obstetrics	\$ 4,587	11	\$ 4,669	11	\$ 5,085	12
Gynecology/ Electrosurgery/ Urology	22,356	56	24,088	58	22,687	56
Neonatal	6,299	16	6,222	15	5,920	15
Blood Pressure Monitoring and Accessories*	6,915	17	6,299	15	6,801	17
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$40,157</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>\$41,278</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>\$40,493</b>	<b>100</b>

International revenues by product category	2015	%	2014	%	2013	%
Obstetrics	\$ 670	3	\$ 642	3	\$ 579	3
Gynecology/ Electrosurgery/ Urology	13,532	68	15,928	73	15,037	70
Neonatal	1,936	10	1,844	8	1,550	7
Blood Pressure Monitoring and Accessories*	3,653	19	3,381	16	4,379	20
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$19,793</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>\$21,795</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>\$21,528</b>	<b>100</b>

\*includes molded components and finished medical and non-medical devices sold to OEM customers.

As a summary description of revenues in the above tables:

**1. Obstetrics.** Lower domestic obstetrics (L&D) device sales in 2015 were the result of lower utilization of specialty devices in U.S. hospitals together with restrictive U.S. GPO administrative agreements.

**2. The gynecology/ electrosurgery/ urology (ES/Gyn) product category,** which includes all of Femcare's products, were 7% lower in 2015 compared to 2014. The decrease was predominantly driven by the decline in foreign currency sales in USD terms due to changes in FX rates. Thirty percent of global Filshie Clip System sales were to CSI in the U.S. in fixed USD currency.

**3. Neonatal intensive care unit (NICU)** device sales were up 1% overall. A 5% increase in international sales of neonatal devices was due to continued growth by independent distributors.

**4. Global blood pressure monitoring and accessories (BPM)** sales were 10% higher in 2015 compared to 2014, helped by \$1.2 million higher sales to UTMD's China distributor. U.S. domestic BPM sales in 2015 increased 12% as a result of \$261 higher sales to OEM customers.

For calendar year 2016, UTMD expects to achieve slightly higher consolidated sales by offsetting continued FX headwinds on 30% of its sales made in foreign currencies with continued domestic growth, particularly in OEM sales, plus another year of good growth in sales of BPM and neonatal devices to international distributors.

**b) Gross Profit (GP).** UTMD's 2015 consolidated GP, the surplus after subtracting costs of manufacturing (CGS), including purchasing raw materials, forming components, assembling, inspecting, testing, packaging, sterilizing and shipping products, from net revenues, was \$24,185 compared to \$24,983 in 2014 and \$24,273 in 2013. UTMD's average gross profit margin (GPM), consolidated gross profits expressed as a percentage of consolidated net sales, was 60.2% in 2015 compared to 60.5% in 2014 and 59.9% in 2013. UTMD was able to exceed its projected 2015 GPM despite lower sales as a result of better utilization of fixed manufacturing overhead costs in both Ireland and the U.S., 13% lower health plan expense for U.S. employees, and substantially lower transportation costs for goods shipped intercompany. With few exceptions, device unit prices to customers remained the same as in the prior year. Because UTMD's medical devices are differentiated and not subject to GPO agreements in the U.S., the Company was able to avoid price reduction pressures recently publicly disclosed by other medical device suppliers

Ireland subsidiary GP was EUR 3,312 in 2015 compared to EUR 1,293 in 2014 and EUR 1,189 in 2013. The associated

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GPMs were 48.5% in 2015, 34.5% in 2014 and 35.3% in 2013. The higher gross profits were due to 1) UTMD Ltd in Ireland directly selling devices to Ireland domestic clinical users instead of selling through distributors, 2) UTMD Ltd in Ireland directly selling devices that it manufactures to international customers previously sold by Femcare UK, and 3) increased intercompany sales (which absorb fixed overhead costs) from manufacturing products previously purchased from outside vendors by Femcare UK.

Femcare UK GP was GBP 4,607 in 2015 compared to GBP 5,895 in 2014 and GBP 5,851 in 2013. UK GP was lower due to 1) transfer of sales to UTMD Ireland for Femcare devices now manufactured in Ireland, 2) 10% lower domestic UK sales, and 3) although weaker than the USD, the GBP was substantially stronger than the EUR so that UK sales in EUR currency to European distributors were reduced 9% when converted to GBP. Partially offsetting these negative factors, Filshie Clip System sales to CSI in the U.S. were 12% higher in 2015. Despite lower sales and GP, Femcare UK GPM improved to 68.8% in 2015 compared to 67.6% in 2014 and 67.1% in 2013.

Femcare AUS GP was AUD 1,971 in 2015 compared to AUD 2,001 in 2014 and AUD 2,006 in 2013. Femcare AUS GPMs were 58.4% in 2015, 57.1% in 2014 and 62.1% in 2013. The GPM was higher despite 4% lower AUD sales because of reduced transportation costs. Femcare AUS purchases all of its finished devices for distribution in Australia from other UTMD subsidiaries.

In the U.S., GP was \$12,222 in 2015 compared to \$11,802 in 2014 and \$11,683 in 2013. GPMs were 54.2% in 2015, 53.7% in 2014 and 53.4% in 2013. The GPM was higher because total trade and intercompany sales from Utah were 2.5% higher in 2015 compared to 2014, while CGS was only 1.2% higher. This was evidence that UTMD's fixed overhead costs and excess capacity provide leverage in profitability when sales increase.

In 2015, UTMD achieved a consolidated GPM more than one full percentage point higher than it projected at the beginning of the year, despite a negative FX rate impact resulting in much lower USD sales than projected. This was achieved because of greater productivity of fixed overhead resources, absorption of the supplier margin for more products manufactured in-house, lower health plan costs for U.S. employees and lower shipping costs. With UTMD's current mix of direct sales, sales through distributors and OEM sales, a GPM at 60% allows management to achieve its profit objectives. Similar to a year ago, because UTMD's costs are disproportionately incurred in USD terms, management expects a lower GPM in 2016, in the range of 59%-59.5% due to an expected continued negative FX rate impact on its foreign currency sales. The 2016 management target is to achieve the same consolidated GP as in 2015 on slightly higher sales.

**c) Operating Income (OI).** OI is the surplus after operating expenses (Op Ex) are subtracted from GP. Consolidated OI in 2015 was \$15,651 compared to \$16,202 in 2014 and \$14,828 in 2013. UTMD's consolidated OI margin (OIM), consolidated OI divided by total sales, was 39.0% in 2015, compared to 39.3% in 2014 and 36.6% in 2013. The UTMD Ltd (Ireland subsidiary) OIM in 2015 was 44.5% compared to 27.3% in 2014 and 25.7% in 2013. Femcare UK's 2015 OIM was 32.5% compared to 39.7% in 2014 and 37.7% in 2013. Femcare AUS's 2015 OIM was 46.5% compared to 42.4% in 2014 and 27.5% in 2013. UTMD U.S. OIM in 2015 was 35.4% compared to 35.6% in 2014 and 35.4% in 2013.

Op Ex includes sales and marketing (S&M) expenses, product development (R&D) expenses and general and administrative (G&A) expenses. Consolidated Op Ex was \$8,534 in 2015, compared to \$8,781 in 2014 and \$9,445 in 2013. When it comes to expenses incurred in foreign currencies, a stronger USD has a positive FX rate impact, not negative. Constant currency (using same FX rates as in 2014) Op Ex in 2015 were \$415 higher than reported. The largest single positive impact was in IIA amortization expense, which is part of G&A expenses. Femcare IIA amortization expense was GBP 1,615 in both 2015 and 2014, but as a result of the lower FX rate for GBP conversion to USD, it was \$193 lower in 2015. Constant currency S&M expenses were \$64 higher than reported. Constant currency G&A expenses (excluding the IIA expense) were \$148 higher than reported. Constant currency R&D expenses were \$4 higher than reported. Because of the better than projected GPM and more favorable FX rate impact on Op Ex than expected, OI was down only 3% in 2015, much better than the negative 5-8% that management projected in the 2014 SEC Form 10-K. The following table provides a comparison of operating expense categories for the last three years.

	2015	2014	2013
S&M expenses excluding the MDET\$	1,881	\$ 1,930	\$ 2,500
S&M expenses – MDET	283	281	290
R&D expenses	522	460	491
G&A expenses:			
a) litigation expense provision	40	80	80
b) corporate legal	70	34	27
c) stock option compensation	87	74	28
d) management bonus accrual	465	645	467
e) outside accounting audit/tax	191	227	211
f) intangible asset amortization	2,528	2,719	2,584
g) property & liability insurance premiums	231	290	270
h) all other G&A expenses	2,236	2,041	2,497
G&A expenses – total	5,848	6,110	6,164
Total operating expenses	\$ 8,534	\$ 8,781	\$ 9,445
Operating expenses % of sales	21.3%	21.3%	23.3%

### Description of Operating Expenses (Op Ex)

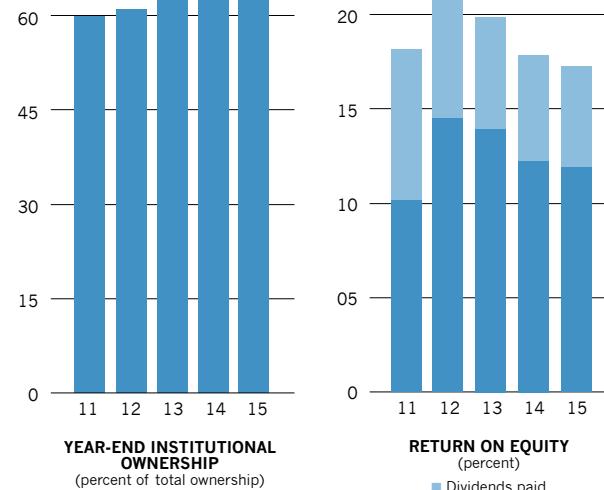
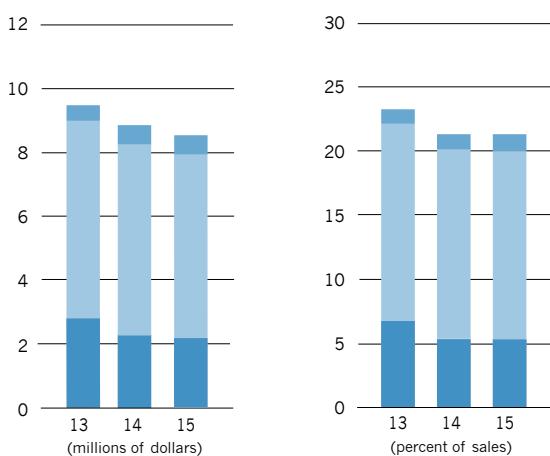
**1. S&M expenses.** S&M expenses are the costs of communicating UTMD's differences and product advantages, providing training and other customer service in support of the use of UTMD's solutions, attending clinical meetings and medical trade shows, administering customer agreements, advertising, processing orders, shipping, paying commissions to outside representatives, funding GPO fees and paying the MDET in the U.S. In markets where UTMD sells directly to end-users, which in 2015 was the U.S., Ireland, UK and Australia, the largest component of S&M expenses is the cost of employing direct sales representatives, including associated costs of travel, subsistence and communications. The trade-off between higher gross profit margins for selling directly at end-user prices is higher S&M expenses as a percent of sales.

S&M expenses include all customer support costs including training. In general, training is not required for UTMD's products since they are well-established and have been clinically widely used. Written "Instructions For Use" are packaged with all finished devices. Although UTMD does not have any explicit contracts with customers to provide training, it does agree to provide hospital members in-service and clinical training as required and reasonably requested.

UTMD promises prospective customers that it will provide, at no charge in reasonable quantities, copies of videotapes and other instruction materials developed for the use of its products. UTMD provides customer support from offices in the U.S., Ireland, UK and Australia by telephone, to answer user questions and help troubleshoot any user issues. Occasionally, on a case-by-case basis, UTMD may utilize the

### OPERATING EXPENSE DETAIL

R&D  
G&A  
S&M



services of an independent practitioner to provide educational assistance to clinicians. All in-service and training expenses are routinely expensed as they occur. Except for the consulting services of independent practitioners, all of these services are allocated from fixed S&M overhead costs included in Operating Expenses. Historically, marginal consulting costs have been immaterial to financial results, which is also UTMD's expectation for the future.

The Medical Device Excise Tax (MDET), a component of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, (known commonly as Obamacare) was effective between 2013 and 2015. In December 2015, U.S. legislators suspended the MDET for 2016 and 2017. The excise tax was 2.3% of domestic sales of medical devices listed with the FDA. Medical devices designed for human use are taxed, whether or not they are sold for human use, e.g. veterinarian uses or laboratory use are also taxed. The impact of the tax was felt beyond 2.3%, as costs associated with administering, tracking, collecting and paying the tax were significant. Direct MDET S&M expenses in 2015 were \$283 compared to \$281 in 2014, and \$290 in 2013.

As a percent of total sales, S&M operating expenses (excluding the MDET) were 4.7% in both 2015 and 2014, and 6.2% in 2013. S&M expenses including the MDET were 5.4% of sales in both 2015 and 2014, compared to 6.9% of sales in 2013. The lower S&M expenses starting in 2014 resulted from UTMD converting from a third party S&M service provider in AUS as of December 2013 to UTMD's own employees. In 2016, UTMD plans to add direct salespeople. However the reduction in foreign subsidiary S&M expense in USD terms from a continued decline in FX rates is expected to help offset the increased cost of additional direct reps. As a result of the suspension of the MDET, the projected net change in S&M expense in 2016 should be approximately \$200, resulting in contribution to UTMD's OIM of about 0.5 percentage points.

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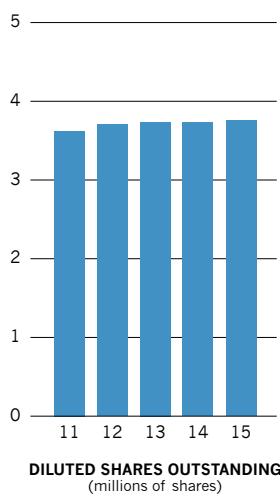
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**2. R&D expenses.** R&D expenses include the costs of investigating clinical needs, developing innovative concepts, testing concepts for viability, validating methods of manufacture, completing any necessary premarketing clinical trials, regulatory documentation and other activities required for design control, responding to customer requests for product enhancements, and assisting manufacturing engineering on an ongoing basis in developing new processes or improving existing processes. As a percent of sales, R&D expenses were 1.3% in 2015 compared to 1.1% in 2014 and 1.2% in 2013. The 2015 increase resulted from the addition of a product development engineer. R&D expenses as a percentage of sales in 2016 are expected to remain about 1.3%.

**3. G&A expenses.** G&A expenses include the "front office" functional costs of executive management, finance and accounting, corporate information systems, human resources, shareholder relations, corporate risk management, corporate governance, protection of intellectual property, amortization of identifiable intangibles and legal costs.

As a percent of total sales, G&A expenses were 14.6% in 2015 compared to 14.8% in 2014 and 15.2% in 2013. The lower G&A percent of sales in 2015 was due primarily to FX rates, as expenses in the UK, Ireland and Australia were converted into fewer USD. Please see the table above for a stratification of G&A expenses. UTMD expects consolidated USD G&A expenses in 2016 about \$100 lower than in 2015. As a result, if sales remain about the same as in 2015, UTMD projects G&A expenses in the range of 14.4%, not including unforeseen litigation expenses or possible acquisition costs.

In summary, in 2016, UTMD expects Op Ex to be about \$300 lower than in 2015. If sales increase slightly and GP remains the same as in 2015, UTMD expects its consolidated OI will be about 2% higher than in 2015. If successful in achieving its projection, UTMD's 2016 OIM would improve to about 39.4%.



**d) Non-operating Income, Non-operating Expense and EBT.** Non-operating income (NOI) includes royalties from licensing UTMD's technology, rent from leasing underutilized property to others, income earned from investing the Company's excess cash and gains or losses from the sale of assets, offset by non-operating expenses (NOE) which include interest on bank loans, bank service fees and excise taxes.

Net NOE (combination of NOE and NOI) was \$105 in 2015 compared to \$390 in 2014 and \$352 in 2013. Interest expense on bank loans was \$65 in 2015, \$224 lower than in 2014. UTMD paid off the loans in February 2015 and retained cash balances at the end of 2015 in excess of normal operating needs. Without new borrowing to help finance another acquisition or large repurchase of UTMD shares, there will be no interest expense in 2016. UTMD's 2015 NOE included \$141 from a loss on remeasured foreign currency value as a result of FX, primarily for EUR bank balances held in the UK, compared to a \$162 loss in 2014. The Company did not have an FX-related translation loss on bank account balances in 2013. A description of NOE and NOI components follows:

**1. Interest Expense.** In 2015, UTMD paid \$65 in interest on the Femcare loans, compared to \$289 in 2014 and \$438 in 2013. The interest resulted from borrowing £8,000 (\$12,934) in the UK and another \$14,000 in the U.S. in March 2011 for the purchase of Femcare. Absent an acquisition or large repurchase of shares that requires new borrowing, UTMD does not expect any interest expense in 2016.

**2. Investment of excess cash.** Investment income (including gains and losses on sales) was \$5 in 2015, compared to \$7 in both 2014 and 2013. Cash is generally currently held in non-interest bearing bank accounts because avoiding the bank operating fees which would result from lower balances more than offsets the interest that can be earned at current interest rates. UTMD estimates investment income will again be nominal in 2016.

**3. Royalties.** Femcare receives a royalty from licensing the use of the Filshie Clip System intangibles to CSI as part of its U.S. exclusive distribution agreement. Royalties in 2015 were \$93 compared to \$99 in 2014 and \$90 in 2013. UTMD expects to receive about \$90 in CSI royalties in 2016. Presently, there are no arrangements under which UTMD is receiving royalties from other parties.

**4. Gains/ losses from remeasured currency in bank accounts.** As noted above, UTMD recognized non-operating expense from losses on remeasured foreign currency bank balances of \$141 in 2015 and \$162 in 2014. EUR and AUD currency cash balances in the UK, and GBP currency cash bank balances in Ireland, are subject to remeasured currency translation gains/ losses as a result of period to period changes in FX rates. Because of UTMD's subsidiaries' profitability, the subsidiaries will continue

to accumulate cash until investments that increase shareholder value are completed. The cash could be repatriated to the U.S. for investment in the U.S. or payment of dividends to shareholders or share repurchases, but doing so would trigger additional substantial U.S. income taxes. Year-end 2015 balances were valued at the following FX rates: 1.0866 USD/EUR; .7294 USD/AUD and 1.4763 USD/GBP. A remeasured currency loss of \$50 is included in UTMD's projections for 2016.

**5. Other NOI.** Income received from renting unused warehouse space in Ireland and parking lot space in Utah for a cell phone tower, offset by bank fees and non-MDET excise taxes was \$3 in 2015, \$(45) in 2014 and \$(11) in 2013. UTMD estimates Other NOI will be nominal again in 2016.

In summary, with no interest and minimal remeasured currency FX translation loss in 2016, UTMD projects about \$35 net NOI, which is \$140 net lower NOE in 2016 compared to 2015.

Income before Taxes (EBT) result from subtracting net NOE from OI. Consolidated EBT was \$15,545 in 2015 compared to \$15,812 in 2014 and \$14,476 in 2013. UTMD had projected 2015 EBT in the range of \$14.9 to \$15.3 million in its 2014 SEC 10-K report. EBT margin (EBTM) is EBT divided by total sales. UTMD's excellent consolidated EBTM was 38.7% in 2015, 38.3% in 2014 and 35.7% in 2013. The EBT of UTMD Ltd. (Ireland) was €2,890 in 2015, €995 in 2014 and €854 in 2013. The respective EBTMs of UTMD Ltd. (Ireland) were 42.2% in 2015, 26.5% in 2014 and 25.4% in 2013. Femcare UK's 2015 EBT was £2,243 compared to £3,311 in 2014 and £3,175 in 2013; UK EBTMs were 33.5% in 2015, 38.0% in 2014 and 36.4% in 2013. Femcare AUS's 2015 EBT was AUD 1,580 compared to AUD 1,493 in 2014 and AUD 894 in 2013; AUS EBTMs were 46.8% in 2015, 42.6% in 2014 and 27.7% in 2013.

With GP consistent with the prior year, \$300 lower Op Ex and \$140 lower net Non-Op Ex, UTMD is targeting consolidated 2016 EBT in the range of \$15.9 to \$16.1 million, about 3% higher than 2015 EBT.

**e) Net Income (NI), EPS and ROE.** NI is EBT minus income taxes, often called the "bottom line". NI was \$11,843 in 2015, \$11,378 in 2014 and \$11,406 in 2013. The 2015 NI includes a \$351 reduction to the 2015 income tax provision as a result of a deferred tax liability (DTL) adjustment due to the enactment of lower future income tax rates in the UK beginning in April 2017. Likewise, the 2013 NI included a \$976 reduction to the 2013 income tax provision as a result of a DTL adjustment from a former lowering of future income tax rates in the UK. The DTL was adjusted in compliance with U.S. GAAP by the entire impact of lower future UK corporate tax rates over the remaining 10 years (in 2015) and 12 years (in 2013) of Femcare IIA amortization. The \$351 and \$976 reductions in income tax provision increased 2015 and 2013 NI, respectively, by those same amounts. Without the DTL adjustment, 2015 NI would have been \$11,493 and 2013 NI would have been \$10,430.

The effective 2015 consolidated corporate income tax provision rate was 23.8% (26.1% without the DTL adjustment), 28.0% in 2014, and 21.2% (28.0% without the DTL adjustment) in 2013. Excluding the lower income tax provision for the DTL adjustment, the 1.9 percentage point lower consolidated tax provision rate resulted from an approximate 1.2 percentage point lower UK income tax rate in 2015 compared to 2014, and the shift in UTMD profits to Ireland, the sovereignty with the lowest income tax rate. Year to year fluctuations in the tax rate will result from variation in EBT contribution from subsidiaries in jurisdictions with different corporate income tax rates. The UK had an income tax rate of 24% in 1Q 2013, a 23% rate from April 1 2013 to April 1, 2014, a 21% rate from April 1, 2014 to April 1, 2015, and a 20% rate for the last three quarters of 2015. The current UK income tax rate of 20% is scheduled to decline to 19% beginning April 1, 2017. The income tax rate for AUS has been and is planned to remain at 30%. Profits of the Ireland subsidiary are taxed at a 12.5% rate on exported manufactured products, and a 25% rate on rental and other types of income including income from sales of medical devices in Ireland domestically. EBT contribution of UTMD U.S. operations are currently taxed at a 39% combined Federal and State rate prior to special U.S. tax exclusions such as the manufacturing profit deduction, accelerated depreciation of certain assets and R&D tax credit. Higher marginal income tax rates would apply for EBT in the U.S. above \$10 million. The possibility of a lower corporate income tax rate in the U.S. is not anticipated in UTMD's projection for 2016. Management expects the 2016 consolidated average income tax provision rate to be a little higher than the 26.1% 2015 rate (excluding the DTL adjustment) due to its projected EBT mix in 2016.

UTMD's Net Income margin (NIM), NI expressed as a percentage of sales, was 29.5% in 2015 (28.6% prior to the DTL adjustment), 27.6% in 2014 and 28.2% (25.8% prior to the DTL adjustment) in 2013. In its 2014 SEC Form 10-K, UTMD projected 2015 NIM in the range of 26.2-26.4% (not anticipating any DTL adjustment), more than two percentage points lower than what was actually achieved. With the assumptions above, due to higher projected EBT together with slightly higher consolidated income tax provision rate, UTMD projects its 2016 NIM should improve to approximately 29%. If UTMD's projections above are correct, NI will be 2-3% higher in 2016 compared to 2015.

Earnings per share (EPS) is NI divided by the number of shares of stock outstanding (diluted to take into consideration stock option awards which are "in the money," i.e., have exercise prices below the applicable period's weighted average market value). Diluted EPS were \$3.140 in 2015 (\$3.047 prior to the DTL adjustment), \$3.015 in 2014 and \$3.022 (\$2.763 prior to the DTL adjustment) in 2013. If UTMD achieves the projections above, EPS in 2016 should be in the range of \$3.10 - \$3.14/ share.

# Consolidated Statement of Cash Flow

(In thousands)

Years Ended December 31,	2015	2014	2013
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>			
Net income	\$ 11,843	\$ 11,378	\$ 11,406
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation	619	637	611
Amortization	2,528	2,719	2,584
Provision for (recovery of) losses on accounts receivable	(10)	(27)	10
Loss on disposal of assets	1	35	6
Deferred income taxes	(901)	(500)	(1,399)
Stock-based compensation expense	87	74	28
(Increase) decrease in:			
Accounts receivable	137	(365)	213
Accrued interest and other receivables	(91)	(100)	(241)
Inventories	422	(141)	(249)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	28	(19)	6
Increase (decrease) in:			
Accounts payable	(265)	188	(216)
Accrued expenses	(597)	1,508	(28)
Deferred revenue	—	—	(83)
Other liability	—	—	(340)
Net cash provided by operating activities	13,801	15,387	12,308
<b>Cash flows from investing activities:</b>			
Capital expenditures for:			
Property and equipment	(176)	(1,110)	(339)
Intangible assets	(70)	(22)	(5)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(246)	(1,132)	(344)
<b>Cash flows from financing activities:</b>			
Proceeds from issuance of common stock—options	343	491	787
Common stock purchased and retired	(683)	(1,055)	—
Payment of taxes for exchange of stock options	(42)	—	(85)
Tax benefit attributable to exercise of stock options	114	103	281
Repayments of notes payable	(4,777)	(4,035)	(3,908)
Dividends paid	(3,846)	(3,765)	(3,675)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(8,891)	(8,261)	(6,600)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	(660)	(1,115)	160
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	4,004	4,879	5,524
Cash at beginning of year	19,274	14,395	8,871
Cash at end of year	\$ 23,278	\$ 19,274	\$ 14,395

## Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information

Cash paid during the year for:

Income taxes	\$ 5,341	\$ 3,094	\$ 3,971
Interest	65	296	439

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

# Management's Discussion and Analysis

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In summary, management expects to continue its pattern of steadily improving NI and EPS in 2016 (excluding the DTL adjustments) while struggling to achieve top line growth with the expected headwinds of an even stronger USD. The calendar year 2016 operating plan, which for conservative reasons excludes share repurchases, acquisitions and potential growth from new products, is flat to slightly higher consolidated sales, the same GP, 2% higher OI and 2-3% higher NI and EPS.

The 2015-ending weighted average number of diluted common shares (the number used to calculate diluted EPS) was 3,772 (in thousands), compared to 3,774 shares in 2014 and 3,775 shares in 2013. Dilution for "in the money" unexercised options for the year 2015 was 20 shares, compared to 27 in 2014 and 47 in 2013. Actual outstanding common shares as of December 31, 2015 were 3,751.

Return on stockholders' equity (ROE) is the portion of NI retained by UTMD (after payment of dividends) to internally finance its growth, divided by the average accumulated stockholders' equity during the applicable time period. ROE includes balance sheet measures as well as income statement measures. ROE for 2015 was 12% (17% before payment of dividends); ROE for 2014 was 12% (18% before payment of dividends); and for 2013 was 14% (20% before payment of dividends). UTMD's ROE is primarily driven by its high NIM although share repurchases and dividends help by reducing stockholders' equity. UTMD's 2015 ROE was lower than in 2014 because of a 7% increase in average stockholders' equity with only a 4% increase in NI. UTMD's ROE (before dividends) has averaged 28% per year over the last 30 years. This ratio determines how fast the Company can afford to grow without diluting stockholder interest. For example, a 28% ROE will financially support 28% annual growth in revenues without having to issue more stock.

Looking forward, without share repurchases, management believes that 2016 ROE (before dividends) will again be about 17%, although slightly lower since average stockholders' equity is expected to grow faster (5-6%) than NI (2-3%). The UTMD year-end 2015 stockholders' equity was about \$70 million.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

**Cash Flows.** Net cash provided by operating activities, including adjustments for depreciation and other non-cash operating expenses, along with changes in working capital and the tax benefit attributable to exercise of employee incentive stock options, totaled \$13,801 in 2015, compared to \$15,387 in 2014 and \$12,309 in 2013. The largest changes in 2015 compared to 2014 were a decrease of \$2,106 in accrued expenses following an increase in the prior year, a decrease in inventories of \$563, and a benefit to cash of \$501 from decreasing accounts receivable compared to increasing the

prior year. Other changes were generally consistent with effective working capital management and sales activity. The decrease in accrued expenses was primarily due to year-end 2014 being high because estimated income tax payments normally made before the end of the year were made in January 2015.

The Company's notes payable repayments of \$4,777 in 2015, \$4,035 in 2014 and \$3,908 in 2013 were the most significant uses of cash in each of those years. Loans of \$26,934 were obtained in 2011 to help finance the acquisition of Femcare. In investing activities, during 2015 UTMD used \$176 for capital expenditures and \$70 for intangible assets.

In 2015, UTMD received \$343 and issued 15,786 shares of stock upon the exercise of employee and director stock options. Employees and directors exercised a total of 21,800 option shares in 2015, with 6,014 shares immediately being retired as a result of optionees trading the shares in payment of the exercise price of the options and related taxes. Option exercises in 2015 were at an average price of \$29.36 per share. The Company received a \$114 tax benefit from option exercises in 2015. UTMD repurchased 13,000 shares of stock in the open market at a cost of \$683 during 2015, an average cost of \$52.54 per share. In 2014, UTMD received \$491 and issued 27,523 shares of stock upon the exercise of employee and director stock options. Employees and directors exercised a total of 35,503 option shares in 2014, with 7,980 shares immediately being retired as a result of optionees trading the shares in payment of the exercise price of the options. Option exercises in 2014 were at an average price of \$26.08 per share. The Company received a \$103 tax benefit from option exercises in 2014. UTMD repurchased 22,207 shares of stock in the open market at a cost of \$1,055 during 2014, an average cost of \$47.49. By comparison, in 2013, UTMD received \$787 and issued 40,033 shares of stock upon the exercise of employee and director stock options. Employees and directors exercised a total of 55,287 option shares in 2013, with 15,254 shares immediately being retired as a result of optionees trading the shares in payment of the exercise price of the options and related taxes. Option exercises in 2013 were at an average price of \$25.37 per share. The Company received a \$281 tax benefit from option exercises in 2013. The Company did not repurchase any of its own shares in 2013.

UTMD repaid \$4,777 on its notes payable during 2015, compared to \$4,035 during 2014 and \$3,908 in 2013. All of UTMD's loan principal balances were paid off in February 2015. UTMD did not borrow in any of the three years 2013-2015. Cash dividends paid were \$3,846 in 2015, compared to \$3,765 in 2014 and \$3,675 in 2013.

Management believes that future income from operations and effective management of working capital will provide the

# Consolidated Statement of Stockholders' Equity

(In thousands)

Years Ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013

	Common Stock		Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Retained Earnings	Total Stockholders' Equity
	Shares	Amount				
<b>Balance at December 31, 2012</b>	3,703	\$ 37	\$ 2,268	\$ (851)	\$ 49,519	\$ 50,972
Shares issued upon exercise of employee stock option for cash	55	1	1,402	—	—	1,403
Shares received and retired upon exercise of stock options	(15)	(0)	(701)	—	—	(701)
Tax benefit attributable to appreciation of stock options	—	—	281	—	—	281
Stock option compensation expense	—	—	28	—	—	28
Common stock purchased and retired	—	—	—	—	—	—
Foreign currency translation adjustment	—	—	—	859	—	859
Unrealized holding gain (loss) from investments, available-for-sale, net of taxes	—	—	—	8	—	8
Common stock dividends	—	—	—	—	(3,675)	(3,675)
Net income	—	—	—	—	11,406	11,406
<b>Balance at December 31, 2013</b>	3,743	\$ 37	\$ 3,278	\$ 16	\$ 57,250	\$ 60,581
Shares issued upon exercise of employee stock option for cash	35	0	926	—	—	926
Shares received and retired upon exercise of stock options	(8)	(0)	(435)	—	—	(435)
Tax benefit attributable to appreciation of stock options	—	—	103	—	—	103
Stock option compensation expense	—	—	74	—	—	74
Common stock purchased and retired	(22)	(0)	(1,055)	—	—	(1,055)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	—	—	—	(3,252)	—	(3,252)
Unrealized holding gain (loss) from investments, available-for-sale, net of taxes	—	—	—	1	—	1
Common stock dividends	—	—	—	—	(3,765)	(3,765)
Net income	—	—	—	—	11,378	11,378
<b>Balance at December 31, 2014</b>	3,748	\$ 37	\$ 2,890	\$ (3,234)	\$ 64,863	\$ 64,556
Shares issued upon exercise of employee stock option for cash	22	0	640	—	—	640
Shares received and retired upon exercise of stock options	(6)	(0)	(338)	—	—	(338)
Tax benefit attributable to appreciation of stock options	—	—	114	—	—	114
Stock option compensation expense	—	—	87	—	—	87
Common stock purchased and retired	(13)	(0)	(683)	—	—	(683)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	—	—	—	(2,724)	—	(2,724)
Unrealized holding gain (loss) from investments, available-for-sale, net of taxes	—	—	—	(2)	—	(2)
Common stock dividends	—	—	—	—	(3,846)	(3,846)
Net income	—	—	—	—	11,843	11,843
<b>Balance at December 31, 2015</b>	3,751	\$ 38	\$ 2,710	\$ (5,961)	\$ 72,861	\$ 69,648

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

# Management's Discussion and Analysis

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liquidity needed to finance internal growth plans. In an uncertain economic environment, UTMD's cash balances allow management to operate with the long-term best interest of stockholders in mind. Planned 2016 capital expenditures for ongoing operations are expected to be less than depreciation of current PP&E.

Management plans to utilize cash not needed to support normal operations in one or a combination of the following: 1) in general, to continue to invest at an opportune time in ways that will enhance future profitability, for example, to purchase a facility in the UK specific to UTMD's needs that will replace its leased facility; 2) to make additional investments in new technology and/or processes; and/or 3) to acquire a product line or company that will augment revenue and EPS growth and better utilize UTMD's existing infrastructure. If there are no better strategic uses for UTMD's cash, the Company will continue to return cash to shareholders in the form of dividends and share repurchases when the stock appears undervalued.

## Management's Outlook

UTMD is small, but its employees are experienced and remain diligent in their work. UTMD's passion is in providing innovative clinical solutions that will help improve the effectiveness of medical procedures and reduce health risks, particularly for women and their babies.

The safety, reliability and performance of UTMD's medical devices are high and represent significant clinical benefits while providing minimum total cost of care. UTMD will continue to leverage its reputation as a device innovator which will responsively take on challenges to work with clinicians who use its specialty devices. In doing so, UTMD will continue to differentiate itself, especially from commodity-oriented competitors. In 2016, UTMD plans to

- 1) continue to exploit distribution and manufacturing synergies by further integrating capabilities and resources in its multinational operations;
- 2) introduce additional products helpful to clinicians through internal new product development;
- 3) continue achieving excellent overall financial operating performance;
- 4) utilize positive cash generation to continue cash dividends to stockholders and make open market share repurchases if/when the UTMD share price seems undervalued; and
- 5) be vigilant for accretive acquisition opportunities which may be increasingly brought about by difficult burdens on small, innovative companies.

UTMD's balance sheet was strong enough in early 2011 to be able to finance a substantial acquisition which met UTMD's investment criteria without issuing stock. After five years of integration and consolidation, UTMD's balance sheet is once again strong enough to support a similar acquisition significantly accretive to financial performance and shareholder value.

The Company has a fundamental focus to do an excellent job in meeting clinicians' and patients' needs, while providing stockholders with excellent returns. In 2015, the value of UTMD's stock declined 3% while EPS increased 4%. This compares to an increase of 6% in the NASDAQ Composite Index, a decrease of 1% in the S&P 500 Index and a 2% decrease in the Dow Jones Industrial Average. Taking a longer term view, as of the end of 2015 from the end of 1998, the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 128%, the S&P 500 Index was up 66% and the DJIA was up 90%. In comparison, UTMD's share price increased 792% over that same seventeen year time span (14% annually compounded increase per year). If additional returns to stockholders from cash dividends are added, shareholder value increased 962% (15% per year). Combining share price appreciation as a result of a long term profitable financial performance and a capital allocation strategy that includes opportunistic share repurchases with steadily growing quarterly cash dividends paid to stockholders since 2004, longer term UTMD stockholders have experienced excellent returns. Management is committed to continue that performance.

# Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

(December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013 — Currency amounts are in thousands except per share amounts, and where noted.)

## Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

**Organization.** Utah Medical Products, Inc. with headquarters in Midvale, Utah and its wholly owned subsidiaries, Femcare Nikomed Ltd located in Romsey, Hampshire, England, Femcare Australia Pty Ltd located in Castle Hill, NSW, Australia and Utah Medical Products Ltd., which operates a manufacturing facility in Athlone, Ireland, (in the aggregate, the Company) are in the primary business of developing, manufacturing and globally distributing specialized medical devices for the healthcare industry. The Company's broad range of products includes those used in critical care areas and the labor and delivery departments of hospitals, as well as outpatient clinics and physicians' offices. Products are sold directly to end user facilities in the U.S., Ireland, UK and Australia, and through third party distributors in other international markets. Domestically, UTMD has an exclusive distribution relationship with CooperSurgical, Inc. for the Filshie Clip System. UTMD also sells subcontract manufactured components and finished products to over 160 companies in the U.S. for their medical and non-medical products.

### Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Although actual results could differ from those estimates, management believes it has considered and disclosed all relevant information in making its estimates that materially affect reported performance and current values.

**Principles of Consolidation.** The consolidated financial statements include those of the Company and its subsidiaries. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

**Cash and Cash Equivalents.** For purposes of the consolidated statement of cash flows, the Company considers cash on deposit and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash and cash equivalents.

**Investments.** The Company classifies its investments as "available-for-sale." Securities classified as "available-for-sale" are carried in the financial statements at fair value. Realized gains and losses, determined using the specific identification method, are included in operations; unrealized holding gains and losses are reported as a separate component of accumulated other comprehensive income. Declines in fair value below cost that are other than temporary are included in operations. As of December 31, 2015 the Company retained a freely tradeable investment in Citigroup (C) (see note 3).

**Concentration of Credit Risk.** The primary concentration of credit risk consists of trade receivables. In the normal course of business, the Company provides credit terms to its customers. Accordingly, the Company performs ongoing credit evaluations of its customers and maintains allowances for possible losses which, when realized, have been within the range of management's expectations as reflected by its reserves.

The Company's customer base consists of hospitals, medical device distributors, physician practices and others directly related to healthcare providers, as well as other manufacturing companies. Although the Company is affected by the well-being of the global healthcare industry, management does not believe significant trade receivable credit risk exists at December 31, 2015 except under an extreme global financial crisis.

The Company maintains its cash in bank deposit accounts in addition to Fidelity Investment accounts. The Company has not experienced any losses in such accounts and believes it is not exposed to a significant credit risk on cash and cash equivalent balances.

**Accounts Receivable.** Accounts receivable are amounts due on product sales and are unsecured. Accounts receivable are carried at their estimated collectible amounts. Credit is generally extended on a short-term basis; thus accounts receivable do not bear interest although a late charge may be applied to such receivables that are past the due date. Accounts receivable are periodically evaluated for collectibility based on past credit history of customers and current market conditions. Provisions for losses on accounts receivable are determined on the basis of loss experience, known and inherent risk in the account balance and current economic conditions (see note 2).

**Inventories.** Finished products, work-in-process, raw materials and supplies inventories are stated at the lower of cost (computed on a first-in, first-out method) or market (see note 2).

**Property and Equipment.** Property and equipment are stated at cost. Depreciation and amortization are computed using the straight-line and units-of-production methods over estimated useful lives as follows:

Building and improvements	15-40 years
Furniture, equipment and tooling	3-10 years

**Long-Lived Assets.** The Company evaluates its long-lived assets in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 360, "Accounting for the Impairment of Long-Lived Assets." Long-lived assets held and used by the Company are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that their net book value may not be recoverable. When such factors and circumstances exist, the Company compares the projected undiscounted future cash flows associated with the related asset or group of assets over their estimated useful lives against their respective carrying amounts. Impairment, if any, is based on the excess of the carrying amount over the fair value of those assets, and is recorded in the period in which the determination was made.

**Intangible Assets.** Costs associated with the acquisition of patents, trademarks, trade names, customer relationships, regulatory approvals & product certifications, license rights and non-compete agreements are capitalized, and are being amortized using the straight-line method over periods ranging from 5 to 20 years. UTMD's goodwill is tested for impairment annually, in the fourth quarter of each year, using a fair value measurement test, in accordance with ASC 350. UTMD also performs impairment tests contemporaneously, if circumstances change that would more than likely reduce the fair value of goodwill below its net book value. If UTMD determines that its goodwill is impaired, a second step is completed to measure the amount of the impairment loss. UTMD does not expect its goodwill to become impaired in the foreseeable future. Estimated future amortization expense on intangible assets currently held, using the 2015 year-end 1.4763 USD/GBP and .7294 USD/AUD currency exchange rates, is about \$2,517 in 2016, \$2,501 in 2017, \$2,500 in 2018, and \$2,498 in 2019 and 2020 (see note 2).

**Revenue Recognition.** The Company recognizes revenue at the time of shipment as title generally passes to the customer at the time of shipment. Revenue recognized by UTMD is based upon documented arrangements and fixed contracts in which the selling price is fixed prior to the Company's acceptance of an order. Revenue from product and service sales is generally recognized at the time the product is shipped or service completed and invoiced, and collectibility is reasonably assured. There are circumstances under which revenue may be recognized when

product is not shipped, which meet the criteria of SAB 104: the Company provides engineering services, for example, design and production of manufacturing tooling that may be used in subsequent UTMD manufacturing of custom components for other companies. This revenue is recognized when UTMD's service has been completed according to a fixed contractual agreement. UTMD includes handling fees charged to customers in revenues.

**Income Taxes.** The Company accounts for income taxes under ASC 740, "Accounting for Income Taxes," whereby deferred taxes are computed under the asset and liability method.

The Company or one of its subsidiaries files income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction, in Utah, in the United Kingdom, in Australia and in Ireland. UTMD is no longer subject to U.S. federal, state and local, or non-U.S. income tax examinations by tax authorities for years before 2012. In 2010, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) examined the Company's federal income tax return for 2008 and did not propose any adjustments.

The Company recognizes interest accrued related to unrecognized tax benefits in interest expenses and any related penalties in income taxes. The Company did not recognize any tax-related interest expense or have any tax penalties in any of the three years 2013 through 2015.

**Legal Costs.** The Company has been involved in lawsuits which are an expected consequence of its operations and in the ordinary course of business. The Company maintains a reserve for legal costs which are probable and estimated based on previous experience and known risk. The reserve for legal costs at December 31, 2015 and 2014 was \$122 and \$110, respectively (see note 2).

**Earnings per Share.** The computation of basic earnings per common share is based on the weighted average number of shares outstanding during each year.

The computation of earnings per common share assuming dilution is based on the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the year plus the weighted average common stock equivalents which would arise from the exercise of stock options outstanding using the treasury stock method and the average market price per share during the year.

The shares (in thousands) used in the computation of the Company's basic and diluted earnings per share are reconciled as follows:

	2015	2014	2013
<b>Weighted average number of shares outstanding – basic</b>	3,752	3,747	3,728
<b>Dilutive effect of stock options</b>	20	27	47
<b>Weighted average number of shares outstanding, assuming dilution</b>	3,772	3,774	3,775

**Presentation of Sales and Similar Taxes.** Sales tax on revenue-producing transactions is recorded as a liability when the sale occurs. UTMD is not required to withhold sales tax on international sales, and at least 85% of domestic 2015 sales were to customers who are tax exempt or who are in jurisdictions where UTMD is not required to withhold sales tax.

**Stock-Based Compensation.** At December 31, 2015, the Company has stock-based employee compensation plans, which are described more fully in note 9. The Company accounts for stock

compensation under ASC 718, Share-Based Payment. This statement requires the Company to recognize compensation cost based on the grant date fair value of options granted to employees and directors. In 2015, the Company recognized \$87 in compensation cost compared to \$74 in 2014 and \$28 in 2013.

**Translation of Foreign Currencies.** Assets and liabilities of the Company's foreign subsidiaries are translated into U.S. dollars at the applicable exchange rates at year-end. Net gains or losses resulting from the translation of the Company's assets and liabilities are reflected as a separate component of stockholders' equity. A negative translation impact on stockholders' equity reflects a current relative U.S. Dollar value higher than at the point in time that assets were actually acquired in a foreign currency. A positive translation impact would result from a U.S. dollar weaker in value than at the point in time foreign assets were acquired. Year-end translation gains or losses of non-functional currency bank account balances, e.g. EUR and AUD balances held by the UK subsidiary, are recognized as non-operating income / expense.

Income and expense items are translated at the weighted average rate of exchange (based on when transactions actually occurred) during the year.

## Note 2. Detail of Certain Balance Sheet Accounts

December 31,	2015	2014
<b>Accounts and other receivables:</b>		
Accounts receivable	\$ 3,750	\$ 3,993
Income tax receivable	901	787
Accrued interest and other	12	36
Less allowance for doubtful accounts	(100)	(113)
<b>Total accounts and other receivables</b>	<b>\$ 4,563</b>	<b>\$ 4,703</b>
<b>Inventories:</b>		
Finished products	\$ 1,715	\$ 1,847
Work-in-process	961	1,103
Raw materials	1,520	1,922
<b>Total inventories</b>	<b>\$ 4,196</b>	<b>\$ 4,872</b>
<b>Other intangible assets:</b>		
Patents	\$ 2,180	\$ 2,113
Non-compete agreements	147	156
Trademark & trade names	10,808	11,396
Customer relationships	10,556	11,144
Regulatory approvals & product certifications	14,081	14,866
<b>Total other intangible assets</b>	<b>\$ 37,772</b>	<b>\$ 39,675</b>
Accumulated amortization	(13,564)	(11,655)
<b>Other intangible assets, net</b>	<b>\$ 24,208</b>	<b>\$ 28,020</b>
<b>Accrued expenses:</b>		
Income taxes payable	\$ 1,632	\$ 2,445
Payroll and payroll taxes	1,053	940
Reserve for litigation costs	122	110
Other	610	653
<b>Total accrued expenses</b>	<b>\$ 3,417</b>	<b>\$ 4,148</b>

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### Note 3. Investments

The Company's investments, classified as available-for-sale consist of the following:

December 31,	2015	2014
Investments, at cost	\$ 42	\$ 42
Equity securities:		
Unrealized holding gains	13	16
Unrealized holding (losses)	—	—
Investments, at fair value	\$ 55	\$ 58

During the three years 2013 through 2015, UTMD did not have any proceeds from sales of available-for-sale securities.

### Note 4. Fair Value Measurements and Financial Instruments

The Company follows a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements). A financial instrument's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The Company uses the following valuation techniques to measure fair value for its assets and liabilities:

**Level 1** — Quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;

**Level 2** — Significant other observable inputs (e.g. quoted prices for similar items in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar items in markets that are not active, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable such as interest rate and yield curves, and market-corroborated inputs);

**Level 3** — Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, which are valued based on management's estimates of assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability.

The following table provides financial assets carried at fair value measured as of December 31 for the past two years:

	Level 1		Levels 2 & 3		Total	
	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014
Equities	\$ 55	\$ 58	—	—	\$ 55	\$ 58
Total	\$ 55	\$ 58	—	—	\$ 55	\$ 58

None of the Company's financial instruments, which are current assets and liabilities that could be readily traded, are held for trading purposes. Detail on investments is provided in note 3 above. The Company estimates that the fair value of all financial instruments at December 31, 2015 does not differ materially from the aggregate carrying value of its financial instruments recorded in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet.

### Note 5. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment consists of the following:

December 31,	2015	2014
Land	\$ 1,299	\$ 1,342
Buildings and improvements	10,184	10,657
Furniture, equipment and tooling	15,566	15,483
Construction-in-progress	31	131
<b>Total</b>	<b>27,080</b>	<b>27,613</b>
<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>	<b>(19,711)</b>	<b>(19,377)</b>
<b>Property and equipment, net</b>	<b>\$ 7,369</b>	<b>\$ 8,236</b>

Included in the Company's consolidated balance sheet are the assets of its manufacturing and administrative facilities in Utah, England, Australia and Ireland. Property and equipment, by location, are as follows:

December 31, 2015	Utah	England & Australia	Ireland	Total
Land	\$ 926	\$ —	\$ 373	\$ 1,299
Building and improvements	5,677	525	3,982	10,184
Furniture, equipment and tooling	14,010	604	952	15,566
Construction-in-progress	31	—	—	31
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,644</b>	<b>1,129</b>	<b>5,307</b>	<b>27,080</b>
<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>	<b>(16,825)</b>	<b>(341)</b>	<b>(2,545)</b>	<b>(19,711)</b>
<b>Property and equipment, net</b>	<b>\$ 3,819</b>	<b>\$ 788</b>	<b>\$ 2,762</b>	<b>\$ 7,369</b>

December 31, 2014	Utah	England & Australia	Ireland	Total
Land	\$ 926	\$ —	\$ 416	\$ 1,342
Building and improvements	5,635	585	4,437	10,657
Furniture, equipment and tooling	13,854	597	1,032	15,483
Construction-in-progress	120	7	4	131
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,535</b>	<b>1,189</b>	<b>5,889</b>	<b>27,613</b>
<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>	<b>(16,482)</b>	<b>(228)</b>	<b>(2,667)</b>	<b>(19,377)</b>
<b>Property and equipment, net</b>	<b>\$ 4,053</b>	<b>\$ 961</b>	<b>\$ 3,222</b>	<b>\$ 8,236</b>

### Note 6. Long-term Debt

In March 2011, the Company obtained a \$14,000 loan from JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. and a \$12,934 loan from JP Morgan Chase, London Branch to help finance UTMD's purchase of Femcare. The notes were fully paid off in February 2015.

### Note 7. Commitments and Contingencies

**Operating Leases.** The Company has a lease agreement for land adjoining its Utah facility for a term of forty years commencing on September 1, 1991. On September 1, 2001 and subsequent to each fifth lease year, the basic rental was and will be adjusted for published changes in a price index. The Company currently leases its UK facility, and some automobiles for employees in England and Ireland. Rent expense charged to operations under these operating lease agreements was approximately \$184, \$225 and \$219 for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

Future minimum lease payments under its lease obligations as of December 31, 2015 were as follows:

<b>Years ending December 31:</b>	<b>Amount</b>
2016	\$ 166
2017	166
2018	43
2019	43
2020	43
Thereafter	469
<b>Total future minimum lease payments</b>	<b>\$ 930</b>

**Purchase Obligations.** The Company has obligations to purchase raw materials for use in its manufacturing operations. The Company has the right to make changes in, among other things, purchase quantities, delivery schedules and order acceptance.

**Product Liability.** Except for its Femcare subsidiaries, the Company is self-insured for product liability risk. "Product liability" is an insurance industry term for the cost of legal defense and possible damages awarded as a result of use of a company's product during a procedure which results in an injury of a patient. The Company maintains a reserve for product liability litigation and damages consistent with its previous long-term experience. Actual product liability litigation costs and damages during the last three reporting years have been immaterial, which is consistent with the Company's overall history. Femcare's product liability indemnity limit through an independent insurer is £5 million each claim and in the annual aggregate.

The Company absorbs the costs of clinical training and troubleshooting in its on-going operating expenses.

**Warranty Reserve.** The Company's published warranty is: "UTMD warrants its products to conform in all material respects to all published product specifications in effect on the date of shipment, and to be free from defects in material and workmanship for a period of thirty (30) days for supplies, or twenty-four (24) months for equipment, from date of shipment. During the warranty period UTMD shall, at its option, replace any products shown to UTMD's reasonable satisfaction to be defective at no expense to the Purchaser or refund the purchase price."

UTMD maintains a warranty reserve to provide for estimated costs which are likely to occur. The amount of this reserve is adjusted, as required, to reflect its actual experience. Based on its analysis of historical warranty claims and its estimate that existing warranty obligations are immaterial, no warranty reserve was made at December 31, 2015 or December 31, 2014.

**Litigation.** The Company has been involved in lawsuits which are an expected consequence of its operations and in the ordinary course of business. Presently, there is no litigation. The Company applies its accounting policy to accrue legal costs that can be reasonably estimated.

**Irish Development Agency.** In order to satisfy requirements of the Irish Development Agency in assisting the start-up of its Ireland subsidiary, the Company agreed to invest certain amounts and maintain a certain capital structure in its Ireland subsidiary. The effect of these financial relationships and commitments

are reflected in the consolidated financial statements and do not represent any significant credit risk that would affect future liquidity.

## Note 8. Income Taxes

Deferred tax assets (liabilities) consist of the following temporary differences:

	December 31,			
	2015		2014	
	Current	Long-term	Current	Long-term
Inventory write-downs and differences due to UNICAP	\$ 78	\$ —	\$ 78	\$ —
Allowance for doubtful accounts	26	—	26	—
Accrued liabilities and reserves	121	—	65	—
Other – foreign	30	(49)	27	(64)
Depreciation and amortization	—	(5,412)	—	(6,511)
Unrealized investment loss	108	—	107	—
<b>Deferred income taxes, net</b>	<b>\$ 363</b>	<b>\$ (5,461)</b>	<b>\$ 303</b>	<b>\$ (6,575)</b>

The components of income tax expense are as follows:

<b>Years ended December 31,</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
<b>Current</b>	<b>\$ 4,877</b>	<b>\$ 5,288</b>	<b>\$ 4,266</b>
<b>Deferred</b>	<b>(1,175)</b>	<b>(854)</b>	<b>(1,196)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,702</b>	<b>\$ 4,434</b>	<b>\$ 3,070</b>

Income tax expense differed from amounts computed by applying the statutory federal rate to pretax income as follows:

<b>Years ended December 31,</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Federal income tax expense at the statutory rate	\$ 2,704	\$ 2,632	\$ 2,580
State income taxes	262	255	250
Foreign income taxes (blended rate)	990	1,770	542
ETI, manufacturing deduction and tax credits	(257)	(244)	(244)
Other	3	21	(58)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,702</b>	<b>\$ 4,434</b>	<b>\$ 3,070</b>

The domestic and foreign components of income before income tax expense were as follows:

<b>Years ended December 31,</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Domestic	\$ 7,973	\$ 7,717	\$ 7,587
Foreign	7,572	8,095	6,889
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 15,545</b>	<b>\$ 15,812</b>	<b>\$ 14,476</b>

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## Note 9. Options

The Company has stock option plans which authorize the grant of stock options to eligible employees, directors and other individuals to purchase up to an aggregate of 229 thousand shares of common stock, of which 62 thousand are outstanding as of December 31, 2015. All options granted under the plans are granted at current market value at the date of grant, and may be exercised between six months and ten years following the date of grant. The plans are intended to advance the interest of the Company by attracting and ensuring retention of competent directors, employees and executive personnel, and to provide incentives to those individuals to devote their utmost efforts to the advancement of stockholder value. Changes in stock options were as follows:

	Shares (000's)	Price Range Per Share
<b>2015</b>		
Granted	—	\$ — \$ —
Expired or canceled	7	26.58 – 49.18
Exercised	22	21.68 – 49.18
Total outstanding at December 31	62	24.00 – 50.72
Total exercisable at December 31	41	24.00 – 50.72
<b>2014</b>		
Granted	39	\$ 49.18 – \$ 50.72
Expired or canceled	4	25.59 – 49.18
Exercised	35	18.00 – 33.30
Total outstanding at December 31	91	21.68 – 50.72
Total exercisable at December 31	48	21.68 – 33.30
<b>2013</b>		
Granted	—	\$ — \$ —
Expired or canceled	3	17.71 – 33.30
Exercised	55	17.71 – 33.30
Total outstanding at December 31	91	18.00 – 33.30
Total exercisable at December 31	77	18.00 – 33.30

For the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013, the Company reduced current income taxes payable and increased additional paid-in capital by \$114, \$103 and \$281, respectively, for the income tax benefit attributable to sale by optionees of common stock received upon the exercise of stock options.

**Stock-Based Compensation.** In 2015, the Company recognized \$87 in equity compensation cost, compared to \$74 in 2014 and \$28 in 2013.

The fair value of each option grant is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following weighted average assumptions:

Years ended December 31,	2015	2014	2013
Expected dividend amount per quarter	\$ n/a	\$ .2624	\$ n/a
Expected stock price volatility		27.0%	
Risk-free interest rate		1.50%	
Expected life of options		4.7 years	

The per share weighted average fair value of options granted during 2014 is \$9.64. No options were granted in 2015 or 2013.

All UTMD options vest over a four-year service period. Expected dividend amounts were estimated based on the actual cash dividend rate at the time the options were granted and an estimate of future dividends based on past dividend rate changes as well as management's expectations of future dividend rates over the expected holding period of the options. Expected volatility is based on UTMD's historical volatility over recent periods of time and trends in that volatility, giving weight to more recent periods. Risk free interest rates were estimated based on actual U.S. Treasury Securities Interest rates as reported by the Federal Reserve Bank for periods of time equivalent to the holding periods estimated for the options on the dates the options were granted. Expected term of options were estimated based on historical holding periods for similar options previously granted by UTMD to employees and directors.

The following table summarizes information about stock options outstanding at December 31, 2015:

Range of Exercise Prices	Number Outstanding	Weighted Remaining Contractual Life (Years)	Options Outstanding		Options Exercisable
			Weighted Average Exercise Price	Number Exercisable	Weighted Average Exercise Price
\$24.00 – 24.00	9,859	3.08	\$24.00	9,859	\$24.00
26.52 – 33.30	20,337	4.06	29.30	19,219	29.11
49.18 – 50.72	31,862	8.35	49.23	11,812	49.23
\$24.00 – 50.72	62,058	6.11	\$38.69	40,890	\$33.69

## Note 10. Geographic Sales Information

The Company had sales in the following geographic areas based on the customer's country of domicile:

	2015	2014	2013
United States	\$20,364	\$19,483	\$18,965
Europe	7,720	8,939	9,077
Other	12,073	12,856	2,451

## Note 11. Long-lived Assets by Geographic Area

The Company's long-lived assets by geographic area were as follows:

	2015	2014	2013
United States	\$11,097	\$11,349	\$11,355
England	31,901	36,199	41,216
Ireland	2,761	3,222	3,829
Australia	543	631	24

## Note 12. Revenues by Product Category

The Company had revenues in the following product categories:

Product Category	2015	2014	2013
Obstetrics	\$ 4,587	\$ 4,669	\$ 5,085
Gynecology/Electrosurgery/Urology	22,356	24,088	22,687
Neonatal	6,299	6,222	5,920
Blood Pressure Monitoring and Accessories	6,915	6,299	6,801

### **Note 13. Product Sale and Purchase Commitments**

The Company has had license agreements for the rights to develop and market certain products or technologies owned by unrelated parties. The confidential terms of such agreements are unique and varied, depending on many factors relating to the value and stage of development of the technology licensed. Royalties on future product sales are a normal component of such agreements and are included in the Company's cost of goods sold on an ongoing basis.

In 2015, 2014 and 2013, UTMD received royalties of \$93, \$99 and \$90, respectively, for the use of intellectual property of Filshie Clip System as part of Femcare's exclusive U.S. distribution agreement with CooperSurgical Inc.

### **Note 14. Employee Benefit Plan**

The Company sponsors a contributory 401(k) savings plan for U.S. employees, and contributory retirement plans for Ireland, UK and Australia employees. The Company's matching contribution is determined annually by the board of directors. Company contributions were approximately \$161, \$165 and \$138 for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

### **Note 15. Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In May 2014, new accounting guidance was issued that outlines a single comprehensive model for entities to use in accounting for revenue arising from contracts with customers and supersedes most current revenue recognition guidance, including industry-specific guidance. The guidance is based on the principle that an entity should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. The guidance also requires additional disclosure about the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from customer contracts, including significant judgments and changes in judgments and assets recognized from costs incurred to fulfill a contract. Entities have the option of using either a full retrospective or a modified retrospective approach for the adoption of the new standard. This guidance becomes effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016 and early adoption is not permitted. UTMD is currently assessing the impact that this standard will have on its consolidated financial statements when it is adopted in 2017.

### **Note 16. Subsequent Events**

The Company evaluated its December 31, 2015 financial statements for subsequent events through the date the financial statements were issued. The Company is not aware of any subsequent events which would require recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

## **FORWARD LOOKING INFORMATION**

This report contains certain forward-looking statements and information relating to the Company that are based on the beliefs of management as well as assumptions made by management based on information currently available. When used in this document, the words "anticipate," "believe," "project," "estimate," "expect," "intend" and similar expressions, as they relate to the Company or its management, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Such statements reflect the current view of the Company respecting future events and are subject to certain

risks, uncertainties and assumptions, including the risks and uncertainties stated throughout the document. Although the Company has attempted to identify important factors that could cause the actual results to differ materially, there may be other factors that cause the forward statement not to come true as anticipated, believed, projected, expected, or intended. Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may differ materially from those described herein as anticipated, believed, projected, estimated, expected or intended. Financial estimates are subject to change and are not intended to be relied upon as predictions of future operating results, and the Company assumes no obligation to update or disclose revisions to those estimates.

## **RISK FACTORS**

*Legislative healthcare reform in the United States, as embodied in The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 (the "Acts") added a substantial excise tax (MDET) in 2013-2015 that increased administrative costs and has lead to decreased revenues in the U.S.:*

The voluminous Acts, administrative rules to enforce the Acts and promised efforts to reform the Acts, make the U.S. medical device marketplace unpredictable, particularly for the thousands of small medical device manufacturers including UTMD that do not have the overhead structure that the larger medical device companies can afford. Fortunately, the U.S. Congress has suspended the MDET for two years of 2016-2017. To the extent that the Acts will in the future continue to place additional burdens on small medical device companies in the form of the excise tax on medical device sales, additional oversight of marketing and sales activities and new reporting requirements, the result is likely to continue to be negative for UTMD's ability to effectively compete and support continued investments in new product development and marketing of specialty devices in the U.S.

*Increasing regulatory burdens including premarketing approval delays may result in significant loss of revenue, unpredictable costs and loss of management focus on helping the Company proactively conform with requirements and thrive:*

The Company's experience in 2001-2005, when the FDA improperly sought to shut it down highlights the ongoing risk of being subject to a regulatory environment which can be arbitrary and capricious. The risks associated with such a circumstance relate not only to the substantial costs of litigation in millions of dollars, but also loss of business, the diversion of attention of key employees for an extended period of time, including new product development and routine quality control management activities, and a tremendous psychological and emotional toll on dedicated and diligent employees.

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Since the FDA reserves to itself the interpretation of which vague industry standards comprise law at any point in time, it is impossible for any medical device manufacturer to ever be confident that it is operating within the Agency's version of the law. The unconstitutional result is that companies, including UTMD, are considered guilty prior to proving their innocence.

New premarketing submission administrative burdens and substantial increases in "user fees" increase product development costs and result in delays to revenues from new or improved devices.

***The growth of Group Purchasing Organizations (GPOs) adds non-productive costs, typically weakens the Company's marketing and sales efforts and may result in lower revenues:***

GPOs, theoretically acting as bargaining agents for member hospitals, but actually collecting revenues from the companies that they are negotiating with, have made a concerted effort to turn medical devices that convey special patient safety advantages and better health outcomes, like UTMD's, into undifferentiated commodities. GPOs have been granted an antitrust exemption by the U.S. Congress. Otherwise, their business model based on "kickbacks" would be a violation of law. These bureaucratic entities do not recognize or understand the overall cost of care as it relates to safety and effectiveness of devices, and they create a substantial administrative burden that is primarily related to collection of their administrative fees.

***The Company's business strategy may not be successful in the future:***

As the level of complexity and uncertainty in the medical device industry increases, evidenced, for example, by the unpredictable regulatory environment, the Company's views of the future and product/ market strategy may not yield financial results consistent with the past.

***As the healthcare industry becomes increasingly bureaucratic it puts smaller companies like UTMD at a competitive disadvantage:***

An aging population and an extended economic recession are placing greater burdens on healthcare systems, particularly hospitals. The length of time and number of administrative steps required in adopting new products for use in hospitals has grown substantially in recent years. Smaller companies like UTMD typically do not have the administrative resources to deal with broad new administrative requirements, resulting in either loss of revenue or increased costs. As UTMD introduces new products it believes are safer and more effective, it may find itself excluded from certain clinical users because of the existence of long term supply agreements for preexisting products, particularly from competitors which offer hospitals a broader range of products and services.

Restrictions used by hospital administrators to limit clinician involvement in device purchasing decisions makes communicating UTMD's clinical advantages much more difficult.

***A product liability lawsuit could result in significant legal expenses and a large award against the Company:***

UTMD's devices are frequently used in inherently risky situations to help physicians achieve a more positive outcome than what might otherwise be the case. In any lawsuit where an individual plaintiff suffers permanent physical injury, the possibility of a large award for damages exists whether or not a causal relationship exists.

***The Company's reliance on third party distributors in some markets may result in less predictable revenues:***

UTMD's distributors have varying expertise in marketing and selling specialty medical devices. They also sell other devices that may result in less focus on the Company's products. In some countries, notably China, Pakistan and India not subject to similarly rigorous standards, by copying, a distributor of UTMD's products may eventually become a competitor with a cheaper but lower quality version of UTMD's devices.

***The loss of one or more key employees could negatively affect UTMD performance:***

In a small company with limited resources, the distraction or loss of key personnel at any point in time may be disruptive to performance. The Company's benefits programs are key to recruiting and retaining talented employees. The rapid increase in UTMD's employee healthcare plan costs, for example, may cause the Company to have to reduce coverages which in turn represents a risk to retaining key employees.

***Fluctuations in foreign currencies relative to the U.S. Dollar (USD) can result in significant differences in period to period financial results:***

Since a significant portion of UTMD's sales are outside the U.S. and consolidated financial results are reported in USD terms, a stronger USD can have negative effects. For the portion of sales to foreign entities made in fixed USD terms, a stronger USD makes the devices more expensive and weakens demand. For the portion invoiced in a foreign currency, not only USD-denominated sales and profits are reduced, but also gross profits and operating profits in foreign currency terms are reduced because finished distributed products and/or U.S. made raw materials and components are likely being purchased in fixed USD.

# Management's Report On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The Company's internal control over financial reporting is designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). The Company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that:

- pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the Company;
- provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP, and that receipts and expenditures of the Company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the Company; and
- provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the Company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

The Company's management assessed the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2015. In making this assessment, management used the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) in *Internal Control-Integrated Framework* (1992).

Based on its assessment and those criteria, management believes that the Company maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2015.

The Company's independent registered public accounting firm, Jones Simkins LLC, has audited the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2015, and its report is shown on the next page.



**Kevin L. Cornwell**  
Chief Executive Officer



**Paul O. Richins**  
Principal Financial Officer

# Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

## To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of Utah Medical Products, Inc.

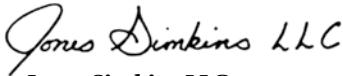
We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Utah Medical Products, Inc. as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the related consolidated statements of income and comprehensive income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2015. We also have audited Utah Medical Products, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2015, based on criteria established in *Internal Control—Integrated Framework (1992)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Utah Medical Products, Inc.'s management is responsible for these financial statements, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and an opinion on the company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audits. We did not audit portions of the financial statements and we did not examine the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting for portions of Femcare Group Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary. The portions not audited by us include assets of \$16,133,000 and \$14,886,000 as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively, and total revenues of \$12,548,000, \$16,367,000, and \$15,372,000, respectively for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2015. Those portions of the statements and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting were audited by other auditors whose reports have been furnished to us, and our opinions, insofar as they relate to the amounts included for Femcare Group Limited and the effectiveness of Femcare Group Limited's internal control over financial reporting is based solely on the reports of the other auditors.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audits of the financial statements included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audits also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, based on our audits and the report of the other auditors, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Utah Medical Products, Inc. as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2015 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also in our opinion, based on our audit and the report of the other auditors, Utah Medical Products, Inc. maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2015, based on criteria established in *Internal Control—Integrated Framework (1992)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).



**Jones Simkins LLC**

Logan, Utah  
March 3, 2016

# CORPORATE INFORMATION

## Board of Directors

### **Kevin L. Cornwell**

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Professor of Maternal-Fetal Medicine

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Petersen Precision Engineering Co.

### **Barbara A. Payne, Ph.D.**

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### **Paul O. Richins**

Principal Financial Officer

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### **Paul O. Richins**

Chief Administrative Officer

### **Ben D. Shirley**

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Product Development and Quality Assurance

### **Jean P. Teasdale**

Vice President, Manufacturing

The Company has a Code of Ethics for applicable executive officers and outside directors and a Code of Conduct which applies to all employees. Both are available at [www.utahmed.com](http://www.utahmed.com).

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## Corporate Stock

The Company's common stock trades on the Nasdaq Global Market (symbol: UTMD). The following table sets forth the high and low sales price information as reported by Nasdaq for the periods indicated.



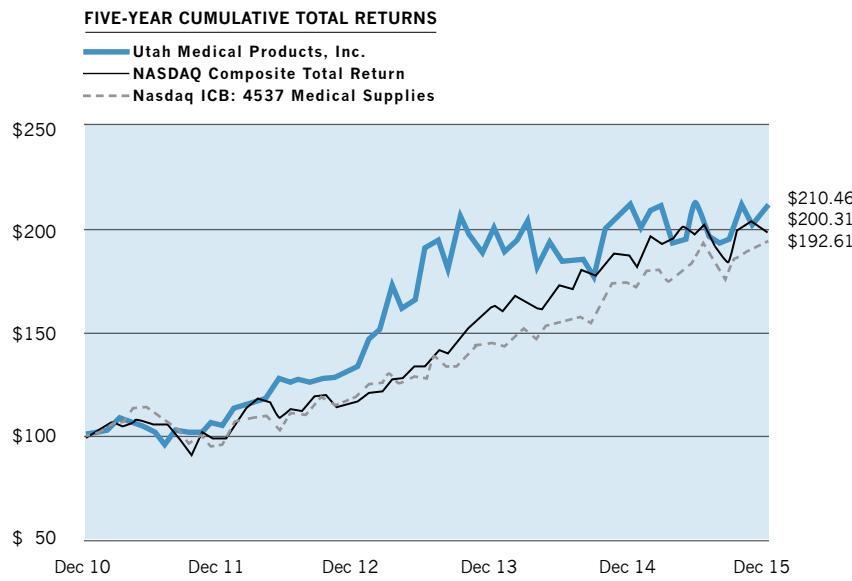
	2015		2014	
	High	Low	High	Low
1st Quarter	\$63.98	\$54.15	\$59.42	\$48.72
2nd Quarter	61.19	51.69	58.87	44.52
3rd Quarter	61.48	50.00	53.79	47.50
4th Quarter	61.20	52.42	61.00	47.33

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## Stock Performance Chart

The following chart compares what an investor's five-year cumulative total return (assuming reinvestment of dividends) would have been assuming initial \$100 investments on December 31, 2010, for the Company's Common Stock and the two indicated indices.

Nasdaq Composite Total Return data are included as the comparable broad market index. The peer group index, ICB: 4537 Medical Supplies, is comprised of Nasdaq Stocks in the Medical Supplies subsector of medical device industry stocks traded on Nasdaq, of which UTMD belongs.



December 31	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Utah Medical Products, Inc.	100.0	103.2	133.5	200.2	211.9	210.5
NASDAQ Composite Total Return	100.0	99.2	116.5	163.2	187.3	200.3
Nasdaq ICB: 4537 Medical Supplies	100.0	96.2	118.4	145.0	174.2	192.6



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