## **Reconciliation of Financial Measures**

The common definition of EBITDA is "Earnings Before Interest Expense, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization." In evaluating liquidity, we use earnings before interest expense, share based compensation, taxes, depreciation and amortization, minority interest, non-recurring litigation settlement costs, other non-cash reserves, transaction costs and after acquisition synergies and excluding unrestricted subsidiaries, or "Adjusted EBITDA." We also use "Adjusted EBITDA Excluding Interest Income," which we define as earnings before interest expense and nonrecurring interest income, share based compensation, taxes, depreciation and amortization, minority interest, non-recurring litigation settlement costs, other non-cash reserves, transaction costs and after acquisition synergies and excluding unrestricted subsidiaries. EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA Excluding Interest Income are not measures of financial performance or liquidity under generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA Excluding Interest Income should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for net income, cash flow from operations or other income or cash flow data prepared in accordance with GAAP. Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA Excluding Interest Income, as presented, may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA Excluding Interest Income are presented as we understand certain investors use them as one measure of our historical ability to service debt. Adjusted EBITDA is also used in our debt covenants, although the precise adjustments used to calculate Adjusted EBITDA included in our credit facility and indentures vary in certain respects among such agreements and from those presented below. Set forth below is a reconciliation of EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA Excluding Interest Income to cash flow from operations.

Amounts in thousands	Three Months Ended Sept. 30, 2008 2007			Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 2008 2007				
Cash flow from operating activities	\$	84,402	\$	55,314	\$	155,057	\$	182,497
Income tax expense (benefit)		13,343		(3,781)		17,341		7,147
Deferred income tax (expense) benefit		(11,791)		3,752		(8,094)		1,069
Interest expense		73,561		88,135		217,923		251,790
Allowance for impairment of purchased accounts receivable		_		_		(44,076)		<u>-</u>
Minority interest in earnings, net of distributions		174		(1,010)		7,819		(1,295)
Provision for share based compensation		(357)		(322)		(1,026)		(952)
Debt amortization		(4,096)		(3,637)		(11,657)		(11,045)
Other		(88)		(95)		(59)		336
Changes in operating assets and liabilities,		()		(/		()		
net of business acquisitions		3,908		2,176		65,503		(20,309)
EBITDA		159,056		140,532		398,731		409,238
Minority interest		1,448		4,120		(2,255)		12,275
Provision for share based compensation		357		322		1,026		952
Recapitalization costs		1,000		2,517		3,113		11,092
Acquisition synergies		7,921		810		10,897		5,047
Site closures		(41)		-		(313)		-
Non-cash portfolio impairment		-		-		44,076		-
Asset impairment		-		-		739		-
Acquisition costs		-		-		(26)		-
Vertical Alliance Adjustment		-		1,009		-		2,958
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	169,741	\$	149,310	\$	455,988	\$	441,562
Interest income		378		3,384		2,169		10,216
Adjusted EBITDA Excluding Interest Income	\$	169,363	\$	145,926	\$	453,819	\$	431,346