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ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

for the fiscal year ended March 30, 2024

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

for the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission file number 001-40840

RBC BEARINGS INCORPORATED

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

95-4372080

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

One Tribology Center, Oxford, CT

(Address of principal executive offices)

06478

(Zip Code)

(203) 267-7001

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<u>Title of Each Class</u>	<u>Trading Symbol</u>	<u>Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered</u>
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	RBC	The New York Stock Exchange
5.00% Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	RBCP	The New York Stock Exchange

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes No

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

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company Emerging growth company

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed a report on and attestation to its management's assessment of the effectiveness of its internal control over financial reporting under Section 404(b) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act (15 U.S.C. 7262(b)) by the registered public accounting firm that prepared or issued its audit report.

If securities are registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act, indicate by check mark whether the financial statements of the registrant included in the filing reflect the correction of an error to previously issued financial statements.

Indicate by check mark whether any of those error corrections are restatements that required a recovery analysis of incentive-based compensation received by any of the registrant's executive officers during the relevant recovery period pursuant to §240.10D-1(b).

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

The aggregate market value of the registrant's Common Stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant on September 30, 2023 (based on the September 29, 2023 closing sales price of \$234.13 of the registrant's Common Stock, as reported by the New York Stock Exchange) was approximately \$6,809,508,876.

As of May 10, 2024, RBC Bearings Incorporated had 29,211,612 shares of Common Stock and 4,600,000 shares of Preferred Stock outstanding.

Documents Incorporated by Reference:

Portions of the registrant's proxy statement to be filed within 120 days of the close of the registrant's fiscal year in connection with the registrant's Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held September 5, 2024, are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Form 10-K.

Auditor Firm ID: 00042

Auditor Name: Ernst & Young LLP

Auditor Location: Stamford, CT

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PART I

ITEM 1. BUSINESS

RBC Bearings Incorporated

RBC Bearings Incorporated, together with its subsidiaries, is an international manufacturer and marketer of highly engineered precision bearings, components and essential systems for the industrial, defense and aerospace industries. Our precision solutions are integral to the manufacture and operation of most machines and mechanical systems, to reduce wear to moving parts, facilitate proper power transmission, reduce damage and energy loss caused by friction, and control pressure and flow. The terms “we,” “us,” “our,” “RBC” and the “Company” mean RBC Bearings Incorporated and its subsidiaries, unless the context indicates another meaning. While we manufacture products in all major categories, we focus primarily on the higher end of the bearing, gearing and engineered component markets where we believe our value-added engineering and manufacturing capabilities, and application expertise enable us to differentiate ourselves from our competitors and enhance profitability. We believe our expertise has enabled us to garner leading positions in many of the product markets in which we primarily compete. With 54 facilities in 11 countries, of which 38 are manufacturing facilities, we have been able to significantly broaden our end markets, products, customer base and geographic reach.

All quantitative data contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K (the “Annual Report”) is stated in millions, except for share and per-share data, number of facilities and their locations, square footage, and headcount.

The Bearing, Gearing and Engineered Component Industry

The bearing, gearing and engineered component industry is a fragmented multi-billion-dollar market. Purchasers of bearings, gearings and engineered components include producers of commercial and military aircraft, submarine and vehicle equipment, energy equipment, machinery manufacturers, industrial equipment and machinery manufacturers, construction machinery manufacturers, rail and train equipment manufacturers, packaging and canning machinery manufacturers, agriculture and mining equipment manufacturers, and specialized equipment manufacturers, as well as distributors who service the aftermarket for these products.

Demand for bearings, gearing and precision components in the diversified industrial market is influenced by growth factors in industrial machinery and equipment shipments, and construction, mining, energy, food and beverage, packaging and canning, semiconductor, and general industrial activity. In addition, usage of existing machinery will impact aftermarket demand for replacement products. In the aerospace market, new aircraft build rates along with carrier traffic volume worldwide determines demand for our solutions. Activity in the defense market is influenced by modernization programs necessitating spending on new equipment, as well as continued utilization of deployed equipment supporting aftermarket demand for replacement bearings, gearing and engineered components.

Customers and Markets

We serve a broad range of end markets where we can add value with our specialty precision bearings, essential systems and engineered components. We classify our customers into two principal categories: industrial and aerospace/defense. These principal end markets utilize a large number of both commercial and specialized bearings, gearings and engineered components. Although we provide a relatively small percentage of total bearings, gearings and engineered components supplied to each of our principal markets, we believe we have leading market positions in many of the specialized product markets in which we primarily compete. Financial information regarding geographic areas is set forth in Part II, Item 8, Note 20 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Industrial Market (67% of net sales for the fiscal year ended March 30, 2024)

We manufacture bearings, gearing and engineered components for a wide range of diversified industrial markets, including construction and mining, oil and natural resource extraction, heavy truck, aggregates, rail and train, food and beverage, packaging and canning, material handling, semiconductor machinery, wind, and the general industrial markets. Our products target market applications in which our engineering and manufacturing capabilities provide us with a competitive advantage in the marketplace.

Our largest industrial customers include Caterpillar, Komatsu and Halliburton and various aftermarket distributors including Motion Industries, Applied Industrial, Baldwin Supply, BDI and Purvis Industries. We believe that the diversification of our sales among the various segments of the industrial markets and channels reduces our exposure to downturns in any individual segment. We believe opportunities exist for growth and margin improvement in this market as a result of the introduction of new products, the expansion of aftermarket sales, and continued manufacturing process improvements.

Aerospace/Defense Market (33% of net sales for the fiscal year ended March 30, 2024)

We supply bearings and engineered components for use in commercial, private and military aircraft and aircraft engines, guided weaponry, space and satellites, vision and optical systems, and military marine and ground applications.

We supply precision products for many of the commercial aircraft currently operating worldwide and are the primary bearing supplier for many of the aircraft OEMs' product lines. Commercial aerospace customers generally require precision products, often of special materials, made to unique designs and specifications. Many of our aerospace bearings and engineered component products are designed and certified during the original development of the aircraft being served, which often makes us the primary bearing supplier for the life of that aircraft.

We manufacture bearings and engineered components used by the U.S. Department of Defense (the "DOD") and certain foreign governments for use in fighter jets, troop transports, naval vessels, helicopters, gas turbine engines, armored vehicles, guided weaponry, spaceflight and satellites. We manufacture an extensive line of standard products that conform to many domestic military application requirements, as well as customized products designed for unique applications. Our bearings and engineered components are manufactured to conform to U.S. military specifications and are typically custom-designed during the original product design phase, which often makes us the sole or primary supplier for the life of that product. Product approval for use on military equipment is often a lengthy process ranging from six months to six years.

Our largest aerospace and defense customers include the U.S. Department of Defense, Boeing, Airbus, Newport News Shipbuilding, Lockheed Martin, Northrop Grumman, Raytheon, Blue Origin and SpaceX and various aftermarket distributors including National Precision Bearing and Wencor. We believe our strong relationships with OEMs help drive our aftermarket sales since a portion of OEM sales are ultimately intended for use as replacement parts. We believe that growth and margin expansion in this market will be driven primarily by expanding our international presence, new commercial aircraft introductions, new products, share gains, and the refurbishment and maintenance of existing commercial and military aircraft.

In fiscal 2024, approximately 2% of our net sales were made directly, and we estimate that approximately an additional 9% of our net sales were made indirectly, to the U.S. government. The contracts or subcontracts for these sales may be subject to renegotiation of profit or termination at the election of the U.S. government. Based on experience, we believe that no material renegotiations or refunds will be required. See Part I, Item 1A. "Risk Factors – Future reductions or changes in U.S. government spending could negatively affect our business" of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Our two reportable business segments are aligned with the end-markets for our products. Operating results for the segments are evaluated regularly by our chief operating decision maker in determining resource allocation and assessing performance. The following table provides a summary of our two reportable business segments:

Net Sales and Percent of Sales for the Fiscal Year Ended
(amounts in millions)

Segment	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023	April 2, 2022	Representative Applications
Industrial	\$ 1,040.9 67%	\$ 1,039.0 71%	\$ 561.4 60%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mining, energy, aggregates, construction, wind equipment and material handling ● Packaging and canning machinery ● Semiconductor equipment ● Industrial gears, components and collets
Aerospace/Defense	\$ 519.4 33%	\$ 430.3 29%	\$ 381.5 40%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Airframe control and actuation ● Aircraft engine controls and landing gear ● Missile launchers ● Radar and night vision systems ● Hydraulics and valves ● Space applications

Products

Bearings, gearing and engineered components are employed to perform several functions including reduction of friction, transfer of motion, carriage of loads, and control of pressure and flows. We design, manufacture and market a broad portfolio of bearings, gearing and engineered components.

Plain Bearings. Plain bearings are primarily used to rectify inevitable misalignments in various mechanical components, such as aircraft controls, helicopter rotors, or heavy mining and construction equipment. Such misalignments are either due to machining inaccuracies or result when components change position relative to each other. Plain bearings are produced with either self-lubricating or metal-to-metal designs and consist of several sub-classes, including rod end bearings, spherical plain bearings and journal bearings.

Roller Bearings. Roller bearings are anti-friction products that utilize cylindrical rolling elements. We produce three main designs: tapered roller bearings, needle roller bearings and needle bearing track rollers, and cam followers. We offer several needle roller bearing designs that are used in both industrial applications and certain U.S. military aircraft platforms where there are high loads and the design is constrained by space considerations. A significant portion of our sales of needle roller bearings is to the aftermarket rather than to OEMs. Needle bearing track rollers and cam followers have wide and diversified use in the industrial market and are often prescribed as a primary component in articulated aircraft wings.

Ball Bearings. Ball bearings are devices that utilize high precision ball elements to reduce friction in high-speed applications. We specialize in four main types of ball bearings: high precision aerospace, airframe control, thin section, and industrial ball bearings. High precision aerospace bearings are primarily sold to customers in the defense industry that require more technically sophisticated bearing products providing a high degree of fault tolerance given the criticality of the applications in which they are used. Airframe control ball bearings are precision ball bearings that are plated to resist corrosion and are qualified under a military specification. Thin section ball bearings are specialized bearings that use extremely thin cross sections and give specialized machinery manufacturers many advantages. We produce a general line of industrial ball bearings sold primarily to the aftermarket.

Mounted Bearings. Mounted bearings are fully assembled bearings with a wide range of shaft attachment methods, rolling elements, housing materials and configurations offering a variety of sealing solutions. Mounted bearing products include mounted ball bearings, mounted roller bearings and mounted plain bearings, and are used in light to heavy loads, and in clean, corrosive or harsh environments. Mounted roller bearings are pre-machined to allow field installation of the Dodge bearing sensor, adding remote monitoring capability in difficult to access applications and unsafe environments. Applications include unit and bulk material handling, industrial air handling, large rotor fans, food processing, roll-out tables, and forest pulp and paper processing equipment.

Enclosed Gearing. We provide a broad range of enclosed gearing product lines including Quantis Gearmotor (helical style gearing with modular configurations and a variety of mounting methods), Torque Arm (shaft-mount gearing with helical style gearing and v-belt input for first stage reduction), Tigear (single reduction, right angle gear reducers with worm style gearing), MagnaGear & Maxum (parallel reducers with helical and planetary style gearing) and Controlled Start Transmission (planetary style gearing with hydraulic clutch package used for soft starting large conveyors). Applications include unit and bulk handling, food processing, roll-out tables, and forest pulp and paper processing equipment.

Motion Control Components. Power transmission components are of three types: mechanical drive components (offering V belt sheaves, synchronous sprockets, bushings and belts) used to change rotational speed between two pieces of equipment; couplings used to transmit torque between two rotating pieces of equipment, such as a motor and a gearbox; and conveyor components, which transfer torque from the mechanical drive equipment to the conveyor belt in bulk material handling applications. Applications include unit and bulk material handling, industrial air handling, large rotor fans, food processing, roll-out tables, and forest pulp and paper processing equipment. We also provide actuation components to customers within our commercial aerospace and space markets.

Engineered Components. Engineered components include highly engineered hydraulics and valves, fasteners, precision mechanical components and machine tool collets. Engineered hydraulics and valves are used in aircraft and submarine applications and aerospace and defense aftermarket services. Precision mechanical components are used in all general industrial applications where some form of movement is required. Machine tool collets are cone-shaped metal sleeves used for holding circular or rod-like pieces in a lathe or other machine that provide effective part holding and accurate part location during machining operations.

Product Design and Development

We produce specialized bearings and engineered components that are often tailored to the specifications of a customer or application. Our sales professionals are highly experienced engineers who collaborate with our customers to develop bearing and engineered component solutions. The product development cycle can follow many paths, which are dependent on the end market or sales channel. The process normally takes between three and six years from concept to sale depending upon the application and the market. A typical process for a major OEM project begins when our design engineers meet with the customer at the machine design conceptualization stage and work with them through the conclusion of the product development.

Often, at the early stage, a bearing or engineered component design is produced that addresses the expected demands of the application including load, stress, heat, thermal gradients, vibration, lubricant supply, pressure and flows, and corrosion resistance, with one or two of these environmental constraints being predominant in the design consideration. A bearing or engineered component design must perform reliably for the period of time required by the customer's product objectives.

Once a bearing or engineered component is designed, a mathematical simulation is created to replicate the expected application environment and thereby allow optimization with respect to these design variables. Upon conclusion of the design and simulation phase, samples are produced and laboratory testing commences at one of our test laboratories. The purpose of this testing phase is not only to verify the design and the simulation model but also to allow further design improvement where needed. The last phase is field testing by the customer, after which the product is ready for sale.

For many of our Aerospace/Defense products, the culmination of this lengthy process is the receipt of a product approval or certification, generally obtained from either the OEM, the DOD or the Federal Aviation Administration ("FAA"), which allows us to supply the product to the OEM customer and to the aftermarket. We currently have a significant number of such approvals, which often gives us a competitive advantage, and in many of these instances we are the only approved supplier of a given bearing or engineered component.

Manufacturing and Operations

Our manufacturing strategies are focused on product reliability, quality, safety and service. Custom and standard products are produced according to manufacturing schedules that ensure maximum availability of popular items for immediate sale while carefully considering the economies of lot production and special products. Capital programs and manufacturing methods development are focused on quality improvement, production costs, safety and service. A monthly review of product line production performance assures an environment of continuous attainment of profitability and quality goals.

Capacity. Our plants currently run on a full first shift with second and third shifts at select locations to meet the demands of our customers. We believe that current capacity levels and future annual estimated capital expenditures on equipment up to approximately 3.0% to 3.5% of net sales should permit us to effectively meet demand levels for the foreseeable future.

Inventory Management. We operate an inventory management program designed to balance customer delivery requirements with economically optimal inventory levels. In this program, each product is categorized based on characteristics including order frequency, number of customers and sales volume. Using this classification system, our primary goal is to maintain a sufficient supply of standard items while minimizing costs. In addition, production cost savings are achieved by optimizing plant scheduling around inventory levels and customer delivery requirements. This leads to more efficient utilization of manufacturing facilities and minimizes plant production changes while maintaining sufficient inventories to service customer needs.

Sales, Marketing and Distribution

Our marketing strategy is aimed at increasing sales within our two primary markets, targeting specific applications in which we can exploit our competitive strengths. To affect this strategy, we seek to expand into geographic areas not previously served by us and we continue to capitalize on new markets and industries for existing and new products. We employ a technically proficient sales force and utilize marketing managers, product managers, customer service representatives and product application engineers in our selling efforts.

We have developed our sales force through the hiring of sales personnel with prior industry experience, complemented by an in-house training program. We intend to continue to hire and develop expert sales professionals and strategically locate them to implement our expansion strategy. Today, our direct sales force is located to service North America, Europe, Asia, Australia and Latin America and is responsible for selling all of our products. This selling model leverages our relationship with key customers and provides opportunities to market multiple product lines to both established and potential customers. We also sell our products through a well-established, global network of industrial and aerospace distributors. This channel primarily provides our products to smaller OEM customers, aftermarket customers and the end users of bearings and engineered components that require local inventory and service. We intend to continue to focus on building distributor sales volume.

The Company has a joint venture in North America focused on joint warehouse and transportation logistics and e-business services. This joint venture, CoLinx, LLC (“CoLinx”), includes five equity members: Timken, SKF Group, Schaeffler Group, RBC Bearings Incorporated and Gates Industrial Corp. The e-business service focuses on information and business services for authorized distributors in the Industrial segment.

The sale of our products is supported by a well-trained and experienced customer service organization, which provides customers with instant access to key information regarding their purchases. We also provide customers with updated information through our website, and we have developed on-line integration with specific customers, enabling more efficient ordering and timely order fulfillment for those customers.

We store product inventory in warehouses located in the Midwest, Southwest and on the East and West coasts of the U.S. as well as in Australia, Canada, France, India, Mexico, the People’s Republic of China, England and Switzerland. The inventory is located in these locations based on analysis of customer demand to provide superior service and product availability.

Competition

Our principal competitors include SKF, New Hampshire Ball Bearings, Regal Rexnord, NORD and Timken, although we compete with different companies for each of our product lines. We believe that for the majority of our products, the principal competitive factors affecting our business are product qualifications, product line breadth, service, quality and price. Although some of our current and potential competitors may have greater financial, marketing, personnel and other resources than us, we believe that we are well-positioned to compete with regard to each of these factors in each of the markets in which we operate.

Product Qualifications. Many of the products we produce are qualified for the application by the OEM, the DOD, the FAA, the user or a combination of these. These credentials have been achieved for thousands of distinct items after years of design, testing and improvement. Applicable Dodge products are compliant as required with related communications, safety, and Ex certifications for use in North America, Mexico, the EU, as well as other select international locations. Several of our products are protected by patents, and we believe that in many cases we have strong brand identity or we are the sole source for products for a particular application.

Product Line Breadth. Our products encompass a broad range of designs which often create a critical mass of complementary bearings, essential systems and engineered components for our markets. This position provides many of our industrial and aerospace customers with a single manufacturer to provide the engineering service and product breadth needed to achieve a series of OEM design objectives and/or aftermarket requirements. This enhances our value to the OEM considerably while strengthening our overall market position.

Service. Product design, performance, reliability, availability, quality, and technical and administrative support are elements that define the service standard for this business. Our customers are sophisticated and demanding, as our products are fundamental and enabling components to the manufacturing or operation of their machinery. We maintain inventory levels of our most popular items for immediate sale and service. Our customers have high expectations regarding product availability and quality, and the primary emphasis of our service efforts is to provide the widest possible range of available products delivered on a timely basis.

Price. We believe our products are priced competitively in the markets we serve and we continually evaluate our manufacturing and other operations to maximize efficiencies in order to maintain competitive prices while maximizing our profit margins. We invest considerable effort to develop our price-to-value algorithms and we price to market levels where required by competitive pressures.

Joint Ventures

Investments in affiliated companies accounted for under the equity method at March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023 were \$0.6 and \$0.6, respectively, and were reported within other noncurrent assets on the consolidated balance sheets.

Suppliers and Raw Materials

We obtain raw materials, component parts and supplies from a variety of sources and generally from more than one supplier. Our principal raw materials are steel and cast iron. Our suppliers and sources of raw materials are based in the U.S., Europe and Asia. We purchase steel at market prices, which fluctuate as a result of supply and demand driven by economic conditions in the marketplace. For further discussion of the possible effects of changes in the cost of raw materials on our business, see Part I, Item 1A. "Risk Factors" of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Backlog

Our order backlog, as of March 30, 2024, was \$726.1 compared to \$663.8 as of April 1, 2023. These figures exclude orders from our Sargent marine and Sargent aerospace businesses that are expected to be fulfilled more than 12 months after the balance sheet dates. Including all orders from our Sargent marine and Sargent aerospace businesses, our backlog as of March 30, 2024 was \$821.5 compared to \$759.4 as of April 1, 2023. Many of our orders are fulfilled immediately after the order has been placed by the customer and would not be seen in our backlog at the end of a reporting period. Orders included in our backlog are subject to cancellation, delay or modifications by our customers prior to fulfillment. We sell many of our products pursuant to contractual agreements, single-source relationships or long-term purchase orders, each of which may permit early termination by the customer. However, we believe that the unique nature of many of our products prevents other suppliers from being able to satisfy customer orders on a timely or cost-effective basis, thereby making it impracticable for our customers to shift their purchase of these products to other suppliers.

Human Capital

RBC employs 5,302 people worldwide. Of that, 3,738 are employed at our 35 U.S. facilities and 1,564 are employed at our 19 international facilities located in Canada, Mexico, France, Switzerland, Germany, Poland, India, Australia, China and England. The majority of our personnel are RBC employees rather than independent contractors, temporaries or third-party labor provider personnel.

Our human capital objective is to attract and retain high-performing people who can work in a culture that fosters innovation and continuous improvement. To achieve that objective, we maintain an aggressive talent recruitment program, a fair and competitive compensation program, an on-going training and development program, and an ethical and safe work environment.

Talent Recruitment. Critical to our success is that we have a deep and talented pool of engineers who oversee the production of our current products to the highest standards, work directly with customers on applications, and direct the research and development for new products. To maintain that talent pool, we actively recruit engineers from over 40 colleges and universities around the U.S. In addition, we have developed deep collaborative relationships with a select group of schools, including internship and trainee programs with several of these schools.

Compensation. We offer fair and competitive compensation to our employees. Our employee benefits package includes medical, dental and vision coverage, life insurance, supplemental disability coverage, and 401(k) and supplemental employee retirement plans. In addition, participation in our long-term equity incentive plan goes very deep in our organization, providing employees with equity compensation/awards that they might not receive if they worked for one of our competitors.

Training. An important part of achieving our human capital objective is our in-house training programs – RBC University, Materials University, Mechanical Engineering Training and the Customer, Application, Product Training (CAPT) Program. These programs provide our employees with a uniform foundation regarding how we do business, expand their subject matter expertise, and develop the various leadership positions across our organization, including plant management and general management. We also offer a tuition reimbursement program for many employees wishing to further their classroom education in their chosen field.

Ethics. We expect our personnel to conduct the business of RBC in a legal and ethical manner. To ensure that they do that, our people are required to comply at all times with our corporate Code of Conduct, which among other things requires them to:

- deal fairly with their coworkers and RBC's customers, suppliers and competitors,
- comply with all applicable laws,
- protect RBC's proprietary information and other assets, and
- avoid conflicts of interest with RBC.

Workplace Safety. Safety is of paramount importance to RBC and so we go to great lengths in striving for a zero-incident workplace that is consistent with our mandate to produce the highest quality, highly engineered components for our customers. Our general managers and operations managers are charged with creating and maintaining the highest standards of safety for employees, visitors and the local community through the use of industry best practices at their facilities. Monthly, each of our facilities reports to senior leadership on key safety metrics and we maintain a proactive approach in assessing and mitigating risk through root cause analysis, communication, training and teamwork.

Intellectual Property

We own U.S. and foreign patents and trademark registrations and U.S. copyright registrations and have U.S. trademark and patent applications pending. We file patent applications and maintain patents to protect certain technology, inventions and improvements that are important to the development of our business, and we file trademark applications and maintain trademark registrations to protect product names that have achieved brand-name recognition among our customers. We also rely upon trade secrets, know-how and continuing technological innovation to develop and maintain our competitive position. Many of our brands are well recognized by our customers and are considered valuable assets of our business. We do not believe, however, that any individual item of intellectual property is material to our business.

Regulation

Product Approvals. Essential to servicing the aerospace and defense markets is the ability to obtain product approvals. We have a substantial number of product approvals in the form of OEM approvals or Parts Manufacturer Approvals, or “PMAs,” from the FAA. We also have a number of active PMA applications in process. These approvals enable us to provide products used in virtually all domestic aircraft platforms presently in production or operation.

We are subject to various other federal laws, regulations and standards. New laws, regulations or standards or changes to existing laws, regulations or standards could subject us to significant additional costs of compliance or liabilities, and could result in material reductions to our results of operations, cash flow or revenues.

Environmental Matters

We are subject to federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations, including those governing discharges of pollutants into the air and water, the storage, handling and disposal of wastes and the health and safety of employees. We also may be liable under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act or similar state laws for the costs of investigation and clean-up of contamination at facilities currently or formerly owned or operated by us, or at other facilities at which we have disposed of hazardous substances. In connection with such contamination, we may also be liable for natural resource damages, U.S. government penalties and claims by third parties for personal injury and property damage. Agencies responsible for enforcing these laws have authority to impose significant civil or criminal penalties for non-compliance. We believe we are currently in material compliance with all applicable requirements of environmental laws. We do not anticipate material capital expenditures for environmental compliance in fiscal year 2025.

Available Information

We file our annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements, and other documents with the Securities Exchange Commission (“SEC”) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The public may read and copy any materials filed with the SEC at the SEC’s Office of Investor Education and Advocacy at 100F Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20549. The public may obtain information on the operation of the Office of Investor Education and Advocacy by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. Also, the SEC maintains an Internet website that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC. The public can obtain any documents that are filed by us at <http://www.sec.gov>.

In addition, this Annual Report on Form 10-K, as well as our quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, any amendments to any of the foregoing reports, and our governance documents, are made available free of charge on our website (<http://www.rbcbearings.com>) as soon as reasonably practicable after such reports are electronically filed with or furnished to the SEC. Copies of the above reports and documents will also be provided free of charge upon written request to us.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

Cautionary Statement as to Forward-Looking Information

This report includes “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements other than statements of historical fact are “forward-looking statements” for purposes of federal and state securities laws, including: projections of earnings, cash flows, revenue or other financial items; statements of the plans, strategies and objectives of management for future operations; statements concerning proposed new services or developments; statements regarding future economic conditions or performance or future growth rates in the markets we serve; statements regarding future raw material costs or supply; statements of belief; and statements of assumptions underlying any of the foregoing. Forward-looking statements may include the words “may,” “could,” “estimate,” “intend,” “plan,” “continue,” “believe,” “expect,” “anticipate” or other comparable terminology, or the negative of such terms.

Although we believe that the expectations and assumptions reflected in any of our forward-looking statements are reasonable, actual results could differ materially from those projected or assumed in any of our forward-looking statements. Our future financial condition, results of operations, and cash flows, as well as any forward-looking statements, are subject to change and to inherent risks and uncertainties, such as those disclosed in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. Factors that could cause our actual results, performance and achievements or industry results to differ materially from estimates or projections contained in forward-looking statements include, among others, the following:

- The Company’s failure to maintain effective disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting;
- Competition in the bearings, engineered components and essential systems industries;
- Weaknesses or cyclicity in any of the industries in which our customers operate;
- Future reductions in U.S. governmental spending or changes in governmental programs, particularly military equipment procurement programs;
- The loss of one or more of our significant customers or conditions that adversely affect the business of any of our significant customers;
- Our ability to obtain and retain product approvals;
- Supply and costs of raw materials (particularly steel) and energy resources, the imposition of import tariffs, and our ability to pass through these costs on a timely basis;
- Our ability to acquire and integrate complementary businesses;
- Unanticipated liabilities of acquired businesses;
- Unexpected equipment failures or catastrophic events;
- Our ability to attract and retain our management team and other highly skilled personnel;
- Work stoppages and other labor problems affecting us or our customers or suppliers;
- Changes in trade agreements or treaties and the imposition of tariffs on our goods exported to other countries;
- Regulatory changes or developments in the U.S. or in foreign countries where we produce or sell products;
- Developments or disputes concerning patents or other proprietary rights;
- Risks associated with utilizing information technology systems, including cyber events;
- Risks associated with operating internationally, including currency translation risks;
- Investors’ perceptions of us and our industry;
- The cancellation of orders in our backlog;
- Possible liability and recalls with respect to our products;
- Risks associated with the substantial amount of goodwill that we have;

- Risks associated with the substantial amount of debt we incurred to finance the Dodge acquisition; and
- Other risks and uncertainties including but not limited to those described from time to time in our current and quarterly reports filed with the SEC.

These and additional factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from our forward-looking statements are set forth in this Annual Report on Form 10-K under Part I, Item 1. “Business,” Part I, Item 1A. “Risk Factors,” Part II, Item 7. “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations,” and Part II, Item 8. “Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.” All forward-looking statements contained in this report and any subsequently filed reports are expressly qualified in their entirety by these cautionary statements.

We have no duty to update any forward-looking statements after the date of this report to conform such statements to actual results or to changes in our expectations. You are advised, however, to review any disclosures we make on related subjects in our future periodic filings with the SEC.

Risk Factors Relating to Our Company

Our business, operating results, cash flows or financial condition could be materially adversely affected by any of the following risks. The trading price of our common stock or preferred stock could decline due to any of these risks, and you could lose all or part of your investment. You should carefully consider these risks before investing in shares of our common stock or preferred stock.

The Company’s failure to maintain effective disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting could result in material misstatements in our financial statements and a failure to meet our reporting and financial obligations, each of which could have a material adverse effect on the Company’s financial condition and the trading price of our common stock.

A material weakness in a company’s internal control over financial reporting is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of that company’s annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis.

During the first quarter of fiscal year 2023, the Company’s management identified a material weakness in internal control over financial reporting related to the design of our control to consider all relevant terms within executive employment agreements and the related application of relevant authoritative accounting guidance for stock-based compensation, a non-cash item. Management then re-evaluated its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting and its disclosure controls and procedures and concluded that they were not effective as of April 2, 2022, making it necessary for the Company to restate the financial statements for fiscal years 2022, 2021 and 2020. Although we have remediated this material weakness, there can be no assurance that additional material weaknesses will not occur in the future.

If the Company is unable to maintain effective internal control over financial reporting in the future, our ability to record, process and report financial information timely and accurately could be adversely affected, which could subject the Company to litigation or investigations, require management resources, increase costs, negatively affect investor confidence and adversely impact our stock price.

The bearings, engineered components and essential systems industries are highly competitive, and competition could reduce our profitability or limit our ability to grow.

The global bearings, engineered components and essential systems industries are highly competitive, and we compete with many U.S. and non-U.S. companies, some of which benefit from lower labor costs and fewer regulatory burdens than us. We compete primarily based on product qualifications, product line breadth, service and price. Certain competitors may be better able to manage costs than us or may have greater financial resources than we have. Due to the competitiveness in the bearings, engineered components and essential systems industries we may not be able to increase prices for our products to cover increases in our costs, and we may face pressure to reduce prices, which could materially reduce our revenues, cash flows and profitability. Competitive factors, including changes in market penetration, increased price competition and the introduction of new products and technology by existing and new competitors, could result in a material reduction in our revenues, cash flows and profitability.

The loss of a major customer, or a material adverse change in a major customer’s business, could result in a material reduction in our revenues, cash flows and profitability.

Our top ten customers collectively accounted for approximately 44%, 41% and 36% of our net sales during fiscal 2024, 2023 and 2022, respectively. Accordingly, the loss of one or more of those customers or a substantial decrease in those customers’ purchases from us could result in a material reduction in our revenues, cash flows and profitability. If one of our major customers were to experience an adverse change in its business, that customer could reduce its purchases from us.

The consolidation and combination of manufacturers could eliminate customers and/or put downward pricing pressures on sales of component parts. For example, the consolidation that has occurred in the defense industry in recent years has reduced the overall number of defense contractors. In addition, if one of our customers is acquired or merged with another entity, the new entity may discontinue using us as a supplier because of an existing business relationship between one of our competitors and the acquiring company, or because it may be more efficient to consolidate certain suppliers within the newly formed enterprise. The significance of the impact that such consolidations could have on our business is difficult to predict because we do not know when or if one or more of our customers will engage in merger or acquisition activity. However, if such activity involved our material customers it could materially impact our revenues, cash flows and profitability.

Weakness in any of the industries in which our customers operate, as well as the cyclical nature of our customers' businesses generally, could materially reduce our revenues, cash flows and profitability.

The mining and construction equipment and other diversified industrial industries to which we sell our products are, to varying degrees, cyclical and tend to decline in response to overall declines in industrial production. Margins in those industries are highly sensitive to demand cycles, and our customers (or our customers' customers) in those industries historically have tended to delay large capital purchases and projects, including expensive maintenance and upgrades, during economic downturns. As a result, our business is also cyclical, and the demand for our products by these customers depends, in part, on overall levels of industrial production, general economic conditions, and business confidence levels. Many of our customers have historically experienced periodic downturns, which often have had a negative effect on demand for our products. Future downward economic cycles or customer downturns could reduce sales of our products resulting in reductions in our revenues, cash flows and profitability.

Future reductions or changes in U.S. government spending could negatively affect our business.

In fiscal 2024, approximately 2% of our net sales were made directly, and we estimate that approximately an additional 9% of our net sales were made indirectly, to the U.S. government to support military or other government projects. Our failure (or the failure of our customers that are prime contractors to the government) to obtain new government contracts, the cancellation of government contracts relating to our products, or reductions in federal budget appropriations for programs in which our products are used could materially reduce our revenues, cash flows and profitability. A reduction in federal budget appropriations relating to our products could result from a shift in government defense spending to other programs in which we are not involved or a reduction in U.S. government defense spending generally (due to budget reduction initiatives or a shift in government spending priorities).

Fluctuating supply and costs of subcomponents, raw materials and energy resources, or the imposition of import tariffs, could materially reduce our revenues, cash flows and profitability.

Our business is dependent on the availability and costs of subcomponents, raw materials, particularly steel (generally in the form of stainless and chrome steel, which are commodity steel products), and energy resources. The availability and prices of subcomponents, raw materials and energy resources may be subject to change due to, among other things, new laws or regulations, economic inflation, suppliers' allocations to other purchasers, interruptions in production or deliveries by suppliers and changes in exchange rates and supplier costs and profit expectations. The United States has imposed tariffs on steel and aluminum imports, and could impose tariffs on other items that we import, which could increase the cost of raw materials and decrease the available supply. Although we currently maintain alternative supply sources, our business is subject to the risk of price fluctuations and periodic delays in the delivery of certain subcomponents or raw materials. Disruptions in the supply of subcomponents, raw materials or energy resources could temporarily impair our ability to manufacture our products for our customers or require us to pay higher prices in order to obtain these items from other sources, which could thereby affect our net sales and profitability.

Where our customer contracts permit us to do so, we seek to pass through a significant portion of our additional costs to our customers through steel surcharges or price increases. However, many of our contracts are fixed-price contracts under which we are not able to pass these additional costs on to our customers. Even where we are able to pass these steel surcharges or price increases to our customers, there may be a lag of several months between the time we experience a cost increase and the time we are able to implement surcharges or price increases, particularly for orders already in our backlog. Competitive pressures and the terms of certain of our long-term contracts may require us to absorb at least part of these cost increases. As a result, our gross margin percentage could decline. We cannot provide assurances that we will be able to continue to pass these additional costs on to our customers at all or on a timely basis or that our customers will not seek alternative sources of supply if there are significant or prolonged increases in the price of subcomponents or other raw materials or energy resources.

Our results could be impacted by governmental trade policies and tariffs relating to our supplies imported from foreign vendors or our finished goods exported to other countries.

From time to time, the U.S. government has imposed tariffs on the importation of various products that we use to produce our finished goods, and various foreign countries, including the People's Republic of China, have or could impose retaliatory tariffs on our products exported to those countries. While this situation has not had a material adverse effect on our business in the past, future tariffs on our foreign-sourced supplies and/or our finished goods exported to other countries could adversely impact our operating costs or demand for our products.

Some of our products and operations are subject to certain approvals and government regulations and the loss of such approvals, or our failure to comply with such regulations, could materially reduce our revenues, cash flows and profitability.

Essential to servicing the aerospace market is the ability to obtain product approvals. We have a substantial number of product approvals, which enable us to provide products used in virtually all domestic aircraft platforms presently in production or operation. Product approvals are typically issued by the FAA to designated OEMs who are Production Approval Holders of FAA-approved aircraft. These Production Approval Holders provide quality control oversight and generally limit the number of suppliers directly servicing the commercial aerospace market. Regulations enacted by the FAA provide for an independent process (the PMA process) that enables suppliers who currently sell their products to the Production Approval Holders to also sell products to the aftermarket. Our foreign sales may be subject to similar approvals or U.S. export control restrictions. We cannot assure you that we will not lose approvals for our aerospace products in the future. The loss or suspension of product approvals could result in lost sales and materially reduce our revenues, cash flows and profitability.

The repair and overhaul of aircraft parts and accessories throughout the world is highly regulated by government agencies, including the FAA. Our repair and overhaul operations are subject to certification pursuant to regulations established by the FAA and foreign government agencies, with regulations varying from country to country, although compliance with FAA requirements generally satisfies regulatory requirements in other countries. Our failure to comply with these regulations, or our compliance with new and more stringent government regulations, if enacted, could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

As a U.S. government contractor, we are subject to various procurement and other laws, regulations and contract terms applicable to our industry, including the FAR, the DFARS, the Truth in Negotiations Act, the False Claims Act, the Procurement Integrity Act, the International Traffic in Arms Regulations promulgated under the Arms Export Control Act, the Close the Contractor Fraud Loophole Act, the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, and CAS, and we could be adversely affected by any negative finding by the U.S. government as to our compliance with them, including suspension or debarment from future government contracting.

The retirement of commercial aircraft could reduce our revenues, cash flows and profitability.

We sell replacement parts used in the repair and overhaul of jet engine and aircraft components, as well as provide such repair and overhaul services ourselves. As aircraft or engines for which we offer replacement parts or repair and overhaul services are retired, demand for these parts and services could decline and could reduce our revenue, cash flows and profitability.

Risks associated with utilizing information technology systems could adversely affect our operations.

We rely upon our information technology (“IT”) systems to process, transmit and store electronic information to manage and operate our business. Further, in the ordinary course of business we store sensitive data, including intellectual property, on our networks. The secure maintenance and transmission of this information is critical to our business operations.

We may face cyber events and other IT security threats, including malware, ransomware, phishing and other intrusions, to our IT infrastructure, attempts to gain unauthorized access to proprietary, classified or confidential information, and threats to the physical security of our IT systems. As a U.S. government contractor, our risk of cyber events may be greater than the risk faced by other companies that are not government contractors. In addition to security threats, our IT systems may also be subject to network, software or hardware failures. The unavailability of our IT systems, the failure of these systems to perform as anticipated, or any significant breach of data security could cause loss of data, disrupt our operations, require significant management attention and resources, subject us to liability to third parties or regulatory actions or contract termination, and negatively impact our reputation among our customers and the public, which could have a negative impact on our financial and competitive position, results of operations and liquidity. In addition, our business with our customers and vendors could be impacted by cyber events on their IT systems.

To address the risk to our IT systems and data, we maintain an IT security program designed to resist cyber events and to mitigate the damage from successful events. Refer to Part I, Item 1C of this Annual Report for details regarding our data protection and cybersecurity risk management program.

Work stoppages and other labor problems could materially reduce our ability to operate our business.

We currently have three collective bargaining agreements covering employees at our Plymouth, Indiana, Fairfield, Connecticut and West Trenton, New Jersey facilities, representing approximately 7% of our U.S.-based hourly employees as of March 30, 2024. While we believe our relations with our employees are satisfactory, the inability to satisfactorily negotiate and enter into new collective bargaining agreements upon expiration, or a lengthy strike or other work stoppage at any of our facilities, particularly at some of our larger facilities, could materially reduce our ability to operate our business. In addition, any attempt by our employees not currently represented by a union to join a union could result in additional expenses, including with respect to wages, benefits and pension obligations.

In addition, work stoppages at one or more of our customers or suppliers (including suppliers of transportation services), many of which have large unionized workforces, could also cause disruptions to our business that we cannot control, and these disruptions could materially reduce our revenues, cash flows and profitability.

Unexpected equipment failures or catastrophic events could increase our costs and reduce our sales due to production curtailments or shutdowns.

Our manufacturing processes are dependent upon critical pieces of turning, milling, grinding, and electrical equipment, and this equipment could, on occasion, be out of service as a result of unanticipated failures. In addition to equipment failures, our facilities are also subject to the risk of catastrophic loss due to unanticipated events such as fires, explosions, earthquakes or violent weather conditions. In the future, we could experience material plant shutdowns or periods of reduced production as a result of these types of equipment failures or catastrophes. Interruptions in production capabilities would inevitably increase our production costs and reduce revenues, cash flows and profitability for the affected period.

We may not be able to continue to make the acquisitions necessary for us to realize our growth strategy.

The acquisition of businesses that complement or expand our operations is an important element of our business strategy. We frequently engage in evaluations of potential acquisitions and negotiations for possible acquisitions, some of which, if consummated, could be significant to us. We cannot assure you that we will be successful in identifying attractive acquisition candidates or completing acquisitions on favorable terms in the future. Our inability to acquire businesses, or to operate them profitably once acquired, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial position, cash flow and growth.

Our ability to realize anticipated benefits and synergies from our acquisitions could be affected by a number of factors, including: the need for greater than expected cash or other financial resources or management time in order to implement or integrate acquisitions; increases in other expenses related to an acquisition, including restructuring and other exit costs; the timing and impact of purchase accounting adjustments; difficulties in employee or management integration, including labor disruptions or disputes; and unanticipated liabilities associated with acquired businesses.

Any potential cost-saving opportunities may take several quarters following an acquisition to implement, and any results of these actions may not be realized for several quarters thereafter, if at all.

Businesses that we acquire may have liabilities for which we are liable.

In order to complete an acquisition, it may be necessary for us to assume the liabilities of the acquired business. These liabilities may be known at the time of the acquisition, but could be underestimated by us, or they may not be known to us until after the acquisition. In the case of an acquisition in which we do not assume all the liabilities of the acquired business, we typically obtain indemnification from the seller against the unassumed liabilities, although no assurance can be given that such indemnification will be sufficient in amount, scope or duration to fully offset the risk of the unassumed liabilities. Liabilities of acquired businesses that ultimately are borne by us (either because we assume them or our indemnification right proves to be insufficient or unenforceable) could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations. In addition, after we complete an acquisition we may learn of other matters that adversely affect us, such as issues relating to the acquired business's compliance with applicable laws, or issues relating to its supply chain, customer relationships or order demand.

Goodwill and indefinite-lived intangibles comprise a significant portion of our total assets, and if we determine that goodwill and indefinite-lived intangibles have become impaired in the future, our results of operations and financial condition in such years may be materially and adversely affected.

Goodwill represents the excess of cost over the fair market value of net assets acquired in business combinations. Indefinite-lived intangibles represent repair station certifications obtained in business combinations and assumed to have indefinite lives. As of March 30, 2024, we had \$1,874.9 of goodwill and \$24.3 of indefinite-lived intangibles, representing approximately 41% of our total assets. We review goodwill and indefinite-lived intangibles at least annually for impairment and any excess in carrying value over the estimated fair value is charged to the results of operations. Our estimates of fair value are based on assumptions about the future operating cash flows, growth rates, discount rates applied to these cash flows, and current market estimates of value. If we are required to record a charge to earnings because of an impairment of goodwill or indefinite-lived intangibles, our results of operations and financial condition could be materially and adversely affected.

We depend heavily on our senior management and other key personnel, the loss of whom could materially affect our financial performance and prospects.

Our business is managed by a number of key personnel, including our CEO Dr. Michael J. Hartnett. Our future success will depend on, among other things, our ability to retain the services of these personnel and to hire their successors and other highly qualified employees at all levels.

Our international operations are subject to risks inherent in such activities.

We have operations in Australia, England, Canada, France, Germany, India, Mexico, the Peoples Republic of China, Poland and Switzerland. Of our 54 facilities in 11 countries, 19 are located outside the U.S., including 10 manufacturing facilities in four countries.

In fiscal 2024, approximately 12% of our net sales were generated by our international operations. We expect that this proportion is likely to increase as we seek to increase our penetration of foreign markets, including through acquisitions. Our foreign operations are subject to the risks inherent in such activities such as: currency devaluations, logistical and communication challenges, costs of complying with a variety of foreign laws and regulations, greater difficulties in protecting and maintaining our rights to intellectual property, difficulty in staffing and managing geographically diverse operations, acts of terrorism or war or other acts that may cause social disruption which are difficult to quantify or predict, and general economic conditions in these foreign markets. Our international operations may be negatively impacted by changes in government policies, such as changes in laws and regulations, restrictions on imports and exports, sources of supply, duties or tariffs, the introduction of measures to control inflation, and changes in the rate or method of taxation. To date we have not experienced significant difficulties with the foregoing risks associated with our international operations.

Currency translation risks may have a material impact on our results of operations.

The majority of our foreign operations utilize the local currency as their functional currency. Foreign currency transaction gains and losses are included in earnings. Foreign currency transaction exposure arises primarily from the transfer of foreign currency from one subsidiary to another within the group and to foreign currency-denominated trade receivables. Unrealized currency translation gains and losses are recorded on the balance sheet upon translation of the foreign operations' functional currency to the reporting currency. Because our financial statements are denominated in U.S. dollars, changes in currency exchange rates between the U.S. dollar and the currencies used by our international operations have had, and will continue to have, an impact on our earnings. We periodically enter into derivative financial instruments such as forward exchange contracts to reduce the effect of fluctuations in exchange rates on certain third-party sales transactions denominated in non-functional currencies. Currency fluctuations may affect our financial performance in the future and we cannot predict the impact of future exchange rate fluctuations on our results of operations. See Part II, Item 7A. "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk—Foreign Currency Exchange Rates" of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

We may incur material losses for product liability and recall-related claims.

We are subject to a risk of product and recall-related liability in the event that the failure, use or misuse of any of our products results in personal injury, death or property damage or our products do not conform to our customers' specifications. In particular, our products are installed in a number of types of vehicle fleets, including airplanes, helicopters, trains, automobiles, heavy trucks and farm equipment, many of which may be subject to government-ordered recalls as well as voluntary recalls by the manufacturer. If one of our products is found to be defective, causes a fleet to be disabled or otherwise results in a product recall, significant claims may be brought against us. We currently maintain insurance coverage for product liability claims but not for recall-related claims. We cannot assure you that product liability claims, if made, would not exceed our insurance coverage limits. Claims that are not covered by insurance, or that exceed insurance coverage limits, could result in material losses. Claims that are covered by insurance could result in increased future insurance costs.

Our intellectual property and proprietary information are valuable, and any inability to protect them could adversely affect our business and results of operations; in addition, we may be subject to infringement claims by third parties.

Our ability to compete effectively is dependent upon our ability to protect and preserve the intellectual property and proprietary information owned, licensed or otherwise used by us. We have numerous U.S. and foreign trademark registrations and patents. We also have U.S. and foreign trademark and patent applications pending. We cannot assure you that our pending trademark and patent applications will result in trademark registrations and issued patents, and our failure to secure rights under these applications may limit our ability to protect the intellectual property rights that these applications were intended to cover. Although we have attempted to protect our intellectual property and proprietary information both in the United States and in foreign countries through a combination of patent, trademark, copyright and trade secret protection, and non-disclosure agreements, these steps may be insufficient to prevent unauthorized use of our intellectual property and proprietary information, particularly in foreign countries where the protection available for such intellectual property and proprietary information may be limited. We cannot assure you that any of our intellectual property rights will not be infringed upon or that our trade secrets will not be misappropriated or otherwise become known to or independently developed by competitors. We may not have adequate remedies available for any such infringement or other unauthorized use. We cannot assure you that any infringement claims asserted by us will not result in our intellectual property being challenged or invalidated, that our intellectual property will be held to be of adequate scope to protect our business, or that we will be able to deter current and former employees, contractors or other parties from breaching confidentiality obligations and misappropriating trade secrets.

We could become subject to litigation claiming that our intellectual property or proprietary information infringes the rights of a third party. In that event, we could incur substantial defense costs and, if such litigation is successful, we could be required to pay the claimant damages for our past use of such intellectual property or proprietary information, and we could either be required to pay royalties for our use of it in the future or be prohibited from using it in the future. Our inability to use our intellectual property and proprietary information on a cost-effective basis in the future could have a material adverse effect on our revenue, cash flow and profitability. See Part I, Item 1. “Business—Intellectual Property” of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Cancellation of orders in our backlog could negatively impact our revenues, cash flows and profitability.

As of March 30, 2024, we had an order backlog of \$821.5, including all orders from our Sargent marine and Sargent aerospace businesses. However, orders included in our backlog may be subject to cancellation, delay or other modifications by our customers and we cannot assure you that these orders will ultimately be fulfilled.

Quarterly performance can be affected by the timing of government product inspections and approvals.

A portion of our revenue is associated with contracts with the U.S. government that require onsite inspection and approval of the products by government personnel before we may ship the products, and we have no control over the timing of those inspections and approvals. If products scheduled for delivery in one quarter are not inspected or approved until the following quarter, the delay would adversely affect our sales and profitability for the quarter in which the shipments were scheduled.

We incurred substantial debt in order to complete the Dodge acquisition, which could constrain our business and exposes us to the risk of defaults under our debt instruments.

In fiscal 2022, we incurred \$1,800.0 of total debt to finance the Dodge acquisition. As of March 30, 2024, our total debt was \$1,191.9. This debt could or will have important consequences, including, but not limited to:

- this debt requires us to make significant interest and principal payments in the future;
- a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations will be used to repay the principal and interest on our debt, thereby reducing the funds available to us for other purposes including for strategic acquisitions, working capital, capital expenditures, and general corporate purposes;
- our flexibility in planning for and reacting to changes in our business, the competitive landscape and the markets in which we operate may be limited; and
- we may be placed at a competitive disadvantage relative to other companies in our industry with less debt or comparable debt on more favorable terms.

Our ability to make scheduled payments on and to refinance our indebtedness depends on and is subject to our financial and operating performance and no assurance can be given that our business will generate sufficient cash flow to service our debt.

Additionally, our ability to comply with the financial and other covenants contained in our debt instruments could be affected by, among other things, changes in our results of operations, the incurrence of additional indebtedness, the pricing of our products, our success at implementing cost reduction initiatives, our ability to successfully implement our overall business strategy, or changes in industry-specific or general economic conditions which are beyond our control. The breach of any of these covenants could result in a default or event of default under our debt instruments, which, if not cured or waived, could result in our being required to repay these borrowings before their due date. If we are forced to refinance these borrowings on less favorable terms or cannot refinance these borrowings, our prospects, business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows could be materially and adversely affected and could cause us to become bankrupt or otherwise insolvent. In addition, these covenants may restrict our ability to engage in transactions that we believe would otherwise be in the best interests of our business and stockholders.

Increases in interest rates would increase the cost of servicing our term loan and could reduce our profitability.

As of March 30, 2024, \$400.0 of our term loan was subject to a fixed-rate interest swap but the remaining \$275.0 balance of the term loan bears interest at a variable rate. Future increases in interest rates would increase the cost of servicing the portion of the term loan not subject to a swap, which could materially reduce our profitability and cash flows.

Risk Factors Related to our Capital Stock

Provisions in our charter documents may prevent or hinder efforts to acquire a controlling interest in us.

Provisions of our certificate of incorporation and bylaws may discourage, delay or prevent a merger, acquisition or other change in control that stockholders may consider favorable, including transactions that might benefit our stockholders or in which our stockholders might otherwise receive a premium for their shares. These provisions may also prevent or frustrate attempts by our stockholders to replace or remove our management.

Pursuant to our charter documents, our Board of Directors (the “Board”) consists of eight members serving staggered three-year terms and divided into three classes. As a result, two annual meetings are required to change a majority of the Board members.

Our certificate of incorporation authorizes the issuance of 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock, with such designations, rights and preferences as may be determined from time to time by the Board, without stockholder approval. We utilized this authorization to issue 4,600,000 shares of 5.00% Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock (“MCPS”) in fiscal 2022. Certain terms of the MCPS could make an attempt to acquire RBC more difficult or expensive. In the future the Board could authorize the issuance of some or all of the 5,400,000 remaining authorized shares of preferred stock with rights, preferences and privileges that rank equally with the MCPS, or that could have the effect of discouraging, delaying or preventing a change in control of us, or that could impede our stockholders’ ability to approve a transaction they consider in their best interests. Although we have no present intention to issue any additional preferred stock, no assurance can be given that we will not do so in the future. Holders of our common stock do not have preemptive rights to subscribe for a pro rata portion of preferred stock or any other capital stock that we may issue in the future.

We do not expect to pay cash dividends on our common stock in the foreseeable future and our ability to pay dividends on the MCPS is subject to various limitations.

Except for a \$2.00 per common share special dividend paid in 2014, we have not paid any cash dividends on our common stock and we do not expect to pay cash dividends on the common stock in the foreseeable future. Instead, we plan to apply earnings and excess cash, if any, to the service of our debt, the payment of quarterly dividends on the MCPS, and the expansion and development of our business. Thus, any return on an investment in our common stock would depend solely on an increase, if any, in the market value of the common stock.

Our ability to pay dividends on the MCPS depends on several factors including:

- The amount of cash we have on hand and cash generated by our business;
- Our anticipated financing needs, including our debt service obligations;
- The ability of our subsidiaries to distribute cash to our parent company, which issued the MCPS;
- Regulatory restrictions on our ability to pay dividends, including those under the Delaware General Corporation Law; and
- Contractual restrictions on our ability to pay dividends, including under our bank credit agreement with Wells Fargo.

ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

None

ITEM 1C. CYBERSECURITY

Cybersecurity Risk Management and Governance

In response to the increasing threat of continuously evolving cybersecurity risks, we continue to invest in our information technology and operational technology cybersecurity processes. We maintain a data protection and cybersecurity risk management program based upon the National Institute of Standards and Technology (“NIST”) Cybersecurity framework to assess, identify and manage cybersecurity risks. As part of this program, we maintain defensive network perimeter safeguards, internal mitigation and control features, continuous system and network monitoring, and contingency data protection. The Company ensures regular data and system backups through planned schedules. We utilize local backups for quick recovery and off-site, off-line and physical backups to safeguard against disasters. Our cybersecurity program includes steps for assessing the severity of a cybersecurity threat, identifying the source of a cybersecurity threat including whether the cybersecurity threat is associated with a third-party service provider, implementing cybersecurity testing, detection, response, prevention and mitigation strategies. We also have a notification process for real-time escalation of material cyber incidents by members of our internal cybersecurity team to senior management, including our Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Corporate Controller, General Counsel and the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors. The Company’s information security team also engages third-party security consultants for penetration testing, training and system enhancements. Our Director of Information Technology is responsible for leading global cybersecurity risk reduction efforts and compliance.

The Audit Committee is responsible for oversight of our risk management with respect to information technology operations and cybersecurity and oversees risk management in the area of data privacy. As part of this process, the Audit Committee oversees the data protection and cybersecurity risk management program, which includes reviewing management’s risk assessments and the steps management has taken to monitor or mitigate our cybersecurity risk exposure. Management regularly provides data protection and cybersecurity reports to the Audit Committee, which include updates on cybersecurity initiatives, cybersecurity metrics and threat landscape.

Despite our efforts with respect to information technology operations, cybersecurity and data privacy, we have been, and may continue to be, impacted by breaches in data security and lapses in data privacy, which occur from time to time. During fiscal year 2024, the Company did not experience any cybersecurity incidents that have materially affected or are reasonably likely to materially affect the Company, including its business strategy, results of operations or financial condition.

ITEM 2. PROPERTIES

Our principal executive office consists of approximately 70,000 square feet located at One Tribology Center, Oxford, Connecticut, which we own, and our Dodge Industrial subsidiary has approximately 75,000 square feet of office space in Simpsonville, South Carolina, which we lease.

Our Industrial business segment maintains approximately 1,725,000 square feet of manufacturing space across 14 facilities in California, Connecticut, Indiana, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina and Tennessee, some of which we own and some of which we lease. This manufacturing space includes approximately 460,000 square feet in two owned facilities in North Carolina and South Carolina, and approximately 650,000 square feet in three leased facilities in North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee, all of which are used by Dodge Industrial. The Industrial business segment also maintains approximately 467,000 square feet of manufacturing space across six leased facilities in China, Mexico, and Switzerland and two owned facilities in Poland and Switzerland.

Our Aerospace/Defense business segment maintain approximately 889,000 square feet of manufacturing space across 14 facilities in Arizona, California, Connecticut, Georgia, Indiana, South Carolina and Nevada, some of which we own and some of which we lease. This manufacturing space includes 163,000 square feet in one owned facility in Arizona. The Aerospace/Defense business segment also maintains approximately 108,000 square feet of manufacturing space across two leased facilities in Mexico.

We own or lease approximately 239,000 square feet in three distribution centers located in California, South Carolina, and Tennessee, and we also lease several sales offices in various locations in the United States, Canada, France, China, Germany India and Australia. We also utilize third party logistics' firms located strategically around the world to supplement distribution of our products.

We believe that as the term of each of our leased facilities expires we will be able to either secure a renewal or enter into a lease for an alternate location on market terms.

We believe that our existing facilities and equipment are generally in good condition, are well maintained and adequate to carry on our current operations. We also believe that our existing manufacturing facilities have sufficient capacity to meet increased customer demand.

ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

On March 9, 2022 and March 21, 2023, the Company received civil investigative demands from the United States Department of Justice pursuant to the False Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. § 3733 (the "FCA"). The investigation concerns allegations that the Company submitted false claims in connection with (i) certifying that the Company's employees were eligible for unemployment insurance benefits and pandemic relief and worked reduced hours and (ii) received grant proceeds in violation of the FCA. The Company is cooperating with the investigation. As the investigation is in its early stages, it is not possible to determine whether the investigation will have a material adverse effect, if any, on the Company.

Besides the matter described in the previous paragraph, from time to time we are involved in litigation that arises in the ordinary course of business, but we do not believe that any such litigation in which we are currently involved, either individually or in the aggregate, is likely to have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, operating results, cash flow or prospects.

ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

PART II

ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

Price Range of Our Common Stock and Preferred Stock

Our common stock is quoted on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "RBC." As of May 10, 2024, there was one holder of record of our common stock.

The following table shows the high and low sales prices of our common stock during the periods indicated:

	Fiscal 2024		Fiscal 2023	
	High	Low	High	Low
First Quarter	\$ 236.95	\$ 195.18	\$ 202.73	\$ 152.90
Second Quarter	253.00	203.65	264.94	179.21
Third Quarter	288.16	214.14	256.29	202.13
Fourth Quarter	285.79	240.36	254.50	204.67

The last reported sale price of our common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on May 10, 2024 was \$271.56 per share.

The MCPS (*i.e.*, our outstanding preferred stock) is quoted on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "RBCP." As of May 10, 2024, there was one holder of record of the MCPS.

The following table shows the high and low sales prices of the MCPS during the periods indicated:

	Fiscal 2024		Fiscal 2023	
	High	Low	High	Low
First Quarter	\$ 112.53	\$ 98.75	\$ 102.93	\$ 81.01
Second Quarter	118.68	101.97	127.19	92.95
Third Quarter	131.99	103.29	123.15	101.39
Fourth Quarter	129.12	116.30	121.21	101.57

The last reported sale price of the MCPS on the New York Stock Exchange on May 10, 2024 was \$122.34 per share.

Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

In 2019, our Board of Directors authorized us to repurchase up to \$100.0 of our common stock from time to time on the open market, in block trade transactions, and through privately negotiated transactions, in compliance with SEC Rule 10b-18 depending on market conditions, alternative uses of capital, and other relevant factors. Purchases may be commenced, suspended, or discontinued at any time without prior notice.

Total share repurchases under the 2019 plan during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2024 are as follows:

Period	Total number of shares purchased	Average price paid per share	Number of shares purchased as part of the publicly announced program	Approximate dollar value of shares still available to be purchased under the program (in millions)
12/31/2023 – 01/27/2024	16	\$ 278.77	16	\$ 63.7
01/28/2024 – 02/24/2024	12,565	268.22	12,565	60.3
02/25/2024 – 03/30/2024	7	264.87	7	\$ 60.3
Total	<u>12,588</u>	<u>\$ 268.23</u>	<u>12,588</u>	

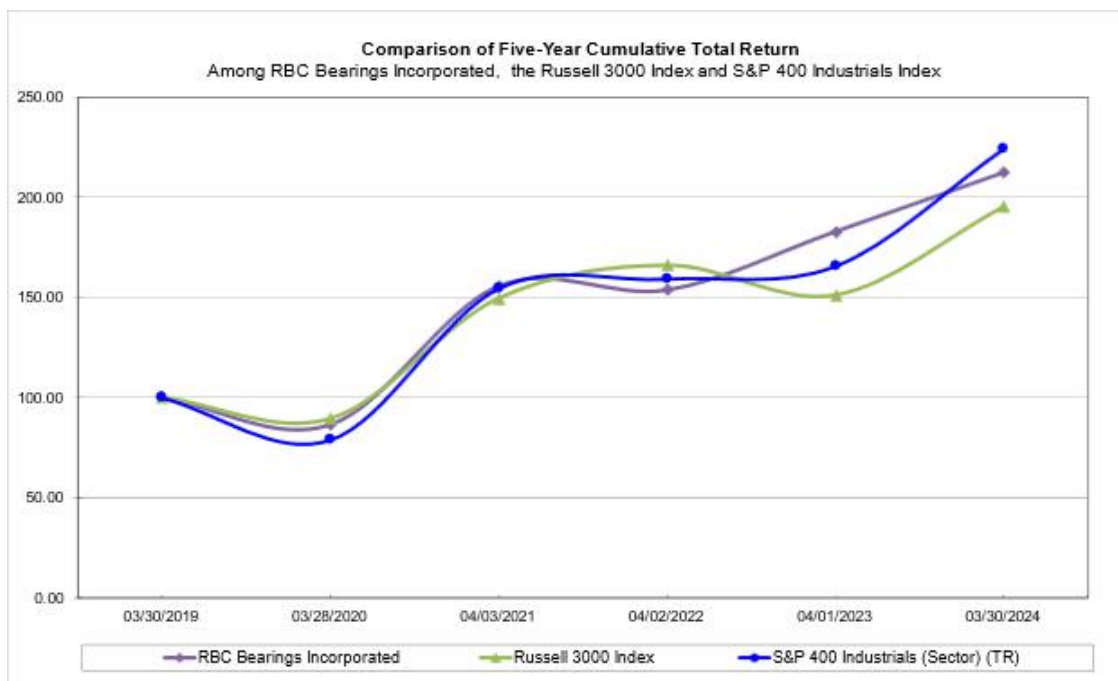
During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2024, we did not issue any common stock that was not registered under the Securities Act of 1933.

Equity Compensation Plans

Information regarding equity compensation plans required to be disclosed pursuant to this Item is included in Part II, Item 8, Note 17 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Performance Graph

The following graph shows the total return to our stockholders compared to the Russell 3000 Index and the S&P 400 Industrials (Sector) (TR) over the period from March 30, 2019 to March 30, 2024. Because of the diversity of our markets and products, we do not believe that a combination of peer issuers can be selected on an industry or line-of-business basis to provide a meaningful basis for comparing shareholder return. Accordingly, the Russell 3000 Index, which is comprised of issuers with generally similar market capitalizations to that of the Company, is included in the graph as permitted by applicable regulations. Each line on the graph assumes that \$100 was invested in our common stock or in the respective indices on March 30, 2019 based on the closing price on that date. The graph then presents the value of these investments, assuming reinvestment of dividends, through the close of trading on March 30, 2024.



	March 30, 2019	March 28, 2020	April 3, 2021	April 2, 2022	April 1, 2023	March 30, 2024
RBC Bearings Incorporated	\$ 100.00	\$ 86.50	\$ 155.81	\$ 153.77	\$ 182.98	\$ 212.54
Russell 3000 Index	100.00	89.43	149.58	166.03	151.13	195.39
S&P 400 Industrials (Sector) (TR)	100.00	78.98	154.57	159.24	165.64	224.20

The cumulative total return shown on the stock performance graph indicates historical results only and may not be indicative of future results.

ITEM 6. [RESERVED]

Not applicable.

ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The financial and business analysis below provides information that we believe is relevant to an assessment and understanding of our consolidated financial position, results of operations and cash flows. This financial and business analysis should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes. All references to "Notes" in this Item 7 refer to the "Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements" included in Item 8 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

The following discussion contains statements reflecting our views about our future performance that constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. See the information provided in Part I, Item 1A. "Risk Factors" of this Annual Report on Form 10-K under the heading "Cautionary Statement as to Forward-Looking Information."

General

We are a well-known international manufacturer of highly engineered precision bearings, components and essential systems for the industrial, defense and aerospace industries. Our precision solutions are integral to the manufacture and operation of most machines and mechanical systems, reduce wear to moving parts, facilitate proper power transmission, and reduce damage and energy loss caused by friction. While we manufacture products in all major bearing categories, we focus primarily on the higher end of the bearing market where we believe our value-added manufacturing and engineering capabilities enable us to differentiate ourselves from our competitors and enhance profitability. We believe our unique expertise has enabled us to garner leading positions in many of the product markets in which we primarily compete. With 54 facilities in 11 countries, of which 38 are manufacturing facilities, we have been able to significantly broaden our end markets, products, customer base and geographic reach. We have a fiscal year consisting of 52 or 53 weeks, ending on the Saturday closest to March 31. Based on this policy, fiscal 2024 had 52 weeks and fiscal 2023 had 52 weeks. We currently operate under two reportable business segments – Aerospace/Defense and Industrial:

- **Aerospace/Defense.** This segment represents the end markets for the Company’s highly engineered bearings and precision components used in commercial aerospace, defense aerospace, and marine and ground defense applications.
- **Industrial.** This segment represents the end markets for the Company’s highly engineered bearings, gears and precision components used in various industrial applications including: power transmission; construction, mining, energy and specialized equipment manufacturing; semiconductor production equipment manufacturing; agricultural machinery, commercial truck and automotive manufacturing; and tool holding.

The markets for our products are cyclical, and we have endeavored to mitigate this cyclicity by entering into single and sole-source relationships and long-term purchase agreements, through diversification across multiple market segments within the Aerospace/Defense and Industrial segments, by increasing sales to the aftermarket, and by focusing on developing highly customized solutions.

Currently, our strategy is built around maintaining our role as a leading manufacturer of highly engineered bearings and precision components through the following efforts:

- **Developing innovative solutions.** By leveraging our design and manufacturing expertise and our extensive customer relationships, we continue to develop new products for markets in which there are substantial growth opportunities.
- **Expanding customer base and penetrating end markets.** We continually seek opportunities to access new customers, geographic locations and bearing platforms with existing products or profitable new product opportunities.
- **Increasing aftermarket sales.** We believe that increasing our aftermarket sales of replacement parts will further enhance the continuity and predictability of our revenues and enhance our profitability. Such sales include sales to third party distributors, and sales to OEMs for replacement products and aftermarket services. We will further increase the percentage of our revenues derived from the replacement market by continuing to implement several initiatives.
- **Pursuing selective acquisitions.** The acquisition of businesses that complement or expand our operations has been and continues to be an important element of our business strategy. We believe that there will continue to be consolidation within the industry that may present us with acquisition opportunities.

We have demonstrated expertise in acquiring and integrating bearing and precision engineered component manufacturers that have complementary products or distribution channels and have provided significant margin enhancement. We have consistently increased the profitability of acquired businesses through a process of methods and systems improvement coupled with the introduction of complementary and proprietary new products. Since 1992 we have completed 29 acquisitions, which have broadened our end markets, products, customer base and geographic reach.

Outlook

Our net sales increased 6.2% year over year due to an increase of 20.7% in Aerospace and Defense segment sales and a 0.2% increase in Industrial segment sales.

Aerospace and Defense segment sales increased 20.7% year over year. Commercial aerospace increased 20.3%, demonstrating the continued recovery and early stages of a growth cycle. Defense sales, which represent approximately 31.9% of segment sales during the year, were up more than 21.6% for the year. Our backlog in this end market is significant and deliveries are expected to continue to accelerate in the coming years.

For the fiscal year ended March 30, 2024, approximately 66.7% of our net sales were attributable to the Industrial segment while the Aerospace/Defense segment contributed approximately 33.3% of our net sales. For the fourth quarter of fiscal 2024, approximately 65.6% of our net sales were attributable to the Industrial segment compared to approximately 34.4% for the Aerospace/Defense segment. Approximately \$186.8 of Industrial segment sales in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2024 were to distribution and aftermarket compared to \$185.7 in the prior year while approximately \$84.5 were made directly to OEMs in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2024 compared to \$86.9 in the prior year. Net sales in the Aerospace/Defense segment increased \$20.6, or 16.8%, for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2024 compared to the same period last fiscal year. Commercial aerospace, which consisted of \$78.2 of OEM and \$19.7 of distribution and aftermarket, increased by 12.0% compared to the fourth quarter of fiscal 2023 when OEM net sales were \$68.8 and distribution and aftermarket net sales were \$18.5. This was driven by a continuing recovery as build rates and orders escalate in the OEM markets and the aftermarket begins to pick up. Our defense markets, which consisted of \$34.2 of OEM and \$10.3 of distribution and aftermarket, increased by 29.0% compared to the fourth quarter of fiscal 2023 when OEM net sales were \$28.2 and distribution and aftermarket net sales were \$6.3.

The Company forecasts net sales to be approximately \$415.0 to \$420.0 in the first quarter of fiscal 2025, compared to \$387.1 in the first quarter of fiscal 2024, which represents a growth rate of 7.2% to 8.5%.

Our order backlog, as of March 30, 2024, was \$726.1 compared to \$663.8 as of April 1, 2023. These figures exclude orders from our Sargent marine and Sargent aerospace businesses that are expected to be fulfilled more than 12 months after the balance sheet dates. Including all orders from our Sargent marine and Sargent aerospace businesses, our backlog as of March 30, 2024 was \$821.5 compared to \$759.4 as of April 1, 2023. This increase reflects continued growth, most notably in our commercial aerospace and marine defense end markets. Beginning in fiscal year 2025, we will disclose our full backlog for periods presented.

We experienced solid operating cash flow generation during fiscal 2024 (as discussed in the “Liquidity and Capital Resources” section below). We believe that operating cash flows and available credit under our revolving bank credit facilities will provide adequate resources to fund internal growth initiatives for the foreseeable future, including at least the next 12 months. As of March 30, 2024, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$63.5, of which, \$25.9 was cash held by our foreign operations.

Sources of Revenue

A contract with a customer exists when there is commitment and approval from both parties involved, the rights of the parties are identified, payment terms are defined, the contract has commercial substance and collectability of consideration is probable. The Company has determined that the contract with the customer is established when the customer purchase order is accepted or acknowledged. Long-term agreements (“LTAs”) are used by the Company and certain of its customers to reduce their supply uncertainty for a period of time, typically multiple years. While these LTAs define commercial terms including pricing, termination rights and other contractual requirements, they do not represent the contract with the customer for revenue recognition purposes.

Approximately 98% of the Company’s revenue was generated from the sale of products to customers in the Industrial and Aerospace/Defense markets for each of the years ended March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023. The remaining 2% of the Company’s revenue for each of the last two fiscal years was derived from services performed for customers, which included repair and refurbishment work performed on customer-controlled assets as well as design and test work.

Refer to Note 2 for further discussion regarding the Company’s revenue policy.

Cost of Sales

Cost of sales includes employee compensation and benefits, raw materials, outside processing, depreciation of manufacturing machinery and equipment, supplies and manufacturing overhead.

Less than half of our factory costs, depending on product mix, are attributable to raw materials, purchased components and outside processing. When we experience raw material inflation, we attempt to offset these cost increases by changing our buying patterns, expanding our vendor network and passing through price increases when possible. Although we experienced cost inflation on raw material, labor and overhead for this fiscal year, we were able to mitigate it through pricing and strategic sourcing efforts.

We monitor gross margin performance through a process of monthly operation reviews with all our divisions. We develop new products to target certain markets allied to our strategies by first understanding volume levels and product pricing and then constructing manufacturing strategies to achieve defined margin objectives. We only pursue product lines where we believe that the developed manufacturing process will yield the targeted margins. Management monitors gross margins of all product lines on a monthly basis to determine which manufacturing processes or prices should be adjusted.

Fiscal 2024 Compared to Fiscal 2023

Results of Operations

(amounts in millions, except share and per share data)

	<u>FY24</u>	<u>FY23</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Net sales	\$ 1,560.3	\$ 1,469.3	\$ 91.0	6.2%
Net income attributable to common stockholders	\$ 186.9	\$ 143.8	\$ 43.1	30.1%
Net income per common share attributable to common stockholders: Diluted	\$ 6.41	\$ 4.94		
Weighted average common shares attributable to common stockholders: Diluted	29,189,056	29,072,429		

Net sales for the fiscal year ended March 30, 2024 increased \$91.0, or 6.2%, for fiscal 2024 compared to fiscal 2023. This increase in net sales was the result of an 0.2% increase in our Industrial segment, while sales in our Aerospace/Defense segment increased 20.7% year over year. Industrial segment sales remain very strong, most notably, in the mining, energy, and general industrial markets. Within Aerospace/Defense, total commercial aerospace increased 20.3% and defense increased 21.6% year over year. The commercial aerospace increase reflects the continued recovery in the market over the last year, and what we believe is the start of a growth cycle as aircraft build rates at large OEMs are expected to escalate in coming years.

Net income attributable to common stockholders increased by \$43.1 to \$186.9 for fiscal 2024 compared to fiscal 2023. The net income attributable to common stockholders of \$186.9 in fiscal 2024 was impacted by \$3.0 of restructuring and consolidation charges incurred, \$78.7 of interest expense, \$23.0 of preferred stock dividends and \$51.9 of income tax expense. The net income attributable to common stockholders of \$143.8 in fiscal 2023 was impacted by \$8.8 of transition service agreement (TSA) costs associated with the Dodge acquisition, \$2.7 of restructuring and consolidation charges incurred at some of our plants located in South Carolina, \$76.7 of interest expense, \$22.9 of preferred stock dividends and \$43.0 of income tax expense.

Gross Margin

	<u>FY24</u>	<u>FY23</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Gross Margin	\$ 670.5	\$ 604.8	\$ 65.7	10.9%
Gross Margin %	43.0%	41.2%		

Gross margin was 43.0% of sales for fiscal 2024 compared to 41.2% for the same period last year. Gross margin during fiscal 2024 included \$0.3 of inventory rationalization costs associated with consolidation efforts at one of our facilities located in California. Gross margin in fiscal 2023 included \$0.2 of inventory rationalization costs associated with consolidation efforts at one of our facilities located in South Carolina. The expansion in margin during fiscal 2024 reflects the combination of continued cost efficiencies achieved through integration, product mix, pricing and the ability to maintain appropriate pricing levels while facing an inflationary environment both as it relates to manufacturing costs and human capital.

Selling, General and Administrative

	<u>FY24</u>	<u>FY23</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
SG&A	\$ 253.5	\$ 229.7	\$ 23.8	10.4%
% of net sales	16.2%	15.6%		

SG&A expenses increased by \$23.8 to \$253.5 for fiscal 2024 compared to fiscal 2023. The increase in SG&A was primarily driven by personnel costs, IT costs and other professional fees.

Other, Net

	<u>FY24</u>	<u>FY23</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Other, net	\$ 74.8	\$ 82.1	\$ (7.3)	(8.9)%
% of net sales	4.8%	5.6%		

Other operating expenses for fiscal 2024 totaled \$74.8 compared to \$82.1 for fiscal 2023. For fiscal 2024, other operating costs consisted primarily of \$70.4 of amortization expense, \$2.7 of plant consolidation and restructuring costs, \$0.2 of bad debt expense, \$0.3 of acquisition costs, \$0.6 of losses on disposal of assets, and \$0.6 of other items. For fiscal 2023, other operating expenses were comprised of \$8.9 of TSA costs and other costs associated with the Dodge acquisition, \$69.1 of amortization expense, \$2.5 of plant consolidation and restructuring costs, \$0.8 of bad debt expense, \$0.3 of asset impairments, \$0.3 of losses on disposal of assets, and \$0.2 of other items.

Interest Expense, Net

	<u>FY24</u>	<u>FY23</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Interest expense	\$ 78.7	\$ 76.7	\$ 2.0	2.6%
% of net sales	5.0%	5.2%		

Interest expense, net, consists of interest charged on the Company's debt agreements and amortization of deferred financing fees, offset by interest income. Interest expense, net was \$78.7 for fiscal 2024 compared to \$76.7 for fiscal 2023 as a result of additional interest on our variable rate debt. Though interest rates have steadily increased since the beginning of fiscal 2023, the interest rate swap that we entered into that year (see "Liquidity and Capital Resources" below) has enabled us to manage interest costs as approximately 75% of our debt bears interest at a fixed rate, after giving effect to the interest rate swap agreement in place.

Other Non-Operating Expense

	<u>FY24</u>	<u>FY23</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Other non-operating expense	\$ 1.7	\$ 6.6	\$ (4.9)	(74.0)%
% of net sales	0.1%	0.4%		

Other non-operating expense for fiscal 2024 totaled \$1.7, consisting primarily of post-retirement benefit costs. Non-operating costs incurred during fiscal 2023 were \$6.6, consisting primarily of costs associated with post-retirement benefit plans led by a \$4.3 settlement loss related to the derecognition of \$15.6 of pension liabilities and \$15.6 of pension assets resulting from an annuity contract executed in March 2023.

Income Taxes

	<u>FY24</u>	<u>FY23</u>
Income tax expense	\$ 51.9	\$ 43.0
Effective tax rate with discrete items	19.8%	20.5%
Effective tax rate without discrete items	22.9%	22.9%

Income tax expense for fiscal 2024 was \$51.9 compared to \$43.0 for fiscal 2023. Our effective income tax rate for fiscal 2024 was 19.8% compared to 20.5% for fiscal 2023. The effective income tax rates are different from the U.S. statutory rate due to the U.S. credits for increasing research activities and foreign-derived intangible income provision which decrease the rate and differences in foreign and state income taxes which increase the rate. The effective income tax rate for fiscal 2024 of 19.8% included discrete items totaling a benefit of \$8.2 which is substantially related to a benefit associated with stock-based compensation, a reduction in unrecognized tax benefits due to the expiration of the statute of limitations, and the accrual of deferred tax assets related to state tax modifications. The effective income tax rate for fiscal 2024 without these discrete items would have been 22.9%. The effective income tax rate for fiscal 2023 of 20.5% included discrete items of \$5.1 of benefit comprised substantially of a benefit associated with stock-based compensation and a reduction in unrecognized tax benefits partially due to the expiration of the statute of limitations. The effective income tax rate for fiscal 2023 without these discrete items would have been 22.9%.

Global Minimum Tax

In October 2021, the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development ("OECD") announced an Inclusive Framework on Base Erosion and Profit Shifting including Pillar Two Model Rules defining the global minimum tax, which calls for the taxation of large multinational corporations at a minimum rate of 15%. Subsequently multiple sets of administrative guidance have been issued. Many non-US tax jurisdictions have either recently enacted legislation to adopt certain components of the Pillar Two Model Rules beginning in 2024 with the adoption of additional components in later years or announced their plans to enact legislation in future years. We are continuing to evaluate the impacts of enacted legislation and pending legislation to enact Pillar Two Model Rules in the non-US tax jurisdictions in which we operate.

Segment Information

We report our financial results under two operating segments: Aerospace/Defense and Industrial. We use gross margin as the primary measurement to assess the financial performance of each reportable segment.

Aerospace/Defense Segment:

	<u>FY24</u>	<u>FY23</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Net sales	\$ 519.4	\$ 430.3	\$ 89.1	20.7%
Gross margin	\$ 208.8	\$ 171.0	\$ 37.8	22.2%
Gross margin %	40.2%	39.7%		
SG&A	\$ 37.8	\$ 31.1	\$ 6.7	21.7%
% of segment net sales	7.3%	7.2%		

Net sales increased \$89.1, or 20.7%, for fiscal 2024 compared to fiscal 2023. Commercial aerospace, which consisted of \$278.5 of OEM and \$75.3 of distribution and aftermarket, increased by 20.3% compared to fiscal 2023 when OEM net sales were \$234.4 and distribution and aftermarket net sales were \$59.7. This was driven by a continuing recovery as build rates and orders escalated in the OEM markets and the aftermarket began to pick up. Our defense markets, which consisted of \$135.3 of OEM and \$30.3 of distribution and aftermarket, increased by 21.6% compared to fiscal 2023 when OEM net sales were \$110.3 and distribution and aftermarket net sales were \$25.9.

During the year, we saw improvement in the sales and order volume to our commercial aerospace customers as aircraft build rates continued to grow. Our backlog and recent results reflect the early stages of this process which we expect to continue to see in upcoming quarters. Our defense markets, which represented about 31.9% of sales, increased by approximately 21.6% during the period, driven by increased sales and order volume in the marine and helicopter end markets. Overall distribution and aftermarket sales, which represent 20.3% of segment sales, were up 23.4% year over year.

Gross margin was \$208.8, or 40.2% of net sales, in fiscal 2024 compared to \$171.0, or 39.7% of sales, for the same period in fiscal 2023. We anticipate margin expansion in the next year as the increasing orders on commercial products add volume through our plants driving cost efficiencies.

Industrial Segment:

	<u>FY24</u>	<u>FY23</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Net sales	\$ 1,040.9	\$ 1,039.0	\$ 1.9	0.2%
Gross margin	\$ 461.7	\$ 433.8	\$ 27.9	6.4%
Gross margin %	44.4%	41.8%		
SG&A	\$ 132.8	\$ 122.5	\$ 10.3	8.4%
% of segment net sales	12.8%	11.8%		

Net sales increased \$1.9, or 0.2%, during fiscal 2024 compared to the same period last year. The continued strong performance was driven by the energy, mining, and general industrial markets. Sales to distribution and the aftermarket were \$707.6 in fiscal 2024 compared to \$691.7 in the prior year, a 2.3% year over year increase. OEM sales were \$333.3 for fiscal 2024 compared to \$347.3 in the prior year. The 4.0% decrease in OEM sales compared to the prior year was primarily due to some softness in the semicon end market.

Gross margin was \$461.7, or 44.4% of net sales, in fiscal 2024 compared to \$433.8, or 41.8% of sales, for the same period in fiscal 2023. The gross margin for the fiscal 2023 included the unfavorable impact of \$0.2 associated with inventory rationalization costs at one of our plants in South Carolina. The expansion in margin year over year was led by cost efficiencies achieved through synergy, product mix, and maintenance of appropriate pricing levels to offset the inflationary environment primarily driven by the cost of materials, energy and human capital.

Corporate:

	<u>FY24</u>	<u>FY23</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
SG&A	\$ 82.9	\$ 76.1	\$ 6.8	9.0%
% of total net sales	5.3%	5.2%		

Corporate SG&A increased \$6.8 or 9.0% for fiscal 2024 compared to fiscal 2023 due to increased spend in IT and personnel-related costs. As a percentage of net sales, Corporate SG&A was relatively flat year over year.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our business is capital-intensive. Our capital requirements include manufacturing equipment and materials. In addition, we have historically fueled our growth, in part, through acquisitions. We have historically met our working capital, capital expenditure requirements and acquisition funding needs through our net cash flows provided by operations, various debt arrangements and sale of equity to investors. We believe that operating cash flows and available credit under our revolving bank credit facilities will provide adequate resources to fund internal growth initiatives for the foreseeable future.

Our ability to meet future working capital, capital expenditures and debt service requirements will depend on our future financial performance, which will be affected by a range of economic, competitive and business factors, particularly interest rates, cyclical changes in our end markets and prices for steel and our ability to pass through price increases on a timely basis, many of which are outside of our control. In addition, future acquisitions could have a significant impact on our liquidity position and our need for additional funds.

From time to time, we evaluate our existing facilities and operations and their strategic importance to us. If we determine that a given facility or operation does not have future strategic importance, we may sell, relocate, consolidate or otherwise dispose of those operations. Although we believe our operations would not be materially impaired by such dispositions, relocations or consolidations, we could incur significant cash or non-cash charges in connection with them.

Liquidity

As of March 30, 2024, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$63.5, of which, approximately \$25.9 was cash held by our foreign operations. We expect that our undistributed foreign earnings will be re-invested indefinitely for working capital, internal growth and acquisitions for and by our foreign subsidiaries. As discussed in further detail below, we also have the ability to borrow money from our existing credit facilities.

Domestic Credit Facility

In fiscal 2022, RBC Bearings Incorporated, our top holding company, and our Roller Bearing Company of America, Inc. subsidiary (“RBCA”) entered into a Credit Agreement (the “Credit Agreement”) with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (“Wells Fargo”), as Administrative Agent, Collateral Agent, Swingline Lender and Letter of Credit Issuer and the other lenders party thereto. The Credit Agreement provides the Company with (a) a \$1,300.0 term loan (the “Term Loan”), which was used to fund a portion of the cash purchase price for the acquisition of Dodge Industrial, Inc. (“Dodge”) and to pay related fees and expenses, and (b) a \$500.0 revolving credit facility (the “Revolving Credit Facility” and together with the Term Loan, the “Facilities”). Debt issuance costs associated with the Credit Agreement totaled \$14.9 and are being amortized over the life of the Credit Agreement.

Initially, amounts outstanding under the Facilities generally bore interest at either, at the Company’s option, (a) a base rate determined by reference to the higher of (i) Wells Fargo’s prime lending rate, (ii) the federal funds effective rate plus 1/2 of 1.00% and (iii) the one-month LIBOR rate plus 1.00% or (b) the LIBOR rate plus a specified margin, depending on the type of borrowing being made. The applicable margin was based on the Company’s consolidated ratio of total net debt to consolidated EBITDA (as defined within the Credit Agreement) from time to time. In December 2022, the Credit Agreement was amended to replace LIBOR with the secured overnight financing rate administered by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (“SOFR”) so that borrowings under the Facilities denominated in U.S. dollars bear interest at a rate per annum equal to Term SOFR (as defined in the Credit Agreement) plus a credit spread adjustment of 0.10% plus a margin ranging from 0.75% to 2.00% depending on the Company’s consolidated ratio of total net debt to consolidated EBITDA. The Facilities are subject to a SOFR floor of 0.00%. As of March 30, 2024, the Company’s margin was 1.25% for SOFR loans, the commitment fee rate was 0.20%, and the letter of credit fee rate was 1.25%. A portion of the Term Loan is subject to a fixed-rate interest swap as discussed in Note 13.

The Term Loan matures in November 2026 and amortizes in quarterly installments with the balance payable on the maturity date. The Company can elect to prepay some or all of the outstanding balance from time to time without penalty, which will offset future quarterly amortization installments. Due to prepayments previously made, the required future principal payments on the Term Loan are \$0 for fiscal 2025, \$0 for fiscal 2026, and \$675.0 for fiscal 2027. The Revolving Credit Facility expires in November 2026, at which time all amounts outstanding under the Revolving Credit Facility will be payable.

The Credit Agreement requires the Company to comply with various covenants, including the following financial covenants: (a) a maximum Total Net Leverage Ratio (as defined within the Credit Agreement) of 5.00:1.00, which maximum Total Net Leverage Ratio shall decrease during certain subsequent test periods as set forth in the Credit Agreement (provided that, no more than once during the term of the Facilities, such maximum ratio applicable at such time may be increased by the Company by 0.50:1.00 for a period of twelve (12) months after the consummation of a material acquisition); and (b) a minimum Interest Coverage Ratio of 2.00:1.00. As of March 30, 2024 the Company was in compliance with all debt covenants.

The Credit Agreement allows the Company to, among other things, make distributions to stockholders, repurchase its stock, incur other debt or liens, or acquire or dispose of assets provided that the Company complies with certain requirements and limitations of the Credit Agreement.

The Company's domestic subsidiaries have guaranteed the Company's obligations under the Credit Agreement, and the Company's obligations and the domestic subsidiaries' guaranty are secured by a pledge of substantially all of the assets of the Company and its domestic subsidiaries.

As of March 30, 2024, \$675.0 was outstanding under the Term Loan, \$3.7 of the Revolving Credit Facility was being utilized to provide letters of credit to secure the Company's obligations relating to certain insurance programs, and \$18.0 of the Revolving Credit Facility had been used to fund the purchase of the business assets of Specline, Inc. which is discussed in Note 9. The Company had the ability to borrow up to an additional \$478.3 under the Revolving Credit Facility as of March 30, 2024.

Senior Notes

In fiscal 2022, RBCA issued \$500.0 aggregate principal amount of 4.375% Senior Notes due 2029 (the "Senior Notes"). The net proceeds from the issuance of the Senior Notes were approximately \$492.0, after deducting initial purchasers' discounts and commissions and offering expenses, and were used to fund a portion of the purchase price for the acquisition of Dodge.

The Senior Notes were issued pursuant to an indenture with Wilmington Trust, National Association, as trustee (the "Indenture"). The Indenture contains covenants limiting the ability of the Company to (i) incur additional indebtedness or guarantee indebtedness, (ii) declare or pay dividends, redeem stock or make other distributions to stockholders, (iii) make investments, (iv) create liens or use assets as security in other transactions, (v) merge or consolidate, or sell, transfer, lease or dispose of substantially all of its assets, (vi) enter into transactions with affiliates, and (vii) sell or transfer certain assets. These covenants contain various exceptions, limitations and qualifications. At any time that the Senior Notes are rated investment grade, certain of these covenants will be suspended.

The Senior Notes are guaranteed jointly and severally on a senior unsecured basis by RBC Bearings and certain of RBCA's existing and future wholly-owned domestic subsidiaries that also guarantee the Credit Agreement.

Interest on the Senior Notes accrues at a rate of 4.375% and is payable semi-annually in cash in arrears on April 15 and October 15 of each year.

The Senior Notes will mature on October 15, 2029. The Company may redeem some or all of the Senior Notes at any time on or after October 15, 2024 at the redemption prices set forth in the Indenture, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to, but excluding, the redemption date. The Company may also redeem up to 40% of the Senior Notes using the proceeds of certain equity offerings completed before October 15, 2024, at a redemption price equal to 104.375% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to, but excluding, the redemption date. In addition, at any time prior to October 15, 2024, the Company may redeem some or all of the Senior Notes at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount, plus a "make-whole" premium, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to, but excluding, the redemption date. If the Company sells certain of its assets or experiences specific kinds of changes in control, the Company must offer to purchase the Senior Notes.

Foreign Borrowing Arrangements

One of our foreign subsidiaries, Schaublin SA, has a CHF 5.0 (approximately \$5.8 USD) credit line (the “Foreign Credit Line”) with Credit Suisse (Switzerland) Ltd. to provide future working capital, if necessary. As of March 30, 2024, \$2.2 had been borrowed from the Foreign Credit Line and \$0.1 was being utilized to provide a bank guarantee. Fees associated with the Foreign Credit Line are nominal.

Interest Rate Swap

In fiscal 2023, the Company entered into a three-year USD-denominated interest rate swap (“the Swap”) from a third-party financial counterparty under the Credit Agreement. The Swap was executed to protect the Company from interest rate volatility on our variable-rate Term Loan Facility. The Swap became effective December 30, 2022 and is comprised of a \$600.0 notional with a maturity of three years. We receive a variable rate based on one-month Term SOFR and pay a fixed rate of 4.455%. As of March 30, 2024, approximately 75% of our debt bore interest at a fixed rate after giving effect to the Swap in place. The notional on the Swap will amortize as follows:

Year 1: \$600.0

Year 2: \$400.0

Year 3: \$100.0

The Swap has been designated as a cash flow hedge of the variability of the first unhedged interest payments (the hedged transactions) paid over the hedging relationship’s specified time period of three years attributable to the borrowing’s contractually specified interest index on the hedged principal of its general borrowing program or replacement or refinancing thereof.

Cash Flows

Fiscal 2024 Compared to Fiscal 2023

The following table summarizes our cash flow activities:

	<u>FY24</u>	<u>FY23</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>
Net cash provided by (used in):			
Operating activities	\$ 274.7	\$ 220.6	\$ 54.1
Investing activities	(52.2)	(14.0)	(38.2)
Financing activities	(223.5)	(322.8)	99.3
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	(0.9)	(1.3)	0.4
(Decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	\$ (1.9)	\$ (117.5)	\$ 115.6

During fiscal 2024, we generated cash of \$274.7 from operating activities compared to \$220.6 for fiscal 2023. The increase of \$54.1 was mainly the result of a \$43.2 increase in net income and a \$12.4 favorable change in non-cash activity partially offset by a net unfavorable change in operating assets and liabilities of \$1.5. The unfavorable change in operating assets and liabilities is detailed in the table below. The change in non-cash activity was primarily driven by \$3.9 more depreciation and amortization, \$3.4 more stock-based compensation and a favorable change in deferred taxes of \$9.1, partially offset by \$4.2 less amortization of deferred financing costs.

The following chart summarizes the impact on cash flow from operating assets and liabilities for fiscal 2024 versus fiscal 2023.

	<u>FY24</u>	<u>FY23</u>
Cash provided by (used in):		
Accounts receivable	\$ (13.4)	\$ 7.8
Inventory	(31.6)	(71.7)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(2.4)	(5.8)
Other noncurrent assets	(3.0)	(0.8)
Accounts payable	(30.7)	(11.1)
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	9.0	6.0
Other noncurrent liabilities	(0.5)	4.5
Total change in operating assets and liabilities	\$ (72.6)	\$ (71.1)

During fiscal 2024, we used \$52.2 for investing activities as compared to \$14.0 for fiscal 2023. This increase in cash used was primarily attributable to \$19.3 of cash used for acquisitions in fiscal 2024 compared to a favorable purchase price adjustment of \$27.5 in fiscal 2023. This was partially offset by \$8.8 fewer capital expenditures in fiscal 2024 compared to fiscal 2023.

During fiscal 2024, we used cash of \$223.5 for financing activities compared to \$322.8 in fiscal 2023. This favorable change was primarily due to \$8.8 more proceeds from exercises of employee stock options, \$20.3 of proceeds received from our revolving credit facilities and \$75.0 less repayment of debt compared to the prior year.

Capital Expenditures

Our capital expenditures in fiscal 2024 were \$33.2 compared to \$42.0 in fiscal 2023. We expect to make capital expenditures of approximately 3.0% to 3.5% of net sales during fiscal 2025 in connection with our existing business. We funded our fiscal 2024 capital expenditures, and expect to fund fiscal 2025 capital expenditures, principally through existing cash and internally generated funds. We may also make substantial additional capital expenditures in connection with acquisitions.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based upon our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. We evaluate our estimates on an on-going basis. Estimates are used for, but not limited to, the accounting for the allowance for doubtful accounts, valuation of inventories, goodwill and intangible assets, depreciation and amortization, income taxes and tax reserves, the valuation of options and the valuation of business combinations. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. We believe our judgments related to these accounting estimates are appropriate. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

Revenue Recognition. The performance obligations for the majority of RBC's product sales are satisfied at the point in time in which the products are shipped. The Company has determined that the customer obtains control upon shipment of the product based on the shipping terms (i.e. when it ships from RBC's dock or when the product arrives at the customer's dock) and recognizes revenue when control has transferred to the customer. Once a customer has obtained control, the customer is able to direct the use of, and obtain substantially all of the remaining benefits from, the asset. Approximately 98% of the Company's revenue was recognized in this manner based on sales for the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023.

The Company has determined performance obligations are satisfied over time for customer contracts where RBC provides services to customers and also for a limited number of product sales. RBC has determined revenue recognition over time is appropriate for our service revenue contracts as they create or enhance an asset that the customer controls throughout the duration of the contract. Approximately 2% of the Company's revenue was recognized in this manner based on sales for the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023. Revenue recognition over time is appropriate for customer contracts with product sales in which the product sold has no alternative use to RBC without significant economic loss and an enforceable right to payment exists, including a normal profit margin from the customer, in the event of contract termination. These types of contracts comprised less than 1% of total sales for the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023. For both of these types of contracts, revenue is recognized over time based on the extent of progress towards completion of the performance obligation. The Company utilizes the cost-to-cost measure of progress for over-time revenue recognition contracts as we believe this measure best depicts the transfer of control to the customer, which occurs as we incur costs on contracts. Revenues, including profits, are recorded proportionally as costs are incurred. Costs to fulfill include labor, materials, subcontractors' costs, and other direct and indirect costs.

Pursuant to the over-time revenue recognition model, revenue may be recognized prior to the customer being invoiced. An unbilled receivable is recorded to reflect revenue that is recognized when (1) the cost-to-cost method is applied and (2) such revenue exceeds the amount invoiced to the customer. Contract assets are included within prepaid expenses and other current assets or other noncurrent assets on the consolidated balance sheets.

Inventory. Inventory is stated at the lower of cost or net realizable value. Cost is determined by the first-in, first-out method. We account for inventory under a full absorption method. We record adjustments to the value of inventory based upon past sales history and forecasted plans to sell our inventories. The physical condition, including age and quality, of the inventories is also considered in establishing its valuation. These adjustments are estimates, which could vary significantly, either favorably or unfavorably, from actual requirements if future economic conditions, customer inventory levels or competitive conditions differ from our expectations.

Goodwill and Indefinite-Lived Intangible Assets. Goodwill (representing the excess of the amount paid to acquire a company over the estimated fair value of the net assets acquired) and indefinite-lived intangible assets are not amortized but instead are tested for impairment annually, or when events or circumstances indicate that the carrying value of such asset may not be recoverable. Separate tests are performed for goodwill and indefinite lived intangible assets. We completed a quantitative test of impairment on the indefinite lived intangible assets with no impairment noted in fiscal year 2024. The determination of any goodwill impairment is made at the reporting unit level. The Company determines the fair value of a reporting unit and compares it to its carrying amount. If the carrying amount of the reporting unit exceeds its fair value, an impairment loss is recognized for any amount by which the carrying amount exceeds the reporting unit's fair value. The Company applies the income approach (discounted cash flow method) in testing goodwill for impairment. The key assumptions used in the discounted cash flow method used to estimate fair value include the discount rates, revenue growth rates and EBITDA margin which are affected by expectations about future market or economic conditions. Discount rates, revenue growth rates and EBITDA margin are the most sensitive and susceptible to change as they require significant management judgment. Discount rates are determined by using a weighted average cost of capital ("WACC"). The WACC considers market and industry data as well as Company-specific risk factors for each reporting unit in determining the appropriate discount rate to be used. The discount rate utilized for each reporting unit for our fiscal 2024 test was 10.0% and is indicative of the return an investor would expect to receive for investing in such a business. Terminal growth rate determination follows common methodology of capturing the present value of perpetual cash flow estimates beyond the last projected period assuming a constant WACC and long-term growth rates. The terminal growth rate used for our fiscal 2024 test was 2.5%. The Company has determined that, to date, no impairment of goodwill exists and fair value of the reporting units exceeded the carrying value in total by approximately 53.5%. The fair value of the reporting units exceeds the carrying value by a minimum of 18.8% at each of the two reporting units. A decrease of 1.0% in our terminal growth rate would not result in impairment of goodwill for any of our reporting units. An increase of 1.0% in our discount rate would not result in impairment of goodwill for any of our reporting units. Assuming no growth in EBITDA margin within the model would not result in impairment of goodwill for any of our reporting units. The Company performs the annual impairment testing during the fourth quarter of each fiscal year. Although no changes are expected, if the actual results of the Company are less favorable than the assumptions the Company makes regarding estimated cash flows, the Company may be required to record an impairment charge in the future.

Valuation of Business Combinations. We allocate the amounts we pay for each acquisition to the assets we acquire and liabilities we assume based on their estimated fair values at the date of acquisition, including identifiable intangible assets, which either arise from a contractual or legal right or are separable from goodwill. We base the fair value of identifiable intangible assets acquired in a business combination on detailed valuations which are prepared with the assistance of a specialist and consider our best estimates of inputs and assumptions that a market participant would use. We utilize a specialist for these valuations due to the complexity and estimation uncertainty involved in determining the fair value given the significant assumptions involved. Significant assumptions utilized in the valuation models include discount rates, revenue growth rates and EBITDA margins. We allocate to goodwill any excess purchase price over the fair value of the net tangible and identifiable intangible assets acquired. Transaction costs associated with these acquisitions are expensed as incurred through other, net on the consolidated statements of operations.

Income Taxes. As part of the process of preparing the consolidated financial statements, we are required to estimate the income taxes in each jurisdiction in which we operate. This process involves estimating the actual current tax liabilities together with assessing temporary differences resulting from the differing treatment of items for tax and financial reporting purposes. These differences result in deferred tax assets and liabilities, which are included in the consolidated balance sheets. We must then assess the likelihood that the deferred tax assets will be recovered, and to the extent that we believe that recovery is not more than likely, we are required to establish a valuation allowance. If a valuation allowance is established or increased during any period, we are required to include this amount as an expense within the tax provision in the consolidated statements of operations. Significant judgment is required in determining our provision for income taxes, deferred tax assets and liabilities, accrual for uncertain tax positions and any valuation allowance recognized against net deferred tax assets.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

For a discussion of recent accounting pronouncements, refer to Note 2.

Impact of Inflation and Changes in Prices of Raw Materials

In fiscal 2024, the economy experienced inflation. We purchase steel at market prices, which fluctuate as a result of supply and demand in the marketplace. To date, we have managed price increases by changing our buying patterns, expanding our vendor network, and passing increases on to our customers through price increases on our products, the assessment of steel surcharges on our customers, or entry into LTAs with our customers containing escalator provisions tied to our invoiced price of steel. However, even if we are able to pass these cost increases to our customers, there may be a time lag of several months between the time we experience a cost increase and when we implement surcharges or price increases, particularly for orders already in our backlog. As a result, our gross margin percentage may decline.

Competitive pressures and the terms of certain of our long-term contracts may require us to absorb at least part of these cost increases, particularly during periods of high inflation. Our principal raw materials are stainless and 52100 wire and rod steel (types of high alloy steel), which have historically been readily available. We have never experienced a work stoppage due to a supply shortage. We maintain multiple sources for raw materials including steel and have various supplier agreements. Through sole-source arrangements, supplier agreements and pricing, we have been able to minimize our exposure to fluctuations in raw material prices.

Our suppliers and sources of raw materials are based in the U.S., Europe and Asia. We believe that our sources are adequate for our needs in the foreseeable future, that there exist alternative suppliers for our raw materials, and that in most cases readily available alternative materials can be used for most of our raw materials.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

The Company has \$3.7 of outstanding standby letters of credit, all of which are under the Revolving Credit Facility. We also have a contractual obligation for licenses related to the implementation and upgrade of an enterprise resource planning (“ERP”) system. The remaining contractual obligation related to these ERP license costs of \$7.6 will end in June of 2026.

Other than the items noted above, we had no significant off-balance sheet arrangements as of March 30, 2024.

ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

We are exposed to market risks, which arise during the normal course of business from changes in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates.

Interest Rates. We currently have variable rate debt outstanding under the Term Loan Facility. We regularly evaluate the impact of interest rate changes on our net income and cash flow and take action to limit our exposure when appropriate. As discussed in “Liquidity and Capital Resources” in Item 7 of this Annual Report, we have utilized an interest rate swap to fix a portion of the variable rate interest expense associated with the Term Loan. As of March 30, 2024, approximately 75% of our debt bears interest at a fixed rate after giving effect to the interest rate swap agreement in place.

Foreign Currency Exchange Rates. As an international company, our operations transact in the following foreign currencies:

- Australia – Australian dollar
- Canada – Canadian dollar
- China – Chinese yuan
- France and Germany – euro
- England – British pound
- India – rupee
- Mexico – peso
- Poland – zloty
- Switzerland – Swiss franc

As a result, we are exposed to risk associated with fluctuating currency exchange rates between the U.S. dollar and these currencies. Foreign currency transaction gains and losses are included in earnings. Approximately 12% of our net sales were impacted by foreign currency fluctuations in fiscal 2024 compared to approximately 12% of net sales in fiscal 2023. For those countries outside the U.S. where we have sales, a strengthening in the U.S. dollar or devaluation in the local currency would reduce the value of our local inventory as presented in our consolidated financial statements. In addition, a stronger U.S. dollar or a weaker local currency would result in reduced net sales, operating profit and shareholders’ equity due to the impact of foreign exchange translation on our consolidated financial statements. Fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates may make our products more expensive or increase our operating costs, affecting our competitiveness and our profitability.

Changes in exchange rates between the U.S. dollar and other currencies and volatile economic, political and market conditions in emerging market countries have in the past adversely affected our financial performance and may in the future adversely affect the value of our assets located outside the United States and our results of operations.

We periodically enter into derivative financial instruments in the form of forward exchange contracts to reduce the effect of fluctuations in exchange rates on certain third-party sales and purchase transactions denominated in non-functional currencies. As of March 30, 2024, the Company had no forward exchange contracts.

ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Stockholders and the Board of Directors of RBC Bearings Incorporated

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of RBC Bearings Incorporated (the Company) as of March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, stockholders' equity and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended March 30, 2024, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "consolidated financial statements"). In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company at March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended March 30, 2024, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of March 30, 2024, based on criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 framework), and our report dated May 17, 2024 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Critical Audit Matter

The critical audit matter communicated below is a matter arising from the current period audit of the financial statements that was communicated or required to be communicated to the audit committee and that: (1) relates to accounts or disclosures that are material to the financial statements and (2) involved our especially challenging, subjective or complex judgments. The communication of the critical audit matter does not alter in any way our opinion on the consolidated financial statements, taken as a whole, and we are not, by communicating the critical audit matter below, providing a separate opinion on the critical audit matter or on the account or disclosures to which it relates.

Valuation of Goodwill – Annual impairment evaluation

Description of the Matter

At March 30, 2024, the Company's goodwill was \$1,874.9 million. As discussed in Notes 2 and 10 of the consolidated financial statements, goodwill is tested for impairment at the reporting unit level annually, or when events or circumstances indicate that the carrying value of such asset may not be recoverable. The Company estimates the fair value of its reporting units using an income approach, specifically a discounted cash flow analysis.

Auditing management's annual goodwill impairment test was complex and highly judgmental due to the significant estimation required to determine the fair value of the reporting units. The fair value estimates were sensitive to changes in significant assumptions such as the discount rates, revenue growth rates and EBITDA margin which are affected by expectations about future market or economic conditions.

How We Addressed the Matter in Our Audit

We obtained an understanding, evaluated the design and tested the operating effectiveness of controls over the Company's goodwill impairment review process, including controls over management's review of the significant assumptions described above.

To test the estimated fair value of the Company's reporting units, we performed audit procedures, with the assistance of our valuation specialists, that included, among others, assessing the methodologies utilized and testing the significant assumptions discussed above and the underlying data used by the Company in its analysis. We compared the significant assumptions used by management to current industry and economic trends. We assessed the historical accuracy of management's estimates and performed sensitivity analyses of significant assumptions to evaluate the changes in the fair value of the reporting units that would result from changes in the underlying assumptions. In addition, we evaluated the reconciliation of the fair value of the reporting units to the market capitalization of the Company.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2002.

Stamford, Connecticut
May 17, 2024

RBC Bearings Incorporated
Consolidated Balance Sheets
(amounts in millions, except share and per share data)

	<u>March 30, 2024</u>	<u>April 1, 2023</u>
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 63.5	\$ 65.4
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$4.4 at March 30, 2024 and \$3.7 at April 1, 2023	255.2	239.6
Inventory	622.8	587.2
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	24.0	21.1
Total current assets	965.5	913.3
Property, plant and equipment, net	361.0	375.3
Operating lease assets, net	41.4	41.4
Goodwill	1,874.9	1,869.8
Intangible assets, net	1,391.9	1,452.9
Other noncurrent assets	43.9	37.7
Total assets	\$ 4,678.6	\$ 4,690.4
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 116.2	\$ 146.8
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	167.3	153.4
Current operating lease liabilities	7.0	7.6
Current portion of long-term debt	3.8	1.5
Total current liabilities	294.3	309.3
Long-term debt, less current portion	1,188.1	1,393.5
Noncurrent operating lease liabilities	35.3	33.9
Deferred income taxes	284.2	295.1
Other noncurrent liabilities	124.8	122.7
Total liabilities	1,926.7	2,154.5
Commitments and contingencies (Note 18)		
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, \$.01 par value; authorized shares: 10,000,000 as of March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively; issued shares: 4,600,000 as of March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively	0.0	0.0
Common stock, \$.01 par value; authorized shares: 60,000,000 at March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively; issued shares: 30,227,444 and 29,989,948 at March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively	0.3	0.3
Additional paid-in capital	1,625.2	1,589.9
Accumulated other comprehensive income/(loss)	0.7	(4.1)
Retained earnings	1,216.8	1,029.9
Treasury stock, at cost, 1,015,053 shares and 966,398 shares at March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively	(91.1)	(80.1)
Total stockholders' equity	2,751.9	2,535.9
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 4,678.6	\$ 4,690.4

See accompanying notes.

RBC Bearings Incorporated
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(amounts in millions, except share and per share data)

	Fiscal Year Ended		
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023	April 2, 2022
Net sales	\$ 1,560.3	\$ 1,469.3	\$ 942.9
Cost of sales	889.8	864.5	585.8
Gross margin	670.5	604.8	357.1
Operating expenses:			
Selling, general and administrative	253.5	229.7	167.6
Other, net	74.8	82.1	68.4
Total operating expenses	328.3	311.8	236.0
Operating income	342.2	293.0	121.1
Interest expense, net	78.7	76.7	41.5
Other non-operating expense	1.7	6.6	0.9
Income before income taxes	261.8	209.7	78.7
Provision for income taxes	51.9	43.0	24.0
Net income	\$ 209.9	\$ 166.7	\$ 54.7
Preferred stock dividends	23.0	22.9	12.0
Net income attributable to common stockholders	\$ 186.9	\$ 143.8	\$ 42.7
Net income per common share attributable to common stockholders:			
Basic	\$ 6.47	\$ 5.00	\$ 1.58
Diluted	\$ 6.41	\$ 4.94	\$ 1.56
Weighted average common shares:			
Basic	28,917,008	28,764,092	26,946,355
Diluted	29,189,056	29,072,429	27,311,029

See accompanying notes.

RBC Bearings Incorporated
Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income
(amounts in millions)

	Fiscal Year Ended		
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023	April 2, 2022
Net income	\$ 209.9	\$ 166.7	\$ 54.7
Pension and postretirement liability adjustments, net of taxes ⁽¹⁾	0.4	9.4	4.2
Change in fair value of derivatives, net of taxes ⁽²⁾	3.4	(2.2)	—
Foreign currency translation adjustments	1.0	(5.5)	0.4
Total comprehensive income	\$ 214.7	\$ 168.4	\$ 59.3

(1) These adjustments were net of tax expense of \$0.4, tax expense of \$2.0 and tax expense of \$1.1 in fiscal 2024, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

(2) These adjustments were net of tax expense of \$1.0 and net of tax benefit of \$0.6 in fiscal 2024 and fiscal 2023, respectively.

See accompanying notes.

RBC Bearings Incorporated
Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity
(amounts in millions, except share data)

	Common Stock		Preferred Stock		Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income/(Loss)	Retained Earnings	Treasury Stock		Total Stockholders' Equity
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount				Shares	Amount	
Balance at April 3, 2021	26,110,320	\$ 0.3	—	\$ —	\$ 462.6	\$ (10.4)	\$ 843.4	(884,701)	\$ (63.8)	\$ 1,232.1
Net income	—	—	—	—	—	—	54.7	—	—	54.7
Stock-based compensation	—	—	—	—	32.9	—	—	—	—	32.9
Preferred stock dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	(12.0)	—	—	(12.0)
Repurchase of common stock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(43,621)	(8.6)	(8.6)
Exercise of equity awards	149,896	0.0	—	—	18.0	—	—	—	—	18.0
Change in pension and post-retirement plan benefit adjustments, net of tax expense of \$1.1	—	—	—	—	—	4.2	—	—	—	4.2
Issuance of restricted stock, net of forfeitures	96,992	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Preferred stock issuance, net of issuance costs	—	—	4,600,000	0.0	445.3	—	—	—	—	445.3
Common stock issuance, net of issuance costs	3,450,000	0.0	—	—	605.5	—	—	—	—	605.5
Currency translation adjustments	—	—	—	—	—	0.4	—	—	—	0.4
Balance at April 2, 2022	29,807,208	\$ 0.3	4,600,000	\$ 0.0	\$ 1,564.3	\$ (5.8)	\$ 886.1	(928,322)	\$ (72.4)	\$ 2,372.5
Net income	—	—	—	—	—	—	166.7	—	—	166.7
Stock-based compensation	—	—	—	—	14.0	—	—	—	—	14.0
Preferred stock dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	(22.9)	—	—	(22.9)
Repurchase of common stock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(38,076)	(7.7)	(7.7)
Exercise of equity awards	116,563	0.0	—	—	11.6	—	—	—	—	11.6
Change in pension and post-retirement plan benefit adjustments, net of tax expense of \$2.0	—	—	—	—	—	9.4	—	—	—	9.4
Issuance of restricted stock, net of forfeitures	66,177	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Change in fair value of derivatives, net of tax benefit of \$0.6	—	—	—	—	—	(2.2)	—	—	—	(2.2)
Currency translation adjustments	—	—	—	—	—	(5.5)	—	—	—	(5.5)
Balance at April 1, 2023	29,989,948	\$ 0.3	4,600,000	\$ 0.0	\$ 1,589.9	\$ (4.1)	\$ 1,029.9	(966,398)	\$ (80.1)	\$ 2,535.9
Net income	—	—	—	—	—	—	209.9	—	—	209.9
Stock-based compensation	—	—	—	—	14.9	—	—	—	—	14.9
Preferred stock dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	(23.0)	—	—	(23.0)
Repurchase of common stock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(48,655)	(11.0)	(11.0)
Exercise of equity awards	168,321	0.0	—	—	20.4	—	—	—	—	20.4
Change in pension and post-retirement plan benefit adjustments, net of tax expense of \$0.4	—	—	—	—	—	0.4	—	—	—	0.4
Issuance of restricted stock, net of forfeitures	69,175	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Change in fair value of derivatives, net of tax expense of \$1.0	—	—	—	—	—	3.4	—	—	—	3.4
Currency translation adjustments	—	—	—	—	—	1.0	—	—	—	1.0
Balance at March 30, 2024	30,227,444	\$ 0.3	4,600,000	\$ 0.0	\$ 1,625.2	\$ 0.7	\$ 1,216.8	(1,015,053)	\$ (91.1)	\$ 2,751.9

See accompanying notes.

RBC Bearings Incorporated
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
(amounts in millions)

	Fiscal Year Ended		
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023	April 2, 2022
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net income	\$ 209.9	\$ 166.7	\$ 54.7
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	119.3	115.4	65.5
Deferred income taxes	(12.3)	(21.4)	0.2
Amortization of deferred financing costs	3.0	7.2	18.9
Consolidation and restructuring and other non-cash charges	2.6	2.3	2.4
Noncash operating lease expense	6.8	7.2	5.8
Loss on extinguishment of debt	—	—	1.0
Stock-based compensation	17.4	14.0	32.9
Loss on disposition of assets	0.6	0.3	0.3
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions:			
Accounts receivable	(13.4)	7.8	(53.5)
Inventory	(31.6)	(71.7)	(16.2)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(2.4)	(5.8)	(1.8)
Other noncurrent assets	(3.0)	(0.8)	(8.2)
Accounts payable	(30.7)	(11.1)	52.4
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	9.0	6.0	22.1
Other noncurrent liabilities	(0.5)	4.5	3.8
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>274.7</u>	<u>220.6</u>	<u>180.3</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Capital expenditures	(33.2)	(42.0)	(29.8)
Acquisition of businesses and related purchase price adjustments	(19.3)	27.5	(2,908.2)
Purchase of marketable securities	—	—	(30.0)
Proceeds from sale of marketable securities	—	—	120.5
Proceeds from sale of assets	0.3	0.5	0.0
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(52.2)</u>	<u>(14.0)</u>	<u>(2,847.5)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Proceeds from issuance of common stock, net of issuance costs	—	—	605.5
Proceeds from issuance of preferred stock, net of issuance costs	—	—	445.3
Proceeds from term loans, net of financing costs	—	—	1,285.8
Proceeds from senior notes, net of financing costs	—	—	494.2
Proceeds from revolving credit facilities	20.3	—	—
Finance fees paid in connection with credit facilities and senior notes	—	(0.1)	(19.5)
Repayments of term loans	(225.0)	(300.0)	(113.0)
Repayments of notes payable	(1.6)	(0.5)	(0.5)
Principal payments on finance lease obligations	(3.6)	(3.2)	(1.6)
Preferred stock dividends paid	(23.0)	(22.9)	(7.1)
Repurchase of common stock	(11.0)	(7.7)	(8.6)
Proceeds from exercise of equity awards	20.4	11.6	18.0
Net cash provided by/(used in) financing activities	<u>(223.5)</u>	<u>(322.8)</u>	<u>2,698.5</u>
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	<u>(0.9)</u>	<u>(1.3)</u>	<u>0.5</u>
Cash and cash equivalents:			
(Decrease)/increase during the year	(1.9)	(117.5)	31.8
Cash and cash equivalents, at beginning of year	65.4	182.9	151.1
Cash and cash equivalents, at end of year	<u>\$ 63.5</u>	<u>\$ 65.4</u>	<u>\$ 182.9</u>
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:			
Cash paid for:			
Income taxes	\$ 56.4	\$ 60.4	\$ 17.1
Interest	75.7	69.9	11.6

See accompanying notes.

RBC Bearings Incorporated
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements
(amounts in millions, except share and per share data)

1. Organization and Business

RBC Bearings Incorporated, together with its subsidiaries, is an international manufacturer and marketer of highly engineered precision bearings, components and essential systems for the industrial, defense and aerospace industries, which are integral to the manufacture and operation of most machines, aircraft and mechanical systems, to reduce wear to moving parts, facilitate proper power transmission, reduce damage and energy loss caused by friction and control pressure and flow. The terms “we,” “us,” “our,” “RBC” and the “Company” mean RBC Bearings Incorporated and its subsidiaries, unless the context indicates another meaning. While we manufacture products in all major categories, we focus primarily on highly technical or regulated bearing products and engineered products for specialized markets that require sophisticated design, testing and manufacturing capabilities. We believe our unique expertise has enabled us to garner leading positions in many of the product markets in which we primarily compete. Over the past 19 years, we have broadened our end markets, products, customer base and geographic reach. We currently have 54 facilities in 11 countries, of which 38 are manufacturing facilities.

The Company operates in two reportable business segments—aerospace/defense and industrial—in which it manufactures roller bearing components and assembled parts and designs and manufactures high-precision roller and ball bearings. The Company sells to a wide variety of original equipment manufacturers (“OEMs”) and distributors who are widely dispersed geographically. No one customer accounted for more than 17% of the Company’s net sales in fiscal 2024, 16% of net sales in fiscal 2023 and 11% of net sales in fiscal 2022. The Company’s segments are further discussed in Note 20.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

General

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of RBC Bearings Incorporated and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

The Company has a fiscal year consisting of 52 or 53 weeks, ending on the Saturday closest to March 31. Based on this policy, fiscal year 2024 contained 52 weeks, fiscal year 2023 contained 52 weeks and fiscal year 2022 contained 52 weeks.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles 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. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Estimates are used for, but not limited to, the accounting for the allowance for doubtful accounts, valuation of inventories, goodwill and intangible assets, depreciation and amortization, income taxes and tax reserves, purchase price allocation for acquired assets and liabilities, and the valuation of options.

Revenue Recognition

A contract with a customer exists when there is commitment and approval from both parties involved, the rights of the parties are identified, payment terms are defined, the contract has commercial substance, and collectability of consideration is probable. The Company has determined that the contract with the customer is established when the customer purchase order is accepted or acknowledged. LTAs are used by the Company and certain of its customers to reduce their supply uncertainty for a period of time, typically multiple years. While these LTAs define commercial terms including pricing, termination rights and other contractual requirements, they do not represent the contract with the customer for revenue recognition purposes.

When the Company accepts or acknowledges a customer purchase order, the type of good or service is defined on a line-by-line basis. The majority of the Company’s revenue relates to the sale of goods and contains a single performance obligation for each distinct good. The remainder of the Company’s revenue from customers is generated from services performed. These services include repair and refurbishment work performed on customer-controlled assets as well as design and test work.

Transaction price reflects the amount of consideration that the Company expects to be entitled to in exchange for transferred goods or services. A contract's transaction price is allocated to each distinct performance obligation and revenue is recognized as the performance obligation is satisfied. The Company generally sells products and services with observable standalone selling prices.

The performance obligations for the majority of RBC's product sales are satisfied at the point in time in which the products are shipped. The Company has determined that the customer obtains control upon shipment of the product based on the shipping terms (i.e. when it ships from RBC's dock or when the product arrives at the customer's dock) and recognizes revenue when control has transferred to the customer. Once a customer has obtained control, the customer is able to direct the use of, and obtain substantially all of the remaining benefits from, the asset.

The Company has determined performance obligations are satisfied over time for customer contracts where RBC provides services to customers and also for a limited number of product sales. RBC has determined revenue recognition over time is appropriate for our service revenue contracts as they create or enhance an asset that the customer controls throughout the duration of the contract. Revenue recognition over time is appropriate for customer contracts with product sales in which the product sold has no alternative use to RBC without significant economic loss and an enforceable right to payment exists, including a normal profit margin from the customer, in the event of contract termination. These types of contracts comprised less than 1% of total sales for the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024, April 1, 2023 and April 2, 2022, respectively. For both of these types of contracts, revenue is recognized over time based on the extent of progress towards completion of the performance obligation. The Company utilizes the cost-to-cost measure of progress for over-time revenue recognition contracts as the Company believes this measure best depicts the transfer of control to the customer, which occurs as the Company incurs costs on contracts. Revenues, including profits, are recorded proportionally as costs are incurred. Costs to fulfill include labor, materials, subcontractors' costs, and other direct and indirect costs.

Contract costs are the incremental costs of obtaining and fulfilling a contract (i.e., costs that would not have been incurred if the contract had not been obtained) to provide goods and services to customers. Contract costs largely consist of design and development costs for molds, dies and other tools that RBC will own and that will be used in producing the products under the supply arrangements. These contract costs are amortized to expense on a systematic and rational basis over a period consistent with the transfer to the customer of the goods or services to which the asset relates and are recorded in cost of sales. Costs incurred to obtain a contract are primarily related to sales commissions and are expensed as incurred. These costs are included within selling, general and administrative costs on the consolidated statements of operations.

In certain contracts, the Company facilitates shipping and handling activities after control has transferred to the customer. The Company has elected to record all shipping and handling activities as costs to fulfill a contract. In situations where the shipping and handling costs have not been incurred at the time revenue is recognized, the estimated shipping and handling costs are accrued.

Government Assistance

Like other companies involved in the aerospace industry that were impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Company took part in the Aviation Manufacturing Jobs Protection ("AMJP") program. The AMJP program provided funding to eligible businesses to pay a portion of their compensation costs for certain categories of employees for a period of time as part of a U.S. Department of Transportation program designed to maintain jobs in the aviation industry. During the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024, April 1, 2023 and April 2, 2022, the Company recorded grant revenue of \$0.0, \$3.1 and \$4.4, respectively, all of which was recorded within cost of sales on the consolidated statements of operations. The Company does not expect to receive any future grant revenue associated with the AMJP program. The Company is not currently receiving grant revenue from any other sources and does not anticipate doing so in future periods.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all highly liquid investments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. The Company maintains its cash accounts with various banks and has not experienced any losses in such accounts.

Accounts Receivable, Net and Concentration of Credit Risk

Accounts receivable include amounts billed and currently due from customers. The amounts due are stated at their estimated net realizable value. The Company maintains an allowance for doubtful accounts for estimated losses resulting from the inability of its customers to make required payments. The Company uses an expected credit loss model to estimate the credit losses expected over the life of an exposure (or pool of exposures). The estimate of expected credit losses considers historical information, current information and reasonable and supportable forecasts, including estimates of prepayments. Financial instruments with similar risk characteristics are grouped together when estimating expected credit losses. The Company will write off accounts receivable after reasonable collection efforts have been made and the accounts are deemed uncollectible.

The Company sells to a large number of OEMs and distributors who service the aftermarket. The Company's credit risk associated with accounts receivable is minimized due to its customer base and wide geographic dispersion. The Company performs ongoing credit evaluations of its customers' financial condition and generally does not require collateral or charge interest on outstanding amounts. The Company had concentrations of credit risk with no individual customer greater than 10% as of March 30, 2024 or April 1, 2023 with the exception of Motion Industries. Approximately 16% and 15% of accounts receivable at both March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively, were attributable to Motion Industries.

Inventory

Inventory is stated at the lower of cost or net realizable value. Cost is determined by the first-in, first-out method. The Company accounts for inventory under a full absorption method, and records adjustments to the value of inventory based upon past sales history and forecasted plans to sell our inventories. The physical condition, including age and quality, of the inventories is also considered in establishing its valuation. These adjustments are estimates, which could vary significantly, either favorably or unfavorably, from actual requirements if future economic conditions, customer inventory levels or competitive conditions differ from our expectations.

Contract Assets (Unbilled Receivables)

Pursuant to the over-time revenue recognition model, revenue may be recognized prior to the customer being invoiced. An unbilled receivable is recorded to reflect revenue that is recognized when (1) the cost-to-cost method is applied and (2) such revenue exceeds the amount invoiced to the customer. Contract assets are included within prepaid expenses and other current assets or other noncurrent assets on the consolidated balance sheets.

Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are recorded at cost. Depreciation and amortization of property, plant and equipment, is recorded using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets. Depreciation of assets is reported within depreciation and amortization. Expenditures for normal maintenance and repairs are charged to expense as incurred.

The estimated useful lives of the Company's property, plant and equipment are as follows:

Buildings and improvements	20-30 years
Machinery and equipment	3-15 years
Leasehold improvements	Shorter of the term of lease or estimated useful life

Leases

The Company determines if an arrangement is a lease at contract inception. For leases where the Company is the lessee, it recognizes lease assets and related lease liabilities at the lease commencement date based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term. The lease term is the noncancellable period for which a lessee has the right to use an underlying asset, including periods covered by an option to extend the lease if the lessee is reasonably certain to exercise that option and periods covered by an option to terminate the lease if the lessee is reasonably certain not to exercise that option. For renewal options, the Company performs an assessment at commencement if it is reasonably likely to exercise the option. The assessment is based on the Company's intentions, past practices, estimates and factors that create an economic incentive for the Company. Generally, the Company is not reasonably certain to exercise the renewal option in a lease contract, with the exception of some of our leased manufacturing facilities. While some of the Company's leases include options allowing early termination of the lease, the Company historically has not terminated its lease agreements early unless there is an economic, financial or business reason to do so; therefore, the Company does not typically consider the termination option in its lease term at commencement.

The Company must classify each lease as a finance lease or an operating lease. The Company's finance leases are included in property, plant and equipment, net. Amortization of these assets is included in depreciation and amortization expense. The Company's operating leases consist of rent commitments under various leases for office space, warehouses, land and buildings.

Most of the Company's leases do not provide an implicit interest rate. As a result, the Company uses its incremental borrowing rate based on the information available at the commencement date in determining the present value of lease payments.

Subsequent to the initial measurement, the lease liability continues to be measured at the present value of unpaid lease payments throughout the lease term. The lease liability is remeasured if the lease is modified and the modification is not accounted for as a separate contract, there is a change in the assessment of the lease term, the assessment of a purchase option exercise or the amount probable of being owed under a residual value guarantee, or a contingency is resolved resulting in some or all of the variable lease payments becoming fixed payments. Subsequent to the initial measurement, the right-of-use asset for a finance lease is equivalent to the initial measurement less accumulated amortization and any accumulated impairment losses. Generally, amortization of finance leases is recorded to cost of sales on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Subsequent to initial measurement, the right-of-use asset for an operating lease is equivalent to initial measurement less accumulated amortization.

Goodwill and Indefinite-Lived Intangible Assets

Goodwill (representing the excess of the amount paid to acquire a company over the estimated fair value of the net assets acquired) and indefinite-lived intangible assets are not amortized but instead are tested for impairment annually, or when events or circumstances indicate that the carrying value of such asset may not be recoverable. Separate tests are performed for goodwill and indefinite lived intangible assets. We completed a quantitative test of impairment on the indefinite lived intangible assets with no impairment noted in fiscal year 2024. The determination of any goodwill impairment is made at the reporting unit level. The Company determines the fair value of a reporting unit and compares it to its carrying amount. If the carrying amount of the reporting unit exceeds its fair value, an impairment loss is recognized for any amount by which the carrying amount exceeds the reporting unit's fair value. The Company applies the income approach (discounted cash flow method) in testing goodwill for impairment. The key assumptions used in the discounted cash flow method used to estimate fair value include the discount rates, revenue growth rates and EBITDA margin which are affected by expectations about future market or economic conditions. Discount rates, revenue growth rates and EBITDA margin are the most sensitive and susceptible to change as they require significant management judgment. Discount rates are determined by using a weighted average cost of capital ("WACC"). The WACC considers market and industry data as well as Company-specific risk factors for each reporting unit in determining the appropriate discount rate to be used. The discount rate utilized for each reporting unit for our fiscal 2024 test was 10.0% and is indicative of the return an investor would expect to receive for investing in such a business. Terminal growth rate determination follows common methodology of capturing the present value of perpetual cash flow estimates beyond the last projected period assuming a constant WACC and long-term growth rates. The terminal growth rate used for our fiscal 2024 test was 2.5%. The Company has determined that, to date, no impairment of goodwill exists and fair value of the reporting units exceeded the carrying value in total by approximately 53.5%. The fair value of the reporting units exceeds the carrying value by a minimum of 18.8% at each of the two reporting units.

Contract Liabilities (Deferred Revenue)

The Company may receive a customer advance or deposit prior to revenue being recognized. Since the performance obligations related to such advances may not have been satisfied, a contract liability is established. Contract liabilities are included within accrued expenses and other current liabilities or other noncurrent liabilities on the consolidated balance sheets until the respective revenue is recognized. Advance payments are not considered a significant financing component as the timing of the transfer of the related goods or services is at the discretion of the customer.

Income Taxes

The Company accounts for income taxes using the liability method, which requires it to recognize a current tax liability or asset for current taxes payable or refundable and a deferred tax liability or asset for the estimated future tax effects of temporary differences between the financial statement and tax reporting bases of assets and liabilities to the extent that they are realizable. Deferred tax expense (benefit) results from the net change in deferred tax assets and liabilities during the year. A valuation allowance is recorded to reduce deferred tax assets to the amount that is more likely than not to be realized. The Company is exposed to certain tax contingencies in the ordinary course of business and records those tax liabilities in accordance with the guidance for accounting for uncertain tax positions.

Temporary differences relate primarily to the timing of deductions for depreciation, stock-based compensation, goodwill amortization relating to the acquisition of operating divisions, amortization of intangible assets, basis differences arising from acquisition accounting, pension and retirement benefits, and various accrued and prepaid expenses. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recorded at the rates expected to be in effect when the temporary differences are expected to reverse.

Global Minimum Tax

In October 2021, the OECD announced an Inclusive Framework on Base Erosion and Profit Shifting including Pillar Two Model Rules defining the global minimum tax, which calls for the taxation of large multinational corporations at a minimum rate of 15%. Subsequently multiple sets of administrative guidance have been issued. Many non-US tax jurisdictions have either recently enacted legislation to adopt certain components of the Pillar Two Model Rules beginning in 2024 with the adoption of additional components in later years or announced their plans to enact legislation in future years. We are continuing to evaluate the impacts of enacted legislation and pending legislation to enact Pillar Two Model Rules in the non-US tax jurisdictions in which we operate.

Net Income Per Share Attributable to Common Stockholders

Basic net income per share attributable to common stockholders is computed by dividing net income attributable to common stockholders by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding.

Diluted net income per share attributable to common stockholders is computed by dividing net income attributable to common stockholders by the sum of the weighted-average number of common shares and dilutive common share equivalents then outstanding using the treasury stock method. Common share equivalents consist of the incremental common shares issuable upon the exercise of stock options and the conversion of MCPS (*i.e.*, our outstanding preferred stock) to common shares.

We exclude outstanding stock options, stock awards and the MCPS from the calculations if the effect would be anti-dilutive. The dilutive effect of the MCPS is calculated using the if-converted method. The if-converted method assumes that these securities were converted to shares of common stock at the beginning of the reporting period to the extent that the effect is dilutive. If the effect is anti-dilutive, we calculate net income per share attributable to common stockholders by adjusting net income in the numerator for the effect of the cumulative MCPS dividends for the respective period.

For the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, the effect of assuming the conversion of the 4,600,000 shares of MCPS into shares of common stock was anti-dilutive, and therefore excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share attributable to common stockholders. Accordingly, net income was reduced by cumulative MCPS dividends, as presented in our consolidated statement of operations, for purposes of calculating net income attributable to common stockholders.

For the fiscal year ended March 30, 2024, 120,954 employee stock options and 250 restricted shares were excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share attributable to common stockholders. For the fiscal year ended April 1, 2023, 110,368 employee stock options and 1,185 restricted shares were excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share attributable to common stockholders. At April 2, 2022, 179,289 employee stock options and 325 restricted shares were excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share attributable to common stockholders. The inclusion of these employee stock options and restricted shares would have been anti-dilutive.

The table below reflects the calculation of weighted-average shares outstanding for each period presented as well as the computation of basic and diluted net income per share attributable to common stockholders.

	Fiscal Year Ended		
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023	April 2, 2022
Net income	\$ 209.9	\$ 166.7	\$ 54.7
Preferred stock dividends	23.0	22.9	12.0
Net income attributable to common stockholders	<u>\$ 186.9</u>	<u>\$ 143.8</u>	<u>\$ 42.7</u>
Denominator:			
Denominator for basic net income per share attributable to common stockholders — weighted-average shares outstanding	28,917,008	28,764,092	26,946,355
Effect of dilution due to employee stock awards	<u>272,048</u>	<u>308,337</u>	<u>364,674</u>
Denominator for diluted net income per share attributable to common stockholders — weighted-average shares outstanding	<u>29,189,056</u>	<u>29,072,429</u>	<u>27,311,029</u>
Basic net income per share attributable to common stockholders	\$ 6.47	\$ 5.00	\$ 1.58
Diluted net income per share attributable to common stockholders	\$ 6.41	\$ 4.94	\$ 1.56

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

The Company assesses the net realizable value of its long-lived assets and evaluates such assets for impairment whenever indicators of impairment are present. For amortizable long-lived assets to be held and used, if indicators of impairment are present, management determines whether the sum of the estimated undiscounted future cash flows is less than the carrying amount. The amount of asset impairment, if any, is based on the excess of the carrying amount over its fair value, which is estimated based on projected discounted future operating cash flows using a discount rate reflecting the Company's average cost of funds. During fiscal year 2024, impairment charges related to machinery and equipment and certain patents and trademarks totaling \$2.5 were recorded based on our internal assessments performed.

Long-lived assets to be disposed of by sale or other means are reported at the lower of carrying amount or fair value, less costs to sell.

Foreign Currency Translation and Transactions

Assets and liabilities of the Company's foreign operations are translated into U.S. dollars using the exchange rate in effect at the balance sheet date. Results of operations are translated using the average exchange rate prevailing throughout the period. The effects of exchange rate fluctuations on translating foreign currency assets and liabilities from their functional currencies to the reporting currency are included in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), while gains and losses resulting from foreign currency transactions are included in other non-operating expense (income).

Research and Development

Costs are incurred in connection with efforts aimed at discovering and implementing new knowledge that is critical to developing new products, processes or services, significantly improving existing products or services, and developing new applications for existing products and services. Research and development costs for the creation of new and improved products, processes and services were approximately \$33.0, \$31.8 and \$27.6, for fiscal years 2024, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (exit price). Inputs used to measure fair value are within a hierarchy consisting of three levels. Level 1 inputs represent unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. Level 2 inputs represent unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for similar assets or liabilities, or unadjusted quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability. Level 3 inputs represent unobservable inputs for the asset or liability. Financial assets and liabilities are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The carrying amounts reported in the balance sheet for cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accruals, and other current liabilities approximate their fair value due to their short-term nature.

The carrying amounts of the Company's borrowings under the Facilities approximate fair value, as these obligations have interest rates which vary in conjunction with current market conditions and have been classified as Level 2 in the valuation hierarchy. The Senior Notes are reported at carrying value on the consolidated balance sheets. The fair value of the Senior Notes as of March 30, 2024 was \$456.8 and was computed based on quoted market prices (observable inputs) and classified as Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy. The fair value of the interest rate swap was \$1.6 at March 30, 2024, measured using Level 2 inputs. This amount is included in other noncurrent liabilities on the Company consolidated balance sheets. The fair value of the interest rate swap remaining in accumulated other comprehensive income, net of taxes, was \$1.2 as of March 30, 2024.

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

The components of comprehensive income (loss) that relate to the Company are net income, foreign currency translation adjustments and pension plan and postretirement benefits, all of which are presented in the consolidated statements of stockholders' equity and comprehensive income (loss).

The following summarizes the activity within each component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of taxes:

	Currency Translation	Change in Fair Value of Derivatives	Pension and Postretirement Liability	Total
Balance at April 1, 2023	\$ (4.6)	\$ (2.2)	\$ 2.7	\$ (4.1)
Reclassification to net income	—	4.2	—	4.2
Net loss on foreign currency translation	1.0	—	—	1.0
Amortization of net gain, net of tax expense of \$0.4	—	—	0.4	0.4
Gain on derivative instrument, net of tax expense of \$0.9	—	(0.8)	—	(0.8)
Net current period other comprehensive income	1.0	3.4	0.4	4.8
Balance at March 30, 2024	<u>\$ (3.6)</u>	<u>\$ 1.2</u>	<u>\$ 3.1</u>	<u>\$ 0.7</u>

Stock-Based Compensation

The Company recognizes stock-based compensation cost relating to all stock-based payment transactions in the financial statements based upon the grant-date fair value of the instruments issued over the requisite service period. The fair value of each option grant was estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes pricing model. The Company estimates expected forfeitures at the grant date and recognizes stock-based compensation costs, accordingly. The Company also recognizes stock-based compensation cost relating to restricted stock awards that are earned by employees prior to being granted as liability awards.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In November 2023, Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2023-07, *Segment Reporting (Topic 280): Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures*. The amendments in ASU 2023-07 improve the disclosures about a public entity's reportable segments and address requests from investors for additional, more detailed information about a reportable segment's expenses. Following the release of ASU 2023-07 in November 2023, the effective date will be annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2024. As of March 30, 2024, the Company is evaluating the impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In December 2023, the FASB issued ASU 2023-09, Income Taxes (Topic 740): Improvements to Income Tax Disclosures. The amendments in ASU 2023-09 address investor requests for more transparency about income tax information through improvements to income tax disclosures primarily related to the rate reconciliation and income taxes paid information. Following the release of ASU 2023-09 in December 2023, the effective date will be annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2024. As of March 30, 2024, the Company is evaluating the impact on its consolidated financial statements.

Other new pronouncements issued but not effective until after March 30, 2024 are not expected to have a material impact on our financial position, results of operations or liquidity.

3. Revenue from Contracts with Customers

Disaggregation of Revenue

The following table disaggregates total revenue by end market which is how we view our reportable segments (see Note 20):

	Fiscal Year Ended		
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023	April 2, 2022
Aerospace/Defense	\$ 519.4	\$ 430.3	\$ 381.5
Industrial	1,040.9	1,039.0	561.4
	<u>\$ 1,560.3</u>	<u>\$ 1,469.3</u>	<u>\$ 942.9</u>

The following table disaggregates total revenue by geographic origin:

	Fiscal Year Ended		
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023	April 2, 2022
United States	\$ 1,375.4	\$ 1,292.9	\$ 833.4
International	184.9	176.4	109.5
	<u>\$ 1,560.3</u>	<u>\$ 1,469.3</u>	<u>\$ 942.9</u>

The following table illustrates the approximate percentage of revenue recognized for performance obligations satisfied over time versus the amount of revenue recognized for performance obligations satisfied at a point in time:

	Fiscal Year Ended		
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023	April 2, 2022
Point-in-time	98%	98%	97%
Over time	2%	2%	3%
	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>

Remaining Performance Obligations

Remaining performance obligations represent the transaction price of orders meeting the definition of a contract in the new revenue standard for which work has not been performed or has been partially performed and excludes unexercised contract options. The duration of the majority of our contracts, as defined by ASC Topic 606, is less than one year. The Company has elected to apply the practical expedient, which allows companies to exclude remaining performance obligations with an original expected duration of one year or less. The aggregate amount of the transaction price allocated to remaining performance obligations for such contracts with a duration of more than one year was approximately \$464.4 at March 30, 2024. The Company expects to recognize revenue on approximately 62% and 92% of the remaining performance obligations over the next 12 and 24 months, respectively, with the remainder recognized thereafter.

Contract Balances

The timing of revenue recognition, invoicing and cash collections affect accounts receivable, unbilled receivables (contract assets) and customer advances and deposits (contract liabilities) on the consolidated balance sheets. These assets and liabilities are reported on the consolidated balance sheets on an individual contract basis at the end of each reporting period.

Contract Assets (Unbilled Receivables) - Pursuant to the over-time revenue recognition model, revenue may be recognized prior to the customer being invoiced. An unbilled receivable is recorded to reflect revenue that is recognized when (1) the cost-to-cost method is applied and (2) such revenue exceeds the amount invoiced to the customer.

As of March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, current contract assets were \$6.9 and \$4.5, respectively, and included within prepaid expenses and other current assets on the consolidated balance sheets. The increase in contract assets was primarily due to the recognition of revenue related to the satisfaction or partial satisfaction of performance obligations prior to billing partially offset by amounts billed to customers during the period. As of March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, the Company did not have any contract assets classified as noncurrent on the consolidated balance sheets.

Contract Liabilities (Deferred Revenue) - The Company may receive a customer advance or deposit, or have an unconditional right to receive a customer advance, prior to revenue being recognized. Since the performance obligations related to such advances may not have been satisfied, a contract liability is established. Advance payments are not considered a significant financing component as the timing of the transfer of the related goods or services is at the discretion of the customer.

As of March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, current contract liabilities were \$22.5 and \$20.6, respectively, and included within accrued expenses and other current liabilities on the consolidated balance sheets. The increase in current contract liabilities was primarily due to advance payments received and the reclassification of a portion of advance payments received from the noncurrent portion of contract liabilities partially offset by revenue recognized on customer contracts. For the year ended March 30, 2024, the Company recognized revenues of \$16.4 that were included in the contract liability balance as of April 1, 2023. For the year ended April 1, 2023, the Company recognized revenues of \$13.1 that were included in the contract liability balance at April 2, 2022.

As of March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, noncurrent contract liabilities were \$19.9 and \$19.8, respectively, and included within other noncurrent liabilities on the consolidated balance sheets. The increase in noncurrent contract liabilities was primarily due to advance payments received partially offset by the reclassification of a portion of advance payments received to the current portion of contract liabilities.

Variable Consideration

The amount of consideration to which the Company expects to be entitled in exchange for the goods and services is not generally subject to significant variations. However, the Company does offer certain customers rebates, prompt payment discounts, end-user discounts, the right to return eligible products, and/or other forms of variable consideration. The Company estimates this variable consideration using the expected value amount, which is based on historical experience. The Company includes estimated amounts in the transaction price to the extent it is probable that a significant reversal of cumulative revenue recognized will not occur when the uncertainty associated with the variable consideration is resolved. The Company adjusts the estimate of revenue at the earlier of when the amount of consideration the Company expects to receive changes or when the consideration becomes fixed. Accrued customer rebates were \$38.0 and \$39.6 at March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively, and are included within accrued expenses and other current liabilities on the consolidated balance sheets.

4. Fair Value

Fair value is defined as the price that would be expected to be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (exit price). The FASB provides accounting rules that classify the inputs used to measure fair value into the following hierarchy:

Level 1 – Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 – Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for similar assets or liabilities, or unadjusted quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability.

Level 3 – Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

Financial assets and liabilities are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

As a result of the occurrence of triggering events such as purchase accounting for acquisitions, the Company measures certain assets and liabilities based on Level 3 inputs.

Recurring Fair Value Measurements

The Company's financial instruments consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, trade accounts payable, short-term borrowings, long-term debt, and a derivative in the form of an interest rate swap. Due to their short-term nature, the carrying value of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, trade accounts payable, accrued expenses and short-term borrowings are a reasonable estimate of their fair value. Long-term assets held on our balance sheets related to benefit plan obligations are measured at fair value. The fair value of the Company's long-term fixed-rate debt, based on quoted market prices, was \$456.8 and \$450.0 at March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively. The carrying value of this debt was \$494.2 at March 30, 2024 and \$493.3 at April 1, 2023. The fair value of long-term fixed-rate debt was measured using Level 1 inputs. Due to the nature of fair value calculations for variable-rate debt, the carrying value of the Company's long-term variable-rate debt is a reasonable estimate of its fair value. The fair value of the interest rate swap was \$1.6 and \$2.8 at March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively, and was measured using Level 2 inputs. This amount is included in other noncurrent liabilities on the Company's consolidated balance sheets. The interest rate swap, net of taxes, had accumulated other comprehensive income of \$1.2 and accumulated other comprehensive loss of \$2.2 as of March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023 and was included in accumulated other comprehensive income/(loss) on the Company's consolidated balance sheets, and in the Company's consolidated statements of comprehensive income.

The Company does not believe it has significant concentrations of risk associated with the counterparties to its financial instruments.

5. Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

The activity in the allowance for doubtful accounts consists of the following:

Fiscal Year Ended	Balance at Beginning of Year	Additions	Other*	Write-offs	Balance at End of Year
March 30, 2024	\$ 3.7	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.5	\$ —	\$ 4.4
April 1, 2023	\$ 2.7	\$ 0.8	\$ 0.4	\$ (0.2)	\$ 3.7
April 2, 2022	\$ 1.8	\$ 1.4	\$ (0.1)	\$ (0.4)	\$ 2.7

* Foreign currency, price discrepancies, customer returns, disposition and acquisition transactions.

6. Inventory

Inventories are summarized below:

	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023
Raw materials	\$ 138.1	\$ 132.4
Work in process	137.9	132.5
Finished goods	346.8	322.3
	\$ 622.8	\$ 587.2

7. Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment consist of the following:

	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023
Land	\$ 25.2	\$ 25.2
Buildings and improvements	175.0	174.3
Machinery and equipment	497.8	472.8
	698.0	672.3
Less: accumulated depreciation	(337.0)	(297.0)
	\$ 361.0	\$ 375.3

Depreciation expense was \$48.9, \$46.2 and \$30.8 for the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024, April 1, 2023, and April 2, 2022, respectively.

Finance Leases

For the year ended March 30, 2024, \$51.8 of assets included in buildings and improvements and \$7.9 of assets included in machinery and equipment were accounted for as finance leases. For the year ended April 1, 2023, \$51.5 of assets included in buildings and improvements and \$6.5 of assets included in machinery and equipment were accounted for as finance leases. At March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, the Company had accumulated amortization of \$10.3 and \$5.8 associated with these assets, respectively. Amortization expense associated with these finance leases was \$4.9, \$4.5 and \$1.3 for the years ended March 30, 2024, April 1, 2023 and April 2, 2022, respectively, and is included within depreciation expense as mentioned above.

8. Leases

The Company enters into leases for manufacturing facilities, warehouses, sales offices, information technology equipment, plant equipment, vehicles and certain other equipment with varying end dates from April 2024 to March 2043, including renewal options.

The following table represents the impact of leasing on the consolidated balance sheets:

	Balance Sheet Classification	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023
Assets:			
Operating lease assets, net	Operating lease assets, net	\$ 41.4	\$ 41.4
Finance lease right of use assets, net	Property, plant and equipment, net	49.4	52.2
Total leased assets, net		\$ 90.8	\$ 93.6
Liabilities:			
Current operating lease liabilities	Current operating lease liabilities	\$ 7.0	\$ 7.6
Current finance lease liabilities	Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	5.7	5.2
Noncurrent operating lease liabilities	Noncurrent operating lease liabilities	35.3	33.9
Noncurrent finance lease liabilities	Other noncurrent liabilities	46.7	48.5
Total lease liabilities		\$ 94.7	\$ 95.2

Cash paid associated with operating lease liabilities was \$8.1 and \$8.5 for the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively, all of which were included within the operating cash flow section of the consolidated statements of cash flows. Lease assets obtained in exchange for new operating lease liabilities were \$1.7 and \$2.0 for the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively. Lease modifications which resulted in newly obtained lease assets in exchange for new operating lease liabilities were \$5.4 and \$3.1 for the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively.

Cash paid associated with finance lease liabilities was \$5.3 and \$5.0 for the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively. Of these amounts, \$3.6 and \$3.2 were included within the financing cash flow section of the consolidated statements of cash flows for the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively. \$1.8 and \$1.8 of these cash payments were included within the operating cash flow section of the consolidated statements of cash flows for the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively. Lease assets obtained in exchange for new finance lease liabilities were \$2.3 and \$4.0 for the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively. Lease modifications which resulted in reductions of lease assets in exchange for reductions of finance lease liabilities were \$0.0 and \$0.1 for the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively.

Total operating lease expense was \$10.1, \$9.9 and \$8.3 for the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024, April 1, 2023 and April 2, 2022, respectively. Short-term and variable lease expense were immaterial.

Total finance lease expense was \$6.7 for the fiscal year ended March 30, 2024, of which, \$5.0 was related to amortization expense of finance lease assets and \$1.7 was related to interest expense. Total finance lease expense was \$6.4 for the fiscal year ended April 1, 2023, of which, \$4.5 was related to amortization expense of finance lease assets and \$1.9 was related to interest expense. Variable lease expense was immaterial.

Future undiscounted lease payments for the remaining lease terms as of March 30, 2024, including renewal options reasonably certain of being exercised, are as follows:

	Operating Leases	Finance Leases
Within one year	\$ 7.1	\$ 5.8
One to two years	6.5	5.7
Two to three years	6.5	5.1
Three to four years	4.7	4.4
Four to five years	3.4	3.9
Thereafter	25.1	41.6
Total future undiscounted lease payments	53.3	66.5
Less: imputed interest	(11.0)	(14.1)
Total lease liabilities	\$ 42.3	\$ 52.4

The weighted-average remaining lease term on March 30, 2024 for our operating leases is 10.2 years. The weighted-average discount rate on March 30, 2024 for our operating leases is 5.7%.

The weighted-average remaining lease term on March 30, 2024 for our finance leases is 14.3 years. The weighted-average discount rate on March 30, 2024 for our finance leases is 3.5%.

9. Specline Acquisition

On August 18, 2023, RBC acquired the business assets of Specline, Inc. (“Specline”) for \$18.7. The Company accounted for the transaction as a business combination for accounting purposes. Specline, which is based in Carson City, Nevada, is a manufacturer of precision bearings for the commercial and defense aerospace markets. The preliminary purchase price allocation is as follows: \$1.4 of accounts receivable, \$4.0 of inventory, \$1.5 of fixed assets, \$0.8 of operating lease assets, \$8.8 of intangible assets, \$2.1 of earnout liability, and \$0.8 of operating lease liabilities. Goodwill of \$5.1 resulting from the purchase price allocation is not deductible for tax purposes and is subject to change pending a final valuation of the assets and liabilities. Specline is included in the Aerospace/Defense segment.

10. Goodwill and Intangible Assets

Goodwill

Goodwill balances, by segment, consist of the following:

	Aerospace/ Defense	Industrial	Total
April 2, 2022	\$ 194.1	\$ 1,708.0	\$ 1,902.1
Acquisition ⁽¹⁾	—	(28.7)	(28.7)
Translation adjustments	—	(3.6)	(3.6)
April 1, 2023	\$ 194.1	\$ 1,675.7	\$ 1,869.8
Acquisition ⁽²⁾	5.1	—	5.1
Translation adjustments	—	(0.0)	(0.0)
March 30, 2024	\$ 199.2	\$ 1,675.7	\$ 1,874.9

(1) Purchase price adjustments associated with the acquisition of Dodge Industrial.

(2) Goodwill associated with the acquisition of Specline, Inc. discussed further in Note 9.

Intangible Assets

The table below summarizes the net book value and weighted average useful lives of our intangible assets.

	Weighted Average Useful Lives (Years)	March 30, 2024		April 1, 2023	
		Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization
Product approvals	24	\$ 50.7	\$ 20.3	\$ 50.7	\$ 18.4
Customer relationships and lists	24	1,300.7	160.7	1,293.7	106.5
Trade names	25	217.2	32.5	215.4	23.3
Patents and trademarks	15	10.8	6.5	13.4	7.2
Domain names	10	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
Internal-use software	3	16.7	8.8	15.2	4.4
Other	5	1.6	1.3	1.1	1.1
		1,598.1	230.5	1,589.9	161.3
Non-amortizable repair station certifications	n/a	24.3	—	24.3	—
Total	24	\$ 1,622.4	\$ 230.5	\$ 1,614.2	\$ 161.3

Amortization expense for definite-lived intangible assets during fiscal years 2024, 2023 and 2022 was \$70.4, \$69.1 and \$34.7, respectively. Estimated amortization expense for the five succeeding fiscal years and thereafter is as follows:

2025	\$ 70.7
2026	67.8
2027	66.1
2028	65.3
2029	63.9
2030 and thereafter	1,033.8

11. Accrued Expenses and Other Current Liabilities

The significant components of accrued expenses and other current liabilities are as follows:

	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023
Employee compensation and related benefits	\$ 35.7	\$ 34.7
Taxes	23.1	17.5
Contract liabilities	22.5	20.6
Accrued rebates	38.0	39.6
Workers compensation and insurance	0.4	0.8
Acquisition costs	0.1	0.6
Current finance lease liabilities	5.7	5.2
Accrued preferred stock dividends	4.8	4.9
Interest	10.4	10.6
Audit fees	0.3	0.3
Legal	1.3	1.6
Returns and warranties	9.2	7.5
Travel and expense costs	4.4	1.1
Other	11.4	8.4
	\$ 167.3	\$ 153.4

12. Debt

Domestic Credit Facility

The Credit Agreement, which was entered into in fiscal 2022, provides the Company with (a) the \$1,300.0 Term Loan, which was used to fund a portion of the purchase price for the acquisition of Dodge and to pay related fees and expenses, and (b) the \$500.0 Revolving Credit Facility. Debt issuance costs associated with the Credit Agreement totaled \$14.9 and are being amortized over the life of the Credit Agreement.

Initially, amounts outstanding under the Facilities generally bore interest at either, at the Company's option, (a) a base rate determined by reference to the higher of (i) Wells Fargo's prime lending rate, (ii) the federal funds effective rate plus 1/2 of 1.00% and (iii) the one-month LIBOR rate plus 1.00% or (b) the LIBOR rate plus a specified margin, depending on the type of borrowing being made. The applicable margin was based on the Company's consolidated ratio of total net debt to consolidated EBITDA (as defined within the Credit Agreement) from time to time. In December 2022, the Credit Agreement was amended to replace LIBOR with the secured overnight financing rate administered by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (*i.e.*, SOFR) so that borrowings under the Facilities denominated in U.S. dollars bear interest at a rate per annum equal to Term SOFR (as defined in the Credit Agreement) plus a credit spread adjustment of 0.10% plus a margin ranging from 0.75% to 2.00% depending on the Company's consolidated ratio of total net debt to consolidated EBITDA. The Facilities are subject to a SOFR floor of 0.00%. As of March 30, 2024, the Company's margin was 1.25% for SOFR loans, the commitment fee rate was 0.20%, and the letter of credit fee rate was 1.25%. A portion of the Term Loan is subject to a fixed-rate interest swap as discussed in Note 13.

The Term Loan matures in November 2026 and amortizes in quarterly installments with the balance payable on the maturity date. The Company can elect to prepay some or all of the outstanding balance from time to time without penalty, which will offset future quarterly amortization installments. Due to prepayments previously made, the required future principal payments on the Term Loan are \$0 for fiscal 2025, \$0 for fiscal 2026, and \$675.0 for fiscal 2027. The Revolving Credit Facility expires in November 2026, at which time all amounts outstanding under the Revolving Credit Facility will be payable.

The Credit Agreement requires the Company to comply with various covenants, including the following financial covenants: (a) a maximum Total Net Leverage Ratio (as defined within the Credit Agreement) of 5.00:1.00, which maximum Total Net Leverage Ratio shall decrease during certain subsequent test periods as set forth in the Credit Agreement (provided that, no more than once during the term of the Facilities, such maximum ratio applicable at such time may be increased by the Company by 0.50:1.00 for a period of twelve (12) months after the consummation of a material acquisition); and (b) a minimum Interest Coverage Ratio of 2.00:1.00. As of March 30, 2024 the Company was in compliance with all debt covenants.

The Credit Agreement allows the Company to, among other things, make distributions to stockholders, repurchase its stock, incur other debt or liens, or acquire or dispose of assets provided that the Company complies with certain requirements and limitations of the Credit Agreement.

The Company's domestic subsidiaries have guaranteed the Company's obligations under the Credit Agreement, and the Company's obligations and the domestic subsidiaries' guaranty are secured by a pledge of substantially all of the assets of the Company and its domestic subsidiaries.

As of March 30, 2024, \$675.0 was outstanding under the Term Loan, \$3.7 of the Revolving Credit Facility was being utilized to provide letters of credit to secure the Company's obligations relating to certain insurance programs, and \$18.0 of the Revolving Credit Facility had been used to fund the purchase of the business assets of Specline, Inc. which is discussed in Note 9. The Company had the ability to borrow up to an additional \$478.3 under the Revolving Credit Facility as of March 30, 2024.

Senior Notes

In fiscal 2022, RBCA issued \$500.0 aggregate principal amount of Senior Notes. The net proceeds from the issuance of the Senior Notes were approximately \$492.0, after deducting initial purchasers' discounts and commissions and offering expenses, and were used to fund a portion of the cash purchase price for the acquisition of Dodge.

The Senior Notes were issued pursuant to the Indenture with Wilmington Trust, National Association, as trustee. The Indenture contains covenants limiting the ability of the Company to (i) incur additional indebtedness or guarantee indebtedness, (ii) declare or pay dividends, redeem stock or make other distributions to stockholders, (iii) make investments, (iv) create liens or use assets as security in other transactions, (v) merge or consolidate, or sell, transfer, lease or dispose of substantially all of its assets, (vi) enter into transactions with affiliates, and (vii) sell or transfer certain assets. These covenants contain various exceptions, limitations and qualifications. At any time that the Senior Notes are rated investment grade, certain of these covenants will be suspended.

The Senior Notes are guaranteed jointly and severally on a senior unsecured basis by RBC Bearings and certain of RBCA's existing and future wholly-owned domestic subsidiaries that also guarantee the Credit Agreement.

Interest on the Senior Notes accrues at a rate of 4.375% and is payable semi-annually in cash in arrears on April 15 and October 15 of each year.

The Senior Notes will mature on October 15, 2029. The Company may redeem some or all of the Senior Notes at any time on or after October 15, 2024 at the redemption prices set forth in the Indenture, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to, but excluding, the redemption date. The Company may also redeem up to 40% of the Senior Notes using the proceeds of certain equity offerings completed before October 15, 2024, at a redemption price equal to 104.375% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to, but excluding, the redemption date. In addition, at any time prior to October 15, 2024, the Company may redeem some or all of the Senior Notes at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount, plus a "make-whole" premium, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to, but excluding, the redemption date. If the Company sells certain of its assets or experiences specific kinds of changes in control, the Company must offer to purchase the Senior Notes.

Foreign Borrowing Arrangements

The Foreign Credit Line provides Schaublin SA with a CHF 5.0 (approximately \$5.8 USD) credit line with Credit Suisse (Switzerland) Ltd. to provide future working capital, if necessary. As of March 30, 2024, \$2.2 had been borrowed from the Foreign Credit Line and \$0.1 was being utilized to provide a bank guarantee. Fees associated with the Foreign Credit Line are nominal.

The balances payable under all borrowing facilities are as follows:

	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023
Revolver and term loan facilities	\$ 695.2	\$ 900.0
Senior notes	500.0	500.0
Debt issuance cost	(10.7)	(13.7)
Other	7.4	8.7
Total debt	1,191.9	1,395.0
Less: current portion	3.8	1.5
Long-term debt	\$ 1,188.1	\$ 1,393.5

13. Derivative Financial Instruments

The Company is exposed to certain risks relating to its ongoing business operations, including market risks relating to fluctuations in interest rates. Derivative financial instruments are recognized on the consolidated balance sheets as either assets or liabilities and are measured at fair value. Changes in the fair values of derivatives are recorded each period in earnings or accumulated other comprehensive income, depending on whether a derivative is effective as part of a hedged transaction. Gains and losses on derivative instruments reported in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) are subsequently included in earnings in the periods in which earnings are affected by the hedged item. The Company does not use derivative instruments for speculative purposes.

In fiscal 2023, the Company entered into the three-year USD-denominated Swap with a third-party financial counterparty under the Credit Agreement (see Note 12). The Swap was executed to protect the Company from interest rate volatility on our variable-rate Term Loan Facility. The Swap became effective December 30, 2022 and is comprised of a \$600.0 notional with a maturity of three years. The notional is \$400.0 as of March 30, 2024. We receive a variable rate based on one-month Term SOFR and pay a fixed rate of 4.455%. As of March 30, 2024, after given effect to the Swap, approximately 75% of our debt bore interest at a fixed rate after giving effect to the interest rate swap agreement in place. The notional on the Swap will amortize as follows:

Year 1: \$600.0
Year 2: \$400.0
Year 3: \$100.0

The Swap has been designated as a cash flow hedge of the variability of the first unhedged interest payments (the hedged transactions) paid over the hedging relationship's specified time period of three years attributable to the borrowing's contractually specified interest index on the hedged principal of its general borrowing program or replacement or refinancing thereof. The fair value of the Swap has been disclosed in Note 4. The accumulated other comprehensive income derivative component balance, net of taxes, was a \$1.2 gain and a \$2.2 loss at March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively. The gain/loss reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income into earnings will be recorded as interest income/expense on the Swap and will be included in the operating section of the Company's consolidated statements of cash flows.

14. Other Noncurrent Liabilities

The significant components of other noncurrent liabilities consist of:

	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023
Other postretirement benefits	\$ 10.7	\$ 10.0
Noncurrent income tax liability	14.1	14.6
Deferred compensation	29.9	25.7
Contract liabilities	19.9	19.8
Noncurrent finance lease liabilities	46.7	48.5
Other	3.5	4.1
	<u>\$ 124.8</u>	<u>\$ 122.7</u>

15. Employee Benefit Plans

Noncontributory Defined Benefit Pension Plan

At March 30, 2024, the Company had one consolidated noncontributory defined benefit pension plan (the "Plan") covering current and former union employees in its Heim division plant in Fairfield, Connecticut, its Precision Products subsidiary plant in Plymouth, Indiana and former union employees of the Tyson subsidiary in Glasgow, Kentucky and the Nice subsidiary in Kulpsville, Pennsylvania.

Plan assets are comprised primarily of equity and fixed income investments. As of March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, Plan assets were \$9.1 and \$8.7, respectively.

The fair value of the above investments was determined using quoted market prices of identical instruments. Therefore, the valuation inputs within the fair value hierarchy established by ASC 820 were classified as Level 1 of the valuation hierarchy.

Benefits under the Plan are not a function of employees' salaries; thus, the accumulated benefit obligation equals the projected benefit obligation. At March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, the projected benefit obligation was \$3.7 and \$3.8, respectively.

The discount rates used in determining the funded status of the Plan as of March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023 were 5.00% and 4.70%, respectively.

The funded status of the Plan and the amount recognized in the balance sheet at March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023 were \$5.4 and \$4.9, respectively. These overfunded amounts are included within noncurrent assets on the consolidated balance sheets.

Net periodic benefit cost of the Plan for fiscal years 2024, 2023 and 2022 was \$0.1, \$0.2 and \$0.0, respectively. The discount rate used to determine net periodic benefit cost for fiscal years 2024, 2023 and 2022 was 4.70%, 3.30% and 2.70%, respectively.

Foreign Pension Plans

Two of the Company's foreign operations, Schaublin and Swiss Tool, sponsor pension plans for their approximately 163 and 34 employees, respectively, in conformance with Swiss pension law. The Schaublin plan is funded with an independent semi-autonomous collective provident foundation whereas the Swiss Tool plan is funded with a reputable Swiss insurer. The unfunded liabilities of these plans at March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023 were \$2.3 and \$1.5, respectively, and recorded within other noncurrent liabilities on the consolidated balance sheets. For fiscal 2024, 2023 and 2022, net periodic benefit cost for these plans was \$2.0, \$1.8 and \$1.7, respectively.

401(k) Plans

The Company has defined contribution plans under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code for all of its employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement. Employer contributions under this plan, ranging from 10% - 100% of eligible amounts contributed by employees, amounted to \$9.6, \$8.6 and \$4.6 in fiscal 2024, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan

The Company maintains a non-qualified Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan ("SERP") for a select group of senior management employees. The SERP allows eligible employees to elect to defer up to 75% of their current salary and up to 100% of bonus compensation. As of March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, the SERP assets were \$33.0 and \$28.6, respectively, and are included within other noncurrent assets on the consolidated balance sheets. As of March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, the SERP liabilities were \$29.9 and \$25.7, respectively, and are included within other noncurrent liabilities on the consolidated balance sheets.

Defined Benefit Health Care Plans

The Company, for the benefit of current and former union employees at its Heim, West Trenton, Plymouth and PIC facilities and former union employees of its Tyson and Nice subsidiaries, sponsors contributory defined benefit health care plans that provide postretirement medical and life insurance benefits to union employees who have attained certain age and/or service requirements while employed by the Company. The plans are unfunded and costs are paid as incurred. Postretirement benefit obligations were \$2.2 and \$2.4 at March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively. Of these amounts, \$0.2 is considered current and is included within accrued expenses and other current liabilities on the consolidated balance sheets as of both March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023. The remainder of the balances are included in other noncurrent liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets. The Company also maintains a frozen defined benefit health care plan for Dodge employees with postretirement benefit obligations of \$5.8 and \$6.3 at March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively. Of these amounts, \$0.8 were considered current at both March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023. The amounts are included within the same balance sheet line items as other postretirement health care plans maintained by the Company.

16. Income Taxes

Income before income taxes for the Company's domestic and foreign operations is as follows:

	Fiscal Year Ended		
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023	April 2, 2022
Domestic	240.8	\$ 191.0	\$ 68.8
Foreign	21.0	18.7	9.9
Total income before income taxes	<u>\$ 261.8</u>	<u>\$ 209.7</u>	<u>\$ 78.7</u>

The provision for income taxes consists of the following:

	Fiscal Year Ended		
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023	April 2, 2022
Current tax expense:			
Federal	\$ 53.1	\$ 53.0	\$ 18.3
State	5.9	7.5	2.6
Foreign	5.2	3.9	2.9
	<u>64.2</u>	<u>64.4</u>	<u>23.8</u>
Deferred tax expense:			
Federal	(9.3)	(20.0)	(0.5)
State	(4.3)	(2.6)	(0.3)
Foreign	1.3	1.2	1.0
	<u>(12.3)</u>	<u>(21.4)</u>	<u>0.2</u>
Total income taxes	<u>\$ 51.9</u>	<u>\$ 43.0</u>	<u>\$ 24.0</u>

An analysis of the difference between the provision for income taxes and the amount computed by applying the U.S. statutory income tax rate to pre-tax income follows:

	Fiscal Year Ended		
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023	April 2, 2022
Income taxes using U.S. federal statutory rate	\$ 55.0	\$ 44.0	\$ 16.5
State income taxes, net of federal benefit	0.8	3.9	1.9
Stock-based compensation	(0.9)	(1.6)	(2.6)
Foreign rate differential	2.0	1.1	1.6
Research and development credits	(2.5)	(2.4)	(1.5)
Company-owned life insurance	(0.8)	0.3	(0.0)
Foreign derived intangible income (FDII)	(3.3)	(2.7)	(1.5)
U.S. unrecognized tax positions	1.5	(1.9)	5.4
Acquisition costs	0.0	0.0	1.7
Valuation allowance	(1.7)	0.0	2.3
Other - net	1.8	2.3	0.2
	<u>\$ 51.9</u>	<u>\$ 43.0</u>	<u>\$ 24.0</u>

Net deferred tax assets (liabilities) are comprised of the following:

	<u>March 30, 2024</u>	<u>April 1, 2023</u>
Deferred tax assets:		
Pension and postretirement benefits	\$ 1.5	\$ 1.8
Employee compensation accruals	11.4	10.9
Inventory	15.6	15.8
Operating lease liabilities	8.0	7.8
Finance lease liabilities	0.3	0.0
Stock compensation	5.4	3.4
Tax loss and credit carryforwards	11.5	12.5
State tax	1.3	1.3
Other accrued liabilities	8.1	8.9
Capitalized research and development costs	16.4	8.1
Other	0.4	5.1
Total gross deferred tax assets	<u>79.9</u>	<u>75.6</u>
Valuation allowance	(7.0)	(8.5)
Total deferred tax assets	<u>\$ 72.9</u>	<u>\$ 67.1</u>
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Property, plant and equipment	\$ (32.4)	\$ (33.5)
Operating lease assets	(7.7)	(7.7)
Other	(3.7)	(3.3)
Intangible assets	(312.4)	(316.7)
Total deferred tax liabilities	<u>\$ (356.2)</u>	<u>\$ (361.2)</u>
Total net deferred liabilities	<u>\$ (283.3)</u>	<u>\$ (294.1)</u>

The Company evaluates deferred tax assets to ensure that the estimated future taxable income will be sufficient in character (i.e. capital versus ordinary income treatment), amount and timing to result in their recovery. After considering the positive and negative evidence, a valuation allowance has been recorded on foreign tax credits and on certain state and foreign credits and net operating losses as it is more likely than not (*i.e.*, greater than a 50% likelihood) that these items will not be utilized. For the Company's fiscal year ended March 30, 2024 the valuation allowance decreased by \$1.5, which primarily related to the expiration of a capital loss carryforward. For the fiscal year ended April 1, 2023 the valuation allowance decreased by less than \$0.2. These valuation allowances are required because management has determined, based on financial projections and available tax strategies, that it is unlikely the net operating losses and credits will be utilized before they expire. If events or circumstances change, valuation allowances are adjusted at that time resulting in an income tax benefit or charge.

At March 30, 2024, the Company had state net operating loss carryovers in different jurisdictions at varying amounts up to \$5.3, which expire at various dates through 2036. At March 30, 2024, the Company had foreign net operating loss carryovers in different jurisdictions at varying amounts totaling \$2.7, which will expire at various dates through fiscal 2028. At March 30, 2024, the Company had U.S. federal and state credits in different jurisdictions at varying amounts up to \$11.0 which principally expire at various dates through 2038. At March 30, 2024, the Company had Canadian investment tax credits up to \$0.2 which will expire at various dates through 2038.

Under accounting standards (ASC 740) a deferred tax liability is not recorded for the excess of the tax basis over the financial reporting (book) basis of an investment in a foreign subsidiary if the indefinite reinvestment criteria is met. The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA) required a mandatory deemed repatriation of certain undistributed earnings of the Company's foreign subsidiaries as of December 31, 2017, and income taxes were accrued accordingly. If these deemed repatriated earnings were distributed in the form of cash dividends, the Company would not be subject to additional U.S. income taxes, other than tax arising from the movement of foreign exchange rates on previously taxed earnings, but could be subject to foreign income and withholding taxes. A provision had not been made for additional U.S. and foreign taxes at March 30, 2024 on approximately \$71.9 of undistributed earnings of foreign subsidiaries or for any additional tax on the deemed repatriated earnings because the Company intends to reinvest these funds indefinitely to support foreign growth opportunities and foreign operations. Due to the inherent complexity of the multinational tax environment in which the Company operates, it is not practicable to estimate the unrecognized deferred tax liability on these undistributed earnings. These earnings could become subject to additional tax under certain circumstances including, but not limited to, loans to the Company, or upon sale or pledging of the foreign subsidiary's stock.

Uncertain Tax Positions

Unrecognized income tax benefits represent income tax positions taken on income tax returns but not yet recognized in the consolidated financial statements. If recognized, substantially all of the unrecognized tax benefits for the Company's fiscal years ended March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023 would affect the effective income tax rate.

A reconciliation of the beginning and ending amount of unrecognized tax benefits is as follows:

	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023	April 2, 2022
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 13.1	\$ 22.8	\$ 16.6
Gross increases (decreases) – tax positions taken during a prior period	2.0	(8.9)	0.4
Gross increases – tax positions taken during the current period	1.7	1.7	7.6
Reductions due to lapse of the applicable statute of limitations	(1.6)	(2.5)	(1.8)
Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 15.2</u>	<u>\$ 13.1</u>	<u>\$ 22.8</u>

The Company recognizes the interest and penalties accrued related to unrecognized tax benefits in income tax expense. The Company recognized a benefit of \$0.3 for the fiscal year ended March 30, 2024 and expense of \$0.1 and \$0.1 related to interest and penalties on its statement of operations for the fiscal years ended April 1, 2023 and April 2, 2022, respectively. The Company had approximately \$1.2 and \$1.5 of accrued interest and penalties at March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively.

The Company believes it is reasonably possible that some of its unrecognized tax positions may be effectively settled by the end of the Company's fiscal year ending March 29, 2025, due to the closing of audits and the statute of limitations expiring in various jurisdictions. The decrease, pertaining primarily to federal and state credits and state tax, is estimated to be \$1.9.

The Company files income tax returns in numerous U.S. and foreign jurisdictions, with returns subject to examination for varying periods, but generally back to and including the fiscal year ending April 3, 2021, although certain tax credits generated in earlier years are open under statute from March 31, 2007. The Company is no longer subject to U.S. federal tax examination by the Internal Revenue Service for years ending before April 3, 2021.

17. Stockholders' Equity

Preferred Stock

We are authorized to issue 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock, \$0.01 par value per share, in one or more series and to fix the powers, designations, preferences and relative participating, option or other rights thereof, including dividend rights, conversion rights, voting rights, redemption terms, liquidation preferences and the number of shares constituting any series, without any further vote or action by our stockholders.

In fiscal 2022, we completed an offering of 4,600,000 shares of MCPS in a public offering registered under the Securities Act of 1933. The trading symbol for the MCPS on the New York Stock Exchange is "RBCP." The net proceeds from the offering were approximately \$445.3, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and offering expenses, and were used to fund a portion of the purchase price for the acquisition of Dodge.

Holders of MCPS are entitled to receive, when, as and if declared by our Board of Directors, or an authorized committee thereof, out of funds legally available for payment, cumulative dividends at the annual rate of 5.00% of the liquidation preference of \$100 per share, payable in cash or, subject to certain limitations, by delivery of shares of common stock or any combination of cash and shares of common stock, at our election; provided, however, that any unpaid dividends on the MCPS will continue to accumulate as described in the Certificate of Designations that sets forth the rights, preferences and privileges of the MCPS. The Company made dividend payments of \$5.7 on April 17, 2023, \$5.8 on July 17, 2023, \$5.8 on October 16, 2023, and \$5.7 on January 15, 2024. The Company also had accrued \$4.8 as of March 30, 2024 for dividends that were paid on April 15, 2024.

The MCPS has a liquidation preference of \$100 per share plus accrued and unpaid dividends. As of March 30, 2024, the MCPS had an aggregate liquidation preference of \$464.8.

Subject to certain exceptions, no dividend or distribution will be declared or paid on shares of our common stock, and no common stock will be purchased, redeemed or otherwise acquired for consideration by us or any of our subsidiaries unless, in each case, all accumulated and unpaid dividends for all preceding dividend periods have been declared and paid, or a sufficient amount of cash or number of shares of common stock has been set apart for the payment of such dividends, on all outstanding shares of MCPS. In the event of our voluntary or involuntary liquidation, winding-up or dissolution, no distribution of our assets may be made to holders of our common stock until we have paid holders of MCPS, each of which will be entitled to receive a liquidation preference in the amount of \$100 per share plus accumulated and unpaid dividends.

Unless earlier converted or redeemed, each share of MCPS will automatically convert, for settlement on or about October 15, 2024, into between 0.4413 and 0.5405 shares of common stock, subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments. The conversion rate that will apply to mandatory conversions will be determined based on the average of the daily volume-weighted average prices over the 20 consecutive trading days beginning on, and including, the 21st scheduled trading day immediately before October 15, 2024. The conversion rate applicable to mandatory conversions may in certain circumstances be increased to compensate holders of the MCPS for certain unpaid accumulated dividends.

Common Stock

We are authorized to issue 60,000,000 shares of common stock, \$0.01 par value per share. Holders of common stock are entitled to one vote per share. Holders of common stock are entitled to receive dividends, if and when declared by our Board of Directors, and to share ratably in our assets legally available for distribution to our stockholders in the event of liquidation after giving effect to any liquidation preference for the benefit of the MCPS or any other preferred stock then outstanding. Holders of common stock have no preemptive, subscription, redemption, or conversion rights. The holders of common stock do not have cumulative voting rights. The holders of a majority of the shares of common stock can elect all of the directors and can control our management and affairs.

In fiscal 2022 we completed an offering of 3,450,000 shares of common stock in a public offering registered under the Securities Act of 1933 at an offering price of \$185 per share. The net proceeds from the offering were approximately \$605.5, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and offering expenses, and were used to fund a portion of the purchase price for the acquisition of Dodge.

Long-Term Equity Incentive Plans

The Company's long-term equity incentive plans (the "Equity Plans") provide for grants of stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock and performance awards to directors, officers and other employees and persons who engage in services for the Company. The purpose of the Equity Plans is to provide these individuals with incentives to maximize stockholder value and otherwise contribute to the Company's success and to enable the Company to attract, retain and reward the best available persons for positions of responsibility. 1,500,000 shares of common stock were authorized for issuance under each Equity Plan when it was adopted, subject to adjustment in the event of a reorganization, stock split, merger or similar change in the Company's corporate structure or in the outstanding shares of common stock. The Company's Compensation Committee administers the Equity Plans, although the Company's Board of Directors also has the authority to administer the Equity Plans and to take all actions that the Compensation Committee is otherwise authorized to take under the Equity Plans. The terms and conditions of each award made under an Equity Plan, including vesting requirements, are set forth in a written agreement with the recipient that is consistent with the terms of the relevant Equity Plan. As of March 30, 2024 the Company's long-term equity incentive plans were as follows: the 2013 Equity Plan, which expired in 2023 although stock options awarded under this plan are still outstanding; the 2017 Equity Plan, which expires in 2027; and the 2021 Equity Plan, which expires in 2031. As of March 30, 2024 there were 272,328 and 1,500,000 shares available for future awards under the 2017 and 2021 Equity plans, respectively.

Stock Options. Under the Equity Plans, the Compensation Committee or the Board may approve the award of non-qualified stock options. The Compensation Committee also has the authority to approve the grant of options that will become fully vested and exercisable automatically upon a change in control. The Compensation Committee may not, however, approve an award to any one person (other than Dr. Michael J. Hartnett) in any calendar year for options to purchase common stock equal to more than 10% of the total number of shares authorized under the relevant Equity Plan. The Compensation Committee will approve the exercise price and term of any option in its discretion; however, the exercise price may not be less than 100% of the fair market value of a share of common stock on the date of grant. The Equity Plans also authorize the Compensation Committee to award incentive stock options conforming to the requirements of Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code, but to date no such options have been awarded. As of March 30, 2024, there were 8,272 outstanding options under the 2013 Equity Plan, all of which were exercisable, 497,620 outstanding options under the 2017 Equity Plan, 233,440 of which were exercisable, and no outstanding option under the 2021 Equity Plan.

Restricted Stock. Under the Equity Plans, the Compensation Committee may approve the award of restricted stock subject to the conditions and restrictions, and for the duration that it determines in its discretion. Under each of the 2017 and 2021 Equity Plans, the number of shares that may be used for restricted stock awards may not exceed 50% of the total authorized number of shares under that Equity Plan. As of March 30, 2024, there were zero, 173,445 and zero shares of restricted stock outstanding under the 2013, 2017 and 2021 Equity Plans, respectively.

Performance Awards. The Compensation Committee may approve performance awards contingent upon achievement by the recipient, or by the Company, of set goals and objectives regarding specified performance criteria, over a specified performance cycle. Awards may include specific dollar-value target awards, performance units the value of which is established at the time of grant, and/or performance shares the value of which is equal to the fair market value of a share of common stock on the date of grant. The value of a performance award may be fixed or fluctuate on the basis of specified performance criteria. A performance award may be paid out in cash and/or shares of common stock or other securities. Certain senior executive officers receive performance awards in the form of stock options, restricted stock and/or unrestricted stock.

Stock Appreciation Rights. The Compensation Committee may approve the grant of stock appreciation rights, or SARs, subject to the terms and conditions contained in the Equity Plans. The exercise price of an SAR must equal the fair market value of a share of the Company's common stock on the date the SAR is granted. Upon exercise of an SAR, the grantee will receive an amount in shares of our common stock equal to the difference between the fair market value of a share of common stock on the date of exercise and the exercise price of the SAR, multiplied by the number of shares as to which the SAR is exercised. There were no SARs issued or outstanding under the Plans as of March 30, 2024.

Amendment and Termination of the Equity Plans. Except as otherwise provided in an award agreement, the Board of Directors, without approval of the stockholders, may amend or terminate any Equity Plan, except that no amendment will become effective without prior approval of the stockholders of the Company if stockholder approval would be required by applicable law or regulations, including if required (i) under the provisions of Section 409A or any successor thereto, (ii) under the provisions of Section 422 of the Code or any successor thereto, or (iii) by any listing requirement of the principal stock exchange on which the common stock is then listed. Subject to the provisions of an award agreement, which may be more restrictive, no termination of an Equity Plan may materially and adversely affect any of the rights or obligations of any award recipient, without his or her written consent, under any award of options or other incentives previous granted under the relevant Equity Plan.

A summary of the status of the Company's stock options outstanding as of March 30, 2024 and changes during the year then ended is presented below. All cashless exercises of options are handled through an independent broker.

	Number Of Common Stock Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price Per Share	Weighted Average Contractual Life (Years)	Intrinsic Value
Outstanding, April 1, 2023	623,635	\$ 153.95	3.7	\$ 49.2
Awarded	54,820	215.97		
Exercised	(168,321)	120.48		
Forfeitures	(4,000)	208.85		
Expirations	(242)	136.46		
Outstanding, March 30, 2024	<u>505,892</u>	<u>\$ 171.38</u>	<u>3.6</u>	<u>\$ 50.1</u>
Exercisable, March 30, 2024	<u>241,712</u>	<u>\$ 155.39</u>	<u>2.8</u>	<u>\$ 27.8</u>

The fair value for the Company's options was estimated at the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following weighted-average assumptions, which are updated to reflect current expectations of the dividend yield, expected life, risk-free interest rate and using historical volatility to project expected volatility:

	Fiscal Year Ended		
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023	April 2, 2022
Dividend yield	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Expected weighted-average life (yrs.)	5.0	5.0	5.0
Risk-free interest rate	4.20%	3.05%	0.95%
Expected volatility	46.71%	45.57%	43.43%

The weighted average fair value per share of options granted was \$99.92 in fiscal 2024, \$90.39 in fiscal 2023 and \$76.65 in fiscal 2022.

The Company recorded \$2.6 (net of taxes of \$0.8) in compensation expense in fiscal 2024 related to option awards. As of March 30, 2024, there was \$9.9 of unrecognized compensation costs related to options which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 3.5 years. The total intrinsic value of options exercised in fiscal 2024, 2023 and 2022 was \$22.9, \$16.9 and \$11.9, respectively.

Of the total awards outstanding at March 30, 2024, 503,132 were either fully vested or are expected to vest. These shares have a weighted average exercise price of \$171.19, an intrinsic value of \$49.9 and a weighted average contractual term of 3.6 years.

A summary of the status of the Company's restricted stock outstanding as of March 30, 2024 and the changes during the year then ended is presented below.

	Number Of Restricted Stock Shares	Weighted- Average Grant Date Fair Value
Non-vested, April 1, 2023	192,124	\$ 186.67
Granted	71,448	205.50
Vested	(87,854)	177.26
Forfeitures	(2,273)	194.19
Non-vested, March 30, 2024	<u>173,445</u>	<u>\$ 199.09</u>

The weighted average fair value per share of restricted stock granted was \$205.50 in fiscal 2024, \$201.60 in fiscal 2023 and \$198.04 in fiscal 2022.

The Company recorded \$8.9 (net of taxes of \$2.6) in compensation expense in fiscal 2024 related to restricted stock awards. These awards were valued at the fair market value of the Company's common stock on the date of issuance and are being amortized as expense over the applicable vesting period. The total fair value of restricted stock awards that vested during fiscal 2024, 2023, and 2022 was \$19.2, \$21.2 and \$22.1, respectively. Unrecognized expense for restricted stock was \$18.9 at March 30, 2024. This cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of approximately 2.6 years.

A summary of the status of the Company's liability classified awards outstanding as of March 30, 2024 and the changes during the year then ended is presented below.

	Intrinsic Value
Outstanding, April 1, 2023	\$ —
Awarded	11.7
Vested	—
Cancelled	—
Change in fair value	—
Outstanding, March 30, 2024	<u>\$ 11.7</u>
Estimated liability as of March 30, 2024	<u>\$ 2.5</u>

The Company recorded \$1.9 (net of taxes of \$0.6) in stock-based compensation expense in fiscal 2024 related to liability awards. As of March 30, 2024, \$2.0 and \$0.5 was included in other noncurrent liabilities and other current liabilities, respectively. As of March 30, 2024 there was \$9.2 of unrecognized compensation costs related to liability awards which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 3.1 years. The total intrinsic value of liability classified awards vested in fiscal 2024, 2023 and 2022 was \$0.0, \$0.0 and \$0.0, respectively.

18. Commitments and Contingencies

As of March 30, 2024, approximately 5% of the Company's hourly employees in the U.S. and abroad were represented by labor unions.

The Company enters into U.S. government contracts and subcontracts that are subject to audit by the U.S. government. In the opinion of the Company's management, the results of such audits, if any, are not expected to have a material impact on the cash flows, financial condition or results of operations of the Company.

For fiscal 2024, 2023 and 2022, there were no audits by the U.S. government, the results of which, in the opinion of the Company's management, had a material impact on the cash flows, financial condition or results of operations of the Company.

The Company is subject to federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations, including those governing discharges of pollutants into the air and water, the storage, handling and disposal of wastes and the health and safety of employees. The Company also may be liable under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act or similar state laws for the costs of investigation and cleanup of contamination at facilities currently or formerly owned or operated by the Company, or at other facilities at which the Company may have disposed of hazardous substances. In connection with such contamination, the Company may also be liable for natural resource damages, U.S. government penalties and claims by third parties for personal injury and property damage. Agencies responsible for enforcing these laws have authority to impose significant civil or criminal penalties for non-compliance. The Company believes it is currently in material compliance with all applicable requirements of environmental laws. The Company does not anticipate material capital expenditures for environmental compliance in fiscal years 2025 or 2026.

Investigation and remediation of contamination is ongoing at some of the Company's sites. In particular, state agencies have been overseeing groundwater monitoring activities at the Company's facility in Hartsville, South Carolina. At Hartsville, the Company is monitoring low levels of contaminants in the groundwater caused by former operations. Plans are currently underway to conclude remediation and monitoring activities. In connection with the purchase of the Fairfield, Connecticut facility in 1996, the Company agreed to assume responsibility for completing clean-up efforts previously initiated by the prior owner. The Company submitted data to the state that the Company believes demonstrates that no further remedial action is necessary, although the state may require additional clean-up or monitoring.

On March 9, 2022 and March 21, 2023, the Company received civil investigative demands from the United States Department of Justice pursuant to the False Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. § 3733 (the "FCA"). The investigation concerns allegations that the Company submitted false claims in connection with (i) certifying that the Company's employees were eligible for unemployment insurance benefits and pandemic relief and worked reduced hours and (ii) received grant proceeds in violation of the FCA. The Company is cooperating with the investigation. As the investigation is in its early stages, it is not possible to determine whether the investigation will have a material adverse effect, if any, on the Company.

Besides the matter described in the previous paragraph, from time to time we are involved in litigation that arises in the ordinary course of business, but we do not believe that any such litigation in which we are currently involved, either individually or in the aggregate, is likely to have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, operating results, cash flow or prospects.

The Company has \$3.7 of outstanding standby letters of credit, all of which are under the Revolving Credit Facility. We also have a contractual obligation for licenses related to the implementation and upgrade of an ERP system. The remaining contractual obligation related to these ERP license costs of \$7.6 will end in June of 2026.

19. Other, Net

Other, net is comprised of the following:

	Fiscal Year Ended		
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023	April 2, 2022
Plant consolidation and restructuring costs	\$ 2.7	\$ 2.5	\$ 1.1
Acquisition costs and transition services	0.3	8.9	30.6
Provision for doubtful accounts	0.2	0.8	0.5
Amortization of intangibles	70.4	69.1	34.7
Loss on disposal of assets	0.6	0.3	0.3
Other expense	0.6	0.5	1.2
	<u>\$ 74.8</u>	<u>\$ 82.1</u>	<u>\$ 68.4</u>

20. Reportable Segments

The Company operates through operating segments and reports its financial results based on how its chief operating decision maker makes operating decisions, assesses the performance of the business, and allocates resources. Our operating segments are our reportable segments. These reportable segments are Aerospace/Defense and Industrial and are described below.

Aerospace/Defense. This segment represents the end markets for the Company's highly engineered bearings and precision components used in commercial aerospace, defense aerospace, and sea and ground defense applications.

Industrial. This segment represents the end markets for the Company's highly engineered bearings and precision components used in various industrial applications including: power transmission; construction, mining, energy and specialized equipment manufacturing; semiconductor production equipment manufacturing; agricultural machinery, commercial truck and automotive manufacturing; and tool holding.

The accounting policies of the reportable segments are the same as those described in Note 2. Segment performance is evaluated based on segment net sales and gross margin. Items not allocated to segment operating income include corporate administrative expenses and certain other amounts. Where not separately disclosed, corporate costs are allocated to each segment. Identifiable assets by reportable segment consist of those directly identified with the segment's operations.

	Fiscal Year Ended		
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023	April 2, 2022
Net External Sales			
Aerospace/Defense	\$ 519.4	\$ 430.3	\$ 381.5
Industrial	1,040.9	1,039.0	561.4
	<u>\$ 1,560.3</u>	<u>\$ 1,469.3</u>	<u>\$ 942.9</u>
Gross Margin			
Aerospace/Defense	\$ 208.8	\$ 171.0	\$ 155.1
Industrial	461.7	433.8	202.0
	<u>\$ 670.5</u>	<u>\$ 604.8</u>	<u>\$ 357.1</u>
Selling, General and Administrative Expenses			
Aerospace/Defense	\$ 37.8	\$ 31.1	\$ 29.0
Industrial	132.8	122.5	58.6
Corporate	82.9	76.1	80.0
	<u>\$ 253.5</u>	<u>\$ 229.7</u>	<u>\$ 167.6</u>
Operating Income			
Aerospace/Defense	\$ 161.7	\$ 132.7	\$ 117.8
Industrial	272.6	236.5	107.5
Corporate	(92.1)	(76.2)	(104.2)
	<u>\$ 342.2</u>	<u>\$ 293.0</u>	<u>\$ 121.1</u>
Total Assets			
Aerospace/Defense	\$ 798.6	\$ 749.8	\$ 776.5
Industrial	3,779.6	3,845.7	3,920.9
Corporate	100.4	94.9	148.0
	<u>\$ 4,678.6</u>	<u>\$ 4,690.4</u>	<u>\$ 4,845.4</u>
Capital Expenditures			
Aerospace/Defense	\$ 10.6	\$ 9.5	\$ 7.5
Industrial	20.4	29.1	19.3
Corporate	2.2	3.4	3.0
	<u>\$ 33.2</u>	<u>\$ 42.0</u>	<u>\$ 29.8</u>
Depreciation & Amortization			
Aerospace/Defense	\$ 19.6	\$ 18.6	\$ 19.1
Industrial	96.3	93.4	43.1
Corporate	3.4	3.4	3.3
	<u>\$ 119.3</u>	<u>\$ 115.4</u>	<u>\$ 65.5</u>
Geographic External Sales			
Domestic	\$ 1,375.4	\$ 1,292.9	\$ 833.4
Foreign	184.9	176.4	109.5
	<u>\$ 1,560.3</u>	<u>\$ 1,469.3</u>	<u>\$ 942.9</u>
Geographic Long-Lived Assets			
Domestic	\$ 341.5	\$ 360.7	\$ 373.0
Foreign	60.9	56.0	58.2
	<u>\$ 402.4</u>	<u>\$ 416.7</u>	<u>\$ 431.2</u>

21. Related Party Transactions

Equity Method Investee

The Company has a joint venture in North America focused on joint logistics and e-business services. This joint venture, CoLinX, LLC (“CoLinX”), includes five equity members: Timken, SKF Group, Schaeffler Group, Gates Industrial Corp. and the Company. The e-business service focuses on information and business services for authorized distributors in the Industrial segment. Total expenses for services provided by CoLinX for the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024, April 1, 2023 and April 2, 2022 were \$18.5, \$18.4 and \$7.2, respectively, and were included within selling, general and administrative costs on the consolidated statements of operations. Amounts outstanding in respect of these transactions were payables of \$0.7 and \$1.8 as of March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, respectively, and were included within accounts payable on the consolidated balance sheets. No dividends were received from CoLinX during the periods presented. The Company does not have any other equity method investees. The Company does not have any other significant related-party transactions.

ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

None.

ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

The Company’s management is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective disclosure controls and procedures, as defined under Rule 13a-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. As of the end of the period covered by this report, the Company performed an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of the Company’s management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the Company’s disclosure controls and procedures. In making its assessment, management has utilized the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations (COSO) of the Treadway Commission in Internal Control — Integrated Framework (2013 Framework). Based upon that evaluation, the Company’s Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the Company’s disclosure controls and procedures provide reasonable assurance that the material information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits to the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Commission’s rules and forms. The Company’s management believes that its disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of March 30, 2024.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

No changes were made to the Company’s internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) during the last fiscal quarter that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company’s internal control over financial reporting.

Management’s Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Management of RBC Bearings Incorporated is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

The Company’s internal control over financial reporting is supported by written policies and procedures that (i) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the Company’s assets; (ii) 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 the Company’s management and directors; and (iii) 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. 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.

Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, we conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of the Company’s internal control over financial reporting as of March 30, 2024 as required by Securities Exchange Act of 1934. In making this assessment, we used the criteria set forth in the framework in *Internal Control-Integrated Framework* (2013 Framework) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Based on our evaluation under the framework in *Internal Control-Integrated Framework*, our management concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of March 30, 2024.

The effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of March 30, 2024 has been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report which appears on the following page.

/s/ RBC Bearings Incorporated

Oxford, Connecticut
May 17, 2024

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Stockholders and the Board of Directors of RBC Bearings Incorporated

Opinion on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

We have audited RBC Bearings Incorporated's internal control over financial reporting as of March 30, 2024, based on criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 framework) (the COSO criteria). In our opinion, RBC Bearings Incorporated (the Company) maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of March 30, 2024, based on the COSO criteria.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the consolidated balance sheets of the Company as of March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, stockholders' equity and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended March 30, 2024 and the related notes and our report dated May 17, 2024 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

Basis for Opinion

The Company's management is responsible 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 the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects.

Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Definition and Limitations of Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Stamford, Connecticut
May 17, 2024

ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION

During the quarter ended March 30, 2024 no director or officer of the Company adopted or terminated a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan or non-Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement.

ITEM 9C. DISCLOSURE REGARDING FOREIGN JURISDICTIONS THAT PREVENT INSPECTIONS

Not applicable.

PART III

The information called for by Part III, Items 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of Form 10-K will be included in the Company's Proxy Statement for its 2024 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, which the Company intends to file within 120 days after the close of its fiscal year ended March 30, 2024, and which is incorporated herein by reference.

PART IV

ITEM 15. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

- (a) (1) The following Consolidated Financial Statements and Supplementary Data of the Company are included in Item 8, “Financial Statements and Supplementary Data” of this Annual Report on Form 10-K:
- Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm;
 - Consolidated Balance Sheets at March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023;
 - Consolidated Statements of Operations for the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024, April 1, 2023 and April 2, 2022;
 - Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024, April 1, 2023 and April 2, 2022;
 - Consolidated Statements of Stockholders’ Equity for the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024, April 1, 2023 and April 2, 2022;
 - Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the fiscal years ended March 30, 2024, April 1, 2023 and April 2, 2022; and
 - Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.
- (2) For a list of the Company’s Financial Statement Schedules, see Item 15(c) of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.
- (3) For a list of the exhibits required by Regulation S-K, see Item 15(b) of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.
- (b) The Exhibits required by Item 601 of Regulation S-K are filed as exhibits to this Annual Report on Form 10-K and indexed below immediately following Item 15(c), which index is incorporated herein by reference.
- (c) All Financial Statement Schedules are included in the Financial Statements and Supplementary Data under Item 15(a)(1) of this Annual Report on Form 10-K and incorporated herein by reference.

Exhibit Index

The following exhibits are filed as part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The exhibits that are indicated below as having been previously filed by RBC Bearings Incorporated with the SEC are incorporated herein by reference. Our Commission file number is 001-40840.

Exhibit Number	Description of Document
3.1	<u>Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of RBC Bearings Incorporated dated August 13, 2005 (filed with Amendment No. 4 to Registration Statement on Form S-1 dated August 8, 2005).</u>
3.2	<u>Amended and Restated Bylaws of RBC Bearings Incorporated (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to Current Report on Form 8-K dated September 15, 2017).</u>
4.1	<u>Description of Capital Stock (filed as Exhibit 4.1 to Annual Report on Form 10-K dated May 26, 2022).</u>
4.2	<u>Form of stock certificate for common stock (filed as Exhibit 4.3 to Amendment No. 3 to Registration Statement on Form S-1 dated August 4, 2005).</u>
4.3	<u>Certificate of Designation for 5.00% Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to Current Report on Form 8-K dated September 24, 2021).</u>
4.4	<u>Form of stock certificate for 5.00% Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock (filed as Exhibit 4.1 to Current Report on Form 8-K dated September 24, 2021).</u>
4.5	<u>Indenture, dated as of October 7, 2021, by and among Roller Bearing Company of America, Inc. and Wilmington Trust, National Association for 4.375% Senior Notes due 2029 (filed as Exhibit 4.1 to Current Report on Form 8-K dated October 7, 2021).</u>
4.6	<u>Form of 4.375% Senior Notes due 2029 (filed as Exhibit 4.2 to Current Report on Form 8-K dated October 7, 2021).</u>
10.1	<u>Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of June 3, 2022, between RBC Bearings Incorporated and Michael J. Hartnett, Ph.D. (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to Current Report on Form 8-K dated June 9, 2022).</u>
10.2	<u>Amendment No. 1, dated as of August 1, 2022, to Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of June 3, 2022, between RBC Bearings Incorporated and Dr. Michael J. Hartnett (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to Current Report on Form 8-K dated August 4, 2022).</u>
10.3	<u>Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of June 3, 2022, between RBC Bearings Incorporated and Daniel A. Bergeron (filed as Exhibit 10.2 to Current Report on Form 8-K dated June 9, 2022).</u>
10.4	<u>Amendment No. 1, dated as of August 1, 2022, to Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of June 3, 2022, between RBC Bearings Incorporated and Daniel A. Bergeron (filed as Exhibit 10.2 to Current Report on Form 8-K dated August 4, 2022).</u>
10.5	<u>Form of Change in Control Letter Agreement for Named Executive Officers (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q dated February 1, 2010).</u>
10.6	<u>RBC Bearings Incorporated Executive Officer Performance Based Compensation Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to Current Report on Form 8-K dated July 27, 2017).</u>
10.7	<u>RBC Bearings Incorporated Amended and Restated 2013 Long Term Incentive Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to Current Report on Form 8-K dated August 21, 2013).</u>
10.8	<u>RBC Bearings Incorporated 2017 Long-Term Equity Incentive Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.2 to Current Report on Form 8-K dated July 27, 2017).</u>
10.9	<u>RBC Bearings Incorporated 2021 Long-Term Equity Incentive Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to Current Report on Form 8-K dated September 10, 2021).</u>

10.10	<u>Credit Agreement, dated November 1, 2021, by and among Roller Bearing Company of America, Inc. as Borrower, RBC Bearings Incorporated, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Administrative Agent, Collateral Agent, Swingline Lender, and Letter of Credit Issuer, and various lenders signatory thereto (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to Current Report on Form 8-K dated November 2, 2021).</u>
10.11	<u>Guarantee, dated November 1, 2021, by and among RBC Bearings Incorporated and the subsidiary guarantors party thereto in favor of Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Collateral Agent (filed as Exhibit 10.2 to Current Report on Form 8-K dated November 2, 2021).</u>
10.12	<u>Security Agreement, dated November 1, 2021, by and between Roller Bearing Company of America, Inc., RBC Bearings Incorporated, the subsidiary grantors party thereto and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Collateral Agent for its benefit and the benefit of the Secured Parties (filed as Exhibit 10.3 to Current Report on Form 8-K dated November 2, 2021).</u>
10.13	<u>Pledge Agreement, dated November 1, 2021, by and between Roller Bearing Company of America, Inc., RBC Bearings Incorporated, the subsidiary pledgors party thereto and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Collateral Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties (filed as Exhibit 10.4 to Current Report on Form 8-K dated November 2, 2021).</u>
10.14	<u>Stock and Asset Purchase Agreement, dated as of July 24, 2021, by and between ABB Asea Brown Boveri Ltd. as Seller and RBC Bearings Incorporated as Purchaser (filed as Exhibit 2.1 to Current Report on Form 8-K dated July 26, 2021).</u>
10.15	<u>First Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of December 5, 2022, by and among Roller Bearing Company of America, Inc., RBC Bearings Incorporated, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as administrative agent, and the lenders party thereto (filed as Exhibit 10.01 to Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 7, 2022).</u>
19	<u>RBC Bearings Incorporated Insider Trading Policy.</u>
21	<u>Subsidiaries of the Registrant.</u>
23	<u>Consent of Ernst & Young LLP.</u>
31.1	<u>Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.</u>
31.2	<u>Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.</u>
32.1	<u>Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.*</u>
32.2	<u>Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.*</u>
97	<u>RBC Bearings Incorporated Clawback Policy.</u>
101.INS	Inline XBRL Instance Document.
101.SCH	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document.
101.CAL	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document.
101.DEF	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document.
101.LAB	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document.
101.PRE	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document.
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as Inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101).

* This certification is not deemed filed with the SEC and is not to be incorporated by reference into any of our filings under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (whether made before or after the date of this Annual Report on Form 10-K) irrespective of any general incorporation language contained in such filing.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

RBC BEARINGS INCORPORATED
(Registrant)

By: /s/ MICHAEL J. HARTNETT
Name: Michael J. Hartnett
Title: Chief Executive Officer
Date: May 17, 2024

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this Report has been signed by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>
<u>/s/ MICHAEL J. HARTNETT</u> Michael J. Hartnett Date: May 17, 2024	Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer and chairman)
<u>/s/ DANIEL A. BERGERON</u> Daniel A. Bergeron Date: May 17, 2024	Chief Operating Officer
<u>/s/ ROBERT M. SULLIVAN</u> Robert M. Sullivan Date: May 17, 2024	Chief Financial Officer (principal financial officer)
<u>/s/ MATTHEW J. TIFT</u> Matthew J. Tift Date: May 17, 2024	Corporate Controller
<u>/s/ RICHARD R. CROWELL</u> Richard R. Crowell Date: May 17, 2024	Director
<u>/s/ DOLORES J. ENNICO</u> Dolores J. Ennico Date: May 17, 2024	Director
<u>/s/ EDWARD D. STEWART</u> Edward D. Stewart Date: May 17, 2024	Director
<u>/s/ DR. STEVEN H. KAPLAN</u> Dr. Steven H. Kaplan Date: May 17, 2024	Director
<u>/s/ MICHAEL H. AMBROSE</u> Michael H. Ambrose Date: May 17, 2024	Director
<u>/s/ DR. AMIR FAGHRI</u> Dr. Amir Faghri Date: May 17, 2024	Director

RBC BEARINGS INCORPORATED

INSIDER TRADING POLICY

I. POLICY

This policy is to govern the trading of the stock of RBC Bearings Incorporated (“RBC” or the “Company”) and other companies by RBC’s managers and above and other “insiders” to avoid violation of federal securities laws. ***Any transactions in the securities of RBC must strictly comply with this policy and the Procedures set forth in Section IV below.***

II. SCOPE

All (a) officers and directors of RBC or its subsidiaries, (b) employees of RBC or its subsidiaries who are awarded stock options or restricted stock under the Company’s equity incentive plan, and (c) designated persons of RBC (each of the foregoing being a “Subject Person”). Listing of all Subject Persons is included on Exhibit C. This policy also applies to family members, other members of a Subject Person’s household, and entities controlled by a Subject Person.

This policy applies to transactions in the Company’s securities (collectively referred to as the “Company’s securities”), including the Company’s common stock, its preferred stock, or any other types of securities that the Company may issue in the future, including derivative securities that are not issued by the Company, such as exchange-traded put or call options or swaps relating to the Company’s securities.

Transactions subject to this policy include purchases, sales and *bona fide* gifts of the Company’s securities.

III. PROHIBITION OF INSIDER TRADING AND TIPPING

It is a violation of the federal securities laws and Company policy for any person to buy or sell any of the Company’s securities if that person is in possession of material, non-public information.

- Information is material if it could reasonably affect a reasonable person’s investment decision whether to buy, sell or hold the stock. Although it is not possible to list all types of information that might be deemed material under particular circumstances, information concerning the following subjects is often found material: (i) internal forecasts or budgets; (ii) significant acquisitions or dispositions (including mergers, tender offers and asset purchase or sale transactions); (iii) major product changes or introductions; (iv) special dividends or changes in dividend policy; (v) new plant openings or closings or realignments; (vi) significant write-downs of assets or additions to reserves for bad debts or contingent liabilities; (vii) extraordinary management developments; (viii) significant financing transactions; (ix) significant changes in the market price of raw materials or other supplies; (x) significant disputes with our suppliers or customers; (xi) labor negotiations; or (xii) significant litigation or investigations by governmental bodies. Information about a company generally is not material if its public dissemination would not have any impact on the price of the Company’s publicly traded securities. ***It should be noted that either positive or adverse information may be material.***
- It is non-public if it has not been disclosed to the public and, even after disclosure has been made, until a reasonable time has passed after it has been disclosed by means likely to result in widespread public awareness (e.g., SEC filings, press releases or publicly accessible conference calls).

Furthermore, it is illegal for any person in possession of material, non-public information to provide another person with such information or to recommend that the other person buy or sell any of the Company’s securities. In that case, both the “tippee” and the “tipper” may be liable. It also violates Company policy for any person to use such non-public information for personal benefit or to improperly disclose it to others outside of the Company.

These prohibitions also apply to material, non-public information about any other company that has been obtained in the course of a person’s work for the Company.

While all employees should be aware of the federal securities laws and Company policies related to insider trading and tipping, the Company may designate certain employees from time to time because of their position, responsibilities, or their actual or potential access to material information as Subject Persons. The listing of all Subject Persons is included on Exhibit C.

To avoid violating federal law that prohibits "insider trading" Subject Persons must not purchase or sell securities of RBC or of any other issuer of a security at a time when the Subject Person is aware of any material, non-public information about RBC or such other issuer, regardless of how that information was obtained. The Subject Person also must not permit any member of their family who they reside with (including a spouse, a child, a child away at college, stepchildren, grandchildren, parents, stepparents, grandparents, siblings and in-laws), anyone else who lives in the Subject Person's household, any family members who do not live in the Subject Person's household but whose transactions in the Company's securities are directed by the Subject Person or are subject to the Subject Person's influence or control, such as family members who consult with the Subject Person before they trade in the Company's securities, or anyone acting on the Subject Person's behalf, or anyone to whom the Subject Person has disclosed the information, to purchase or sell such securities. Such restrictions also apply to any legal entities that the Subject Person influences or controls, including any corporations, partnerships or trusts, and transactions by such controlled entities should be treated for the purposes of this policy and applicable securities laws as if they were for the Subject Person's own account.

These prohibitions against trading while in possession of material, non-public information (or using such information for personal benefit) also applies to material, non-public information about any other company that has been obtained in the course of a person's work for the Company.

This policy continues to apply to your transactions in Company securities even after you have terminated employment or other services to the Company or a subsidiary. If you are aware of material, non-public information when your employment or service relationship terminates, you may not trade in Company securities until that information becomes public or is no longer material.

After the information has been publicly disclosed through appropriate channels, a reasonable time should be allowed to elapse (at least two business days) before trading in the security, to allow for public dissemination and evaluation of the information.

IV. PROCEDURES

1. **SUBJECT PERSONS**: The senior manager at each location where there are Subject Persons must ensure that all Subject Persons at that location are aware of this policy.
 - A. As long as any Subject Person has material, non-public information relating to RBC or any other entity (e.g., a corporation or a partnership) (including any of RBC's customers or suppliers), the Subject Person may not buy or sell the securities of RBC or that entity. Equally important, the information may not be passed along to others.
 - B. Subject Persons must not purchase or sell securities of RBC, **whether or not the Subject Person possesses specific material, non-public information about RBC**, unless
 1. the Subject Person has first signed and delivered a Trading Certification (see attached Exhibit A) to RBC's Senior Corporate Counsel, General Counsel or CFO, and
 2. the Trading Certification has been approved by RBC's Senior Corporate Counsel, General Counsel or CFO (in the case of purchases or sales by the CFO, General Counsel or Senior Corporate Counsel, the Trading Certification must be approved by one of the other two).
 - C. Subject Persons must not purchase or sell securities of any entity known or believed to be one of RBC's significant customers or suppliers, whether or not the Subject Person possesses specific material, non-public information about such entity, unless
 1. the Subject Person has first signed and delivered a Trading Certification (see attached Exhibit A) to RBC's Senior Corporate Counsel, General Counsel or CFO, and
 2. the Trading Certification has been approved by RBC's Senior Corporate Counsel, General Counsel or CFO (in the case of purchases or sales by the CFO, General Counsel or Senior Corporate Counsel, the Trading Certification must be approved by one of the other two).

An entity would be a significant customer or supplier of RBC if its business with RBC constitutes either a material or important portion of RBC'S business or a material or important portion of the business of the entity.

- D. Subject Persons must not adopt or amend a securities trading plan pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 with respect to the securities of RBC unless
1. At the time the Rule 10b-1 plan or plan amendment is entered into, the Subject Person is not aware of material nonpublic information regarding RBC or any of the Company's securities,
 2. the Subject Person has first signed and delivered a Trading Certification (see attached Exhibit A) and the Rule 10b-1 plan or plan amendment to RBC's Senior Corporate Counsel, General Counsel or CFO, and
 3. such Trading Certification and plan or plan amendment has been approved by, RBC's Senior Corporate Counsel, General Counsel or CFO (in the case of the adoption or amendment of a Rule 10b5-1 plan by the CFO, General Counsel or Senior Corporate Counsel, the Trading Certification and plan or plan amendment must be submitted to, and approved by, one of the other two).
- E. No Subject Person may buy or sell RBC securities, or adopt or amend a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, at any time during the "blackout" period beginning on the last day of RBC's fiscal quarter and ending at the start of the third (3rd) business day after the public release of RBC's financial results for such quarter. This restriction applies **whether or not the Subject Person possesses specific material, non-public information**. RBC's General Counsel or CFO may impose trading "blackouts" at other times as they deem appropriate.
- F. Notwithstanding Paragraph E, a Subject Person may buy or sell RBC securities during a trading blackout period when the transaction is
1. made pursuant to, and strictly in accordance with the terms of, an effective Rule 10b5-1 trading plan previously approved pursuant to Paragraph IV.1.D, subject to the requirement in Paragraph IV.1.G, and
 2. in compliance with all applicable securities laws.
- G. RBC will have the right at any time and in any manner to publicly disclose (or to require the Subject Person to disclose) the existence of any Rule 10b5-1 trading plan and the contents thereof in such manner as RBC considers appropriate.
2. **OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS:** Officers and Directors must file any required beneficial ownership forms in compliance with applicable securities laws. A summary of such requirements is set forth on attached Exhibit B.
3. **STOCK OPTIONS:** When exercising stock options, the person must fill out the RBC Option Exercise Form (available from RBC's Senior Corporate Counsel), identifying (a) the grant date of the options, (b) the number of options to be exercised, and (c) the option exercise price, and then submit the form to RBC's Senior Corporate Counsel, General Counsel or CFO for approval. If the option exercise will be "cashless" (i.e., the option shares will be immediately sold to generate proceeds to pay the option exercise price and applicable withholding), then the person also must comply with the Trading Certification process set forth in Paragraph IV.1.B.
4. **Rule 10b5-1 Plans:**
- A. Once a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan is adopted by a Subject Person, such Subject Person must not exercise any influence over the amount of securities to be traded, the price at which they are to be traded or the date of the trade. The plan must either specify the amount, pricing and timing of transactions in advance or delegate discretion on these matters to an independent third party.

- B. Once a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan is adopted or modified, it is subject to a “cooling-off” period before execution of the first trade thereunder. The “cooling-off” period for directors and officers subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act ends on the later of: (a) 90 days following the Rule 10b5-1 Plan adoption or modification or (b) two business days following the disclosure in Form 10-Q or Form 10-K of the Company’s financial results for the fiscal quarter in which the Rule 10b5-1 Plan was adopted or modified (however, the cooling-off period will not exceed 120 days following plan adoption or modification). For all other individuals, a 30 day cooling-off period is required.
- C. A person may not enter into overlapping Rule 10b5-1 plans (subject to certain exceptions) and may only enter into one single-trade Rule 10b5-1 plan during any 12-month period (subject to certain exceptions). Directors and officers subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act must include a representation in their Rule 10b5-1 Plan certifying that: (a) they are not aware of any material nonpublic information; and (b) they are adopting the Rule 10b5-1 Plan in good faith and not as part of a plan or scheme to evade the prohibitions in Rule 10b-5.
- D. All persons entering into a Rule 10b5-1 plan must act in good faith with respect to that plan.

V. APPROVALS

Approval by RBC’s Senior Corporate Counsel, General Counsel or CFO of a purchase or sale of securities or of the adoption or amendment of a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan is limited to determining whether the matter is in accordance with certain securities regulations, but does not constitute assurance that the matter is in accordance with all applicable laws. The Subject Person is ultimately responsible for complying with all applicable laws when trading securities and neither RBC nor its Senior Corporate Counsel, General Counsel or CFO will have any responsibility to the Subject Person or any other person or entity in connection with such trades.

Any modification (other than a nonsubstantive modification such as a change in contact information), repeal or replacement of this policy must be approved by the RBC Board of Directors.

All inquiries, including inquiries as to whether an entity is a significant customer or supplier of RBC, should be directed to RBC’s Senior Corporate Counsel, General Counsel or CFO.

Whenever seeking information or approval of a Trading Certification or RBC Option Exercise Form, Subject Persons should first contact the Senior Corporate Counsel, then the General Counsel if the Senior Corporate Counsel is unavailable, and then the CFO if both the Senior Corporate Counsel and General Counsel are unavailable.

VI. PROHIBITION AGAINST SHORT SELLING

It violates Company policy for any Subject Person of the Company to sell any equity security of the Company if such person either (a) does not own the security sold or (b) does not deliver the security against such sale within twenty days thereafter or does not within five days after such sale deposit the security in the mails or other usual channels of transportation unless such sale is approved in writing by RBC’s Senior Corporate Counsel, General Counsel or CFO.

VII. PROHIBITION AGAINST TRADING IN DERIVATIVES

It violates Company policy for any Subject Person to purchase, sell or engage in any other transaction involving any derivative securities related to any equity securities of the Company. A “derivative security” includes any option, warrant, convertible security, stock appreciation right or similar security with an exercise or conversion price or other value related to the value of any equity security of the Company. This prohibition does not, however, apply to any exercise of Company stock options or warrants pursuant to the Company’s equity incentive plan or any other benefit plan that may be adopted by the Company from time to time, any sale of Company stock in connection with any cashless exercise (if otherwise permitted), or payment of withholding tax upon the exercise, of any such stock option or warrant.

VIII. CONTACT INFORMATION

- A. RBC’s Senior Corporate Counsel, General Counsel or CFO may be reached as follows:
 - Senior Corporate Counsel at (xxx) xxx-xxxx or xxxxxxxx@rbcbearings.com
 - General Counsel at (xxx) xxx-xxxx or xxxxxxxx@rbcbearings.com
 - CFO at (xxx) xxx-xxxx or xxxxxxxx@rbcbearings.com.

- B. If a shareholder has questions about this policy or their equity grants, they may contact the Senior Corporate Counsel at (xxx) xxx-xxxx or xxxxxxxx@rbcbearings.com.
- C. For contact information at Merrill Lynch refer to the RBC Equity Program – Merrill Lynch Contact List (attached [Exhibit D](#)).

IX. REFERENCES

- A. **Exhibit A:** Trading Certification
- B. **Exhibit B:** Beneficial Ownership Forms Required by the SEC
- C. **Exhibit C:** Listing of Subject Persons
- D. **Exhibit D:** Merrill Lynch Contact List

TRADING CERTIFICATION

The undersigned hereby certifies to RBC Bearings Incorporated as follows:

1. I intend to engage in one of the following transactions:

- purchase or sale of RBC stock in the open market through a broker
- adoption of a stock trading plan pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 with respect to RBC Bearings stock---a copy of such stock trading plan is attached hereto
- purchase or sale of securities of one of RBC’s significant customers or vendors in the open market through a broker
- purchase or sale of securities of one of RBC’s significant customers or vendors other than in the open market through a broker
- purchase or sale of a put or call or other derivative security involving RBC or one of RBC’s significant customers or vendors
- gift of RBC stock to independent charity

2. As of the date hereof, I do not possess any material nonpublic information regarding RBC Bearings (or the customer or vendors whose securities are the subject of my transaction). As used herein “material nonpublic information” means any information concerning RBC (or the relevant customer or vendor) not previously disclosed to the public by press release, public filing or other public means that a reasonable investor or shareholder would consider important in making a decision to buy or sell the securities in question.

3. If I become aware of any material nonpublic information regarding RBC (or the customer or vendors whose securities are the subject of my transaction) prior to the completion of my purchase or sale or the implementation of my stock trading plan, as relevant, I will (i) immediately terminate such sale, purchase or implementation and (ii) promptly notify RBC’s General Counsel.

4. My transaction is being made in accordance with the terms of RBC’s Policy No. A.1.3 “Trading in Stock of RBC Bearings Incorporated.”

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have executed this Certification in good faith as of _____, 20__.

Signature _____

Name _____

APPROVED (one signature required) – good for five (5) business days after the date of this certificate

Vice President and CFO _____ (xxx-xxx-xxxx)

Vice President and General Counsel _____ (xxx-xxx-xxxx)

Senior Corporate Counsel _____ (xxx-xxx-xxxx)

Beneficial Ownership Forms Required by the SEC

Section 16 of the Exchange Act and the SEC's rules thereunder require all of the executive officers, directors and greater than 10% stockholders of the Company to report their initial beneficial ownership of equity securities of the Company and any subsequent changes in that ownership.

A Form 3 must be filed within 10 days of becoming an executive officer or director of the Company. This report discloses the reporting person's beneficial interest in Company securities and must be filed even if such person does not own any Company securities.

A Form 4 must be filed to report acquisitions and dispositions of Company securities, including (a) any grant, exercise or conversion of Company restricted stock or derivative securities (*e.g.*, stock options), (b) any transfers to or from indirect forms of ownership, such as transfers to trusts, (c) any transfers pursuant to bona fide gifts, and (d) any intra-plan transfers involving Company securities held under pension or retirement plans. The Form 4 must also indicate if a transaction occurred under a Rule 10b5-1 plan and, if so, the plan's adoption date. A Form 4 must generally be filed within two business days of the date of execution of the transaction (not the settlement date or subsequent closing or delivery date). The SEC rules provide for a limited exception to the two business day filing requirement in the case of prearranged trading programs and any intra-plan transfers involving Company securities held under the Company's pension or retirement plans, in each case for which the officer or director does not select the date of execution. In those cases, a Form 4 must be filed with the SEC within two business days following the date on which the officer or director is notified of the transaction. However, if the officer or director does not receive notification by the third business day following the actual trade date, then the third business day is deemed to be the date of execution. Consequently, it is important that officers and directors ensure that their brokers and the plan administrator notify them promptly of any transaction. A Form 4 must also be filed after a person ceases to be an officer or director of the Company if there is a non-exempt, "opposite-way" transaction within six months of such person's last transaction while an officer or director (*e.g.*, an open market sale within six months of a purchase).

A Form 5 must be filed within 45 days after the Company's fiscal year-end by every person who was an executive officer or director at any time during the fiscal year to report (i) certain small acquisitions of Company securities, (ii) certain miscellaneous transactions, such as gifts or inheritances and (iii) any transaction during the last fiscal year that was required to be reported on a Form 3 or Form 4 but was not reported. The regulations provide that, at the discretion of the officer or director involved, transactions normally reported at fiscal year-end on a Form 5 may be reported earlier on a Form 4. If there are no reportable transactions, or if all reportable transactions have already been reported on a Form 3 or Form 4, a Form 5 is not required. The Company encourages the use of the Form 4 early reporting option to help prevent transactions from going unreported at fiscal year-end and to help eliminate the need to file a Form 5.

Section 16 reports must be filed electronically with the SEC via EDGAR and promptly posted to the Company's website. The Company has established a program to assist executive officers and directors in preparing and filing these forms, though the ultimate responsibility for these forms shall be with the reporting persons. The forms will be signed off by the General Counsel, Assistant General Counsel, and Corporate Accounting before being filed.

Note that the beneficial ownership reporting requirements do not apply to all senior personnel of the Company. These requirements, as well as the "short-swing" profit disgorgement provisions, apply only to executive officers and directors of the Company. The term "officer" is specifically defined for Section 16 purposes, and includes the principal officers of the Company and may include officers of subsidiaries. Senior personnel with questions about their status for Section 16 reporting purposes should consult with the Chief Financial Officer or Senior Corporate Counsel.

LISTING OF SUBJECT PERSONS

- Any RBC Director
- Any RBC Officer
- Any RBC employee or outside consultant who receives restricted stock or stock options under RBC's equity incentive plan

Subsidiaries of the Registrant*

Airtomic LLC – Delaware
 All Power de Mexico, S. de R.L. de C.V. – Mexico
 All Power Manufacturing Co. – California
 Climax Metal Products Company – Ohio
 Dodge Industrial Australia Pty Ltd. – Australia
 Dodge Industrial Canada Inc. – Canada
 Dodge Industrial, Inc. – Delaware
 Dodge Industrial India Private Limited – India
 Dodge Industrial (Shanghai) Company Limited – Hong Kong
 Dodge Mechanical Power Transmission Mexico, S. de R.L. de C.V. – Mexico
 Dodge (Shanghai) Mechanical Power Transmission Ltd. – People’s Republic of China
 Industrial Tectonics Bearings Corporation – Delaware
 RBC Aerostructures LLC – South Carolina
 RBC Aircraft Products, Inc. – Delaware
 RBC Bearings Polska sp. z o.o. – Poland
 RBC de Mexico, S. de R.L. de C.V. – Mexico
 RBC Dodge Industrial Ltd. – England
 RBC France SAS – France
 RBC Lubron Bearing Systems, Inc. – Delaware
 RBC Nice Bearings, Inc. – Delaware
 RBC Oklahoma, Inc. – Delaware
 RBC Precision Products, Inc. – Delaware
 RBC Southwest Products, Inc. – Delaware
 RBC Specline, Inc. – Delaware
 RBC Turbine Components LLC – Delaware
 Roller Bearing Company of America, Inc. – Delaware
 Sargent Aerospace and Defense LLC – Delaware
 Schaublin GmbH – Germany
 Schaublin Holding SA – Switzerland
 Schaublin SA – Switzerland
 Sonic Industries, Inc. – California
 Swiss Tool Systems AG - Switzerland
 Vianel Holding AG – Switzerland
 Western Precision Aero LLC – California

* All of which are, directly or indirectly, wholly-owned by the registrant.

Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the following Registration Statements:

- (1) Registration Statement (Form S-8 No. 333-192164) pertaining to the RBC Bearings Incorporated 2013 Long-Term Equity Incentive Plan,
- (2) Registration Statement (Form S-8 No. 333-221329) pertaining to the RBC Bearings Incorporated 2017 Long-Term Equity Incentive Plan,
- (3) Registration Statement (Form S-3 No. 333-259669) pertaining to the RBC Bearings Incorporated Common Stock and Preferred Stock, and
- (4) Registration Statement (Form S-8 No. 333-265490) pertaining to the RBC Bearings Incorporated 2021 Long-Term Equity Incentive Plan;

of our reports dated May 17, 2024, with respect to the consolidated financial statements of RBC Bearings Incorporated and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of RBC Bearings Incorporated included in this Annual Report (Form 10-K) of RBC Bearings Incorporated for the year ended March 30, 2024.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Stamford, Connecticut
May 17, 2024

**CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Dr. Michael J. Hartnett, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Report on Form 10-K of RBC Bearings Incorporated;
2. Based on my knowledge, this Report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this Report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this Report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this Report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including any consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this Report is being prepared;
 - b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, 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; and
 - c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this Report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) disclosed in this Report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 17, 2024

By: /s/ Michael J. Hartnett

Michael J. Hartnett
President and Chief Executive Officer

**CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Robert M. Sullivan, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Report on Form 10-K of RBC Bearings Incorporated;
2. Based on my knowledge, this Report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this Report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this Report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this Report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including any consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this Report is being prepared;
 - b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, 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; and
 - c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this Report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) disclosed in this Report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 17, 2024

By: /s/ Robert M. Sullivan
Robert M. Sullivan
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

**CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C SECTION 1350**

In connection with the Annual Report of RBC Bearings Incorporated (the "Company") Form 10-K for the year ended March 30, 2024, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), the undersigned, Dr. Michael J. Hartnett, the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as adopted pursuant to section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, hereby certifies to the best of his knowledge that:

- (i) the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (ii) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: May 17, 2024

/s/ Michael J. Hartnett

Michael J. Hartnett

President and Chief Executive Officer

**CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350**

In connection with the Annual Report of RBC Bearings Incorporated (the "Company") Form 10-K for the year ended March 30, 2024, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), the undersigned, Robert M. Sullivan, Chief Financial Officer, of the Company, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as adopted pursuant to section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, hereby certifies to the best of his knowledge that:

- (i) the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (ii) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: May 17, 2024

/s/ Robert M. Sullivan

Robert M. Sullivan
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

RBC BEARINGS INCORPORATED

CLAWBACK POLICY

Purpose

RBC Bearings Incorporated (the “Company”) believes that it is in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders to create and maintain a culture that emphasizes integrity and accountability and that reinforces the Company’s pay-for-performance compensation philosophy. The Company’s Board of Directors (the “Board”) has therefore adopted this policy, which provides for the recoupment of certain executive compensation in the event that the Company is required to prepare an accounting restatement of its financial statements due to material noncompliance with any financial reporting requirement under the federal securities laws (this “Policy”). This Policy is designed to comply with Section 10D of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), the rules promulgated thereunder by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), and the listing standards of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) (i.e., the national securities exchange on which the Company’s securities are listed as of the adoption of this Policy).

Administration

This Policy shall be administered by the Compensation Committee of the Board (the “Compensation Committee”). Any determinations made by the Compensation Committee will be final and binding on all affected parties.

Covered Executives

This Policy applies to the Company’s current and former executive officers (as determined by the Compensation Committee in accordance with Section 10D of the Exchange Act, the rules promulgated thereunder, and the listing standards of the NYSE) and such other senior executives or employees who may from time to time be deemed subject to this Policy by the Compensation Committee (collectively, the “Covered Executives”).

Incentive-Based Compensation

For purposes of this Policy, “Incentive-Based Compensation” means any compensation that is granted, earned, or vested based wholly or in part on the attainment of a financial reporting measure (including (i) non-equity incentive plan awards that are earned solely or in part by achieving a financial reporting measure performance goal, (ii) bonuses paid from a bonus pool where the size of the pool is determined solely or in part by attaining a financial reporting measure performance goal, (iii) other cash awards based on achieving a financial reporting measure performance goal, (iv) restricted stock, restricted stock units, stock options, stock appreciation rights, and performance share units that are granted or vest solely or in part based on attaining a financial reporting measure performance goal, and (v) proceeds from the sale of shares acquired through an incentive plan that were granted or vested solely or in part based on achieving a financial reporting measure performance goal).

Compensation that would not be considered Incentive-Based Compensation includes (i) salaries, (ii) bonuses paid solely based on satisfaction of subjective standards, such as demonstrating leadership, and/or completion of a specified employment period, (iii) non-equity incentive plan awards earned solely based on satisfaction of strategic or operational measures, (iv) wholly time-based equity awards, and (v) discretionary bonuses or other compensation that is not paid from a bonus pool that is determined by achieving a financial reporting measure performance goal.

A financial reporting measure used for Incentive-Based Compensation purposes is (i) any measure that is determined and presented in accordance with the accounting principles used in preparing financial statements, or any measure derived wholly or in part from such measure whether or not the measure used is contained in the financial statements or otherwise disclosed, or (ii) stock price or total shareholder return. Financial reporting measures include revenues, net income, operating income, EBITDA, financial performance of a business unit or segment, financial ratios, liquidity measures (e.g., working capital, operating cash flow), return measures (e.g., return on invested capital), and earnings measures (e.g., earnings per share).

Recoupment

In the event that the Company is required to prepare an accounting restatement of its financial statements due to the Company's material noncompliance with any financial reporting requirement under the securities laws, including any required accounting restatement (i) to correct an error in previously issued financial statements that is material to the previously issued financial statements, or (ii) that would result in a material misstatement if the error were corrected in the current period or left uncorrected in the current period (each an "Accounting Restatement"), the Compensation Committee shall reasonably promptly require reimbursement or forfeiture of the Overpayment (as defined below) received by any Covered Executive (x) after beginning service as a Covered Executive, (y) who served as a Covered Executive at any time during the performance period for the applicable Incentive-Based Compensation, and (z) during the three completed fiscal years immediately preceding the date on which the Company is required to prepare an Accounting Restatement.¹

The Compensation Committee will not be required to recover any Overpayment to the extent that the Compensation Committee determines such recovery would be impracticable because:

- The direct expense paid to a third party to assist in enforcing this Policy would exceed the amount to be recovered; or
- Recovery would likely cause an otherwise tax-qualified retirement plan, under which benefits are broadly available to employees of the Company, to fail to meet the requirements of 26 U.S.C. 401(a)(13) or 26 U.S.C. 411(a) and regulations thereunder.

¹ The date on which the Company is required to prepare an Accounting Restatement is the earlier of (i) the date the Board, a committee of the Board, or the officers of the Company authorized to take such action if Board action is not required, concludes or reasonably should have concluded that the Company's previously issued financial statements contain a material error, or (ii) the date a court, regulator or other legally authorized body directs the Company to prepare an Accounting Restatement.

Overpayment Subject to Recovery

The amount to be recovered will be the amount of Incentive-Based Compensation received that exceeds the amount of Incentive-Based Compensation that otherwise would have been received had it been determined based on the restated amounts, and must be computed without regard to any taxes paid (the “Overpayment”). Incentive-Based Compensation is deemed “received” in the Company’s fiscal period during which the financial reporting measure specified in the Incentive-Based Compensation award is attained, even if the vesting, payment or grant of the Incentive-Based Compensation occurs after the end of that period.

For Incentive-Based Compensation based on stock price or total shareholder return, where the amount of erroneously awarded compensation is not subject to mathematical recalculation directly from the information in the Accounting Restatement, the amount of the Overpayment shall be based on a reasonable estimate of the effect of the Accounting Restatement on the stock price or total shareholder return upon which the Incentive-Based Compensation was received, and the Company must maintain documentation of the determination of that reasonable estimate and provide such documentation to the NYSE.

Method of Recoupment

The Compensation Committee shall determine the method or methods for recouping any Overpayment, which may include:

- requiring reimbursement of cash Incentive-Based Compensation previously paid;
- seeking recovery of any gain realized on the vesting, exercise, settlement, sale, transfer, or other disposition of any equity-based awards granted as Incentive-Based Compensation;
- offsetting any or all of the Overpayment from any compensation otherwise owed by the Company to the Covered Executive;
- cancelling outstanding vested or unvested equity awards; or
- taking any other remedial or recovery action permitted by law.

Limitation on Recovery; No Additional Payments

The right to recovery will be limited to Overpayments received during the three completed fiscal years prior to the date on which the Company is required to prepare an Accounting Restatement.

In the event that an Accounting Restatement would result in a Covered Executive’s Incentive-Based Compensation being larger than what the Covered Executive actually received, the Company will not be required to award the Covered Executive any additional payment.

No Indemnification

The Company shall not indemnify any Covered Executives against the loss of any incorrectly awarded Incentive-Based Compensation.

Interpretation

The Compensation Committee is authorized to interpret and construe this Policy and to make all determinations necessary, appropriate, or advisable for the administration of this Policy. It is intended that this Policy be interpreted in a manner that is consistent with the requirements of Section 10D of the Exchange Act and the applicable rules or standards adopted by the SEC or the NYSE.

Effective Date

This Policy is effective as of the date it is adopted by the Board and will apply to Incentive- Based Compensation received (as determined pursuant to this Policy) on or after October 2, 2023 (including Incentive-Based Compensation received pursuant to arrangements existing prior to the adoption date).

Amendment; Termination

The Board may amend this Policy from time to time in its discretion. The Board may terminate this Policy at any time.

Other Recoupment Rights

The Board intends that this Policy will be applied to the fullest extent of the law. Any right of recoupment under this Policy is in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other remedies or rights of recoupment that may be available to the Company pursuant to the terms of any employment agreement, equity award agreement, cash-based bonus plan or program, or similar agreement, and any other legal remedies available to the Company.

Successors

This Policy shall be binding and enforceable against all Covered Executives and their beneficiaries, heirs, executors, administrators and other legal representatives.

Date of Adoption: November 7, 2023