

of any such coverage, or that covered drugs will be reimbursed at amounts that reflect current or historical levels. Additionally, any reimbursement granted may not be maintained, or limits on reimbursement available from third-party payers may reduce the demand for, or negatively

affect the price of those products, and could significantly harm our business, results of operations, financial condition and cash flows. We may also be subject to lawsuits relating to reimbursement programs that could be costly to defend, divert management's attention and adversely affect our operating results. Most state Medicaid programs have established preferred drug lists, and the process, criteria and timeframe for obtaining placement on the preferred drug list varies from state to state. Under the Medicaid drug rebate program, a manufacturer must pay a rebate for Medicaid utilization of a product. The rebate for single source products (including authorized generics) is based on the greater of (i) a specified percentage of the product's average manufacturer price or (ii) the difference between the product's average manufacturer price and the best price offered by the manufacturer. The rebate for multiple source products is a specified percentage of the product's average manufacturer price. In addition, many states have established supplemental rebate programs as a condition for including a drug product on a preferred drug list. The profitability of our products may depend on the extent to which they appear on the preferred drug lists of a significant number of state Medicaid programs and the amount of the rebates that must be paid to such states. In addition, there is significant fiscal pressure on the Medicaid program, and amendments to lower the pharmaceutical costs of the program are possible. Such amendments could materially adversely affect our anticipated revenues and results of operations. Due to the uncertainties regarding the outcome of future healthcare reform initiatives and their enactment and implementation, we cannot predict which, if any, of the future reform proposals will be adopted or the effect such adoption may have on us. Additionally, future healthcare legislation could also have a significant impact on our business.

Implementation of healthcare reform and changes in the health care regulatory environment may adversely affect our business.

A number of the provisions of the healthcare reform laws required rulemaking action by governmental agencies to be implemented. The laws changed access to health care products and services and created new fees for the pharmaceutical and medical device industries. Future rulemaking could increase rebates, reduce prices or the rate of price increases for health care products and services, or require additional reporting and disclosure. We cannot predict the timing or impact of any future rulemaking.

Due to extensive regulation and enforcement in the pharmaceutical industry, we face significant uncertainties and potentially significant costs associated with our efforts to comply with applicable regulations. Failure to comply could result in material adverse effects to our business, financial position and results of operations.

The pharmaceutical industry operates in a highly regulated environment subject to the actions of courts and governmental agencies that influence the ability of a company to successfully operate its business and is subject to regulation by various governmental authorities at the federal, state and local levels with respect to the development, manufacture, labeling, sale, distribution, marketing, advertising and promotion of pharmaceutical products. Many of these factors are beyond our control and are, therefore, difficult to predict. These risks, along with others, have the potential to materially and adversely affect our business, financial position, results of operations and prospects. Failure to comply with governmental regulations can result in fines, disgorgement of profits, unanticipated compliance expenditures, recall or seizure of products, total or partial suspension of production and/or distribution, suspension of the FDA's review of NDAs or ANDAs, enforcement actions, injunctions and criminal prosecution. Although we have developed compliance programs to address the regulatory environment, there is no guarantee that these programs will meet regulatory agency standards now or in the future. Additionally, despite our efforts at compliance, there is no guarantee that we may not be deemed to be deficient in some manner in the future. If we are deemed to be deficient in any significant way, our business, financial position and results of operations could be materially affected.

Litigation is common in our industry, can be protracted and expensive, and could delay and/or prevent entry of our products into the market, which could have a material adverse effect on our business.

Litigation concerning intellectual property rights in the pharmaceutical industry can be protracted and expensive. Pharmaceutical companies with patented branded products regularly sue companies that file applications to produce generic equivalents of their patented branded products for alleged patent infringement or other violations of intellectual property rights, which are expensive to defend and may delay or prevent the entry of such generic products into the market. Generally, a generic drug may not be marketed until the applicable patent(s) on the brand name drug expire or are held to be invalid, unenforceable or not infringed by the generic product at issue. When we or our development partners submit an ANDA to the FDA for approval of a generic drug, we and/or our development partners must certify either (1) that there is no patent listed with the FDA as covering the relevant branded product, (2) that any patent listed as covering the branded product has expired, (3) that the patent listed as covering the branded product will expire prior to the marketing of the generic product, in which case the ANDA will not be finally approved by the FDA until the expiration of such patent, or (4) that any patent listed as covering the branded drug is invalid or will not be infringed by the manufacture, sale or use of the generic product for which the ANDA is submitted (a "Paragraph IV" certification). Whenever we file an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification, there is a high likelihood that a brand pharmaceutical company will sue us for alleged patent infringement and/or other violations of intellectual property rights. Also, competing pharmaceutical companies may file lawsuits against us or our strategic partners alleging patent infringement or other violations of intellectual property rights or may file declaratory judgment actions against us alleging non-infringement, invalidity, or unenforceability of our own patents. Because substantially all of our current business involves the development and marketing of products that are subject to potential claims of patent infringement by third parties or, with respect to our own branded products, are subject to third-party challenges, the threat of litigation, the outcome of which is inherently

uncertain, is always present. Such litigation is often costly and time-consuming and could result in a substantial delay in, or prevent, the introduction and/or marketing of our products, which

could have a material adverse effect on our business, condition (financial and other), prospects and results of operations. For more information on our material pending litigation, please see Item 3 - "Legal Proceedings."

We are susceptible to product liability claims that may not be covered by insurance, which, if successful, could require us to pay substantial sums.

Like all pharmaceutical companies, we face the risk of loss resulting from, and the adverse publicity associated with, product liability lawsuits, whether or not such claims are valid. We likely cannot avoid such claims. Unanticipated side effects or unfavorable publicity concerning any of our products or product candidates would likely have an adverse effect on our ability to achieve acceptance by prescribing physicians, managed care providers, pharmacies and other retailers, customers, patients and clinical trial participants. Even unsuccessful product liability claims could require us to spend money on litigation, divert management's time, damage our reputation and impair the marketability of our products. In addition, although we believe that we have adequate product liability insurance coverage, we cannot be certain that our insurance will, in fact, be sufficient to cover such claims or that we will be able to obtain or maintain adequate insurance coverage in the future at acceptable prices. A successful product liability claim that is excluded from coverage or exceeds our policy limits could require us to pay substantial sums. In addition, insurance coverage for product liability may become prohibitively expensive in the future or, with respect to certain high-risk products, may not be available at all, and as a result we may not be able to maintain adequate product liability insurance coverage to mitigate the risk of large claims, or we may be required to maintain a larger self-insured retention than we would otherwise choose.

We are subject to extensive governmental regulation, and any non-compliance may result in fines and/or other sanctions, including product seizures, product recalls, injunctive actions and criminal prosecutions.

As a pharmaceutical manufacturer and distributor, we are subject to extensive regulation by the federal government, principally the FDA and the Drug Enforcement Administration, as well as by state governments. The FDCA, the Controlled Substances Act, the Generic Drug Enforcement Act of 1992 (the "Generic Drug Act"), and other federal, state and local statutes and regulations govern the testing, manufacture, safety, labeling, storage, disposal, tracking, recordkeeping, approval, advertising and promotion (including to the healthcare community) of our products. The Generic Drug Act, a result of legislative hearings and investigations into the generic drug approval process, is particularly relevant to our business. Under the Generic Drug Act, the FDA is authorized to impose debarment and other penalties on individuals and companies that commit illegal acts relating to the generic drug approval process. In some situations, the Generic Drug Act requires the FDA not to accept or review for a period of time any ANDAs submitted by a company that has committed certain violations and provides for temporary denial of approval of such ANDAs during its investigation. Additionally, non-compliance with other applicable regulatory requirements may result in fines, perhaps significant in amount, and other sanctions imposed by courts and/or regulatory bodies, including the initiation of product seizures, product recalls, injunctive actions and criminal prosecutions. From time to time, we have voluntarily recalled our products and may do so in the future. In addition, administrative remedies may involve the refusal of the government to enter into supply contracts with, and/or to approve NDAs and ANDAs of, a non-complying entity. The FDA also has the authority to withdraw its approval of drugs in accordance with statutory procedures.

Because of the chemical ingredients of pharmaceutical products and the nature of the manufacturing process, the pharmaceutical industry is subject to extensive environmental laws and regulation and the risk of incurring liability for damages and/or the costs of remedying environmental problems. These requirements include regulation of the handling, manufacture, transportation, storage, use and disposal of materials, including the discharge of hazardous materials and pollutants into the environment. In the normal course of our business, we are exposed to risks relating to possible releases of hazardous substances into the environment, which could cause environmental or property damage or personal injuries, and which could result in (i) our noncompliance with such environmental and occupational health and safety laws and regulations and (ii) regulatory enforcement actions or claims for personal injury and property damage against us. If an unapproved or illegal environmental discharge or accident occurred or if we were to discover contamination caused by prior operations, including by prior owners and operators of properties we acquire, then we could be liable for cleanup, damages or fines, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial position, results of operations, and cash flow. In the future, we may be required to increase expenditures in order to remedy environmental problems and/or comply with changes in applicable environmental laws and regulations. We could also become a party to environmental remediation investigations and activities. These obligations may relate to sites that we currently or in the future may own or lease, sites that we formerly owned or operated, or sites where waste from our operations was disposed. Additionally, if we fail to comply with environmental regulations to use, discharge or dispose of hazardous materials appropriately or otherwise to comply with the provisions of our operating licenses, the licenses could be revoked, and we could be subject to criminal sanctions and/or substantial civil liability or be required to suspend or modify our manufacturing operations. We currently operate in New Jersey, New York, California, Connecticut and Michigan, which are often recognized for having very aggressive public health and environmental protection laws. We also operate in India, where environmental, health and safety regulations are developing and expanding, and we cannot determine how these laws will be implemented and the impact of such regulation on our Indian operations. We may in the future establish or acquire operations in other jurisdictions, subject to equally or more stringent laws and regulations. Stricter environmental, safety and health laws and enforcement policies could result in substantial costs and liabilities to us, and could subject our handling, manufacture, use, reuse or disposal of substances or pollutants to more rigorous scrutiny than is currently the case. Consequently, compliance with these laws could result in

significant capital expenditures, as well as other costs and liabilities, which could materially adversely affect us.

As part of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003, companies are now required to file with the Federal Trade Commission (the “FTC”) and the DOJ certain types of agreements entered into between brand and generic pharmaceutical companies related to the settlement of patent litigation or the manufacture, marketing and sale of generic versions of branded drugs. This requirement could affect the manner in which generic drug manufacturers resolve intellectual property litigation and other disputes with brand pharmaceutical companies and could result generally in an increase in private-party litigation against pharmaceutical companies or additional investigations or proceedings by the FTC or other governmental authorities. The potential for FTC investigations and litigation and private-party lawsuits associated with arrangements between brand and generic drug manufacturers could adversely affect our business. In recent years, the FTC has expressed its intention to take aggressive action to challenge settlements that include an alleged payment from the brand company to the generic company (so-called “pay for delay” patent litigation settlements) and to call on legislators to pass stronger laws prohibiting such settlements. In 2013, the U.S. Supreme Court held that certain of such settlements could violate anti-trust laws and must be evaluated under a “rule of reason” standard of review. We are currently, and we have been in the past, and may be in the future, the subject of investigation and litigation by the FTC in which violations of antitrust laws are alleged stemming from our settlement of patent litigation with brand pharmaceutical companies and other activities. This litigation has also resulted, and may in the future result, in follow-on litigation against us by private plaintiffs alleging similar claims. We could be subject to similar investigations and litigation in the future, which would likely result in substantial costs and divert our management’s attention and resources and could have a material adverse effect on our business activities and condition (financial or otherwise). For more information on our material pending litigation, please see Item 3 - “Legal Proceedings”, elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

We are subject to the effects of changes in statutes, regulations and/or interpretative guidance that may adversely affect our business and/or that could require us to devote increased time and resources to our compliance efforts, which may not be successful. For example, the FDA has proposed revisions to regulations governing generic drugs with respect to both when and how a labeling change would be required, which could have negative consequences for our business. The proposed revisions could create a regulatory framework whereby multiple, different labeling, including different warnings, could simultaneously exist in the marketplace for multiple generic versions of a drug, which could adversely affect our customers’ acceptance of our generic products or could place our products at a competitive disadvantage. Moreover, the proposed revisions could expose us to substantial new tort liability costs, which could cause us to withdraw or decline to pursue certain products. These or any other changes in statutes, regulations and/or interpretative guidance could have a material adverse effect on our business, condition (financial and other), prospects and results of operations.

Investigations and litigation concerning the calculation of average wholesale prices may adversely affect our business.

Many government and third-party payors, including Medicare, Medicaid, HMOs and others, reimburse doctors and others for the purchase of certain prescription drugs based on a drug’s average wholesale price (“AWP”). In the past several years, state and federal government agencies have conducted ongoing investigations of manufacturers’ reporting practices with respect to AWP, in which the agencies have suggested that reporting of inflated AWP by manufacturers have led to excessive payments for prescription drugs. For example, beginning in September 2003, we, along with numerous other pharmaceutical companies, had been named as a defendant in actions brought by the Attorneys General of Illinois, Kansas, Louisiana and Utah, as well as a state law *qui tam* action brought on behalf of the state of Wisconsin by Peggy Lautenschlager and Bauer & Bach, LLC, alleging generally that the defendants defrauded the state Medicaid systems by purportedly reporting or causing the reporting of AWP and/or “Wholesale Acquisition Costs” that exceeded the actual selling price of the defendants’ prescription drugs. These cases generally sought some combination of actual damages, and/or double damages, treble damages, compensatory damages, statutory damages, civil penalties, disgorgement of excessive profits, restitution, disbursements, counsel fees and costs, litigation expenses, investigative costs, injunctive relief, punitive damages, imposition of a constructive trust, accounting of profits or gains derived through the alleged conduct, expert fees, interest and other relief that the court may have deemed proper.

On January 28, 2014, we settled the claims brought by the State of Kansas for \$1.8 million. On February 5, 2014, we settled the claims brought by the State of Utah for \$2.1 million. On June 2, 2014, we settled the claims brought by the State of Illinois for \$28.5 million. For the status of the the pending Wisconsin state law *qui tam* action brought by Peggy Lautenschlager and Bauer & Bach, LLC, please see Item 3 - “Legal Proceedings - Industry Related Matters” elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

We can give no assurance that we will be able to settle the current or future actions on terms that we deem reasonable, or that such settlements or adverse judgments, if entered, will not exceed the amount of any reserve. Accordingly, such actions could adversely affect us and may have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

Investigations and litigations related to allegations that our sales and marketing practices caused providers of pharmacy services to substitute or switch prescriptions written for specific drug formulations may adversely affect our business.

At various times between 2006 and 2010, the Attorneys General of Florida, Indiana and Virginia and the United States Office of Personnel Management issued subpoenas to us, and the Attorneys General of Michigan, Tennessee, Texas, and Utah issued civil

investigative demands to us. These demands pertained to allegations that certain of our sales and marketing practices caused providers of pharmacy services to substitute or switch prescriptions written for specific drug formulations under circumstances in which some state Medicaid programs at various times reimbursed the new dosage form at a higher rate than the dosage form being substituted. The

forementioned subpoenas and civil investigative demands culminated in the federal and state law *qui tam* action brought on behalf of the United States and several states by Bernard Lisitza. The DOJ intervened in this action on July 8, 2011 and filed a separate complaint against us on September 9, 2011, alleging claims for violations of the Federal False Claims Act and common law fraud. The states of Michigan and Indiana have also intervened as to claims arising under their respective state false claims acts, common law fraud, and unjust enrichment. See Item 3, "Legal Proceedings", elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

If the plaintiffs in any of these or future actions are ultimately successful, it could adversely affect us and may have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

We are increasingly dependent on information technology, and our systems and infrastructure face certain risks, including cybersecurity and data leakage risks.

Significant disruptions to our information technology systems or breaches of information security could adversely affect our business. In the ordinary course of business, we collect, store and transmit large amounts of confidential information, and it is critical that we do so in a secure manner to maintain the confidentiality and integrity of such confidential information. We also have outsourced significant elements of our information technology infrastructure, and as a result we are managing independent vendor relationships with third parties who are responsible for maintaining significant elements of our information technology systems and infrastructure and who may or could have access to our confidential information. The size and complexity of our information technology systems, and those of our third party vendors with whom we contract, make such systems potentially vulnerable to service interruptions and security breaches from inadvertent or intentional actions by our employees, partners or vendors, from attacks by malicious third parties, or from intentional or accidental physical damage to our systems infrastructure maintained by us or by third parties. Maintaining the secrecy of this confidential, proprietary, and/or trade secret information is important to our competitive business position. While we have taken steps to protect such information and invested in information technology, there can be no assurance that our efforts will prevent service interruptions or security breaches in our systems or the unauthorized or inadvertent wrongful use or disclosure of confidential information that could adversely affect our business operations or result in the loss, dissemination, or misuse of critical or sensitive information. A breach of our security measures or the accidental loss, inadvertent disclosure, unapproved dissemination, misappropriation or misuse of trade secrets, proprietary information, or other confidential information, whether as a result of theft, hacking, fraud, trickery or other forms of deception, or for any other cause, could enable others to produce competing products, use our proprietary technology or information, and/or adversely affect our business position. Further, any such interruption, security breach, loss or disclosure of confidential information, could result in financial, legal, business, and reputational harm to us and could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial position, results of operations and/or cash flow.

Our future success depends on our ability to attract and retain key employees and consultants.

Our future success depends, to a substantial degree, upon the continued service of the key members of our management team. The loss of the services of key members of our management team, or their inability to perform services on our behalf, could have a material adverse effect on our business, condition (financial and other), prospects and results of operations. Our success also depends, to a large extent, upon the contributions of our sales, marketing, scientific and quality assurance staff. We compete for qualified personnel against other brand and generic pharmaceutical manufacturers, who may offer more favorable employment opportunities. If we are not able to attract and retain the necessary personnel to accomplish our business objectives, we could experience constraints that would adversely affect our ability to sell and market our products effectively, to meet the demands of our strategic partners in a timely fashion and to support research and development programs. In particular, sales and marketing efforts depend on the ability to attract and retain skilled and experienced sales, marketing and quality assurance representatives. Although we believe that we have been successful in attracting and retaining skilled personnel in all areas of our business, we cannot provide assurance that we can continue to attract, train and retain such personnel. Any failure in this regard could limit the rates at which we generate sales and develop or acquire new products.

We depend on our ability to protect our intellectual property and proprietary rights. We cannot be certain of our ability to keep confidential and protect such rights.

Our success depends on our ability to protect and defend the intellectual property rights associated with our current and future products. If we fail to protect our intellectual property adequately, competitors may manufacture and market products similar to, or that may be confused with, our products, and our generic competitors may obtain regulatory approval to make and distribute generic versions of our branded products. Some patent applications in the United States are maintained in secrecy or are not published until the resulting patents issue. We also cannot be certain that patents will be issued with respect to any of our patent applications or that any existing or future patents issued to or licensed by us will provide competitive advantages for our products or will not be challenged, invalidated, circumvented or held unenforceable in proceedings commenced by our competitors or other third parties. Furthermore, our patent rights may not prevent or limit our present and future competitors from developing, making, importing, using or commercializing products that are functionally similar to our products. We rely particularly on trade secrets, trademarks, unpatented proprietary expertise and continuing innovation that we seek to protect, in part, by registering and using marks, and, with regard to other intellectual property, by

entering into confidentiality agreements with licensees, suppliers, employees, consultants and other parties. This is done in large part because few of our products are protected by patents. We cannot provide assurance that these agreements will not be breached or circumvented. We also cannot be certain that we will have recourse to adequate remedies in the event of a breach. Disputes may arise concerning the ownership

of intellectual property or the applicability of confidentiality agreements. We cannot be sure that our trade secrets and proprietary technology will not be independently developed or otherwise become known by our competitors or, if patents are not issued with respect to internally-developed products, that we will be able to maintain the confidentiality of information relating to these products. In addition, efforts to ensure our intellectual property rights can be costly, time-consuming and/or ultimately unsuccessful.

Risks Related to Our Indebtedness

Our substantial indebtedness could adversely affect our ability to raise additional capital to fund our operations, limit our ability to react to changes in the economy or our industry and prevent us from meeting obligations on our indebtedness.

We currently have a substantial amount of indebtedness. As of December 31, 2014, on an as-adjusted basis giving effect to the funds borrowed to fund the Dividend Recapitalization, our total debt was \$2,351 million (excluding original issue discount or upfront payments), with unused commitments of \$150 million under the Senior Credit Facilities. We may also incur significant additional indebtedness in the future.

Subject to the limits contained in the credit agreement governing the Senior Credit Facilities and the indenture governing the Notes, as amended (the “Securities Act”), we may be able to incur substantial additional debt from time to time to finance working capital, capital expenditures, investments or acquisitions, or for other purposes. If we do so, the risks related to this high level of debt could intensify. Specifically, the high level of debt could have important consequences, including, but not limited to:

- making it more difficult for us to satisfy its obligations with respect to our debt;
- requiring a substantial portion of our cash flows to be dedicated to debt service payments instead of other purposes, thereby reducing the amount of cash flows available for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions and other general corporate purposes;
- limiting our ability to obtain additional financing to fund future working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions or other general corporate requirements;
- increasing our vulnerability to general adverse economic and industry conditions;
- exposing us to the risk of increased interest rates as certain of our borrowings, including borrowings under the Senior Credit Facilities, are at variable rates of interest;
- limiting our flexibility in planning for and reacting to changes in the industry in which we compete;
- placing us at a disadvantage compared to other, less leveraged competitors; and
- increasing our cost of borrowing.

In addition, the indenture that governs the Notes and the credit agreement governing the Senior Credit Facilities contain restrictive covenants that limit our ability to engage in activities that may be in our long-term best interest. Our failure to comply with those covenants could result in an event of default which, if not cured or waived, could result in the acceleration of all our debt.

Our leveraged business model includes constituents (e.g., the Sponsor and debt holders) that by the nature of their relationship to our enterprise may have different points of view on the use of company resources as compared to our management. The financial and contractual obligations related to our debt also represent a natural constraint on any intended use of company resources.

The terms of the credit agreement governing the Senior Credit Facilities and the indenture governing the Notes restrict our current and future operations, particularly our ability to respond to changes or to take certain actions.

The indenture governing the Notes and the credit agreement governing the Senior Credit Facilities contain a number of restrictive covenants that impose significant operating and financial restrictions on us and may limit our ability to engage in acts that may be in our long-term best interest, including restrictions on our ability to:

- incur additional indebtedness;
- pay dividends or make other distributions or repurchase or redeem our capital stock;
- prepay, redeem or repurchase certain debt;
- make loans and investments;
- sell assets;
- incur liens;
- enter into transactions with affiliates;
- alter the businesses we conduct;
- enter into agreements restricting our subsidiaries’ ability to pay dividends; and
- consolidate, merge or sell all or substantially all of our assets.

In addition, the restrictive covenants in the credit agreement governing the Senior Credit Facilities require us to maintain a

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specified financial ratio if there are outstanding borrowings under the revolving credit facility portion of the Senior Credit Facilities. Our ability to meet those financial ratios can be affected by events beyond our control.

A breach of the covenants under the indenture governing the Notes or under the credit agreement governing the Senior Credit Facilities could result in an event of default under the applicable indebtedness. Such a default may allow the creditors to accelerate the related debt and may result in the acceleration of any other debt to which a cross-acceleration or cross-default provision applies which could have a material adverse effect on our business, operations and financial results. In addition, an event of default under the credit agreement governing the Senior Credit Facilities would permit the lenders under the Senior Credit Facilities to terminate all commitments to extend further credit under that facility. Furthermore, if we were unable to repay the amounts due and payable under the Senior Credit Facilities, those lenders could proceed against the collateral granted to them to secure that indebtedness which could force us into bankruptcy or liquidation. In the event our lenders or noteholders accelerate the repayment of the borrowings, we and our subsidiaries may not have sufficient assets to repay that indebtedness. Any acceleration of amounts due under the credit agreement governing the Senior Credit Facilities or the indenture governing the Notes or the exercise by the applicable lenders of their rights under the related security documents would likely have a material adverse effect on us. As a result of these restrictions, we may be:

- limited in how we conduct our business;
- unable to raise additional debt or equity financing to operate during general economic or business downturns; or
- unable to compete effectively or to take advantage of new business opportunities.

These restrictions may affect our ability to grow in accordance with our strategy.

We may not be able to generate sufficient cash to service all of our indebtedness and may be forced to take other actions to satisfy our obligations under our indebtedness, which may not be successful.

Our ability to make scheduled payments on or refinance our debt obligations depends on our financial condition and operating performance, which are subject to prevailing economic and competitive conditions and to certain financial, business, legislative, regulatory and other factors beyond our control. We may be unable to maintain a level of cash flows from operating activities sufficient to permit us to pay the principal, premium, if any, and interest on our indebtedness.

If our cash flows and capital resources are insufficient to fund our debt service obligations, we could face substantial liquidity problems and could be forced to reduce or delay investments and capital expenditures or to dispose of material assets or operations, seek additional debt or equity capital or restructure or refinance our indebtedness. We may not be able to effect any such alternative measures on commercially reasonable terms or at all and, even if successful, those alternative actions may not allow us to meet our scheduled debt service obligations. The credit agreement governing the Senior Credit Facilities and the indenture governing the Notes restrict our ability to dispose of assets and use the proceeds from those dispositions and also restrict our ability to raise debt or equity capital to be used to repay other indebtedness when it becomes due. We may not be able to consummate those dispositions or to obtain proceeds in an amount sufficient to meet any debt service obligations when due.

Our inability to generate sufficient cash flows to satisfy our debt obligations, or to refinance our indebtedness on commercially reasonable terms or at all, would materially and adversely affect our financial position and results of operations and our ability to satisfy our obligations, including our indebtedness.

If we cannot make scheduled payments on our debt, we will be in default and, as a result:

- our debt holders could declare all outstanding principal and interest to be due and payable;
- the lenders under the Senior Credit Facilities could terminate their commitments to loan us money and foreclose against the assets securing the borrowings; and
- we could be forced into bankruptcy or liquidation.

We will require a significant amount of cash to service our indebtedness. The ability to generate cash or refinance our indebtedness as it becomes due depends on many factors, some of which are beyond our control.

We are a holding company, and as such have no independent operations or material assets other than our ownership of equity interests in our subsidiaries, and our subsidiaries' contractual arrangements with customers, and we will depend on our subsidiaries to distribute funds to us so that we may pay our obligations and expenses. Our ability to make scheduled payments on, or to refinance our respective obligations under, our indebtedness and to fund planned capital expenditures and other corporate expenses will depend on the ability of our subsidiaries to make distributions, dividends or advances to us, which in turn will depend on our subsidiaries' future operating performance and on economic, financial, competitive, legislative, regulatory and other factors and any legal and regulatory restrictions on the payment of distributions and dividends to which they may be subject. Many of these factors are beyond our control. We cannot assure our creditors that our business will generate sufficient cash flow from operations, that currently anticipated cost savings and operating improvements will be realized or that future borrowings will be available to us in an amount sufficient to enable us to satisfy our respective obligations under our indebtedness or to fund our other needs. In order for us to satisfy our obligations under our indebtedness and fund planned capital expenditures, we must continue to execute our business strategy. If we are unable to do so, we may need to reduce or delay our planned capital expenditures or refinance all or a portion of our indebtedness on or before maturity.

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Significant delays in our planned capital expenditures may materially and adversely affect our future revenue prospects. In addition, we cannot assure our creditors that we will be able to refinance any of our indebtedness on commercially reasonable terms or at all.

Despite our current level of indebtedness, we and our subsidiaries may still be able to incur substantially more debt. This could further exacerbate the risks to our financial condition described above.

We and our subsidiaries may be able to incur significant additional indebtedness in the future. Although the indenture governing the Notes and the credit agreement governing the Senior Credit Facilities contain restrictions on the incurrence of additional indebtedness, these restrictions are subject to a number of qualifications and exceptions, and the additional indebtedness incurred in compliance with these restrictions could be substantial. These restrictions also will not prevent us from incurring obligations that do not constitute indebtedness. If new debt is added to our current debt levels, the related risks that we and the guarantors now face could intensify.

Our variable rate indebtedness subjects us to interest rate risk, which could cause our debt service obligations to increase significantly.

Borrowings under the Senior Credit Facilities are at variable rates of interest and expose us to interest rate risk. The Senior Credit Facility includes a London Inter-Bank Offered Rates (“LIBOR”) floor of 1.00%, which at December 31, 2014 is in excess of LIBOR which at December 31, 2014 was 0.25% for an interest period of three months. The interest period can be set at one, two, three, or six months as selected by us, in accordance with the terms of the Senior Credit Facilities. If the three month LIBOR spot rate were to increase or decrease by 0.125% from current rates, interest expense would not change due to application of the 1.00% floor previously mentioned. If the specified LIBOR rate were to increase above 1.00%, our debt service obligations on the variable rate indebtedness would increase even though the amount borrowed remained the same, and our net income and cash flows, including cash available for servicing our indebtedness, would correspondingly decrease. An increase of 0.125% over the 1.00% floor previously mentioned would result in an approximate increase of \$1.0 million in our annual interest expense associated with the Senior Credit Facilities.

During 2013 and 2014, we entered into derivatives to hedge the variable cash flows associated with existing variable-rate debt under the credit agreement governing the Senior Credit Facilities beginning as of September 30, 2013. Our objective in using interest rate derivatives is to add certainty to interest expense amounts and to manage our exposure to interest rate movements, specifically to protect us from variability in cash flows attributable to changes in LIBOR interest rates. To accomplish this objective, we entered into interest rate caps. Interest rate caps designated as cash flow hedges involve the receipt of variable-rate amounts from a counterparty if LIBOR exceeds the strike rate in exchange for the company making fixed-rate payments over the life of the agreements without exchange of the underlying notional amount. As of December 31, 2014, we had eight outstanding interest rate caps with two counterparties with various termination dates and notional amounts, which we deemed to be effective for accounting purposes. The derivatives had a combined notional value of \$750.0 million, all with effective dates as of either September 30, 2013 or 2014 and with termination dates each September 30th beginning in 2015 and ending in 2018. Consistent with the terms of the credit agreement governing the Senior Credit Facilities, the interest rate caps have a strike of 1% which matches the LIBOR floor of 1.0% on the debt. The premium is deferred and paid over the life of the instrument. The effective annual interest rate related to these interest rate caps was a fixed weighted average rate of approximately 4.8% at December 31, 2014. These instruments are designated for accounting purposes as cash flow hedges of interest rate risk related to the credit agreement governing the Senior Credit Facilities. In addition, amounts reported in “Accumulated other comprehensive loss” on our consolidated balance sheet related to derivatives will be reclassified to interest expense as interest payments are made on our variable-rate debt under credit agreement governing the Senior Credit Facilities. Approximately 35% of our total outstanding debt at December 31, 2014 remains subject to variability in cash flows attributable to changes in LIBOR interest rates. During the next twelve months, we estimate that \$5.8 million will be reclassified from “Accumulated other comprehensive loss” on our consolidated balance sheet at December 31, 2014 to interest expense.

In the future, we may enter into additional interest rate swaps that involve the exchange of floating for fixed rate interest payments in order to reduce interest rate volatility. However, we may not maintain interest rate swaps with respect to all of our variable rate indebtedness, and any swaps we enter into may not fully mitigate our interest rate risk.

A lowering or withdrawal of the ratings assigned to the Notes or our other debt by rating agencies may increase our future borrowing costs and reduce our access to capital.

The Notes and the term loans under our Senior Credit Facilities have been rated by Moody’s and Standard & Poor’s and may in the future be rated by additional rating agencies. On February 9, 2015, Standard & Poor’s affirmed our Corporate Credit Rating and outlook at B/Stable, while Moody’s affirmed our Corporate Family Rating at B2 and changed our rating outlook to stable from negative. These actions were taken after each rating agency reassessed our risk profile in conjunction with the Dividend Recapitalization and the related additional borrowings. Any ratings assigned to our debt could be lowered or withdrawn entirely by a rating agency if, in that rating agency’s judgment, future circumstances relating to the basis of the rating, such as adverse changes, so warrant. Any such fluctuation in the ratings of the Company may impact our ability to access debt markets in the future or increase the cost of future debt which could have a material adverse effect on the operations and financial condition of the Company.

ITEM 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

None.

ITEM 2. Properties

Location	Use	Square feet	Owned/Leased	Expiration of Lease
Chestnut Ridge, NY	Manufacturing	120,000	Owned	
Chestnut Ridge, NY	Quality, Administrative	40,000	Owned	
Chestnut Ridge, NY	Future Administrative and Manufacturing	135,000	Owned	
Chestnut Ridge, NY	Research	57,000	Leased	December 2024
Montebello, NY	Distribution	190,000	Leased	January 2024
Woodcliff Lake, NJ	Administrative	61,000	Leased	March 2016
Parsippany, NJ	Administrative	19,000	Leased	July 2021
Irvine, CA	Administrative, Quality, Manufacturing	40,500	Leased	March 2016
Irvine, CA	Manufacturing, Warehouse	40,700	Leased	December 2017
Irvine, CA	Research	26,800	Leased	August 2018
Rochester, MI	Manufacturing	140,000	Owned	
Rochester, MI	Warehouse	44,000	Owned	
Rochester, MI	Quality, Research	65,000	Owned	
Rochester, MI	Utilities	11,650	Owned	
Rochester, MI	Administrative	59,500	Owned	
Chennai, India	Manufacturing, Research, Administrative	95,000	Owned	
Watford, UK	Administrative	1,000	Leased	November 2015

We believe that our owned and leased properties are sufficient in size, scope and nature to meet our anticipated needs for the reasonably foreseeable future. See “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations-Financial Condition” and Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements — Note 19 — “Commitments, Contingencies and Other Matters.”

Par Pharmaceutical is managed and/or served out of all the properties noted above. Par Specialty is managed and/or served out of certain of the New York and New Jersey properties noted above.

ITEM 3. Legal Proceedings

Our legal proceedings are complex and subject to significant uncertainties. As such, we cannot predict the outcome or the effects of the legal proceedings described below. While we believe that we have valid claims and/or defenses in the litigations described below, litigation is inherently unpredictable, and the outcome of these proceedings could include substantial damages, the imposition of substantial fines, penalties, and injunctive or administrative remedies. For proceedings where losses are both probable and reasonably estimable, we have accrued for such potential loss as set forth below. Such accruals have been developed based upon estimates and assumptions that have been deemed reasonable by management, but the assessment process relies heavily on estimates and assumptions that may ultimately prove to be inaccurate or incomplete, and unknown circumstances may exist or unforeseen events occur that could lead us to change those estimates and assumptions. Unless otherwise indicated below, at this time we are not able to estimate the possible loss or range of loss, if any, associated with these legal proceedings. In general, we intend to continue to vigorously prosecute and/or defend these proceedings, as appropriate; however, from time to time, we may settle or otherwise resolve these matters on terms and conditions that we believe are in the best interests of the Company. Resolution of any or all claims, investigations, and legal proceedings, individually or in the aggregate, could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and/or cash flows in any given accounting period or on our overall financial condition.

Patent related matters

On April 28, 2006, CIMA Labs, Inc. (“CIMA”) and Schwarz Pharma, Inc. (“Schwarz Pharma”) filed separate lawsuits against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey. CIMA and Schwarz Pharma each have alleged that we infringed U.S. Patent Nos. 6,024,981 (the “’981 patent”) and 6,221,392 (the “’392 patent”) by submitting a Paragraph IV certification to the FDA for approval of alprazolam orally disintegrating tablets. On July 10, 2008, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (“USPTO”) issued a decision in *Par Pharm. v. Horizon (fka Hyperion)* (IPR2015-01117, IPR2015-01127) finding

in both the '392 and '981 patents. On September 28, 2009, the USPTO's Patent Trial and Appeal Board

("PTAB") affirmed the Examiner's rejection of all claims in the '981 patent, and on March 24, 2011, the PTAB affirmed the rejections pending for both patents and added new grounds for rejection of the '981 patent. On June 24, 2011, the plaintiffs re-opened prosecution on both patents at the USPTO. On May 13, 2013, the PTAB reversed outstanding rejections to the currently pending claims of the '392 patent reexamination application and affirmed a conclusion by the Examiner that testimony offered by the patentee had overcome other rejections. On September 20, 2013, a reexamination certificate was issued for the '392 patent, and on January 9, 2014, a reexamination certificate was issued for the '981 patent, each incorporating narrower claims than the respective originally-issued patent. We intend to vigorously defend this lawsuit and pursue our counterclaims.

Unimed and Laboratories Besins Iscovesco filed a lawsuit on August 22, 2003 against Paddock Laboratories, Inc. in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia alleging patent infringement as a result of Paddock's submitting an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification seeking FDA approval of testosterone 1% gel, a generic version of Unimed Pharmaceuticals, Inc.'s Androgel®. On September 13, 2006, we acquired from Paddock all rights to the ANDA, and the litigation was resolved by a settlement and license agreement that permits us to launch the generic version of the product no earlier than August 31, 2015, and no later than February 28, 2016, assuring our ability to market a generic version of Androgel® well before the expiration of the patents at issue. On January 30, 2009, the Bureau of Competition for the FTC filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, subsequently transferred to the Northern District of Georgia, alleging violations of antitrust laws stemming from our court-approved settlement, and several distributors and retailers followed suit with a number of private plaintiffs' complaints beginning in February 2009. On February 23, 2010, the District Court granted our motion to dismiss the FTC's claims and granted in part and denied in part our motion to dismiss the claims of the private plaintiffs. On September 28, 2012, the District Court granted our motion for summary judgment against the private plaintiffs' claims of sham litigation. On June 10, 2010, the FTC appealed the District Court's dismissal of the FTC's claims to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit. On April 25, 2012, the Court of Appeals affirmed the District Court's decision. On June 17, 2013, the Supreme Court of the United States reversed the Court of Appeals' decision and remanded the case to the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia for further proceedings. On October 23, 2013, the District Court issued an order on indicative ruling on a request for relief from judgment, effectively remanding to the District Court the appeal of the grant of our motion for summary judgment against the private plaintiffs' claims and holding those claims in abeyance while the remaining issues pending before the Court are resolved. We believe we have complied with all applicable laws in connection with the court-approved settlement and intend to continue to vigorously defend these actions.

On September 13, 2007, Santarus, Inc. and The Curators of the University of Missouri ("Missouri") filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware alleging infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 6,699,885; 6,489,346; and 6,645,988 because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification seeking FDA approval of 20 mg and 40 mg omeprazole/sodium bicarbonate capsules. On December 20, 2007, Santarus and Missouri filed a second lawsuit alleging infringement of the patents because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification seeking FDA approval of 20 mg and 40 mg omeprazole/sodium bicarbonate powders for oral suspension. The complaints generally sought (i) a finding of infringement, validity, and/or enforceability; and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. On October 20, 2008, plaintiffs amended their complaint to add U.S. Patent Nos. 6,780,882 and 7,399,722. On April 14, 2010, the District Court ruled in our favor, finding that the plaintiffs' patents were invalid as being obvious and without adequate written description. On July 1, 2010, we launched our 20 mg and 40 mg generic omeprazole/sodium bicarbonate capsules product. Santarus and Missouri appealed the District Court's decision to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, and we cross-appealed the District Court's decision of enforceability of plaintiffs' patents. On September 4, 2012, the Court of Appeals reversed the District Court's finding of invalidity and remanded to the District Court for further proceedings, and we ceased further distribution of our 20 mg and 40 mg generic omeprazole/sodium bicarbonate capsules product. Santarus was acquired by Salix Pharmaceuticals, Inc. on January 2, 2014. On September 22, 2014, we entered into a settlement agreement with Salix, Santarus and Missouri to resolve all claims relating to this matter, and the dismissal stipulation was entered on September 26, 2014. As part of the settlement, Salix, Santarus and Missouri released all claims against us in exchange for a payment of \$100 million. We recorded a charge of \$91.0 million in the third quarter of 2014 in addition to the \$9.0 million previously accrued.

On April 29, 2009, Pronova BioPharma ASA ("Pronova") filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 5,502,077 and 5,656,667 because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification seeking FDA approval of omega-3-acid ethyl esters oral capsules. On May 29, 2012, the District Court ruled in favor of Pronova in the initial case, and we appealed to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit on June 25, 2012. On September 12, 2013, the Court of Appeals ruled in our favor, reversing the lower District Court decision. On March 5, 2014, judgment in our favor was formally entered in the District Court. On April 16, 2014, Pronova petitioned for writ of certiorari to the U.S. Supreme Court, which was denied on October 6, 2014.

On August 10, 2011, Avanir Pharmaceuticals, Inc. et al. ("Avanir") filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 7,659,282 and RE38,115 because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification seeking FDA approval of oral capsules of 20 mg dextromethorphan hydrobromide and 10 mg quinidine sulfate. The complaint generally seeks (i) a finding of infringement, validity, and/or enforceability; and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. Our case was consolidated with those of other defendants, Actavis, Impax, and Wockhardt. On September 12, 2012, Avanir filed an additional complaint against us, adding U.S. Patent No. 8,227,484 to the case. A bench trial was held from September 9-13 and October 15, 2013. On April 30, 2014, a decision was entered in our favor. Patent Owner Horizon Ex. 2008

in favor of Avanir. On August 20, 2014, the Court issued an order requiring that Avanir delist the '115 patent, leaving only the

'484 and '282 to be addressed on appeal. We filed our notice of appeal following resolution of the delisting claim on September 12, 2014. We intend to prosecute our appeal of this decision vigorously.

On September 1, 2011, we, along with EDT Pharma Holdings Ltd. (now known as Alkermes Pharma Ireland Limited) (Elan), filed a complaint against TWi Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ("TWi") of Taiwan in the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland alleging infringement of U.S. Patent No. 7,101,576 because TWi filed an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification seeking FDA approval of a generic version of Megace® ES. Our complaint seeks (i) a finding of infringement, validity, and/or enforceability; and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. A bench trial was held from October 7-15, 2013. On February 21, 2014, the District Court issued a decision in favor of TWi, finding all asserted claims of the '576 patent invalid for obviousness, and we appealed to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. On August 12, 2014, the District Court granted our motion for preliminary injunction enjoining TWi's launch of its generic product pending disposition of the case on appeal, requiring us to post a \$10.0 million bond. On December 3, 2014, the Federal Circuit reversed the District Court's decision, remanding for further findings of fact. On March 9, 2015, the District Court granted our motion for preliminary injunction enjoining TWi's launch of its generic product pending disposition of the case on remand, requiring us to post a \$6.0 million bond. We intend to continue to vigorously pursue our case.

On April 4, 2012, AR Holding Company, Inc. filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 7,619,004; 7,601,758; 7,820,681; 7,915,269; 7,964,647; 7,964,648; 7,981,938; 8,093,296; 8,093,297; and 8,097,655 (subsequently adding U.S. Patent Nos. 8,415,395 and 8,415,396) because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification seeking FDA approval of oral tablets of 0.6 mg colchicine. On November 1, 2012, Takeda Pharmaceuticals was substituted as the plaintiff and real party-in-interest in the case. On August 30, 2013, Takeda filed a second complaint in view of the same filing adding to the dispute U.S. Patent Nos. 7,906,519; 7,935,731; 7,964,648; 8,093,297; and 8,093,298. The complaint generally seeks (i) a finding of infringement, validity, and/or enforceability; and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. On August 30, 2013, Takeda filed a new complaint against us in view of our change of the ANDA's labeled indication. We intend to defend these actions vigorously.

On October 25, 2012, Purdue Pharma L.P. ("Purdue") and Transcept Pharmaceuticals ("Transcept") filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey. The complaint alleged infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 8,242,131 and 8,252,809 because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification seeking FDA approval of zolpidem tartrate sublingual tablets 1.75 and 3.5 mg. The complaint generally seeks (i) a finding of infringement, validity, and/or enforceability; and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. On November 24, 2014, we reached an agreement with Purdue and Transcept to stay our case contingent upon our agreement to be bound by the District Court's decision in Transcept's trial against Actavis and Novel Laboratories, which commenced December 1, 2014.

On December 19, 2012, Endo Pharmaceuticals and Grünenthal GmbH filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 7,851,482; 8,114,383; 8,192,722; 8,309,060; 8,309,122; and 8,329,216 because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification to the FDA for approval of oxymorphone hydrochloride extended release tablets 40 mg. The complaint generally seeks (i) a finding of infringement, validity, and/or enforceability; and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. On November 7, 2014, Endo and Mallinckrodt sued us on the same filing in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware, adding U.S. Patent Nos. 8,808,737 and 8,871,779 to the case. On January 15, 2015, the case in the Southern District of New York was dismissed by stipulation. We intend to defend the action in the District of Delaware vigorously.

On January 8, 2013, we were substituted for Actavis as defendant in litigation then pending in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware. The action was brought by Novartis against Actavis for filing an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification seeking FDA approval of rivastigmine transdermal extended release film 4.6 and 9.5 mg/24 hr. We assumed the rights to this ANDA. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patents 5,602,176; 6,316,023; and 6,335,031 and generally seeks (i) a finding of infringement, validity, and/or enforceability; and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. On August 22, 2013, Novartis filed an additional complaint in view of our submission of an ANDA supplement containing a Paragraph IV certification adding the 13.3 mg/24 hr. strength. A trial was held August 26-29, 2013, and a second bench trial directed to our non-infringement positions was held on May 1-2, 2014. On June 27, 2014, we filed a declaratory judgment action against Novartis in the same Court regarding all strengths, seeking judgment of non-infringement and invalidity on all asserted patents in view of all strengths embraced by our ANDA. On August 29, 2014, the Court in the first action entered judgment in our favor, finding that we do not infringe the asserted patents. On October 7, 2014, the Court entered judgment in our favor on the declaratory judgment complaint. On October 20, 2014 and October 30, 2014, Novartis filed notices of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit from both the original case as well as the complaint initiated on the ANDA supplement. On November 7, 2014, Novartis filed an appeal from the declaratory judgment decision. We intend to defend these actions vigorously.

On February 7, 2013, Sucampo Pharmaceuticals, Takeda Pharmaceuticals, and R-Tech Ueno filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 6,414,016; 7,795,312; 8,026,393; 8,071,613; 8,097,653; and 8,338,639 because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification to the FDA for approval of lubiprostone oral capsules 8 mcg and 24 mcg. The complaint seeks (i) a finding of infringement; and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. On July 3, 2013, an amended complaint was filed, adding U.S. Patent Owner Horizon Ex. 2008

Patent No. 8,389,542 to the case. On October 9, 2014, the parties entered into a settlement agreement resolving the dispute and

allowing us to launch our generic lubiprostone product on January 1, 2021, or earlier in certain circumstances. The consent judgment terminating the case was entered December 2, 2014.

On May 15, 2013, Endo Pharmaceuticals filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 7,851,482; 8,309,122; and 8,329,216 as a result of our November 2012 acquisition from Watson of an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification seeking FDA approval of non-tamper resistant oxymorphone hydrochloride extended release tablets. The complaint generally seeks (i) a finding of infringement, validity, and/or enforceability; and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. We intend to defend this action vigorously.

On June 21, 2013, we, along with Alkermes Pharma Ireland Limited (Elan), filed a complaint against Breckenridge Pharmaceutical, Inc. in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware. In the complaint, we allege infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 6,592,903 and 7,101,576 because Breckenridge filed an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification seeking FDA approval of a generic version of Megace® ES. Our complaint seeks (i) a finding of infringement, validity, and/or enforceability; and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. A stipulation to stay the proceedings was entered on July 22, 2014. We intend to prosecute this infringement case vigorously.

On September 23, 2013, Forest Labs and Royalty Pharma filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent Nos., 6,602,911; 7,888,342; and 7,994,220 because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification to the FDA for approval of 12.5, 25, 50, and 100 mg milnacipran HCl oral tablets. The complaint seeks (i) a finding of infringement; and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. We intend to defend this action vigorously.

On August 20, 2013 and April 4, 2014, MonoSol RX and Reckitt Benckiser filed lawsuits against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware. The complaints allege infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 8,017,150, 8,475,832 and 8,603,514, because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification to the FDA for approval of EQ 2/0.5, 8/2, 4/1, 12/3 mg base buprenorphine HCl/naloxone HCl sublingual films. The complaints seek (i) a finding of infringement; and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. On December 31, 2014, the plaintiffs filed a complaint on the same ANDA filing, adding U.S. Patent Nos. 8,900,497 and 8,906,277. We intend to defend these actions vigorously.

On December 27, 2013, Jazz Pharmaceuticals filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 6,472,431; 6,780,889; 7,262,219; 7,851,506; 8,263,650; 8,324,275; 8,461,203; 7,668,730; 7,765,106; 7,765,107; 7,895,059; 8,457,988; and 8,589,182 because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification to the FDA for approval of 500mg/ml sodium oxybate oral solution. On August 15, 2014, October 10, 2014, and January 8, 2015, Jazz filed additional complaints against us in view of the same ANDA filing, adding U.S. Patent Nos. 8,731,963; 8,772,306; and 8,859,619, respectively, to the case. The complaints seek (i) a finding of infringement; and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. We intend to defend these actions vigorously.

On January 21, 2014, Lyne Laboratories, Fresenius USA Manufacturing and Fresenius Medical Care Holdings filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 8,591,938 and 8,592,480 because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification to the FDA for approval of 169mg/5ml calcium acetate oral solution. The complaint seeks (i) a finding of infringement; and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. The case has been settled on confidential terms with a stipulation of dismissal, which we expect will be entered by the Court presently.

On February 14, 2014 and August 15, 2014, Forest Laboratories, Inc., Forest Laboratories Holdings, Ltd., and Adamas Pharmaceuticals, Inc., filed lawsuits against us and our Anchen subsidiary in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware. The complaints allege infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 8,039,009; 8,168,209; 8,173,708; 8,283,379; 8,329,752; 8,362,085; and 8,598,233 because we submitted ANDAs with Paragraph IV certifications to the FDA for approval of 7, 14, 21, and 28 mg memantine hydrochloride extended release capsules. The complaints seek (i) a finding of infringement and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. On January 14, 2015, a joint stipulation of dismissal was entered in the case pursuant to a confidential settlement agreement between the parties.

On April 23, 2014, Hyperion Therapeutics filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 8,404,215 and 8,642,012 because we submitted an ANDA with Paragraph IV certifications to the FDA for approval of 1.1 g/ml glyceryl phenylbutyrate oral liquid. The complaint seeks (i) a finding of infringement and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. We intend to defend this action vigorously.

On June 20, 2014, Otsuka Pharmaceutical Co. filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 5,753,677 and 8,501,730 relating to our Paragraph IV certification accompanying our ANDA for approval of 15 and 30 mg tolvaptan oral tablets. The complaint seeks (i) a finding of infringement; and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. We intend to defend this action vigorously.

On June 30, 2014, AstraZeneca filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent No. 7,951,400 because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification to the FDA for approval of eq 2.5 mg and eq 5 mg saxagliptin hydrochloride oral tablets. The complaint seeks (i) a finding of infringement and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. We intend to defend this action vigorously.

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On July 17, 2014, Glycyx Pharmaceuticals and Salix filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 6,197,341 and 8,497,256 because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification to the FDA for approval of 1.1 g balsalazide disodium oral tablets. The complaint seeks (i) a finding of infringement and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. We intend to defend this action vigorously.

On August 6, 2014, Prometheus Labs filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent No. 6,284,770 because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification to the FDA for approval of 0.5 and 1.0 mg alosetron hydrochloride tablets. The complaint seeks (i) a finding of infringement and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. On November 17, 2014, the court stayed our case pending the outcome of the appeal of the first Paragraph IV filer's victory in the District Court.

On August 19, 2014, Hospira, Inc. filed a declaratory judgment complaint against the FDA in the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland in view of the FDA's approval of our ANDA for dexmedetomidine hydrochloride injection, concentrate (100 mcg/ml) vials pursuant to our submission and statement under section viii. On August 20, 2014, we moved to intervene in the case on the side of the FDA. On August 25, 2014, we filed a declaratory judgment complaint against Hospira, Inc. in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,716,867 in the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey. On September 5, 2014, the Maryland Court ruled in favor of the FDA, Par and joint intervenor Mylan, Inc. on summary judgment, and Hospira, Inc. and its intervenor/co-complainant Sandoz appealed that judgment to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. On October 29, 2014, all parties stipulated jointly to a dismissal of all of the cases (Maryland, New Jersey, and the Fourth Circuit) pursuant to a confidential settlement agreement.

On October 10, 2014, Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation and Novartis AG filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 5,665,772; 6,004,973; and 6,455,518 because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification to the FDA for approval of 0.25, 0.5, and 0.75 mg everolimus tablets. The complaint seeks (i) a finding of infringement and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. We intend to defend this action vigorously.

On November 19, 2014, we filed a declaratory judgment action against GlaxoSmithKline and Aptalis in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, seeking declaratory judgment of non-infringement and invalidity of U.S. Patent No. 7,919,115 in view of our April 11, 2012 submission of an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification to the FDA seeking approval for lamotrigine orally disintegrating tablets 25, 50, 100, and 200 mg. On January 30, 2015, the consent judgment was entered.

Under a Development and Supply Agreement between Pharmaceutics International, Inc. ("PII") and Par Sterile, PII agreed to develop and manufacture, and Par Sterile agreed to market and sell, certain pharmaceutical products, including zoledronic acid, the generic version of Zometa® and Reclast®. Under the Agreement, the parties agreed to share equally all mutually agreed expenses and costs of Paragraph IV proceedings related to the product, including any costs and expenses related to any mutually agreed upon settlement. On February 20, 2013, Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation filed a lawsuit against PII, along with several other defendants, in the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey, for filing ANDAs with Paragraph IV certifications seeking FDA approval of both zoledronic acid eq 4 mg base/5 ml vials and zoledronic acid eq 5 mg base/100 ml bottles. The complaint alleges, among other things, that the sale of generic versions of Reclast® and Zometa® would infringe one or more of U.S. Patent Nos. 8,324,189; 7,932,241; and 8,052,987 and seeks (i) a finding of infringement, validity, and/or enforceability; (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit; and (iii) damages or other monetary relief in light of commercial manufacture, use, offers to sell, or sale of the ANDA products. On March 1, 2013, the District Court denied Novartis's request for a temporary restraining order against PII and the other defendants. On March 4, 2013, Par Sterile began distribution of PII's generic Zometa® product and began distribution of the generic Reclast® product in December 2013. On December 3, 2014, in view of the foregoing, Novartis sued Par Sterile in the same court, seeking (i) a finding of infringement, validity, and/or enforceability; (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit; and (iii) damages or other monetary relief in light of commercial manufacture, use, offers to sell, or sale of the ANDA products. We intend to defend this action vigorously.

On December 18, 2014, and January 23, 2015, Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation and Novartis AG filed lawsuits against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware. The complaints allege infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 5,665,772; 7,297,703; and 7,741,338 518 because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification to the FDA for approval of 2.5, 5, 7.5, and 10 mg everolimus tablets. The complaints seek (i) a finding of infringement and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. We intend to defend these actions vigorously.

On January 16, 2015, Supernus Pharmaceuticals filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 8,298,576; 8,298,580; 8,663,683; and 8,877,248 because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification to the FDA for approval of 25, 50, 100, and 200 mg topiramate extended release capsules. The complaint seeks (i) a finding of infringement and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. We intend to defend this action vigorously.

On January 21, 2015, Tris Pharma, Inc., filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 8,062,667; 8,287,903; 8,465,765; 8,563,033; and 8,778,390 because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification to the FDA for approval of 5 mg/ml methylphenidate hydrochloride extended release oral suspension. The complaint seeks (i) a finding of infringement and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. We intend to defend this action vigorously.

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On February 2, 2015, Cosmo Technologies, Ltd and Santarus, Inc. filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 7,410,651; 7,431,943; 8,293,273; 8,784,888; 8,895,064; and RE43,799 because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification to the FDA for approval of 9 mg budesonide tablets. The complaint seeks (i) a finding of infringement and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. We intend to defend this action vigorously.

On February 20, 2015, Ferring Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Ferring International Center S.A. filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 8,450,338 and 8,481,083 because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification to the FDA for approval of 10/3.5/12 g sodium picosulfate/magnesium oxide/citric acid packets for oral solution. The complaint seeks (i) a finding of infringement and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. We intend to defend this action vigorously.

On February 26, 2015, Shire, LLC filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. RE41,148 and RE42,096 because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification to the FDA for approval of 5, 10, 15, 20, and 25 mg mixed amphetamine salts extended release capsules. The complaint seeks (i) a finding of infringement and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. We intend to defend this action vigorously.

On March 6, 2015, BioMarin Pharmaceutical Inc. and Merck & Cie filed a lawsuit against us in the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey. The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 7,566,462; 7,566,714; 7,612,073; 7,727,987; 8,003,126; 8,067,416; RE43,797; and 8,318,745 because we submitted an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification to the FDA for approval of 100 mg sapropterin dihydrochloride oral tablets. The complaint seeks (i) a finding of infringement and (ii) a permanent injunction be entered, terminating at the expiration of the patents-in-suit. We intend to defend this action vigorously.

Industry related matters

Beginning in September 2003, we, along with numerous other pharmaceutical companies, have been named as a defendant in actions brought by the Attorneys General of Illinois, Kansas, and Utah, as well as a state law qui tam action brought on behalf of the state of Wisconsin by Peggy Lautenschlager and Bauer & Bach, LLC, alleging generally that the defendants defrauded the state Medicaid systems by purportedly reporting or causing the reporting of AWP and/or “Wholesale Acquisition Costs” that exceeded the actual selling price of the defendants’ prescription drugs. During the year ended December 31, 2013, we recorded \$25.7 million as “Settlements and loss contingencies, net” on the consolidated statements of operations as we continued to periodically assess and estimate our remaining potential liability. On January 28, 2014, we settled the claims brought by the State of Kansas for \$1.8 million. On February 5, 2014, we settled the claims brought by the State of Utah for \$2.1 million. On June 2, 2014, we settled the claims brought by the State of Illinois for \$28.5 million, including attorneys’ fees and costs. The amounts provided for 2013 represents the amounts settled, less amounts previously accrued. Other than as described below, all of the above AWP cases against the Company have been concluded.

On February 17, 2014, the Dane County Circuit Court for the State of Wisconsin dismissed the state law qui tam action brought on behalf of the state of Wisconsin by Peggy Lautenschlager and Bauer & Bach, LLC. On June 12, 2014, the Dane County Circuit Court denied the plaintiffs’ renewed motion to amend the complaint and issued a final order of dismissal on the merits, without prejudice. The plaintiffs subsequently appealed the ruling, and on September 22, 2014, the Wisconsin Court of Appeals dismissed the plaintiffs’ appeal. On August 11, 2014, plaintiffs filed a similar AWP qui tam action under seal in the Dane County Circuit Court, and the State of Wisconsin declined to intervene on December 19, 2014. On January 13, 2015, the Dane County Circuit Court unsealed the complaint. We intend to vigorously defend this lawsuit.

The Attorneys General of Florida, Indiana and Virginia and the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (the “USOPM”) have issued subpoenas, and the Attorneys General of Michigan, Tennessee, Texas, and Utah have issued civil investigative demands, to us. The demands generally request documents and information pertaining to allegations that certain of our sales and marketing practices caused pharmacies to substitute ranitidine capsules for ranitidine tablets, fluoxetine tablets for fluoxetine capsules, and two 7.5 mg buspirone tablets for one 15 mg buspirone tablet, under circumstances in which some state Medicaid programs at various times reimbursed the new dosage form at a higher rate than the dosage form being substituted. We have provided documents in response to these subpoenas to the respective Attorneys General and the USOPM. The aforementioned subpoenas and civil investigative demands culminated in the federal and state law qui tam action brought on behalf of the United States and several states by Bernard Lisitza. The complaint was unsealed on August 30, 2011. The United States intervened in this action on July 8, 2011 and filed a separate complaint on September 9, 2011, alleging claims for violations of the Federal False Claims Act and common law fraud. The states of Michigan and Indiana have also intervened as to claims arising under their respective state false claims acts, common law fraud, and unjust enrichment. We intend to vigorously defend these lawsuits.

Other

On March 19, 2009, we were served with a subpoena by the DOJ requesting documents related to Par Specialty’s marketing of Megace® ES. The subpoena indicated that the DOJ was investigating promotional practices in the sales and marketing of Megace® ES. We cooperated with the DOJ in this inquiry. On March 5, 2013, we entered into a settlement agreement with the DOJ that terminated

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the DOJ's investigation. The settlement agreement provided for our payment of \$45.0 million (plus interest and fees) and included a plea agreement with the New Jersey Criminal Division of the DOJ in which the Company admitted to a single count of

misdeemeanor misbranding, a civil settlement with the DOJ, a state settlement encompassing forty-nine states (one state declined to participate due to the small amount of its potential recovery), and a release from each of these entities in favor of the Company related to the practices at issue in the terminated investigation. The Company accrued for the settlement in the period from January 1, 2012 through September 28, 2012 (Predecessor). The settlement was paid in 2013.

On August 6, 2014, we received a subpoena from the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Connecticut requesting documents related to our agreement with Covis Pharma S.a.r.l. to distribute an authorized generic version of Covis's Lanoxin® (digoxin) oral tablets. We completed our response on October 28, 2014.

On December 5, 2014, we received a subpoena from the Antitrust Division of the DOJ requesting documents related to communications with competitors regarding our authorized generic version of Covis's Lanoxin® (digoxin) oral tablets and our generic doxycycline products. We intend to cooperate fully with the Department of Justice's inquiry.

On February 3, 2015, we received a Civil Investigative Demand from Office of the Attorney General of the State of Alaska instructing production of, among other documents, all production in the on-going lawsuit filed against us in 2009 by the Bureau of Competition for the FTC and currently on remand to the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia, described above under "Business-Legal proceedings-Patent related matters." We intend to comply fully with the Civil Investigative Demand.

On February 9, 2015, we received a Civil Investigative Demand from the FTC instructing production of, among other documents, all documents related to our license agreement and manufacturing and supply agreement with Concordia Pharmaceuticals, Inc. relating to our sale of clonidine hydrochloride extended release tablets, the generic version of Concordia's Kapvay®. We intend to comply fully with the Civil Investigative Demand.

We are, from time to time, a party to certain other litigations, including product liability litigations. We believe that these litigations are part of the ordinary course of our business and that their ultimate resolution will not have a material effect on our financial condition, results of operations or liquidity. We intend to defend or, in cases where we are the plaintiff, to prosecute these litigations vigorously.

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****Market Information About Our Common Stock**

Following the Acquisition on September 28, 2012, our common stock is privately held. Therefore there is no established trading market. Prior to September 28, 2012, the Company operated as a public company with its common stock traded on the New York Stock Exchange. Refer to Item 1. Business for details of the Acquisition.

Dividend Policy

With the exception of certain limited circumstances, payment of dividends is restricted under our Senior Credit Facilities and the indenture governing our Notes. See "Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Financial Condition - Financing." We had never declared cash dividends with respect to our common stock through December 31, 2014. Refer to Note 22, Subsequent Events, for a description of a cash dividend paid in February 2015. We presently intend to reinvest our earnings in the business, going forward.

ITEM 6. Selected Financial Data

The following table sets forth selected consolidated financial data with respect to our operations. The data should be read in conjunction with “Item 7. Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” and the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto, located elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The statement of operations data for each of the periods presented, and the related balance sheet data have been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements.

	As of and for the Year Ended		As of and for the Period		As of and for the Years Ended	
	12/31/2014	12/31/2013	September 29, 2012 to December 31, 2012	January 1, 2012 to September 28, 2012	12/31/2011	12/31/2010
(In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)						
Income Statement Data:	(Successor)	(Successor)	(Successor)	(Predecessor)	(Predecessor)	(Predecessor)
Revenues:						
Net product sales	\$ 1,278,106	\$ 1,062,453	\$ 237,338	\$ 780,797	\$ 887,495	\$ 980,631
Other product related revenues	30,515	35,014	8,801	23,071	38,643	28,243
Total revenues	1,308,621	1,097,467	246,139	803,868	926,138	1,008,874
Cost of goods sold, excluding amortization expense	643,851	595,166	157,893	431,174	526,288	620,904
Amortization expense	185,655	184,258	42,801	30,344	13,106	14,439
Total cost of goods sold	829,506	779,424	200,694	461,518	539,394	635,343
Gross margin	479,115	318,043	45,445	342,350	386,744	373,531
Operating expenses:						
Research and development	119,095	100,763	19,383	66,606	46,538	50,369
Selling, general and administrative	181,136	155,164	45,525	165,604	173,378	192,504
Intangible asset impairment	146,934	100,093	—	5,700	—	—
Settlements and loss contingencies, net	90,107	25,650	10,059	45,000	190,560	3,762
Restructuring costs	5,413	1,816	241	—	26,986	—
Total operating expenses	542,685	383,486	75,208	282,910	437,462	246,635
(Loss) gain on sale of product rights and other	(3,042)	—	—	—	125	6,025
Operating (loss) income	(66,612)	(65,443)	(29,763)	59,440	(50,593)	132,921
Gain on bargain purchase	—	—	5,500	—	—	—
Loss on debt extinguishment	(3,989)	(7,335)	—	—	—	—
Gain on marketable securities and other investments, net	—	1,122	—	—	237	3,459
Interest income	18	87	50	424	736	1,257
Interest expense	(108,427)	(95,484)	(25,985)	(9,159)	(2,676)	(2,905)
Other income	500	—	—	—	—	—
(Loss) income from continuing operations before provision for income taxes	(178,510)	(167,053)	(50,198)	50,705	(52,296)	134,732
(Benefit) provision for income taxes	(72,993)	(61,182)	(17,653)	29,530	(5,996)	41,980
(Loss) income from continuing operations	(105,517)	(105,871)	(32,545)	21,175	(46,300)	92,752
Discontinued operations:						
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	—	—	—	—	(20,155)	21
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	—	—	—	—	20,155	(21)
Net (loss) income	(105,517)	(105,871)	(32,545)	21,175	(26,145)	92,731
Balance Sheet Data:						
Working capital	\$ 375,246	\$ 206,606	\$ 97,278		\$ 271,709	\$ 365,537
Property, plant and equipment, net	217,314	127,276	131,630		97,790	71,980
Total assets	3,007,134	2,637,569	2,840,613		1,231,453	783,232

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Long-term debt, less current portion	1,904,069	1,516,057	1,531,813	323,750	—
Total stockholders' equity	561,066	548,057	645,095	609,581	628,444

ITEM 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with our Consolidated Financial Statements and related Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements contained elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

COMPANY OVERVIEW

Par Pharmaceutical Companies, Inc. (the "Company," "we," "us" or "our") is a leading U.S. pharmaceutical company specializing in developing, licensing, manufacturing, marketing and distributing generic drugs. As of December 31, 2014, we have a generics portfolio of approximately 95 products across an extensive range of dosage forms and delivery systems, including immediate and extended release oral solids (tablets, orally disintegrating tablets, capsules and powders), injectables, nasal sprays, ophthalmics and transdermal patches. Our focus is on high barrier-to-entry generic products that are difficult to formulate, difficult to manufacture or face complex legal and regulatory challenges. We operate primarily in the United States in two business segments: Par Pharmaceutical, which includes generic products marketed under Par Pharmaceutical and sterile products marketed under Par Sterile, and Par Specialty, which markets two branded products, Nascobal[®] Nasal Spray and Megace[®] ES.

Our ability to generate economic value and create adequate returns for our owners depends largely on our ability to successfully commercialize our existing products and to introduce new products at prices that generate adequate gross margins. Our approach to product development is to target high barrier to entry, first-to-file or first-to-market generic product opportunities. When an abbreviated new drug application ("ANDA") is filed with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") for approval as a generic equivalent of a branded drug, the filer must certify that (i) no patents are listed with the FDA covering the corresponding branded product, (ii) the listed patents have expired, (iii) any patent listed with the FDA as covering the branded product is about to expire, in which case the ANDA will not become effective until the expiration of such patent, or (iv) the patent listed as covering the branded drug is invalid or will not be infringed by the manufacture, sale or use of the new drug for which the ANDA is filed (commonly known as a Paragraph IV certification). A "first-to-file" ANDA refers to the first ANDA filed containing a Paragraph IV certification referencing the corresponding branded product patents, which offers the opportunity for 180 days of generic marketing exclusivity if the ANDA is approved by the FDA and we are successful in litigating the patent challenge. A "first-to-market" product opportunity refers to a product that is the first marketed generic equivalent of a branded product for reasons apart from statutory marketing exclusivity, such as the generic equivalent of a branded product that is difficult to formulate or manufacture. We generally focus on pursuing first-to-file and first-to-market product opportunities, because the first generic equivalent of a branded product to be commercialized often captures a substantial share of the generic market.

Merger Overview

Par Pharmaceutical Companies, Inc. was acquired on September 28, 2012 through a merger transaction with Sky Growth Acquisition Corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sky Growth Holdings Corporation ("Holdings"). Holdings changed its name to Par Pharmaceutical Holdings, Inc. in March 2015. Holdings and its subsidiaries were formed by investment funds affiliated with TPG Capital, L.P. ("TPG" and, together with certain affiliated entities, collectively, the "Sponsor"). The acquisition was accomplished through a reverse subsidiary merger of Sky Growth Acquisition Corporation with and into the Company, with the Company being the surviving entity (the "Merger"). Subsequent to the Merger, we became an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of Holdings. After that time, we continued our operations as a specialty generic pharmaceutical company, except that we ceased to be a public company, and our common stock ceased to be traded on The New York Stock Exchange. Holdings is a holding company with no operations of its own and has no ability to service interest or principal payments other than through any dividends it may receive from the Company. We have prepared separate analyses of our consolidated operating results, financial condition and liquidity for 2014 (Successor) as compared to 2013 (Successor), and for 2013 (Successor) as compared to the combined 2012 (Predecessor period from January 1, 2012 through September 28, 2012 plus Successor period from September 29, 2012 through December 31, 2012).

To finance the Merger, the Sponsor arranged for an offering of \$490 million in aggregate principal amount of 7.375% Senior Notes due 2020 (the "Notes") by Sky Growth Acquisition Corporation. The proceeds from the Notes offering, together with the proceeds of our new senior secured credit facilities described below (the "Senior Credit Facilities"), the cash equity contributions by the Sponsor and the Company's cash on hand, were used to fund the consummation of the Merger, the repayment of certain outstanding indebtedness of the Company (Predecessor) and the payment of related fees and expenses. The Senior Credit Facilities were comprised of a \$1,436 million senior secured term loan ("Term Loan Facility") and a \$150 million senior secured revolving credit facility ("Revolving Facility") at December 31, 2014. We filed a Form S-4 Registration Statement to exchange our unregistered Notes issued in connection with the Merger for Notes that are registered with the SEC. Our Form S-4 Registration Statement was declared effective as of August 27, 2013. The exchange offer closed on September 30, 2013 and 100% of our Notes issued in connection with the Merger were tendered and exchanged for registered Notes.

The Merger had a significant impact on our financial condition, and our results of operations are significantly different after September 28, 2012. For instance, as a result of the Merger, our borrowings and interest expense significantly increased. Also, the application of acquisition method accounting as a result of the Merger required that our assets and liabilities be adjusted to their fair value, which resulted in an increase in our depreciation and amortization expense. Excess of purchase price over the fair value of our net

assets and identified intangible assets was allocated to goodwill. Further, the Merger impacted our organizational structure. These changes to our organizational structure and the impact of the Merger discussed above could significantly affect our income tax expense.

Recent Developments

Our recent achievements include our acquisition of Par Sterile, submitting 30 new ANDA filings during 2014, and launching several significant products, including amlodipine/valsartan tablets, dexamethylphenidate, and omega-3-acid ethyl esters oral capsules.

On February 20, 2014, we completed our acquisition of JHP Group Holdings, Inc. (“JHP”) and its subsidiaries, a privately-held, leading specialty pharmaceutical company that develops, manufactures and commercializes sterile injectable and aseptic products and operates principally through its operating subsidiary, JHP Pharmaceuticals, LLC, which has been renamed Par Sterile Products, LLC. The acquisition was accomplished through a reverse subsidiary merger of an indirect subsidiary of the Company with and into JHP, in which JHP was the surviving entity and became an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of the Company (the “Par Sterile Acquisition”). The consideration for the Par Sterile Acquisition consisted of \$487 million in cash, after finalization of certain customary working capital adjustments. We financed the Par Sterile Acquisition with proceeds received in connection with the debt financing provided by third party lenders of \$395 million and an equity contribution of \$110 million from certain investment funds associated with TPG.

Among the primary reasons we acquired Par Sterile and the factors that contributed to the preliminary recognition of goodwill were that the Par Sterile Acquisition immediately expanded our presence into the rapidly growing market for injectables and other sterile products. The result is a broader and more diversified product portfolio and an expanded development pipeline. Par Sterile marketed a portfolio of 14 specialty injectable products, including Aplisol[®] and Adrenalin[®], and had developed a pipeline of approximately 30 products, 17 of which had been submitted for approval to the FDA at the time of the Par Sterile Acquisition. Par Sterile targets products with limited competition due to difficulty in manufacturing and/or the product’s market size. With its high-barrier-to-entry products, Par Sterile represents a complement to our strategy and product line. Par Sterile also has a reputation for high-quality products and a strong record of regulatory compliance, which had driven its steady revenue growth prior to our acquisition. Our Par Sterile manufacturing facility in Rochester, Michigan, has the capability to manufacture small-scale clinical through large-scale commercial products.

Our recent achievements also included significant product launches, as noted above, execution of several business development agreements, and passing all FDA inspections. Generally, products that we have developed internally contribute higher gross-margin percentages than products that we sell under supply and distribution agreements, because under such agreements, we typically pay a percentage of the gross or net profits (or a percentage of sales) to our strategic partners.

In January 2013, we initiated a restructuring of Par Specialty Pharmaceuticals in anticipation of entering into a settlement agreement and corporate integrity agreement that terminated the U.S Department of Justice's investigation of Par Specialty's marketing of Megace[®] ES, discussed below. We reduced our Par Specialty workforce by approximately 70 people, with the majority of the reductions in the sales force. The remaining Par Specialty sales force has been reorganized into a single sales team of approximately 60 professionals who will focus their marketing efforts principally on Nascobal[®] Nasal Spray. In connection with these actions, we incurred expenses for severance and other employee-related costs as well as the termination of certain contracts.

On March 5, 2013, we entered into the settlement agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice. The settlement agreement provided for a payment by the Company of an aggregate amount of approximately \$45 million (plus interest and fees), which we paid in the second quarter of 2013, and included a plea agreement with the New Jersey Criminal Division of the Department of Justice in which the Company admitted to a single count of misdemeanor misbranding, a civil settlement with the U.S. Department of Justice, a state settlement encompassing 49 states (one state declined to participate due to the small amount of its potential recovery), and a release from each of these entities in favor of the Company related to the practices at issue in the terminated investigation.

We also entered into a Corporate Integrity Agreement (CIA) with the Office of the Inspector General of the United States Department of Health and Human Services (OIG). In exchange for agreeing to enter into the CIA, we received assurance that the OIG will not exercise its ability to permissively exclude the Company from doing business with the Federal government. The CIA includes such requirements as enhanced training time, enhanced monitoring of certain functions, and annual reports to the OIG through an independent review organization. Although our compliance activities increased under the CIA, we believe the terms to be reasonable and not unduly burdensome.

In March 2010, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) was signed into law. The legislation imposed an annual fee on companies in the pharmaceutical manufacturing sector for each calendar year beginning in 2011 and is payable no later than September 30 of the applicable calendar year. The fee is non-tax deductible and is allocated across the industry based on the company's relative market share of applicable sales to government programs. The total annual fee is allocated among all manufacturers using the ratio of (i) the covered entity’s prescription drug sales, as defined, during the sales year to (ii) the aggregate sales, as defined, for all covered entities during the same year. At the time this legislation was enacted, the accounting for the annual fees was generally recognized in the calendar year in which the entity became obligated to pay the fee (which was determined to be the year subsequent to when the sales were incurred). Additionally, Accounting Standards Update 2010-27 provided guidance that the fee should be accounted for as an operating expense and spread ratably over the year in which it comes due. On July 28, 2014, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) issued final regulations that provided guidance on the annual fee imposed by the PPACA. The regulations include an example calculation of the pharmaceutical fee and other references, which differ in some respects from how companies believed the fee would be determined based on previous guidance from authoritative sources in 2011. The latest IRS regulations suggested that a company is liable for the fee based on sales in the current year, instead of the liability only being due upon the first qualifying sale of the following year. As a result of this change, generally accepted accounting practice changed to record the fee in the ~~Period Over Which the Sale Occurs~~ ^{Period Over Which the Sale Occurs}.

Pharmaceutical manufacturers, like us, that have recorded expense in 2014 only for the fee associated with 2013 sales needed to record a catch-up adjustment in the quarter that included July 28, 2014 (our calendar Q3

2014). Our adjustment recognized a liability for the fee payable based on 2014 sales of approximately \$0.7 million, after allocation to distribution agreement partners.

During the fourth quarter of 2014, we initiated a restructuring in our Irvine location, due to a change in our product development strategy. We reduced our workforce by approximately 44 people, with the majority of the reductions in the supply chain and manufacturing operations. Going forward our supply chain and manufacturing operations in our two locations, Chennai, India and Chestnut Ridge, New York, will pursue early and mid-stage product-development. In connection with these actions, we incurred expenses for severance and other employee-related costs.

Par Pharmaceutical

Par Pharmaceutical includes generic products marketed under Par Pharmaceutical and generic and sterile products marketed under Par Sterile. The focus of Par Pharmaceutical is to develop, license, manufacture, market and distribute generic prescription drugs in an extensive range of dosage forms and delivery systems, including immediate-release oral solids and alternate dosage forms, such as extended-release oral solids, injectables, topicals, nasal sprays, ophthalmics, otics, films and transdermal patches. We target high-value, first-to-file or first-to-market product opportunities. Par Pharmaceutical's products are primarily sold through wholesalers, retailers and mail order pharmacies. Par Sterile's products are primarily sold through wholesalers, often via an arrangement with a group purchasing organization, prior to being dispensed at hospitals and directly administered by physicians.

Our top 10 revenue 2014 generic products accounted for approximately 50% of total consolidated revenues and a significant percentage of total consolidated gross margins for the year ended December 31, 2014. The 2014 addition of Par Sterile to our business expanded our revenue base into the specialty sterile products market, and our expanded product pipeline will further diversify our revenue base in the future.

We believe we are well positioned with our customers because of our broad portfolio of products, strong commercialization track record and presence in the generic trade. In addition, our deep experience with product development, patent litigation strategy and our strong market presence allows us to partner with smaller development organizations. Generally, products that we have developed internally contribute higher gross-margin percentages than products that we sell under distribution agreements, because under such agreements, we typically pay a percentage of the gross or net profits (or a percentage of sales) to our development partners. As of the fourth quarter of 2014, we or our strategic partners had approximately 115 ANDAs pending with the FDA, which included 32 first-to-file opportunities and six potential first-to-market product opportunities. We expect our product development efforts, including projects with development partners, will yield new ANDA filings and ultimately product launches. However, such potential product launches may be delayed or may not occur due to various circumstances, including extended litigation with potentially adverse outcomes and obstacles such as citizens petitions that may delay or block our regulatory approval. No assurances can be given that we or any of our development partners will successfully complete the development of any products, that regulatory approvals will be granted for any such product, that we will be successful in challenging applicable patents on the corresponding branded product, or that any approved product will be produced in commercial quantities or sold profitably.

Par Specialty Pharmaceuticals

For Par Specialty, in the near term we plan to continue to invest in the marketing and sales of Nascobal® (cyanocobalamin, USP) Nasal Spray. In addition, we plan to continue to consider new strategic licenses and product acquisitions to expand our branded product portfolio.

Since the beginning of 2013, our brand field sales force of approximately 60 people have been focusing the majority of their detailing efforts on Nascobal® Nasal Spray. Nascobal® is a prescription vitamin B12 treatment indicated for maintenance of remission in certain pernicious anemia patients. We acquired the worldwide rights to Nascobal® from QOL Medical, LLC in 2009.

Prior to acquiring Nascobal®, we promoted Megace® ES (megestrol acetate) oral suspension as our primary branded product. We acquired FDA approval of our new drug application ("NDA") for Megace® ES in 2005. Megace® ES is indicated for the treatment of anorexia, cachexia or any unexplained significant weight loss in patients with a diagnosis of AIDS and utilizes the Megace® brand name that we license from Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.

Since January 2013, we reduced our salesforce and curtailed our marketing of Megace® ES, as explained above under "Recent Developments." We expect the sales decline trend for Megace® ES experienced over the last few years to continue or accelerate due to the effects of our reduced product detailing and an increasingly difficult reimbursement climate. In addition, in 2011 we sued a generic pharmaceutical manufacturer that filed an ANDA with a Paragraph IV certification seeking FDA approval of a generic version of Megace® ES on grounds of patent infringement, and we sued a second Paragraph IV filer in 2013. On February 21, 2014, the District Court issued a decision in favor of the first generic filer, finding all asserted patent claims invalid for obviousness, and we appealed to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. The first generic filer has received final FDA approval of its ANDA and announced its intent to launch its generic product. On August 12, 2014, the District Court granted our motion for preliminary injunction enjoining the first filer's launch of its generic product pending disposition of the case on appeal, requiring us to post a bond. **Par Pharm. v. Horizon (fka Hyperion)**

December 3, 2014, the Federal Circuit reversed the District Court's decision, remanding for further findings of fact. On March 9, 2015, the District Court granted our motion for preliminary injunction enjoining the first filer's launch of its generic product pending disposition of the case on remand, requiring us to post a \$6.0 million bond. Any such launch of a generic version of

Megace® ES would have a material adverse impact on our brand sales of the product. For more information, please see Note 19 - Commitments, Contingencies and Other Matters: Legal Proceedings.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Sales and gross margins of our products depend principally on;

- i. the extent of market penetration for our existing product line, the introduction of other products in direct competition with our products, and the pricing practices of our competitors;
- ii. our ability to successfully develop, procure regulatory approvals of, overcome legal challenges to, manufacture commercial quantities of, launch and commercialize our products;
- iii. our ability to select products for development that prove to be valuable in terms of market size, pricing dynamics and limited competition, such as first-to-file and first-to-market products;
- iv. our ability to obtain marketing exclusivity periods for our products, and the pace at which our competitors enter the market after any applicable exclusivity period ends or during our exclusivity period with authorized generic products or products with shared exclusivity, which may diminish the amount and duration of significant profits we are able to generate from any such product;
- v. our ability to obtain quality raw materials for our products at competitive prices, including the active pharmaceutical ingredients (“APIs”) necessary to manufacture our products;
- vi. the willingness of our customers to switch among generic drugs of different pharmaceutical manufacturers;
- vii. the consolidation our customer base through mergers, acquisitions and the formation of buying groups;
- viii. customer satisfaction with the breadth of our product line and with the level and quality of our customer service;
- ix. the continuation of our existing license, supply and distribution agreements and our ability to enter into new agreements; and
- x. the market acceptance of our current and future branded products and our ability to maintain patent protection of our branded products.

Net sales and gross margins derived from generic pharmaceutical products often follow a pattern based on regulatory and competitive factors that we believe to be unique to the generic pharmaceutical industry. As the patent protection for a branded product expires or is successfully challenged in court and the related exclusivity period terminates, the first generic manufacturer to receive regulatory approval from the FDA for a generic version of the product is often able to capture a substantial share of the generic market. However, the brand company may launch its own generic version of the product (an “authorized generic” product), directly or through a third party, in competition with the generic manufacturer’s version. As additional generic manufacturers receive regulatory approvals for their own generic versions of the product, the market share and the price of the generic products typically decline - often significantly and rapidly - depending on several factors, including the number and pricing strategy of competitors.

Net sales and gross margins derived from branded pharmaceutical products typically follow a different pattern. Sellers of branded products benefit from being the exclusive supplier to the market due to patent protections for the branded products. The benefits include significantly higher gross margins relative to sellers of generic pharmaceutical products. However, commercializing branded pharmaceutical products is more costly than generic pharmaceutical products. Sellers of branded pharmaceutical products often have increased infrastructure costs relative to sellers of generic pharmaceutical products and make significant investments in the development and/or licensing of these products without a guarantee that these expenditures will result in the successful development or launch of branded products that will prove to be commercially successful. Selling branded products also tends to require greater sales and marketing expenses to create a market for the products than is necessary with respect to the sale of generic products. The patents protecting a branded product's sales are also subject to attack by generic competitors. Specifically, after patent protections expire, or after a successful challenge to the patents protecting one of our branded products, generic products can be sold in the market at a significantly lower price than the branded version, and, where available, may be required or encouraged in preference to the branded version under third party reimbursement programs, or substituted by pharmacies for branded versions by law.

In addition to the substantial costs and uncertainty of product development, we incur significant legal costs in bringing our generic products to market. Litigation concerning patents and proprietary rights is often protracted and expensive, and the outcome of such suits is inherently uncertain. Pharmaceutical companies with patented branded products usually sue companies that seek approval to produce generic forms of their products for alleged patent infringement or other violations of intellectual property rights, which subjects the generic companies to expensive, protracted litigation that delays and may prevent the entry of such generic products into the market. In the case of an ANDA filed with a Paragraph IV certification, the overwhelming majority are subject to litigation by the brand company, because bringing suit triggers a 30-month statutory delay of FDA approval of the ANDA. Because we focus on developing first-to-file, Paragraph IV products, we are subject to a significant number of protracted and costly patent litigations, which can result in a substantial delay in, or prevent, the approval and sale of our generic products, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, prospects and results of operations.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Results of operations, including segment net revenues, segment gross margin and segment operating (loss) income information for our Par Pharmaceutical generic products segment and our Par Specialty branded products segment are detailed below. Additionally, we have prepared discussion and analysis of the combination of the periods (a) September 29, 2012 to December 31, 2012 (Successor), and (b) January 1, 2012 to September 28, 2012 (Predecessor), on a combined basis (labeled "Total") for purposes of comparing 2013 with 2012. Such combination was performed by mathematical addition and does not comply with GAAP. The data is being presented for analytical purposes only.

Please note that our discussion of certain financial information for the year ended December 31, 2012 includes data from the "Predecessor" period, which covers the period preceding the Merger (January 1, 2012 to September 28, 2012) and data from the "Successor" period, which covers the period from September 29, 2012 to December 31, 2012, on a combined basis. Although this presentation of financial information on a combined basis does not comply with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), we believe it provides a reasonable method of comparison to the other periods presented in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The data is being presented for analytical purposes only. Combined operating results (i) have not been prepared on a pro forma basis as if the Merger occurred on the first day of the period, (ii) may not reflect the actual results we would have achieved absent the Merger and (iii) may not be predictive of future results of operations.

Revenues (2014 compared to 2013)

Total revenues of our top selling products were as follows (\$ in thousands):

Product	For the Year Ended		
	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2013	\$ Change
	(Successor)	(Successor)	
Par Pharmaceutical			
Budesonide (Entocort® EC)	\$ 142,853	\$ 198,834	\$ (55,981)
Bupropion ER (Wellbutrin®)	84,467	45,403	39,064
Propafenone (Rythmol SR®)	75,966	70,508	5,458
Amlodipine/Valsartan (Exforge®)	60,784	—	60,784
Divalproex (Depakote®)	59,052	46,635	12,417
Metoprolol succinate ER (Toprol-XL®)	46,251	56,670	(10,419)
Clonidine ER (Kapvay®)	45,134	13,008	32,126
Lamotrigine (Lamictal XR®)	40,673	54,577	(13,904)
Aplisol®	35,228	—	35,228
Modafinil (Provigil®)	2,123	27,688	(25,565)
Chlorpheniramine/Hydrocodone (Tussionex®)	26,899	33,518	(6,619)
Other	594,751	450,148	144,603
Other product related revenues	26,950	31,429	(4,479)
Total Par Pharmaceutical Revenues	\$ 1,241,131	\$ 1,028,418	\$ 212,713
Par Specialty			
Nascobal® Nasal Spray	\$ 32,332	\$ 26,864	\$ 5,468
Megace® ES	31,653	39,510	(7,857)
Other and other product related revenues	3,505	2,675	830
Total Par Specialty Revenues	\$ 67,490	\$ 69,049	\$ (1,559)

(\$ in thousands)	For the Years Ended December 31,					
	2014	2013	Percentage of Total Revenues			
	(Successor)	(Successor)	\$ Change	% Change	2014	2013
Revenues:						
Par Pharmaceutical	\$ 1,241,131	\$ 1,028,418	\$ 212,713	20.7 %	94.8%	93.7%

Par Specialty	67,490	69,049	(1,559)	(2.3)%	5.2%	6.3%
Total revenues	<u>\$ 1,308,621</u>	<u>\$ 1,097,467</u>	<u>\$ 211,154</u>	<u>19.2 %</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

Par Pharmaceutical

The increase in generic segment revenues in the year ended December 31, 2014 was primarily due to the launches of several products in 2014, coupled with products that benefited from competitor supply issues, including the following:

- the launch of amlodipine/valsartan in September 2014;
- increase in bupropion ER, which benefited from competitors that were not able to supply product to the market;
- the acquisition of Aplisol, which was acquired with Par Sterile in February 2014; and
- the launch of clonidine HCl ER in the fourth quarter of 2013;
- divalproex, which benefited from a competitor exiting the market in June 2013 as the result of FDA compliance issues and the non-recurrence of a large contractual gross-to-net price adjustment to a major customer that occurred in the prior year.; and
- Increase in "Other", primarily driven by the acquisition of Par Sterile, excluding Aplisol as noted below, in February 2014; the launch of omega-3-acid ethyl esters oral capsules in July 2014; the launch of entecavir in September 2014; and oxycodone, which we sold beginning in September 2014 pursuant to a settlement agreement under which we receive a limited quantity of supply to sell once annually over a four year period ending in 2017.

The increases noted above for the year ended December 31, 2014 were tempered by:

- decline in revenue for budesonide, as the result of competition, which had a negative impact on both price and volume;
- decline in revenue for modafinil as the result of competition, which had a negative impact on both price and volume;
- decrease in lamotrigine, which experienced a higher level of competition in 2014 as compared to 2013 when it launched; and
- on-going competition on metoprolol succinate ER, which had a negative impact on price.

Net product sales of contract-manufactured products (which are manufactured for us by third parties under contract) and licensed products (which are licensed to us from third-party development partners and also are generally manufactured by third parties) comprised a significant percentage of our total net product revenues for 2014 and for 2013. The significance of the percentage of our net product revenues is primarily driven by the launches/acquisitions of products like entecavir, budesonide, divalproex, metoprolol succinate ER, clonidine HCl ER, and digoxin. We are substantially dependent upon contract-manufactured and licensed products for our overall sales, and any inability by our suppliers to meet demand could adversely affect our future sales.

Par Specialty

The decrease in the Par Specialty segment revenues in the year ended December 31, 2014 as compared to the same period of 2013 was primarily due to a net product sales decline of Megace® ES primarily as a result of decreased volume. These decreases were tempered by revenue growth of Nascobal® primarily due to increased volume.

Revenues (2013 compared to 2012)

Total revenues of our top selling products were as follows (\$ in thousands):

Product	For the Year Ended		For the Period		For the Year Ended	
	December 31, 2013	September 29, 2012 to December 31, 2012	January 1, 2012 to September 28, 2012	December 31, 2012	S Change	
	(Successor)	(Successor)	(Predecessor)	(Total) (non-GAAP)		
Par Pharmaceutical						
Budesonide (Entocort® EC)	\$ 198,834	\$ 36,710	\$ 103,762	\$ 140,472	\$ 58,362	
Propafenone (Rythmol SR®)	70,508	19,623	53,825	73,448	(2,940)	
Metoprolol succinate ER (Toprol-XL®)	56,670	31,287	154,216	185,503	(128,833)	
Lamotrigine (Lamictal XR®)	54,577	—	—	—	54,577	
Divalproex (Depakote®)	46,635	2,436	9,099	11,535	35,100	
Rizatriptan (Maxalt®)	45,598	—	—	—	45,598	
Bupropion ER (Wellbutrin®)	45,403	11,255	34,952	46,207	(804)	
Chlorpheniramine/Hydrocodone (Tussionex®)	33,518	17,403	30,706	48,109	(14,591)	
Modafinil (Provigil®)	27,688	16,956	88,831	105,787	(78,099)	
Diltiazem (Cardizem® CD)	27,212	3,702	—	3,702	23,510	
Other	390,346	79,789	249,383	329,172	61,174	
Other product related revenues	31,429	8,151	18,586	26,737	4,692	
Total Par Pharmaceutical Revenues	\$ 1,028,418	\$ 227,312	\$ 743,360	\$ 970,672	\$ 57,746	
Par Specialty						
Megace® ES	\$ 39,510	\$ 10,910	\$ 38,322	\$ 49,232	\$ (9,722)	
Nascobal® Nasal Spray	26,864	7,138	17,571	24,709	2,155	
Other product related revenues	2,675	779	4,615	5,394	(2,719)	
Total Par Specialty Revenues	\$ 69,049	\$ 18,827	\$ 60,508	\$ 79,335	\$ (10,286)	

For the Years Ended December 31,

(\$ in thousands)	2013		2012		Percentage of Total Revenues	
	(Successor)	(Total) (non-GAAP)	S Change	% Change	2013	2012 (non-GAAP)
	Revenues:					
Par Pharmaceutical	\$ 1,028,418	\$ 970,672	\$ 57,746	5.9 %	93.7%	92.4%
Par Specialty	69,049	79,335	(10,286)	(13.0)%	6.3%	7.6%
Total revenues	\$ 1,097,467	\$ 1,050,007	\$ 47,460	4.5 %	100.0%	100.0%

(\$ in thousands)	For the Period		For the Year Ended	
	September 29, 2012 to December 31, 2012	January 1, 2012 to September 28, 2012	December 31, 2012	
	(Successor)	(Predecessor)	(Total) (non-GAAP)	
Revenues:				
Par Pharmaceutical	\$ 227,312	\$ 743,360	\$ 970,672	
Par Specialty	18,827	60,508	79,335	
Total revenues	\$ 246,139	\$ 803,868	\$ 1,050,007	

Par Pharmaceutical

The increase in generic segment revenues in the year ended December 31, 2013 was primarily due to the products that benefited from competitor supply issues coupled with launches of several products in 2013, including the following:

- Increase in budesonide revenues, which benefited from a competitor's supply issues.
- The launch of lamotrigine in January 2013 coupled with a competitor exiting the market in the second quarter of 2013 due to FDA compliance issues;
- The launch of rizatriptan in January 2013;
- The increase in divalproex revenues, which benefited from a competitor exiting the market in June 2013 as the result of FDA compliance issues;
- A full year of revenues from products acquired from the Watson/Actavis Merger in November 2012, primarily diltiazem, fentanyl patch (included in "Other"), and morphine (included in "Other"); and
- The net increase in "Other" is mainly driven by the launches of fluvoxamine maleate ER in first quarter of 2013, fenofibric acid in the third quarter of 2013, and the fourth quarter launches of clonidine HCl ER and dexmethylphenidate;

The increases noted above in 2013 were tempered by:

- The decrease in sale volume for modafinil, which launched in April 2012 and experienced high sale volume upon launch and subsequently experienced significant competition at the end of its exclusivity period, which had a negative impact on both price and volume; and
- On-going competition on all SKUs (packaging sizes) of metoprolol succinate ER, which had a negative impact on both price and volume.

Net sales of contract-manufactured products (which are manufactured for us by third parties under contract) and licensed products (which are licensed to us from third-party development partners and also are generally manufactured by third parties) comprised a significant percentage of our total product revenues for 2013 and for 2012. The significance of the percentage of our product revenues is primarily driven by the launches of products like rizatriptan, modafinil, budesonide and metoprolol succinate ER. We are substantially dependent upon contract-manufactured and licensed products for our overall sales, and any inability by our suppliers to meet demand could adversely affect our future sales.

Par Specialty

The decrease in the Par Specialty segment revenues in the year ended December 31, 2013 as compared to the same period of 2012 was primarily due to a net product sales decline of Megace[®] ES primarily as a result of decreased volume and a decrease in royalties earned from milestone payments pertaining to an agreement with Optimer Pharmaceuticals ("Optimer") related to fidaxomicin. The decreases were partially offset by the continued growth of Nascobal[®] due to better pricing.

Gross Revenues to Total Revenues

Generic drug pricing at the wholesale level can create significant differences between our invoice price and net selling price. Wholesale customers purchase product from us at invoice price, then resell the product to specific healthcare providers on the basis of prices negotiated between us and the providers. The difference between the wholesalers' purchase price and the typically lower healthcare providers' purchase price is refunded to the wholesalers through a chargeback credit. We record estimates for these chargebacks as well as sales returns, rebates and incentive programs, and the sales allowances for all our customers at the time of sale as deductions from gross revenues, with corresponding adjustments to our accounts receivable reserves and allowances.

We have the experience and the access to relevant information that we believe necessary to reasonably estimate the amounts of such deductions from gross revenues. Some of the assumptions we use for certain of our estimates are based on information received from third parties, such as wholesale customer inventory data and market data, or other market factors beyond our control. The estimates that are most critical to the establishment of these reserves, and therefore would have the largest impact if these estimates were not accurate, are estimates related to expected contract sales volumes, average contract pricing, customer inventories and return levels. We regularly review the information related to these estimates and adjust our reserves accordingly if and when actual experience differs from previous estimates. With the exception of the product returns allowance, the ending balances of account receivable reserves and allowances generally are eliminated during a two-month to four-month period, on average.

We recognize revenue for product sales when title and risk of loss have transferred to our customers and when collectability is reasonably assured. This is generally at the time that products are received by the customers. Upon recognizing revenue from a sale, we record estimates for chargebacks, rebates and incentives, returns, cash discounts and other sales reserves that reduce accounts receivable.