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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 28, 2016



MEREDITH CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

1-5128 (Commission file number)

42-0410230 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1716 Locust Street, Des Moines, Iowa

(Address of principal executive offices)

50309-3023

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (515) 284-3000

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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On April 28, 2016, Meredith Corporation issued a news release reporting earnings for the third fiscal quarter and nine months ended March 31, 2016. That news release is attached as an exhibit.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (d) Exhibits
 - 99 News release issued by Meredith Corporation dated April 28, 2016, reporting financial results for the third fiscal quarter and nine months ended March 31, 2016.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

MEREDITH CORPORATION Registrant

/s/ Joseph Ceryanec

Joseph Ceryanec Vice President - Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

Date: April 28, 2016

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MEREDITH CORPORATION DELIVERS STRONG FISCAL 2016 THIRD QUARTER RESULTS

Earnings Per Share Increase 30 Percent (before special items) on 8 Percent Ad Revenue Growth

DES MOINES, IA (April 28, 2016) - Meredith Corporation (**NYSE:MDP**; <u>www.meredith.com</u>) - the leading media and marketing company with local television brands in large, fast-growing markets and national brands serving 100 million American women - today reported strong fiscal 2016 third quarter results:

- Earnings per share were \$1.79, compared to \$0.56 in the prior-year period.
- Excluding special items in both periods, earnings per share increased 30 percent to \$0.92, compared to \$0.71 in the prior-year period.
- Fiscal 2016 third-quarter special items were related primarily to \$60 million received from the termination of Meredith's merger agreement with Media General, Inc. (See Tables 1-4 for supplemental disclosures regarding non-GAAP financial measures.)
- Total Company revenues increased 6 percent to \$423 million.

"We delivered an exceptionally strong quarter - generating total advertising growth of 8 percent - as both our local and national business units performed well," said Meredith Chairman and CEO Stephen M. Lacy. "We grew total company revenues 6 percent - and combined with diligent expense management meaningfully increased our operating profit margin. Additionally, we continued to return significant cash to our shareholders, raising our dividend over 8 percent to \$1.98 per share on an annualized basis, further bolstering our commitment to Total Shareholder Return and our strong investment thesis."

Looking closer at Meredith's fiscal 2016 third quarter compared to the prior-year period, excluding special items:

- Local Media Group operating profit grew nearly 45 percent and revenues increased 15 percent, both setting records for a fiscal third quarter. EBITDA margin increased to 39 percent. Growth was driven by a 10 percent increase in advertising revenues boosted by strong political advertising in early primary states and higher retransmission consent fees.
- National Media Group operating profit grew 14 percent, as revenues and operating profit margin both increased. Performance was driven by 7 percent growth in advertising revenues, led by the prescription drug, food and beauty categories. Circulation revenues also increased.
- **Total Company digital advertising revenues grew 11 percent to a fiscal third-quarter record.** Performance was driven primarily by the Better Homes and Gardens, Parents and Allrecipes brands in the National Media Group, and higher advertising rates in the Local Media Group.

For the first nine months of fiscal 2016, earnings per share were \$2.74, compared to \$2.08 in the prior year. Excluding special items in both periods, earnings per share were \$2.24, compared to \$2.36 in the prior year. As expected in an off-election year, Meredith recorded \$34 million, or \$0.46 per share, less of

high-margin, incremental political advertising revenues in the first nine months of fiscal 2016 than in the prior-year period. Total revenues grew 4 percent to \$1.2 billion.

OPERATING GROUP DETAIL

LOCAL MEDIA GROUP

Meredith's Local Media Group includes 17 owned or operated television stations reaching 11 percent of U.S. households. Meredith's portfolio is concentrated in large, fast-growing markets, including seven stations in the nation's Top 25 and 13 in Top 50 markets. Meredith's stations produce over 650 hours of local news and entertainment content each week. Meredith expects to continue to grow its Local Media Group organically and through strategic acquisitions.

Fiscal 2016 third quarter Local Media Group operating profit grew 47 percent to \$46 million from \$31 million in the prior-year period (\$32 million excluding special items). Total Local Media Group revenues increased 15 percent to \$141 million. (*See Tables 1-4 for supplemental disclosures regarding non-GAAP financial measures.*)

Looking more closely at fiscal 2016 third-quarter performance compared to the prior year:

- Total advertising revenues increased 10 percent.
- Non-political advertising revenues grew 4 percent to \$91 million. Results were led by growth in the automotive, gaming and entertainment categories.
- Political advertising revenues were \$6 million. In particular, Meredith stations generated significant revenues from presidential primaries in Missouri, Nevada and South Carolina.
- Digital advertising revenues grew more than 15 percent as a series of growth strategies continue to drive higher advertising rates across the group's digital businesses.
- Other revenues and operating expenses increased, due primarily to growth in retransmission revenues from cable and satellite television operators and higher programming fees paid to affiliated networks.

Meredith continued to demonstrate its strong connection with viewers during the February ratings period, as eight of its stations ranked No. 1 or No. 2 in morning news, and nine stations were No. 1 or No. 2 in late news.

"We delivered an excellent third quarter, growing non-political advertising and delivering strong political advertising, as well as benefitting from growth in net retransmission contribution," said Meredith Local Media Group President Paul Karpowicz. "Looking to the balance of calendar 2016, we expect to deliver significant revenues from the strong political advertising environment and our recent retransmission agreements."

For the first nine-months of fiscal 2016, Local Media Group operating profit was \$116 million, compared to \$123 million in the prior-year period. Excluding special items in both periods, operating profit was \$115 million, compared to \$129 million. As expected in an off-election year, Meredith recorded \$34 million less of high-margin, incremental political advertising revenues in the first nine months of fiscal 2016 than in the prior-year period. Total Local Media Group revenues were \$407 million, compared to \$404 million in the prior-year period.

NATIONAL MEDIA GROUP

Meredith's National Media Group reaches 100 million unduplicated American women, and nearly 75 percent of U.S. millennial women. Meredith is a leader in creating content across media platforms and life stages in key consumer interest areas such as food, home, parenthood and health. It also features robust brand licensing activities and innovative business-to-business marketing services. Meredith expects to continue to grow its National Media Group organically and through strategic acquisitions.

Fiscal 2016 third quarter National Media Group operating profit was \$35 million, compared to \$23 million in the prior-year period. Excluding special items, operating profit grew 14 percent to \$38 million. Revenues increased to \$282 million from \$275 million. (*See Tables 1-4 for supplemental disclosures regarding non-GAAP financial measures.*)

Looking more closely at fiscal 2016 third-quarter performance compared to the prior year:

- Total advertising revenues grew 7 percent to \$126 million, led by growth at the Shape, Allrecipes and EatingWell brands. The prescription drug, food and beauty categories were particularly strong.
- Digital advertising revenues grew 10 percent, led by the Better Homes and Gardens, Parents and Allrecipes brands.
- Circulation revenues increased to \$97 million, reflecting the ongoing strength of Meredith's 30 million subscriber base. Meredith continues to invest in strategies to increase contribution from circulation activities, including expanding the number of subscriptions that renew automatically.

Meredith's consumer engagement remains very strong. According to the latest Magazine Media 360 Brand Audience Report, Allrecipes and Better Homes and Gardens rank among the Top Five brands in total audience size. Fit Pregnancy & Baby, EatingWell and Siempre Mujer are among the 10 fastest-growing brands in audience size.

"We're pleased to have delivered growth in both advertising and circulation revenues, reflecting the ongoing appeal of our brands to both Baby Boom and Millennial women," said Meredith National Media Group President Tom Harty. "Looking ahead to the balance of fiscal 2016, we expect continued growth in advertising, operating profit and margins."

For the first nine months of fiscal 2016, National Media Group operating profit was \$91 million, compared to \$78 million in the prior-year period. Excluding special items in both periods, operating profit increased 6 percent to \$99 million. Revenues increased 6 percent to \$807 million.

OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Total debt was \$703 million, and the weighted average interest rate was 2.7 percent, with \$400 million effectively fixed at low rates. Meredith's debt-to-EBITDA ratio for the trailing 12 months was 2.3 to 1 (as defined in Meredith's credit agreements). All metrics are as of March 31, 2016.

Meredith continues to focus on its successful Total Shareholder Return program. Key elements include:

- An annualized dividend of \$1.98 per share that's yielding approximately 4 percent based on yesterday's closing price. Meredith has paid dividends for 69 consecutive years and increased them for 23 years straight.
- An ongoing share repurchase program with \$89 million remaining under current authorizations.

• Strategic investments to scale the business and increase shareholder value.

All earnings per share figures in the text of this release are diluted. Both basic and diluted earnings per share can be found in the attached Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings. All fiscal 2016 third-quarter comparisons are against the comparable prior-year period unless otherwise stated.

OUTLOOK

Looking at the fourth quarter of fiscal 2016 compared to the prior-year period, Meredith expects:

- Total Company revenues to be up in the low- to mid-single digits.
- Total Local Media Group revenues to be up in the mid- to high-single digits.
- Total National Media Group revenues to be flat to up slightly.
- Earnings per share to range from \$1.01 to \$1.06.

When adding 2016 fourth quarter expected results to the \$2.24 (before special items) generated in the first nine months, Meredith expects fiscal 2016 full year earnings per share to range from \$3.25 to \$3.30, an increase from the original fiscal 2016 guidance range of \$2.90 to \$3.25 that Meredith provided on July 30, 2015.

A number of uncertainties remain that may affect Meredith's outlook as stated in this press release for the fourth quarter and full year fiscal 2016. These and other uncertainties are referenced below under "Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements" and in certain filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

CONFERENCE CALL WEBCAST

Meredith will host a conference call on April 28, 2016, at 11 a.m. EDT to discuss fiscal 2016 third-quarter results. A live webcast will be accessible to the public on the Company's website, <u>www.meredith.com</u>, and a replay will be available for two weeks. A transcript will be available within 48 hours of the call at <u>www.meredith.com</u>.

RATIONALE FOR USE AND ACCESS TO NON-GAAP RESULTS

Management uses and presents GAAP and non-GAAP results to evaluate and communicate its performance. Non-GAAP measures should not be construed as alternatives to GAAP measures. EBITDA, adjusted EBITDA, EBITDA margin and adjusted EBITDA margin are common supplemental measures of performance used by investors and financial analysts. Management believes that EBITDA provides an additional analytical tool to clarify the Company's results from core operations and delineate underlying trends. Management does not use EBITDA as a measure of liquidity or funds available for management's discretionary use because it includes certain contractual and non-discretionary expenditures. Adjusted EBITDA is defined as EBITDA before special items.

Results excluding special items are supplemental non-GAAP financial measures. While these adjusted results are not a substitute for reported results under GAAP, management believes this information is useful as an aid in better understanding Meredith's current performance, performance trends and financial condition. Reconciliations of non-GAAP to GAAP measures are attached to this press release and available at www.meredith.com.

SAFE HARBOR

This release contains certain forward-looking statements that are subject to risks and uncertainties. These statements are based on management's current knowledge and estimates of factors affecting the Company and its operations. Statements in this release that are forward-looking include, but are not limited to, the Company's revenue and earnings-per-share outlook for fourth-quarter and full-year fiscal 2016.

Actual results may differ materially from those currently anticipated. Factors that could adversely affect future results include, but are not limited to, downturns in national and/or local economies; a softening of the domestic advertising market; world, national or local events that could disrupt broadcast television; increased consolidation among major advertisers or other events depressing the level of advertising spending; the unexpected loss or insolvency of one or more major clients or vendors; the integration of acquired businesses; changes in consumer reading, purchasing and/or television viewing patterns; increases in paper, postage, printing, syndicated programming or other costs; changes in television network affiliation agreements; technological developments affecting products or methods of distribution; changes in government regulations affecting the Company's industries; increases in interest rates; and the consequences of acquisitions and/or dispositions. The Company undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

ABOUT MEREDITH CORPORATION

Meredith Corporation (NYSE: MDP; <u>www.meredith.com</u>) has been committed to service journalism for more than 110 years. Today, Meredith uses multiple distribution platforms - including broadcast television, print, digital, mobile and video - to provide consumers with content they desire and to deliver the messages of its advertising and marketing partners.

Meredith's Local Media Group includes 17 owned or operated television stations reaching 11 percent of U.S. households. Meredith's portfolio is concentrated in large, fast-growing markets, with seven stations in the nation's Top 25 - including Atlanta, Phoenix, St. Louis and Portland - and 13 in Top 50 markets. Meredith's stations produce over 650 hours of local news and entertainment content each week, and operate leading local digital destinations.

Meredith's National Media Group reaches 100 million unduplicated women every month, including nearly 75 percent of U.S. millennial women. Meredith is the leader in creating and distributing content across platforms in key consumer interest areas such as food, home, parenting and health through well-known brands such as Better Homes and Gardens, Allrecipes, Parents and Shape. Meredith also features robust brand licensing activities, including more than 3,000 SKUs of branded products at 4,000 Walmart stores across the U.S. Meredith Xcelerated Marketing is a leader at developing and delivering custom content and customer relationship marketing programs for many of the world's top brands, including Kraft, Lowe's and NBC Universal.

Meredith's balanced portfolio consistently generates substantial free cash flow, and the Company is committed to growing Total Shareholder Return through dividend payments, share repurchases and strategic business investments. Meredith's current annualized dividend of \$1.98 per share yields approximately 4 percent. Meredith has paid a dividend for 69 straight years and increased it for 23 consecutive years.

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Meredith Corporation and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings (Unaudited)

		Three I	Ion	ths	Nine Months				
Periods ended March 31,		2016		2015		2016		2015	
(In thousands except per share data)									
Revenues									
Advertising	\$	222,402	\$	206,010	\$	682,643	\$	665,463	
Circulation		96,619		96,037		235,145		221,390	
All other		103,750		96,132		296,062		281,415	
Total revenues		422,771		398,179		1,213,850		1,168,268	
Operating expenses									
Production, distribution, and editorial		156,739		154,448		460,982		436,618	
Selling, general, and administrative		183,045		182,015		534,567		521,143	
Depreciation and amortization		14,613		14,610		44,679		41,687	
Merger termination fee net of merger-related costs		(59,664)				(43,541)			
Total operating expenses		294,733		351,073		996,687		999,448	
Income from operations	-	128,038		47,106		217,163		168,820	
Interest expense, net		(5,104)		(5,179)		(15,682)		(14,206)	
Earnings before income taxes	-	122,934		41,927		201,481		154,614	
Income taxes		(42,030)		(16,671)		(77,029)		(60,402)	
Net earnings	\$	80,904	\$	25,256	\$	124,452	\$	94,212	
Basic earnings per share	\$	1.81	\$	0.57	\$	2.79	\$	2.12	
Basic average shares outstanding		44,617		44,549		44,623		44,497	
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Diluted earnings per share	\$	1.79	\$	0.56	\$	2.74	\$	2.08	
Diluted average shares outstanding		45,298		45,387	_	45,344		45,289	
Dividends paid per share	\$	0.4950	\$	0.4575	\$	1.4100	\$	1.3225	

Meredith Corporation and Subsidiaries Segment Information (Unaudited)

		Three	Mon	ths		Nine I	Aonths		
Periods ended March 31,		2016		2015		2016		2015	
(In thousands)				· · ·					
Revenues									
National media									
Advertising	\$	125,845	\$	117,979	\$	390,301	\$	359,985	
Circulation		96,619		96,037		235,145		221,390	
Other revenues		59,379		61,282		181,123		182,630	
Total national media		281,843		275,298		806,569		764,005	
Local media									
Non-political advertising		90,939		87,752		283,806		262,914	
Political advertising		5,618		279		8,536		42,564	
Other revenues		44,371		34,850		114,939		98,785	
Total local media		140,928		122,881		407,281		404,263	
Total revenues	\$	422,771	\$	398,179	\$	1,213,850	\$	1,168,268	
Operating profit									
National media	\$	34,781	\$	23,460	\$	91,167	\$	78,462	
Local media		46,150		31,420		115,918		122,718	
Unallocated corporate		47,107		(7,774)		10,078		(32,360)	
Income from operations	\$	128,038	\$	47,106	\$	217,163	\$	168,820	
Depreciation and amortization									
National media	\$	4,663	\$	4,369	\$	14,061	\$	11,481	
Local media		9,425		9,816		29,019		28,926	
Unallocated corporate		525		425		1,599		1,280	
Total depreciation and amortization	\$	14,613	\$	14,610	\$	44,679	\$	41,687	
EBITDA ¹	¢	00.111	.	07.000	A	105 000	A	00.040	
National media	\$	39,444	\$	27,829	\$	105,228	\$	89,943	
Local media		55,575		41,236		144,937		151,644	
Unallocated corporate	_	47,632		(7,349)		11,677		(31,080)	
Total EBITDA ¹	\$	142,651	\$	61,716	\$	261,842	\$	210,507	

¹ EBITDA is net earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization.

Meredith Corporation and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited)

Assets	 March 31, 2016	 June 30, 2015
(In thousands)		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 17,249	\$ 22,833
Accounts receivable, net	 281,317	284,646
Inventories	 23,954	24,681
Current portion of subscription acquisition costs	 132,444	122,350
Current portion of broadcast rights	 7,872	4,516
Other current assets	 25,762	23,505
Total current assets	 488,598	482,531
Property, plant, and equipment	 526,611	527,622
Less accumulated depreciation	 (331,298)	(313,886)
Net property, plant, and equipment	 195,313	213,736
Subscription acquisition costs	 99,116	103,842
Broadcast rights	 4,922	1,795
Other assets	 78,092	67,750
Intangible assets, net	 957,779	972,382
Goodwill	 1,000,078	1,001,246
Total assets	\$ 2,823,898	\$ 2,843,282
Current liabilities Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 71,875	\$ 62,500
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 71,875	\$ 62,500
Current portion of long-term broadcast rights payable	8,275	4,776
Accounts payable	71,202	93,944
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	152,052	163,655
Current portion of unearned subscription revenues	206,215	206,126
Total current liabilities	509,619	531,001
Long-term debt	 631,250	732,500
Long-term broadcast rights payable	6,039	2,998
Unearned subscription revenues	 138,741	151,221
Deferred income taxes	 358,741	311,645
Other noncurrent liabilities	 162,118	162,067
Total liabilities	 1,806,508	1,891,432
Shareholders' equity		
Common stock	 37,620	37,657
Class B stock	6,934	6,963
Additional paid-in capital	56,510	49,019
Retained earnings	931,576	870,859
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	 (15,250)	(12,648)
Total shareholders' equity	 1,017,390	951,850
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 2,823,898	\$ 2,843,282

Meredith Corporation and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

Nine months ended March 31,	2016	2015
(In thousands)		
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 173,620	\$ 123,295
Cash flows from investing activities		
Acquisitions of and investments in businesses	(8,186)	(254,965)
Additions to property, plant, and equipment	(13,385)	(19,997)
Proceeds from disposition of assets	1,767	83,434
Net cash used in investing activities	(19,804)	(191,528)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	167,500	420,000
Repayments of long-term debt	(259,375)	(309,375)
Dividends paid	(63,735)	(59,390)
Purchases of Company stock		(41,957)
Proceeds from common stock issued	8,253	35,472
Excess tax benefits from share-based payments	2,303	6,790
Other	(956)	(236)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(159,400)	51,304
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(5,584)	(16,929)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	22,833	36,587
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 17,249	\$ 19,658

Special Items - The following table shows results of operations excluding special items and as reported with the difference being the special items. Results of operations excluding special items are non-GAAP measures. Management's rationale for presenting non-GAAP measures is included in the text of this earnings release.

Three months ended March 31, 2016	National Media	Local Media	Unallocated Corporate	Total
(In thousands except per share data)				
Operating profit excluding special items (non-GAAP)	\$ 38,403 \$	46,150	\$ (12,557)	\$ 71,996
Special items				
Merger termination fee net of merger-related costs			59,664	59,664
Severance and related benefit costs	(3,021)			(3,021)
Write-down of impaired assets	(535)			(535)
Other	(66)			(66)
Total special items	(3,622)		59,664	56,042
Operating profit	\$ 34,781 \$	46,150	\$ 47,107	\$ 128,038
Earnings per share excluding special items (non-GAAP)				\$ 0.92
Per share impact of current tax deductibility of prior quarte				0.10
Per share impact of special items of \$56,042 (\$34,466 after	r tax)			0.77
Diluted earnings per share				\$ 1.79

Nine months ended March 31, 2016	National Media	Local Media	Unallocated Corporate	Total			
(In thousands except per share data)							
Operating profit excluding special items (non-GAAP)	\$ 98,523 \$	114,980	\$ (33,463) \$	5 180,040			
Special items							
Merger termination fee net of merger-related costs		—	43,541	43,541			
Severance and related benefits costs	(7,269)	(132)		(7,401)			
Reversal of previously accrued restructuring costs	514	1,070		1,584			
Write-down of impaired assets	(535)			(535)			
Other	(66)	—	—	(66)			
Total special items	(7,356)	938	43,541	37,123			
Operating profit	\$ 91,167 \$	115,918	\$ 10,078 \$	5 217,163			
Earnings per share excluding special items (non-GAAP)				5 2.24			
Per share impact of current tax deductibility of prior quarters' merger costs							
Per share impact of special items of \$37,123 (\$18,133 after tax)							
Diluted earnings per share			\$	2.74			

Special Items - The following table shows diluted earnings per share excluding special items and as reported with the difference being the special items. Diluted earnings per share excluding special items is a non-GAAP measure. Management's rationale for presenting non-GAAP measures is included in the text of this earnings release.

Three months ended March 31, 2015	National Media	Local Media	Unallocated Corporate	Total
(In thousands except per share data)				
Operating profit excluding special items (non-GAAP)	\$ 33,571 \$	32,076	\$ (7,268) \$	58,379
Special items				
Severance and related benefit costs	(8,234)	(656)	(506)	(9,396)
Write-down of impaired assets	(1,692)		—	(1,692)
Acquisition and disposal transaction costs	(115)		—	(115)
Other	(70)	_	—	(70)
Total special items	(10,111)	(656)	(506)	(11,273)
Operating profit	\$ 23,460 \$	31,420	\$ (7,774) \$	47,106
Earnings per share excluding special items (non-GAAP)			\$	0.71
Per share impact of special items				(0.15)
Diluted earnings per share				0.56

Nine months ended March 31, 2015			nallocated forporate	Total	
(In thousands except per share data)					
Operating profit excluding special items (non-GAAP)	\$ 92,641	\$	128,763	\$ (31,854) \$	189,550
Special items					
Severance and related benefit costs	(11,853))	(2,311)	(506)	(14,670)
Write-down of impaired assets	(1,692))	(1,259)		(2,951)
Acquisition and disposal transaction costs	(564))	(2,284)		(2,848)
Other	(70))	(191)		(261)
Total special items	(14,179))	(6,045)	(506)	(20,730)
Operating profit	\$ 78,462	\$	122,718	\$ (32,360) \$	168,820
Earnings per share excluding special items (non-GAAP)	 			 \$	2.36
Per share impact of special items	 			 	(0.28)
Diluted earnings per share	 			 \$	2.08

EBITDA

Consolidated EBITDA, which is reconciled to net earnings in the following tables, is defined as net earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization.

Segment EBITDA is a measure of segment earnings before depreciation and amortization.

Segment EBITDA margin is defined as segment EBITDA divided by segment revenues.

Adjusted EBITDA

Consolidated adjusted EBITDA, which is reconciled to net earnings in the following tables, is defined as net earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization, and special items.

Segment adjusted EBITDA is a measure of segment earnings before depreciation, amortization, and special items. Segment adjusted EBITDA margin is defined as segment adjusted EBITDA divided by segment revenues.

Three months ended March 31, 2016]	National Media			nallocated Corporate	Total	
(In thousands)							
Revenues	\$	281,843	\$	140,928	\$	\$	422,771
Operating profit	\$	34,781	\$	46,150	\$	47,107 \$	128,038
Depreciation and amortization		4,663	•	9,425	7	525	14,613
EBITDA		39,444		55,575		47,632	142,651
Special items							
Merger termination fee net of merger-related costs						(59,664)	(59,664)
Severance and related benefit costs		3,021		_			3,021
Write-down of impaired assets		535		_			535
Other		66					66
Total special items		3,622		_		(59,664)	(56,042)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	43,066	\$	55,575	\$	(12,032)	86,609
Less							
Depreciation and amortization							(14,613)
Special items							56,042
Net interest expense							(5,104)
Income taxes							(42,030)
Net earnings	_					\$	80,904
Segment EBITDA margin		14.0%	6	39.4%			
Segment adjusted EBITDA margin		14.07		39.4%			

Nine months ended March 31, 2016]	National Media		Local Media	Unallocated Corporate		Total
(In thousands)							
Revenues	\$	806,569	\$	407,281	\$	— \$	1,213,850
Operating profit	\$	91,167	\$	115,918	\$	10,078 \$	217,163
Depreciation and amortization		14,061		29,019		1,599	44,679
EBITDA		105,228		144,937		11,677	261,842
Special items							
Merger termination fee net of merger-related costs		—		—		(43,541)	(43,541)
Severance and related benefit costs		7,269		132		—	7,401
Reversal of previously accrued restructuring costs		(514)		(1,070)			(1,584)
Write-down of impaired assets		535		—			535
Other		66					66
Total special items		7,356		(938)		(43,541)	(37,123)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	112,584	\$	143,999	\$	(31,864)	224,719
Less							
Depreciation and amortization							(44,679)
Special items							37,123
Net interest expense							(15,682)
Income taxes							(77,029)
Net earnings						\$	124,452
Segment EBITDA margin		13.0%	,)	35.6%)		
Segment adjusted EBITDA margin		14.0%	, D	35.4%)		

EBITDA

Consolidated EBITDA, which is reconciled to net earnings in the following tables, is defined as net earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization.

Segment EBITDA is a measure of segment earnings before depreciation and amortization.

Segment EBITDA margin is defined as segment EBITDA divided by segment revenues.

Adjusted EBITDA

Consolidated adjusted EBITDA, which is reconciled to net earnings in the following tables, is defined as net earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization, and special items.

Segment adjusted EBITDA is a measure of segment earnings before depreciation, amortization, and special items. Segment adjusted EBITDA margin is defined as segment adjusted EBITDA divided by segment revenues.

Three months ended March 31, 2015	National Media			Local Media	Unallocated Corporate		Total
(In thousands)							
Revenues	\$	275,298	\$	122,881	\$	— \$	398,179
Operating profit	\$	23,460	\$	31,420	\$	(7,774) \$	47,106
Depreciation and amortization		4,369	ψ	9,816	Ψ	425	14,610
EBITDA		27,829	_	41,236		(7,349)	61,716
Special items		,	_	,			
Severance and related benefit costs		8,234		656		506	9,396
Write-down of impaired assets		1,692				_	1,692
Acquisition and disposal transaction costs		115				_	115
Other		70				—	70
Total special items		10,111		656		506	11,273
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	37,940	\$	41,892	\$	(6,843)	72,989
Less							
Depreciation and amortization							(14,610)
Special items							(11,273)
Net interest expense							(5,179)
Income taxes							(16,671)
Net earnings						\$	25,256
Segment EBITDA margin		10.1%	6	33.6%	,)		
Segment adjusted EBITDA margin		13.8%	6	34.1%	D		

Nine months ended March 31, 2015]	National Media		Local Media		nallocated Corporate	Total
(In thousands)						,	
Revenues	\$	764,005	\$	404,263	\$	— \$	1,168,268
Operating profit		78,462	\$	122,718	\$	(32,360) \$	168,820
Depreciation and amortization		11,481		28,926		1,280	41,687
EBITDA		89,943		151,644		(31,080)	210,507
Special items							
Severance and related benefit costs		11,853		2,311		506	14,670
Write-down of impaired assets		1,692		_			1,692
Acquisition and disposal transaction costs		564		2,284			2,848
Other		70		191		—	261
Total special items		14,179		4,786		506	19,471
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	104,122	\$	156,430	\$	(30,574)	229,978
Less							
Depreciation and amortization							(41,687)
Special items							(19,471)
Net interest expense							(14,206)
Income taxes							(60,402)
Net earnings						\$	94,212
Segment EBITDA margin		11.8%	6	37.5%	ó		
Segment adjusted EBITDA margin		13.6%	6	38.7%	ó		