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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Amendment No. 1
to
Form S-4
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

AGCO Corporation

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware <i>State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization</i>	3523 <i>Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number</i> 4205 River Green Parkway Duluth, Georgia 30096 (770) 813-9200	58-1960019 <i>I.R.S. Employer Identification No.</i>
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(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of each registrant's principal executive offices)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Registration Statement.

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Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer

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The Registrants hereby amend this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrants shall file a further amendment which specifically states that the Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

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The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and it is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED MARCH 28, 2012

PROSPECTUS

OFFER TO EXCHANGE

\$300,000,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF ITS 5.875% SENIOR NOTES DUE 2021

THAT HAVE BEEN REGISTERED

UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED

FOR

ANY AND ALL OF ITS OUTSTANDING 5.875% SENIOR NOTES DUE 2021

The exchange offer will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on May 2, 2012,

unless we extend the exchange offer in our sole and absolute discretion.

Terms of the Exchange Offer:

We are offering to exchange any and all of our outstanding 5.875% senior notes due 2021, which we refer to as outstanding notes, for \$300,000,000 principal amount of substantially identical notes that have been registered under the Securities Act and are freely tradable, which we refer to as exchange notes.

The outstanding notes were issued on December 5, 2011. The exchange notes will represent the same debt as the outstanding notes and we will issue the exchange notes under the same indenture.

We are making the exchange offer to satisfy your registration rights, as a holder of outstanding notes.

We will exchange all outstanding notes that you validly tender and do not validly withdraw before the exchange offer expires for an equal principal amount of exchange notes.

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The exchange offer expires at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on May 2, 2012, unless extended.

Tenders of outstanding notes may be withdrawn at any time prior to the expiration of the exchange offer.

We will not receive any cash proceeds from the exchange offer.

We do not intend to list the exchange notes on any securities exchange or arrange for them to be quoted on any quotation system.

Each broker-dealer that receives exchange notes for its own account pursuant to the exchange offer must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of such exchange notes. A broker-dealer who acquired outstanding notes as a result of market-making or other trading activities may use this prospectus, as supplemented or amended from time to time, in connection with any resales of the exchange notes.

You should carefully consider the risk factors beginning on page 7 of this prospectus before participating in the exchange offer.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is April 4, 2012

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This prospectus is part of a registration statement we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC. A copy of the letter of transmittal is attached as Annex A to this prospectus and is incorporated herein by reference. A copy of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011 (our Form 10-K) is attached as Annex B to this prospectus and is incorporated herein by reference. A copy of our Proxy Statement for our 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders is attached as Annex C to this prospectus and except as where otherwise indicated is incorporated herein by reference (our 2012 Proxy Statement). We are submitting this prospectus to holders of outstanding notes so that they can consider exchanging the outstanding notes for exchange notes. You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus and in the accompanying transmittal documents. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with any other information. We are not making an offer to sell these securities or soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any jurisdiction where an offer or solicitation is not authorized or in which the person making that offer or solicitation is not qualified to do so or to anyone to whom it is unlawful to make an offer or solicitation. You should not assume that the information contained in this prospectus, as well as the information contained in our Form 10-K and 2012 Proxy Statement, is accurate as of any date other than its respective date.

This prospectus incorporates important business and financial information about the Company that is not included in or delivered with the document. See Where You Can Find Additional Information. Copies of these documents, except for certain exhibits and schedules, will be made available to you without charge upon written or oral request to:

AGCO Corporation

Attn: Investor Relations

4205 River Green Parkway

Duluth, Georgia 30096

(770) 813-9200

In order to obtain timely delivery of such materials, you must request information from us no later than five business days prior to May 2, 2012, the date you must make your investment decision.

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SUMMARY

This summary highlights information contained elsewhere in this prospectus. Because this is a summary, it does not contain all of the information that you should consider before participating in the exchange offer. You should read the entire prospectus carefully, including the section entitled Risk Factors.

Unless otherwise mentioned or unless the context requires otherwise, all references in this prospectus to AGCO, we, us, our or similar references mean AGCO Corporation and its subsidiaries.

AGCO CORPORATION

We are a leading manufacturer and distributor of agricultural equipment and related replacement parts throughout the world. We sell a full range of agricultural equipment, including tractors, combines, self-propelled sprayers, hay tools, forage equipment and implements. We also manufacture and distribute grain storage and handling equipment systems as well as protein production systems. Our products are widely recognized in the agricultural equipment industry and are marketed under a number of well-known brands, including: Challenger®, Fendt®, Massey Ferguson® and Valtra®. We distribute most of our products through a combination of approximately 3,100 independent dealers and distributors in more than 140 countries. In addition, we provide retail financing through our retail finance joint ventures with Coöperatieve Centrale Raiffeisen-Boerenleenbank B.A.

The address of our principal executive offices is 4205 River Green Parkway, Duluth, Georgia 30096, and our telephone number is (770) 813-9200. Our internet site is www.agcocorp.com. Information contained on our internet site is not incorporated by reference into this prospectus, and you should not consider that information to be a part of this prospectus.

For additional information regarding our business see Business and Properties in our Form 10-K that is attached as Annex B to this prospectus.

THE EXCHANGE OFFER

In this prospectus, except as otherwise indicated, outstanding notes refers to our 5.875% Senior Notes due 2021 issued on December 5, 2011, exchange notes refers to the 5.875% Senior Notes due 2021 offered hereby, and notes refers to the outstanding notes and the exchange notes, collectively. The following summary contains basic information about the exchange offer and the exchange notes. It does not contain all the information that may be important to you. For a complete understanding of the exchange notes, please refer to the sections of this prospectus entitled The Exchange Offer and Description of Exchange Notes.

The Exchange Offer

We are offering to exchange an aggregate of \$300,000,000 aggregate principal amount of exchange notes for \$300,000,000 principal amount of outstanding notes that are properly tendered and accepted. You may tender outstanding notes only in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. We will issue the exchange notes when or promptly after the exchange offer expires.

The form and terms of the exchange notes will be substantially identical to those of the outstanding notes, except that the exchange notes will have been registered under the Securities Act. Therefore, the exchange notes will not be subject to contractual transfer restrictions, registration rights and additional interest provisions applicable to the exchange notes prior to the consummation of the exchange offer. We will issue the exchange notes under the same indenture that governs the outstanding notes.

Resales

Based on an interpretation by the staff of the SEC set forth in no-action letters issued to third parties, we believe that the exchange notes issued pursuant to the exchange offer in exchange for outstanding notes may be offered for resale, resold and otherwise transferred by you without compliance with the registration and prospectus delivery provisions of the Securities Act, provided that you:

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are acquiring the exchange notes in the ordinary course of business;

have not engaged in, do not intend to engage in and have no arrangement or understanding with any person or entity, including any of our affiliates, to participate in, a distribution of the exchange notes; and

are not our affiliate (as defined under Rule 405 of the Securities Act).

In addition, each participating broker-dealer that receives registered exchange notes for its own account pursuant to the exchange offer in exchange for outstanding notes that were acquired as a result of market-making or other trading activity must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of the exchange notes. For more information, see Plan of Distribution.

Any holder of unregistered outstanding notes, including any broker-dealer, who:

is our affiliate,

does not acquire the registered exchange notes in the ordinary course of its business, or

tenders in the exchange offer with the intention to participate, or for the purpose of participating, in a distribution of registered exchange notes, cannot rely on the position of the staff of the SEC expressed in Exxon Capital Holdings Corporation, Morgan Stanley & Co., Incorporated, Shearman & Sterling, or similar no-action letters and, in the absence of an exemption, must comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with the resale of the exchange notes.

Expiration Date

The exchange offer will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on May 2, 2012, unless extended, in which case the expiration date will mean the latest date and time to which we extend the exchange offer.

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Conditions to the Exchange Offer

The exchange offer is subject to customary conditions, including that it not violate applicable law or any applicable interpretation of the staff of the SEC. The exchange offer is not conditioned upon any minimum principal amount of outstanding notes being tendered for exchange.

Procedures for Tendering Outstanding Notes

To participate in the exchange offer, you must follow the procedures established by The Depository Trust Company (DTC) for tendering notes held in book-entry form. These procedures require that (i) the exchange agent receive, prior to the expiration date of the exchange offer, a computer generated message known as an agent s message that is transmitted through DTC s automated tender offer program, and (ii) DTC confirms that:

DTC has received your instructions to exchange your outstanding notes; and

you agree to be bound by the terms of the letter of transmittal.

For more information on tendering your outstanding notes, please refer to the section in this prospectus entitled The Exchange Offer Terms of the Exchange Offer Procedures for Tendering.

Guaranteed Delivery Procedures

None.

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Acceptance of the Outstanding Notes and Delivery of the Exchange Notes	Subject to the satisfaction or waiver of the conditions to the exchange offer, we will accept for exchange any and all outstanding notes that are validly tendered in the exchange offer and not properly withdrawn before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date.
Withdrawal Rights	You may withdraw the tender of your outstanding notes at any time before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date, by complying with the procedures for withdrawal described in this prospectus under the heading "The Exchange Offer - Withdrawal Rights."
Consequences of Failure to Exchange Notes	If you do not exchange your outstanding notes for exchange notes pursuant to the exchange offer, the outstanding notes you hold will continue to be outstanding and accrue interest and will also be subject to the existing transfer restrictions provided in the outstanding notes and the indenture. Following completion of the exchange offer, we do not plan to register outstanding notes under the Securities Act unless our registration rights agreement with the initial purchasers of the outstanding notes requires us to do so. Further, if you continue to hold any outstanding notes after the exchange offer is consummated, you may have trouble selling them because there will be fewer of the outstanding notes outstanding.
Material United States Federal Income Tax Consequences	The exchange of exchange notes for outstanding notes in the exchange offer will not be a taxable event for United States federal income tax purposes. See "Material United States Federal Income Tax Considerations."
Fees and Expenses	We will bear the expenses related to the exchange offer. See "The Exchange Offer - Fees and Expenses."
Use of Proceeds	We will not receive any cash proceeds from the exchange offer. We are making this exchange offer solely to satisfy our obligations under our registration rights agreement.
Exchange Agent	Union Bank, N.A., the trustee under the indenture governing the notes, is serving as the exchange agent. You should direct questions and requests for assistance, requests for additional copies of this prospectus or the letter of transmittal to the exchange agent addressed as follows:

Union Bank, N.A.

Corporate Trust Department

120 South San Pedro Street, 4th Floor

Los Angeles, CA 90012

Attn: Josefina Benavides / Linh Duong

Fax: (213) 972-5695

For Information Call: (213) 972-5679

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TERMS OF THE EXCHANGE NOTES

*The following summary contains basic information about the exchange notes and is not intended to be complete. The form and terms of the exchange notes will be substantially identical to those of the outstanding notes, except that the exchange notes will have been registered under the Securities Act. Therefore, the exchange notes will not be subject to contractual transfer restrictions, registration rights and additional interest provisions applicable to the exchange notes prior to the consummation of the exchange offer. We will issue the exchange notes under the same indenture that governs the outstanding notes. For a more complete understanding of the exchange notes, please refer to the section entitled *Description of Exchange Notes* in this prospectus.*

Issuer	AGCO Corporation, a Delaware corporation.
Securities Offered	\$300,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 5.875% Senior Notes due 2021.
Maturity	The notes will mature on December 1, 2021, unless earlier redeemed or repurchased.
Interest Payment Dates	5.875% interest per year on the principal amount, payable semiannually in arrears on June 1 and December 1, 2021 of each year, beginning on June 1, 2012.
Optional Redemption	<p>Prior to September 1, 2021, we may redeem the notes, in whole or in part from time to time, at our option, at a redemption price equal to the greater of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 100% of the principal amount of the notes being redeemed; and the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest in respect of the notes being redeemed (exclusive of interest accrued to the date of redemption) discounted to the redemption date on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months), at the Treasury Rate (as defined in this prospectus) plus 50 basis points. <p>Beginning September 1, 2021, we may redeem the notes, in whole or in part from time to time, at our option, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the notes being redeemed.</p> <p>In each case, we will also pay the accrued and unpaid interest on the principal amount being redeemed to, but not including, the redemption date. See <i>Description of Exchange Notes</i> <i>Optional Redemption</i>.</p>
Offer to Repurchase Upon Change of Control Triggering Event	<p>Upon the occurrence of a change of control triggering event (as defined in this prospectus), we will be required, unless we have given written notice with respect to a redemption of the notes, within a specified period, to make an offer to purchase all notes at a price equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount outstanding on the date of such change of control triggering event, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, from the date of initial issuance to, but not including, the repurchase date. See <i>Description of Exchange Notes</i> <i>Offer to Repurchase Upon a Change of Control Triggering Event</i>.</p>
Ranking	The notes are our unsecured and unsubordinated obligations and rank equally with all of our current and future unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness, including any borrowings under our credit facility, and senior to all of our future subordinated debt. The notes effectively rank junior to any of our current and future

secured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness. As of December 31, 2011 we and our subsidiaries had approximately \$49.3 million of secured indebtedness.

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Certain Covenants

We will issue the exchange notes under an indenture with Union Bank, N.A., as trustee, which indenture also governs the outstanding notes. The indenture contains certain covenants by us for your benefit. These covenants, among other things, limit our ability to:

incur indebtedness secured by principal properties;

enter into certain sale and leaseback transactions with respect to principal properties; and

enter into certain mergers, consolidations and transfers of all or substantially all of the assets of us and our subsidiaries on a consolidated basis.

The above restrictions are subject to significant exceptions. See Description of Exchange Notes Certain Covenants.

Further Issues

We may from time to time, without notice to or the consent of the holders of the notes, create and issue additional debt securities having the same terms as and ranking equally and ratably (except for the issue date, the offering price and the first interest payment date) with the notes of a series in all respects, as described under Description of Exchange Notes General.

Absence of Trading Market for the Exchange Notes

The exchange notes generally will be freely transferable but will also be new securities for which there is currently no established market. Accordingly, we cannot assure you as to the development or liquidity of any market for the exchange notes. We do not intend to apply for listing of the notes on any securities exchange.

Risk Factors

Investing in the notes involves risks. See Risk Factors for a description of certain risks you should particularly consider before investing in the notes.

Trustee

Union Bank, N.A.

For a more complete description of the terms of the notes, see Description of Exchange Notes.

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The following table sets forth summary financial data and other data as of and for each of the years in the five-year period ended December 31, 2011. This summary financial data has been derived from, and is qualified by reference to, our consolidated financial statements. You should read the information set forth below in conjunction with Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and the consolidated financial statements and related notes included in our Form 10-K that is attached as Annex B to this prospectus.

	2007	Year Ended December 31,			2011
		2008	2009	2010	
(in millions, except ratios)					
Operating Data:					
Net sales	\$ 6,715.9	\$ 8,273.1	\$ 6,516.4	\$ 6,896.6	\$ 8,773.2
Gross profit	1,189.7	1,498.4	1,071.9	1,258.7	1,776.1
Income from operations	393.7	563.7	218.7	324.2	610.3
Net income	232.9	385.9	135.4	220.2	585.3
Net loss (income) attributable to					
noncontrolling interests			0.3	0.3	(2.0)
Net income attributable to AGCO Corporation and					
subsidiaries	\$ 232.9	\$ 385.9	\$ 135.7	\$ 220.5	\$ 583.3
Net income per common share dilute ⁽¹⁾	\$ 2.41	\$ 3.95	\$ 1.44	\$ 2.29	\$ 5.95
Weighted average shares outstanding dilute ⁽¹⁾	96.6	97.7	94.1	96.4	98.1
	2007	As of December 31,			2011
		2008	2009	2010	
(in millions, except ratios)					
Balance Sheet Data:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 574.8	\$ 506.1	\$ 651.4	\$ 719.9	\$ 724.4
Working capital ⁽²⁾	724.8	1,037.4	1,079.6	1,208.1	1,457.3
Total assets	4,698.0	4,846.6	4,998.9	5,436.9	7,257.2
Total long-term debt, excluding current portion ⁽²⁾	294.1	625.0	454.0	443.0	1,409.7
Stockholders' equity	2,114.1	2,014.3	2,394.4	2,659.2	3,031.2
Other Data:					
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges ⁽³⁾	6.4	8.9	3.1	4.8	8.6

(1) Our 1 1/4% convertible senior subordinated notes potentially will impact the dilution of weighted shares outstanding for the excess conversion value using the treasury stock method.

(2) Holders of our former 1 3/4% convertible senior subordinated notes due 2033 and our \$201.3 million 1 1/4% convertible senior subordinated notes due 2036 could have converted or may convert the notes if, during any fiscal quarter, the closing sales price of our common stock exceeded or exceeds 120% of the conversion price of \$22.36 per share for our former 1 3/4% convertible senior subordinated notes and \$40.73 per share for our 1 1/4% convertible senior subordinated notes for at least 20 trading days in the 30 consecutive trading days ending on the last trading day of the preceding fiscal quarter. As of December 31, 2011, this criteria was not met with respect to the 1 1/4% convertible senior subordinated notes, and, therefore, we classified these notes as long-term debt. As of December 31, 2010 and 2009, the criteria was met for our former 1 3/4% convertible senior subordinated notes, and, therefore, we classified these notes as a current liability. As of December 31, 2008, this criteria was not met with respect to either of the notes, and, therefore, we classified both notes as long-term debt. As of December 31, 2007, the criteria was met for both notes, and, therefore, we classified both notes as current liabilities.

- ⁽³⁾ For purposes of computing the ratio of earnings to fixed charges, earnings consist of income before income taxes and distributed earnings of less-than-50%-owned affiliates, plus fixed charges. Fixed charges consist of interest costs (whether expensed or capitalized), amortization of debt issuance costs and an estimate of the interest cost in rental expense. The computation of ratio of earnings to fixed charges does not include the interest component of our income tax liabilities related to uncertain tax positions connected with ongoing tax audits in various jurisdictions.

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RISK FACTORS

Investing in the exchange notes involves risks. Prior to making a decision about participating in the exchange offer, you should carefully consider the risks described below and all other information contained in this prospectus. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently consider immaterial may also adversely affect us. If any of the events underlying the following risks occurs, our business, financial condition or results of operations could be materially harmed.

RISKS RELATED TO THE EXCHANGE OFFER

If you fail to properly tender your outstanding notes, you will continue to hold unregistered outstanding notes and you will continue to face restrictions that will make the sale or transfer of your outstanding notes more difficult.

We will only issue exchange notes in exchange for outstanding notes that you timely and properly tender. Therefore, you should allow sufficient time to ensure timely delivery of the outstanding notes, and you should carefully follow the instructions on how to tender your outstanding notes. Neither we nor the exchange agent is required to tell you of any defects or irregularities with respect to your tender of outstanding notes.

If you do not exchange your outstanding notes for exchange notes in the exchange offer, you will continue to be subject to the restrictions on transfer of your outstanding notes described in the legend on your outstanding notes. In general, you may only offer or sell the outstanding notes if they are registered under the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws, or offered and sold under an exemption from those requirements. To the extent other outstanding notes are tendered and accepted in the exchange offer and you elect not to exchange your outstanding notes, the trading market, if any, for your outstanding notes would be adversely affected because your outstanding notes will be less liquid than the exchange notes.

Some holders that exchange their outstanding notes may be required to comply with registration and prospectus delivery requirements in connection with the sale or transfer of their exchange notes.

If you exchange your outstanding notes in the exchange offer for the purpose of participating in a distribution of the exchange notes, you may be deemed to have received restricted securities and, if so, will be required to comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale transaction. If you are required to comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements, then you may face additional burdens on the transfer of your exchange notes and could incur liability for failure to comply with applicable requirements.

RISKS RELATED TO THE NOTES

The notes will be junior to the indebtedness of our subsidiaries.

The notes will be issued by AGCO Corporation and will be structurally subordinated to the existing and future claims of our subsidiaries creditors, including trade payables. Holders of the notes will not be creditors of our subsidiaries. Any claims of holders of the notes to the assets of our subsidiaries derive from our own equity interests in those subsidiaries. Claims of our subsidiaries' creditors will generally have priority as to the assets of our subsidiaries over our own equity interest claims and will therefore have priority over the holders of the notes. Consequently, the notes will be effectively subordinate to all liabilities, whether or not secured, of any of our subsidiaries and any subsidiaries that we may in the future acquire or establish.

Our subsidiaries hold a majority of our assets and conduct a majority of our operations, and they will not be obligated to make payments on the notes.

We conduct a majority of our business through our subsidiaries. These subsidiaries directly and indirectly own a majority of the assets of our business and conduct operations themselves and through other subsidiaries. Therefore, we depend on distributions and advances from our subsidiaries and the repayment by our subsidiaries of intercompany loans and advances to meet our debt service and other obligations. Contractual provisions, laws or regulations to which we or any of our subsidiaries are or may become subject, as well as any subsidiary's financial condition and operating requirements, may limit our ability to obtain cash required to service our indebtedness, including the notes.

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Because the notes are unsecured, they also are effectively subordinated to existing and future secured debt, to the extent of the assets securing such debt.

Our obligations under the notes are unsecured. In contrast, some of our other debt obligations are secured by various assets. The notes are effectively subordinated to our obligations under our secured debt. If we are in default on these secured obligations, you may not receive principal and interest payment on your notes. While our secured debt is not material at the current time, in the future it may be.

The indenture does not restrict the amount of additional debt that we may incur.

The notes and the indenture under which the notes will be issued do not place any limitation on the amount of unsecured debt that may be incurred by us. Our incurrence of additional debt may have important consequences for you as a holder of the notes, including making it more difficult for us to satisfy our obligations with respect to the notes, a loss in the market value of the notes and a risk that the credit rating of the notes is lowered or withdrawn.

We may not have sufficient cash flow to make payments on the notes and our other indebtedness.

Our ability to pay principal and interest on the notes and our other indebtedness and to fund our planned capital expenditures depends on our future operating performance. Our future operating performance is subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that are often beyond our control, including general economic conditions and financial, competitive, regulatory and environmental factors. For a discussion of some of these risks and uncertainties, see **Risk Factors** in our Form 10-K that is attached as Annex B to this prospectus. Consequently, we cannot assure you that we will have sufficient cash flow to meet our liquidity needs, including making payments on our indebtedness.

If our cash flow and capital resources are insufficient to allow us to make scheduled payments on our debt, we may have to sell assets, seek additional capital or restructure or refinance our debt. We cannot assure you that the terms of our debt will allow for these alternative measures or that such measures would satisfy our scheduled debt service obligations.

If we cannot make scheduled payments on our debt:

the holders of our debt could declare all outstanding principal and interest to be due and payable;

the holders of our secured debt could commence foreclosure proceedings against our assets;

we could be forced into bankruptcy or liquidation; and

you could lose all or part of your investment in the notes.

We may be unable to repurchase your notes as required under the indenture upon a change of control triggering event.

If a change of control triggering event, as defined in this prospectus, occurs, holders of the notes will have the right, at their option, to require us to repurchase all or a portion of their notes, in either case, at a price equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount outstanding on the date of such change of control triggering event, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, from the date of initial issuance to, but not including, the repurchase date. If we do not have sufficient funds to pay the repurchase price for all of the notes to be repurchased, an event of default under the indenture governing the notes would occur. We would need to seek third-party financing to the extent we do not have available funds to meet our repurchase obligations. However, there can be no assurance that we would be able to obtain any such financing on acceptable terms or at all. In addition, cash payments in respect of notes to be repurchased may be subject to limits and might be prohibited, or create an event of default, under our indebtedness or other agreements relating to borrowings that we may enter into from time to time. Our failure to make cash payments in respect of notes to be repurchased could result in an event of default under the notes or under other credit-related agreements. Our inability to pay for notes that are to be repurchased could result in holders receiving substantially less than the principal amount of the notes.

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Because we have made only limited covenants in the indenture for the notes and the terms of the notes do not provide protection against some types of important corporate events, these limited covenants and protections against certain types of important corporate events may not protect your investment.

The indenture for the notes does not:

require us to maintain any financial ratios or specific levels of net worth, revenues, income, cash flows or liquidity and, accordingly, does not protect holders of the notes in the event that we experience significant adverse changes in our financial condition or results of operations;

limit our subsidiaries' ability to incur indebtedness, which would effectively rank senior to the notes;

limit our ability to incur indebtedness;

restrict our subsidiaries' ability to issue securities that would be senior to the equity interests of our subsidiaries that we hold;

restrict our ability to purchase or prepay our securities; or

restrict our ability to make investments or to repurchase or pay dividends or make other payments in respect of our common stock or other securities ranking junior to the notes.

Furthermore, the indenture for the notes contains only limited protections in the event of a change in control. We could engage in many types of transactions, such as certain acquisitions, refinancings or recapitalizations, that could substantially affect our capital structure and the value of the notes but would not constitute a change of control triggering event that permits holders to require us to repurchase their notes. For these reasons, you should not consider the covenants in the indenture or the repurchase feature of the notes as a significant factor in evaluating whether to invest in the notes.

There is no prior trading market for the notes, so if an active trading market does not develop for the notes, you may not be able to resell them.

There is no established trading market for the notes, and we cannot assure you that an active trading market will ever develop for the notes. We do not intend to apply for listing of the notes on any securities exchange or for quotation of the notes on any automated dealer quotation system. The lack of a trading market could adversely affect your ability to sell the notes and the price at which you may be able to sell the notes. The liquidity of the trading market, if any, and future trading prices of the notes will depend on many factors, including, among other things, the market price of our common stock, prevailing interest rates, our operating results, financial performance and prospects, the market for similar securities and the overall securities market, and may be adversely affected by unfavorable changes in these factors. It is possible that the market for the notes will be subject to disruptions which may have a negative effect on the holders of the notes, regardless of our operating results, financial performance or prospects.

Provisions in the indenture for the notes, our charter documents and Delaware law could discourage an acquisition of us by a third party, even if the acquisition would be favorable to you.

If a change of control triggering event occurs, holders of the notes will have the right, at their option, to require us to repurchase all or a portion of their notes at a price equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount outstanding on the date of such change of control triggering event, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, from the date of initial issuance to, but not including, the repurchase date. In addition, the indenture for the notes prohibits us from engaging in certain mergers or acquisitions unless, among other things, the surviving entity assumes our obligations under the notes. These and other provisions, including the provisions of our charter documents and Delaware law could prevent or deter a third party from acquiring us even where the acquisition could be beneficial to you.

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Furthermore, our stockholder rights plan, as amended, contains provisions that could make it harder for a third party to acquire us. The rights plan provides that each share of common stock outstanding will have attached to it the right to purchase one-hundredth of a share of Junior Cumulative Preferred Stock (junior preferred stock). The purchase price per one-hundredth of a share of junior preferred stock is \$110.00, subject to adjustment. The rights will be exercisable only if a person or group acquires 20.0% or more of our common stock or announces a tender offer or exchange offer that would result in the acquisition of 20.0% or more of our common

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stock or, in some circumstances, if other conditions are met. After the rights become exercisable, the plan allows stockholders, other than the acquirer, to purchase our common stock or, in some circumstances, securities of the acquirer with a then current market value of two times the exercise price of the right. The rights are redeemable for \$0.01 per right, subject to adjustment, at the option of our Board of Directors. The rights may discourage take-over attempts because they could cause substantial dilution to a person or group that attempts to acquire us on terms not approved by our board of directors. Generally, the rights should not interfere with any merger or other business combination approved by our Board of Directors because our Board of Directors may redeem the rights prior to the time we enter into a purchase and sale agreement with the acquirer.

Covenants in our debt instruments restrict or prohibit us from engaging in or entering into a variety of transactions, which could adversely affect us.

The agreements governing our outstanding indebtedness contain various covenants that limit, among other things, our ability to:

incur additional indebtedness;

pay dividends or make distributions or certain other restricted payments;

create restrictions on the payment of dividends or other amounts to us by our subsidiaries;

enter into transactions with stockholders or affiliates;

create liens;

sell assets, including, but not limited to capital stock of restricted subsidiaries; and

enter into certain mergers and consolidations.

Failing to comply with those covenants could result in an event of default which, if not cured or waived, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

A breach of a covenant in our debt instruments could cause acceleration of a significant portion of our outstanding indebtedness.

A breach of a covenant or other provision in any debt instrument governing our current or future indebtedness could result in a default under such debt instrument. In addition, such an event may trigger an event of default under one or more of our other debt instruments, including the notes. Our ability to comply with the covenants and other provisions in our various debt instruments may be affected by events beyond our control, and we cannot assure you that we will be able to comply with these covenants and other provisions. Upon the occurrence of an event of default under any debt instrument, the lenders could elect to declare all amounts outstanding to be immediately due and payable and terminate all commitments to extend further credit. If we were unable to repay those amounts, the lenders could proceed against collateral granted to them, if any, to secure the indebtedness. If our current or future lenders accelerate the payment of the indebtedness owed to them, we cannot assure you that our assets would be sufficient to repay in full our outstanding indebtedness.

RISKS RELATED TO OUR BUSINESS

Our business is subject to a number of other risks that could impact our ability to fulfill our obligations under the notes. See **Risk Factors** in our Form 10-K that is attached as Annex B to this prospectus.

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SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus contains forward-looking statements regarding, among other things, our financial condition, results of operations, plans, objectives, future performance and business. All statements contained in this document other than historical information are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements that represent our beliefs concerning future operations, strategies, financial results or other developments, and contain words and phrases such as may, expects, believes, anticipates, estimates, or similar expressions. Because these forward-looking statements are based on estimates and assumptions that are subject to significant business, economic and competitive uncertainties, many of which are beyond our control or are subject to change, actual results could be materially different. Although we believe that our plans, intentions and expectations reflected in or suggested by these forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot assure you that we will achieve or realize these plans, intentions or expectations. Forward-looking statements are inherently subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Important factors that could cause results or events to differ from current expectations are described in the section titled Risk Factors.

Such forward-looking statements should be regarded solely as our current plans, estimates and beliefs. We do not intend, and expressly disclaim any obligation, to update any forward-looking statements to reflect future events or circumstances after the date of this prospectus except as required by law.

USE OF PROCEEDS

We will not receive any cash proceeds from the issuance of the exchange notes in the exchange offer. The exchange offer is intended to satisfy our obligations under the registration rights agreement. In consideration for issuing the exchange notes as contemplated by this prospectus, we will receive outstanding notes in a like principal amount. The outstanding notes surrendered in exchange for the exchange notes will be retired and cancelled and will not be reissued. Accordingly, the issuance of the exchange notes will not result in any change in our outstanding indebtedness.

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The following table sets forth our cash and cash equivalents and capitalization as of December 31, 2011. This table should be read in conjunction with Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and the consolidated financial statements and related notes included in our Form 10-K that is attached as Annex B to this prospectus.

	As of December 31, 2011
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 724.4
Long-term debt:	
5 ⁷ / ₈ % Senior notes due 2021	\$ 300.0
4 ¹ / ₂ % Senior term loan due 2016	259.4
Credit facility	665.0
1 ¹ / ₄ % Convertible senior subordinated notes due 2036 ⁽¹⁾	183.4
Other long-term debt	62.0
Less: Current portion of long-term debt	(60.1)
Total long-term debt, less current portion	\$ 1,409.7
Stockholders' equity:	
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value; 1,000,000 shares authorized; no shares issued or outstanding	\$
Common stock, \$0.01 par value; 150,000,000 shares authorized; 97,194,732 shares issued and outstanding	1.0
Additional paid-in capital	1,073.2
Retained earnings	2,321.6
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(400.6)
Noncontrolling interests	36.0
Total stockholders' equity	\$ 3,031.2
Total capitalization	\$ 4,440.9

- ⁽¹⁾ The amount reflected above as the balance outstanding related to our 1¹/₄% senior subordinated notes due 2036 does not reflect the principal amount outstanding, which was \$201.3 million as of December 31, 2011. The amount reflected above is the carrying amount of the liability-classified component of the notes as of December 31, 2011, as is more fully described in Note 7 to our Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2011.

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THE EXCHANGE OFFER

Purpose and Effect

Simultaneously with the sale of the outstanding notes, we entered into a registration rights agreement with J.P. Morgan Securities LLC., as representatives of the initial purchasers. Under the registration rights agreement, we agreed, among other things, to:

file a registration statement relating to a registered exchange offer for the outstanding notes with the SEC; and

commence and use our commercially reasonable efforts to complete the exchange offer no later than 60 days after the registration statement was declared effective by the SEC.

We are conducting the exchange offer to satisfy our obligations under the registration rights agreement. If the exchange offer is not completed (or, if required, the shelf registration statement is not declared effective) on or before the date that is the 240th calendar day after the date of initial issuance, December 5, 2011 (the completion date), the annual interest rate on the outstanding notes will increase by 0.25% per year. The amount of additional interest will increase by an additional 0.25% per year for any subsequent 90-day period until all registration defaults are cured, up to a maximum additional interest rate of 1.00% per year. When we have cured all of the registration defaults, the interest rate on the notes will revert immediately to the original level.

The exchange offer is not extended to outstanding note holders in any jurisdiction where the exchange offer does not comply with the securities or blue sky laws of that jurisdiction.

The exchange offer will remain open until the expiration date specified under Terms of the Exchange Offer below (which is at least 20 business days after the date we mail notice of the exchange offer to the holders of outstanding notes). For each outstanding note surrendered to us under the exchange offer, the holders of outstanding notes will receive an exchange note of equal principal amount. A holder of outstanding notes that participates in the exchange offer will be required to make certain representations to us (as described below under Procedures for Tendering Your Representations to Us). Under existing interpretations of the SEC contained in several no-action letters to third parties, the exchange notes will generally be freely transferable after the exchange offer without further registration under the Securities Act, except that any broker-dealer that participates in the exchange must deliver a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act when it resells the exchange notes.

We have agreed to make available, during the period required by the Securities Act, a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act for use by participating broker-dealers and other persons, if any, with similar prospectus delivery requirements for use in connection with any resale of exchange notes. Outstanding notes not tendered in the exchange offer will bear interest at the rate of 5.875% per annum and be subject to all the terms and conditions specified in the indenture, including transfer restrictions, but, except as provided below, will not retain any rights under the registration rights agreement (including with respect to increases in annual interest rate described below) after the consummation of the exchange offer.

In the event that we determine that a registered exchange offer is not available or may not be completed because it would violate any applicable law or applicable interpretations of the staff of the SEC, if for any reason, the exchange offer is not for any other reason completed by the completion date, or, in certain circumstances, any initial purchaser of the outstanding notes so requests in connection with any offer or sale of outstanding notes, we will use our reasonable best efforts to cause to become effective a shelf registration statement relating to resales of the outstanding notes and to keep that shelf registration statement effective until the date that the outstanding notes cease to be registrable securities (as defined in the registration rights agreement), or such shorter period that will terminate when all outstanding notes covered by the shelf registration statement have been sold pursuant to the shelf registration statement. We will, in the event of such a shelf registration, provide to each participating holder of outstanding notes copies of a prospectus, notify each participating holder of outstanding notes when the shelf registration statement has become effective and take certain other actions to permit resales of the outstanding notes. A holder of outstanding notes that sells outstanding notes under the shelf registration statement generally will be required to make certain representations to us (as described in the registration rights agreement), to be named as a selling security holder in the related prospectus and to deliver a prospectus to purchasers, will be subject to certain of the civil liability provisions under the Securities Act in connection with those sales and will be bound by the provisions of the registration rights agreement that are applicable to such a holder of outstanding notes (including certain indemnification obligations). Holders of outstanding notes will also be required to suspend their use of the prospectus included in the shelf registration statement under specified circumstances upon receipt of notice from us. Under applicable interpretations of the staff of the SEC, our affiliates will not be permitted to exchange their outstanding notes for registered exchange notes in the exchange offer.

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Any amounts of additional interest due will be payable in cash on the same original interest payment dates as interest on the outstanding notes is payable. The exchange notes will be accepted for clearance through DTC.

This summary of the provisions of the registration rights agreement does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to, all the provisions of the registration rights agreement. A copy of the registration rights agreement has been filed as an exhibit to the exchange offer registration statement of which this prospectus is a part. See [Where You Can Find Additional Information](#).

Based on an interpretation by the SEC's staff set forth in no-action letters issued to third parties unrelated to us, we believe that, with the exceptions set forth below, exchange notes issued in the exchange offer may be offered for resale, resold and otherwise transferred by the holder of exchange notes without compliance with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act, unless the holder:

acquired the exchange notes other than in the ordinary course of the holder's business;

has an arrangement with any person to engage in the distribution of the exchange notes;

is our affiliate within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act; or

is a broker-dealer who purchased notes directly from us for resale under Rule 144A or Regulation S or any other available exemption under the Securities Act.

Any holder who tenders in the exchange offer for the purpose of participating in a distribution of the exchange notes cannot rely on this interpretation by the SEC's staff and must comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with a secondary resale transaction. Each broker-dealer that receives exchange notes for its own account in exchange for outstanding notes, where such exchange notes were acquired by such broker-dealer as a result of market making activities or other trading activities, must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of such exchange notes. See [Plan of Distribution](#). Broker-dealers who acquired outstanding notes directly from us and not as a result of market making activities or other trading activities may not rely on the staff's interpretations discussed above or participate in the exchange offer, and must comply with the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in order to sell the outstanding notes.

Terms of the Exchange Offer

Upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this prospectus and in the letter of transmittal, we will accept any and all outstanding notes validly tendered and not withdrawn prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on May 2, 2012, or such date and time to which we extend the offer. We will issue \$1,000 in principal amount of exchange notes in exchange for each \$1,000 principal amount of outstanding notes accepted in the exchange offer. Holders may tender some or all of their outstanding notes pursuant to the exchange offer. However, outstanding notes may be tendered only in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. The exchange offer is not conditioned upon any minimum principal amount of outstanding notes being tendered for exchange.

The exchange notes will evidence the same debt as the outstanding notes and will be issued under the terms of, and entitled to the benefits of, the indenture relating to the outstanding notes.

As of the date of this prospectus, \$300,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding notes were outstanding and registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC. This prospectus, together with the letter of transmittal, is being sent to the registered holder and to others believed to have beneficial interests in the outstanding notes. There will be no fixed record date for determining registered holders of outstanding notes entitled to participate in the exchange offer. We intend to conduct the exchange offer in accordance with the applicable requirements of the registration rights agreement, the applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the SEC.

We will be deemed to have accepted for exchange properly tendered outstanding notes when we have given oral or written notice of the acceptance to the exchange agent and complied with the applicable provisions of the registration rights agreement. The exchange agent will act as agent for the tendering holders for the purpose of receiving the exchange notes from us.

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If any tendered outstanding notes are not accepted for exchange because of an invalid tender, the occurrence of certain other events set forth under the heading "Conditions to the Exchange Offer" or otherwise, any such unaccepted outstanding notes will be returned, without expense, to the tendering holder of those outstanding notes promptly after the expiration or termination of the exchange offer.

Holders who tender outstanding notes in the exchange offer will not be required to pay brokerage commissions or fees or, subject to the instructions in the letter of transmittal, transfer taxes with respect to the exchange of notes in the exchange offer. We will pay all charges and expenses, other than certain applicable taxes, applicable to the exchange offer. See "Fees and Expenses."

Expiration Date; Extensions; Amendments

The expiration date will be 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on May 2, 2012, unless we, in our sole discretion, extend the exchange offer, in which case the expiration date shall be the latest date and time to which the exchange offer is extended. In order to extend the exchange offer, we will notify the exchange agent and each registered holder of any extension by oral or written notice prior to 9:00 a.m., New York City time, on the next business day after the previously scheduled expiration date. Any such notice will include the principal amount of outstanding notes tendered for exchange as of such date. We reserve the right, in our sole discretion:

to delay accepting any outstanding notes, to extend the exchange offer or, if any of the conditions set forth under "Conditions to the Exchange Offer" shall not have been satisfied, to terminate the exchange offer, by giving oral or written notice of that delay, extension or termination to the exchange agent; or

to amend the terms of the exchange offer in any manner.

In the event that we make a fundamental change to the terms of the exchange offer, we will file a post-effective amendment to the registration statement.

Procedures for Tendering

In order to participate in the exchange offer, you must properly tender your outstanding notes to the exchange agent as described below. We will only issue exchange notes in exchange for outstanding notes that you timely and properly tender. Therefore, you should allow sufficient time to ensure timely delivery of the outstanding notes, and you should follow carefully the instructions on how to tender your outstanding notes. It is your responsibility to properly tender your notes. We have the right to waive any defects. However, we are not required to waive defects and are not required to notify you of defects in your tender.

If you have any questions or need help in exchanging your notes, please call the exchange agent, whose address and phone number are set forth in "Prospectus Summary The Exchange Offer Exchange Agent."

All of the outstanding notes were issued in book-entry form, and all of the outstanding notes are currently represented by global certificates held for the account of DTC. We have confirmed with DTC that the outstanding notes may be tendered using the automated tender offer program ("ATOP") instituted by DTC. The exchange agent will establish an account with DTC for purposes of the exchange offer promptly after the commencement of the exchange offer, and DTC participants may electronically transmit their acceptance of the exchange offer by causing DTC to transfer their outstanding notes to the exchange agent using the ATOP procedures. In connection with the transfer, DTC will send an "agent's message" to the exchange agent. The agent's message will state that DTC has received instructions from the participant to tender outstanding notes and that the participant agrees to be bound by the terms of the letter of transmittal.

By using the ATOP procedures to exchange outstanding notes, you will not be required to deliver a letter of transmittal to the exchange agent. However, you will be bound by its terms just as if you had signed it. There is no procedure for guaranteed late delivery of the notes.

Determinations Under the Exchange Offer

We will determine, in our sole discretion, all questions as to the validity, form, eligibility, time of receipt, acceptance of tendered outstanding notes and withdrawal of tendered outstanding notes. Our determination will be final and binding. We reserve the absolute right to reject any outstanding notes not properly tendered or any outstanding notes our acceptance of which would, in the opinion of

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our counsel, be unlawful. We also reserve the right to waive any defect, irregularities or conditions of tender as to particular outstanding notes. Our interpretation of the terms and conditions of the exchange offer, including the instructions in the letter of transmittal, will be final and binding on all parties. Unless waived, all defects or irregularities in connection with tenders of outstanding notes must be cured within such time as we shall determine. Although we intend to notify holders of defects or irregularities with respect to tenders of outstanding notes, neither we, the exchange agent nor any other person will incur any liability for failure to give such notification. Tenders of outstanding notes will not be deemed made until such defects or irregularities have been cured or waived. Any outstanding notes received by the exchange agent that are not properly tendered and as to which the defects or irregularities have not been cured or waived will be returned to the tendering holder, unless otherwise provided in the letter of transmittal, promptly following the expiration or termination of the exchange offer.

When We Will Issue Exchange Notes

We will issue the exchange notes when or promptly after the exchange offer expires. In all cases, we will issue exchange notes for outstanding notes that we have accepted for exchange under the exchange offer only after the exchange agent timely receives:

a book-entry confirmation of such outstanding notes into the exchange agent's account at DTC; and

a properly transmitted agent's message.

Return of Outstanding Notes Not Accepted or Exchanged

If we do not accept any tendered outstanding notes for exchange or if outstanding notes are submitted for a greater principal amount than the holder desires to exchange, the unaccepted or non-exchanged outstanding notes will be returned without expense to their tendering holder. Such non-exchanged outstanding notes will be credited to an account maintained with DTC. These actions will occur promptly after the expiration or termination of the exchange offer.

Your Representations to Us

By agreeing to be bound by the letter of transmittal, you will represent to us that, among other things:

any exchange notes that you receive will be acquired in the ordinary course of your business;

you have no arrangement or understanding with any person or entity to participate in the distribution of the exchange notes;

you are not our affiliate, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act; and

if you are a broker-dealer that will receive exchange notes for your own account in exchange for outstanding notes, you acquired those notes as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities and you will deliver a prospectus (or, to the extent permitted by law, make available a prospectus) in connection with any resale of such exchange notes.

Withdrawal of Tenders

Except as otherwise provided in this prospectus, you may withdraw your tender at any time prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date. For a withdrawal to be effective, you must comply with the appropriate procedures of DTC's ATOP system. Any notice of withdrawal must specify the name and number of the account at DTC to be credited with withdrawn outstanding notes and otherwise comply with the procedures of DTC.

We will determine all questions as to the validity, form, eligibility and time of receipt of notice of withdrawal. Our determination shall be final and binding on all parties. We will deem any outstanding notes so withdrawn not to have been validly tendered for exchange for purposes of the

exchange offer.

Any outstanding notes that have been tendered for exchange but are not exchanged for any reason will be credited to an account maintained with DTC for the outstanding notes. This crediting will take place promptly after the expiration or termination of the exchange offer.

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Acceptance of the Notes and Delivery of the Exchange Notes

Subject to and as soon as practicable after the satisfaction or waiver of all of the conditions to the exchange offer, we will promptly accept all outstanding notes validly tendered and not properly withdrawn before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date, and will deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Trustee for cancellation all outstanding notes or portions thereof so accepted for exchange by us. Following such acceptance, we will issue, and cause Union Bank, N.A., the trustee under the indenture for the outstanding notes and the exchange notes, to promptly authenticate and deliver to each holder, exchange notes equal in principal amount to the principal amount of the outstanding notes tendered by such holder. Please refer to the section in this prospectus entitled "Conditions to the Exchange Offer" below. For purposes of the exchange offer, we will be deemed to have accepted properly tendered outstanding notes for exchange when we give notice of acceptance to the exchange agent.

Conditions to the Exchange Offer

Notwithstanding any other provision of the exchange offer, we will not be required to accept for exchange, or to issue exchange notes in exchange for, any outstanding notes and may terminate or amend the exchange offer if at any time before the acceptance of those outstanding notes for exchange or the exchange of the exchange notes for those outstanding notes, we determine that the exchange offer violates applicable law, any applicable interpretation of the staff of the SEC or any order of any governmental agency or court of competent jurisdiction.

The foregoing conditions are for our sole benefit and may be asserted by us regardless of the circumstances giving rise to any such condition or may be waived by us in whole or in part at any time and from time to time in our sole discretion. The failure by us at any time to exercise any of the foregoing rights shall not be deemed a waiver of any of those rights and each of those rights shall be deemed an ongoing right which may be asserted at any time and from time to time.

In addition, we will not accept for exchange any outstanding notes tendered, and no exchange notes will be issued in exchange for those outstanding notes, if at such time any stop order shall be threatened or in effect with respect to the registration statement of which this prospectus constitutes a part or the qualification of the indenture under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939. In any of those events we are required to use our reasonable best efforts to obtain the withdrawal of any stop order at the earliest possible moment.

Fees and Expenses

We will not make any payments to brokers, dealers or others soliciting acceptances of the exchange offer. The principal solicitation is being made by mail; however, additional solicitations may be made in person or by telephone by our officers and employees. The estimated cash expenses to be incurred in connection with the exchange offer will be paid by us and will include fees and expenses of the exchange agent, accounting, legal, printing and related fees and expenses.

Regulatory Approvals

We do not believe that the receipt of any material federal or state regulatory approval will be necessary in connection with the exchange offer, other than the effectiveness of the exchange offer registration statement under the Securities Act.

Accounting Treatment

The exchange notes will be recorded at the same carrying value as the outstanding notes as reflected in our accounting records on the date of exchange. Accordingly, no gain or loss for accounting purposes will be recognized by us. The expenses of the exchange offer and the unamortized expenses related to the issuance of the outstanding notes will be amortized over the term of the exchange notes.

Transfer Taxes

Holders who tender their outstanding notes for exchange pursuant to this exchange offer will not be obligated to pay any transfer taxes in connection with that tender or exchange, except that holders who instruct us to register exchange notes in the name of, or request that outstanding notes not tendered or not accepted in the exchange offer be returned to, a person other than the registered tendering holder will be responsible for the payment of any applicable transfer tax on those notes. If, however, a transfer tax is imposed for any reason other than the exchange of notes pursuant to this exchange offer, then the amount of such transfer taxes (whether imposed on such holder or any other person) will be payable by the tendering holder.

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Consequences of Failure to Exchange

If you do not exchange your outstanding notes for exchange notes pursuant to the exchange offer, the outstanding notes you hold will continue to be outstanding and accrue interest and will also be subject to the existing transfer restrictions provided in the outstanding notes and the indenture. Following completion of the exchange offer, we do not plan to register outstanding notes under the Securities Act unless our registration rights agreement with the initial purchasers of the outstanding notes requires us to do so. Further, if you continue to hold any outstanding notes after the exchange offer is consummated, you may have trouble selling them because there will be fewer of the outstanding notes outstanding.

DESCRIPTION OF EXCHANGE NOTES

We will issue the exchange notes under the same indenture as the outstanding notes, between us, as issuer, and Union Bank, N.A., as trustee. As used in this description of exchange notes, the words we, us, our or AGCO refer only to AGCO Corporation, a Delaware corporation, and do not include any of our subsidiaries.

The form and terms of the exchange notes are the same as the form and terms of the outstanding notes, except that the exchange notes:

will be registered under the Securities Act;

will not bear restrictive legends restricting their transfer under the Securities Act;

will not be entitled to the registration rights that apply to the outstanding notes; and

will not contain provisions relating to an increase in any interest rate in connection with the outstanding notes under circumstances related to the timing of the exchange offer.

The term notes as used in this section means the exchange notes and the outstanding notes, in each case outstanding at any given time and issued under the indenture. The following description is a summary of the material provisions of the notes and the indenture. It does not purport to be complete. This summary is subject to and is qualified by reference to all the provisions of the indenture, including the definitions of certain terms used in the indenture, and the notes, which we urge you to read because they define your rights as a note holder. A copy of the indenture, including forms of the notes, has been filed as an exhibit to the exchange offer registration statement of which this prospectus is a part. See

Where You Can Find Additional Information. Copies of the indenture, including forms of the notes, are available upon request to us.

General

We are offering \$300,000,000 aggregate principal amount of our 5.875% Senior Notes due 2021. The notes:

are senior unsecured obligations of ours;

rank equally with all of our other senior unsecured indebtedness from time to time outstanding;

are structurally subordinated to all existing and future obligations of our subsidiaries; and

are issued in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

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The notes will mature on December 1, 2021, unless earlier redeemed or repurchased. We may, without the consent of the holders, issue additional notes under the indenture with the same terms and with the same CUSIP numbers as the notes offered hereby in an unlimited aggregate principal amount, provided that such additional notes must be part of the same issue as the notes offered hereby for United States federal income tax purposes. We may also from time to time, to the extent permitted by law, repurchase the notes in open market purchases or negotiated transactions without prior notice to holders.

Neither we nor any of our subsidiaries are subject to any financial covenants under the indenture. In addition, neither we nor any of our subsidiaries are restricted under the indenture from paying dividends, incurring debt, or issuing or repurchasing our securities.

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You are not afforded protection under the indenture in the event of a highly leveraged transaction or a change in control of us except to the extent described below under Offer to Repurchase Upon a Change of Control Triggering Event.

The notes bear cash interest at a rate of 5.875% per year. Interest on the notes will accrue from December 5, 2011, or from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for. We will pay interest semiannually in arrears on June 1 and December 1 of each year, beginning on June 1, 2012, to record holders at the close of business on the preceding May 15 and November 15, as the case may be, except interest payable upon redemption or repurchase will be paid to the person to whom principal is payable, unless the redemption date or repurchase date, as the case may be, is an interest payment date.

We will maintain an office in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, for the payment of interest, which shall initially be an office or agency of the trustee. Interest may be paid to you either:

by check mailed to your address as it appears in the note register, provided that if you are a holder with an aggregate principal amount in excess of \$2.0 million, you shall be paid, at your written election, by wire transfer in immediately available funds; or

by transfer to an account maintained by you in the United States.

However, so long as DTC is the sole registered owner of the notes, we will make interest payments to DTC by wire transfer of immediately available funds. We will not be responsible for the payments of any amounts owed by DTC to the beneficial owners of the notes. Interest is computed on the basis of a 360-day year composed of twelve, 30-day months.

Ranking

The notes are general unsecured obligations of AGCO and rank equally with all of our unsecured and unsubordinated obligations from time to time outstanding. As of December 31, 2011, we did not have any senior unsecured indebtedness that would rank equally with the notes, and we and our subsidiaries had approximately \$49.3 million of secured indebtedness outstanding which would be effectively senior to the notes. Holders of any secured indebtedness will have claims that are prior to your claims as holders of the notes, to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness, in the event of any bankruptcy, liquidation or similar proceeding. In addition, the notes are structurally subordinated to all existing and future obligations of our subsidiaries. As of December 31, 2011, our subsidiaries had approximately \$991.3 of indebtedness. In the future we and our subsidiaries may incur additional indebtedness including secured indebtedness subject in the case of secured indebtedness to the covenant described under Limitations on Liens.

Optional Redemption

Prior to September 1, 2021, we may redeem the notes, in whole or in part from time to time, at our option as set forth below. We will mail notice of the redemption to registered holders of such notes at least 30 days and not more than 60 days prior to the date set for redemption. We may redeem such notes at a redemption price equal to the greater of:

100% of the principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, including additional interest, if any, to, but excluding, the redemption date; or

the sum, as determined by an independent investment banker, of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest (exclusive of interest accrued to the date of redemption) discounted to the redemption date on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the treasury rate plus 50 basis points, plus accrued and unpaid interest, including additional interest, if any, to, but excluding, the date of redemption.

Beginning September 1, 2021, we may redeem the notes, in whole or in part from time to time, at our option, for an amount in cash equal to 100% of the principal amount plus any accrued and unpaid interest, including additional interest, if any, to, but excluding, the redemption date. We are required to give notice of redemption by mail to holders not more than 60 but less than 30 days prior to the redemption dates.

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comparable treasury issue means the United States treasury security selected by an independent investment banker as having a maturity comparable to the remaining term (remaining life) of the notes to be redeemed that would be utilized, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary financial practice, in pricing new issues of corporate debt securities of comparable maturity to the remaining term of the notes.

comparable treasury price means, with respect to any redemption date, (1) the average of the reference treasury dealer quotations for such redemption date, after excluding the highest and lowest such reference treasury dealer quotations, or (2) if the independent investment banker obtains fewer than four such reference treasury dealer quotations, the average of all such quotations or, if only one such quotation is obtained, such quotation.

independent investment banker means an independent investment banking institution of national standing appointed by us, which may be one of the reference treasury dealers.

reference treasury dealer means any primary U.S. government securities dealers in New York City (a primary treasury dealer) that we select, which are J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, a primary treasury dealer selected by Mitsubishi UFJ Securities (USA), Inc., Rabo Securities USA, Inc. or SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc. after consultation with us and any other primary treasury dealers selected by us; provided, however, that if any of the foregoing shall cease to be a primary U.S. government securities dealer in the United States, we will substitute therefor another primary treasury dealer.

reference treasury dealer quotation means, with respect to each reference treasury dealer and any redemption date, the average, as determined by the independent investment banker, of the bid and asked prices for the comparable treasury issue (expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to the independent investment banker by such reference treasury dealer at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the third business day preceding such redemption date.

treasury rate means, with respect to any redemption date, (1) the yield, under the heading which represents the average for the immediately preceding week, appearing in the most recently published statistical release designated H.15(519) or any successor publication which is published weekly by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and which establishes yields on actively traded United States treasury securities adjusted to constant maturity under the caption Treasury Constant Maturities , for the maturity corresponding to the comparable treasury issue (provided that if no maturity is within three months before or after the remaining life, yields for the two published maturities most closely corresponding to the comparable treasury issue shall be determined and the treasury rate shall be interpolated or extrapolated from such yields on a straight line basis, rounding to the nearest month), or (2) if such release (or any successor release) is not published during the week preceding the calculation date or does not contain such yields, the rate per annum equal to the semi-annual equivalent yield to maturity of the comparable treasury issue, calculated using a price for the comparable treasury issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the comparable treasury price for such redemption date. The treasury rate shall be calculated on the third business day preceding the redemption date.

If money sufficient to pay the redemption price of all of the notes (or portions thereof) to be redeemed on the redemption date is deposited with the trustee or paying agent on or before the redemption date, then on and after such redemption date, interest will cease to accrue on such notes (or such portion thereof) called for redemption.

If less than all of the outstanding notes are to be redeemed, the trustee will select the notes to be redeemed in principal amounts of \$2,000 or multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof by lot, pro rata or by another method the trustee considers fair and appropriate.

We may at any time, and from time to time, purchase the notes at any price or prices in the open market or otherwise. Notes so purchased may, at our sole option, be held, resold or surrendered to the trustee for cancellation.

Special Mandatory Redemption

Prior to completing the acquisition of the GSI Holdings Corp., the outstanding notes were subject to special mandatory redemption provisions if a special mandatory redemption trigger event occurred. However, since December 1, 2011, such special mandatory redemption provisions are no longer operative.

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Offer to Repurchase Upon a Change of Control Triggering Event

If a change of control triggering event, as discussed below, occurs at any time prior to the maturity of the notes, unless we have exercised our right to redeem the notes as described under **Optional Redemption** above, you may require us to repurchase your notes for cash, in whole or in part, on a repurchase date of our choosing that is not less than 30 nor more than 60 days after the date of our notice of the change of control triggering event. The notes will be repurchased in principal amounts of \$2,000 or integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. We will repurchase the notes at a price equal to 101% of the principal amount to be repurchased, plus any accrued and unpaid interest, including additional interest, if any, to, but excluding, the repurchase date, subject to the rights of holders on the relevant record date to receive interest on the relevant interest payment date. Any notes repurchased by us will be paid for in cash.

We will mail to all record holders a notice of a change of control triggering event within 30 days following any change of control triggering event, or, at our option, prior to the date of consummation of any change of control, but after public announcement of the pending change of control, and of the resulting repurchase right, if any. We are also required by the indenture to deliver to the trustee a copy of the change of control triggering event notice. If you elect to require us to repurchase your notes, you must deliver to us or our designated paying agent, on or before the repurchase date specified in our change of control triggering event notice, your repurchase notice for transfer. We will promptly pay the repurchase price for notes surrendered for repurchase following the later of the repurchase date and the time of book-entry transfer or delivery of the notes to be redeemed, duly endorsed for transfer. If the paying agent holds money sufficient to pay the repurchase price for any note on the repurchase date, then, on and after such date, the notes will cease to be outstanding, interest will cease to accrue and all other rights of the holder will terminate, except the right to receive the repurchase price. This will be the case whether or not book-entry transfer of the note has been made or the note has been delivered to the paying agent.

We will not be required to make an offer to purchase your notes in the event of a change of control triggering event if a third party makes such an offer in the manner, at the times and otherwise in compliance with the requirements for such an offer made by us and such third party purchases all notes properly tendered and not withdrawn under its offer.

You may withdraw any written repurchase notice by delivering a written notice of withdrawal to the paying agent prior to the close of business on the redemption date. The withdrawal notice must state:

the principal amount of the withdrawn notes;

if certificated notes have been issued, the certificate numbers and CUSIP numbers of the withdrawn notes (or, if your notes are not certificated, your withdrawal notice must comply with appropriate DTC procedures); and

the principal amount, if any, that remains subject to the repurchase notice.

A **change of control triggering event** will be deemed to have occurred if the notes cease to be rated investment grade by at least two of the three rating agencies on any date during the period commencing 60 days prior to the first public announcement by the company of any **change of control** (or pending change of control) and ending 60 days following consummation of such change of control (which period will be extended following consummation of a change of control for so long as any of the rating agencies has publicly announced that it is considering a possible ratings change). Unless at least two of the three rating agencies are providing a rating for the notes at the commencement of any such period, the notes will be deemed to have ceased to be rated investment grade by at least two of the three rating agencies during that period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no change of control triggering event will be deemed to have occurred in connection with any particular change of control unless and until such change of control has actually been consummated.

A **change of control** will be deemed to have occurred at the time after the notes are originally issued that any of the following occurs:

(1) the direct or indirect sale, lease, transfer, conveyance or other disposition (other than by way of merger or consolidation), in one or a series of related transactions, of all or substantially all of the assets of the company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole to any person (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the **Exchange Act**)) other than to the company or one of its subsidiaries;

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(2) the consummation of any transaction (including without limitation, any merger or consolidation) the result of which is that any person (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) becomes the beneficial owner (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the outstanding voting stock of the company, measured by voting power rather than number of shares;

(3) the company consolidates with, or merges with or into, any person, or any person consolidates with, or merges with or into, the company, in any such event pursuant to a transaction in which any of the outstanding voting stock of the company or such other person is converted into or exchanged for cash, securities or other property, other than any such transaction where the shares of the voting stock of the company outstanding immediately prior to such transaction constitute, or are converted into or exchanged for, a majority of the voting stock of the surviving person immediately after giving effect to such transaction;

(4) the first day on which the majority of the members of the board of directors of the company cease to be continuing directors; or

(5) the adoption by our shareholders of a plan relating to the liquidation or dissolution of the company.

For these purposes:

continuing director means, as of any date of determination, any member of the board of directors of the company who:

(1) was a member of such board of directors on the date of the indenture; or

(2) was nominated for election, elected or appointed to such board of directors with the approval of a majority of the continuing directors who were members of such board of directors at the time of such nomination, election or appointment (or such lesser number comprising a majority of a nominating committee if authority for such nomination, election or appointment has been delegated to a nominating committee whose authority and composition have been approved by at least a majority of the directors who were continuing directors at the time such committee was formed).

investment grade means a rating of Baa3 or better by Moody's (or its equivalent under any successor rating category of Moody's); a rating of BBB- or better by S&P (or its equivalent under any successor rating category of S&P); and a rating of BBB- or better by Fitch (or its equivalent under any successor rating category of Fitch) and the equivalent investment grade credit rating from any replacement rating agency or rating agencies selected by us under the circumstances permitting us to select a replacement rating agency and in the manner for selecting a replacement rating agency, in each case as set forth in the definition of rating agency.

rating agency means each of Fitch, Moody's and S&P; provided, that if any of Fitch, Moody's or S&P ceases to provide rating services to issuers or investors, we may appoint another nationally recognized statistical rating organization within the meaning of Rule 15c3-1(c)(2)(vi)(F) under the Exchange Act as a replacement for such rating agency; provided that we shall give written notice of such appointment to the trustee.

Fitch means Fitch Inc., a subsidiary of Fimalac, S.A., and its successors.

Moody's means Moody's Investors Service, Inc., and its successors.

S&P means Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., and its successors.

voting stock of any specified person as of any date means the capital stock of such person that is at the time entitled to vote generally in the election of the board of directors of such person.

The definition of change of control includes a phrase relating to the direct or indirect sale, lease, transfer, conveyance or other disposition of all or substantially all of our assets and the assets of our subsidiaries taken as a whole. Although there is a limited

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body of case law interpreting the phrase substantially all, there is no precise, established definition of the phrase under applicable law. Accordingly, the applicability of the requirement that we offer to repurchase the notes as a result of a sale, lease, transfer, conveyance or other disposition of less than all of our assets and the assets of our subsidiaries taken as a whole to another person (as such terms is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) may be uncertain.

We will comply with any applicable provisions of Rule 13e-4 and any other tender offer rules under the Exchange Act in the event of a change of control triggering event.

These change of control triggering event repurchase rights could discourage a potential acquirer. However, this change of control triggering event repurchase feature is not the result of management's knowledge of any specific effort to obtain control of us by means of a merger, tender offer or solicitation, or part of a plan by management to adopt a series of anti-takeover provisions. The term change of control is limited to specified transactions and may not include other events that might adversely affect our financial condition or business operations. Our obligation to offer to repurchase the notes upon a change of control triggering event would not necessarily afford you protection in the event of a highly leveraged transaction, reorganization, merger or similar transaction involving us.

Limitations on Liens

We will not, and will not permit any of our restricted subsidiaries to, create, incur, issue, assume or guarantee any indebtedness for money borrowed secured by a lien (secured debt) upon any principal property or any shares of stock or indebtedness for borrowed money of any restricted subsidiary, whether owned at the date of the indenture or thereafter acquired, without effectively providing concurrently that the notes are secured equally and ratably with or, at our option, prior to such secured debt so long as such secured debt shall be so secured.

The foregoing restriction shall not apply to, and there shall be excluded from secured debt in any computation under such restriction, secured debt secured by:

- (1) liens on any property, shares of stock or indebtedness for borrowed money of any entity existing at the time such entity becomes a restricted subsidiary;
- (2) liens on property or shares of stock existing at the time of the acquisition of such property or stock by us or a restricted subsidiary, or existing as of the original date of the indenture;
- (3) liens to secure the payment of all or any part of the price of acquisition, construction or improvement of such property or stock by us or a restricted subsidiary, or to secure any secured debt incurred by us or a restricted subsidiary, prior to, at the time of, or within 180 days after, the later of the acquisition or completion of construction (including any improvements on an existing property), which secured debt is incurred for the purpose of financing all or any part of the purchase price thereof or construction of improvements thereon; provided, however, that, in the case of any such acquisition, construction or improvement, the lien shall not apply to any property theretofore owned by us or a restricted subsidiary, other than, in the case of any such construction or improvement, any theretofore substantially unimproved real property on which the property or improvement so constructed is located;
- (4) liens granted in favor of, or for the benefit of, us or a restricted subsidiary;
- (5) liens on property of an entity existing at the time such entity is merged into or consolidated with us or a restricted subsidiary or at the time of a sale, lease or other disposition of the properties of an entity as an entirety or substantially as an entirety to us or a restricted subsidiary;
- (6) liens to secure hedging obligations entered into in the ordinary course of business for bona fide hedging purposes to purchase any raw material or other commodity or to hedge risks or reduce costs with respect to our, or any of our restricted subsidiaries', interest rate, currency or commodity exposure;
- (7) easements, rights-of-way, restrictions, encroachments, protrusions and other similar encumbrances on real property which in the aggregate do not materially detract from the value of such property or materially interfere with the ordinary conduct of our businesses and our restricted subsidiaries; or
- (8) any extension, renewal or replacement (or successive extensions, renewals or replacements) in whole

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or in part of any lien referred to in clauses (1) through (7) above; provided, however, that the principal amount of secured debt so secured shall not exceed the principal amount of secured debt so secured at the time of such extension, renewal or replacement (except any amounts committed at the date of the indenture), and that such extension, renewal or replacement shall be limited to all or a part of the property which secured the lien so extended, renewed or replaced (plus improvements and construction on such property).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, we and any one or more of our restricted subsidiaries may, however, without securing the notes, create, incur, issue, assume or guarantee secured debt secured by a lien if, after giving effect to the transaction, the aggregate of the secured debt then outstanding (not including secured debt permitted under the above exceptions) does not exceed 15% of our consolidated net tangible assets as shown on our consolidated financial statements as of the end of the fiscal year preceding the date of determination.

For these purposes:

consolidated net tangible assets means our and our restricted subsidiaries total assets (including, without limitation, any net investments in subsidiaries that are not restricted subsidiaries) after deducting therefrom (a) all current liabilities (except for indebtedness payable by its terms more than one year from the date of incurrence thereof or renewable or extendible at the option of the obligor for a period ending more than one year after such date of incurrence) and (b) all goodwill, trade names, trademarks, franchises, patents, unamortized debt discount and expense, organization and developmental expenses and other like segregated intangibles, all as computed by us and our restricted subsidiaries as of the end of the fiscal year preceding the date of determination in accordance with GAAP; provided, that any items constituting deferred income taxes, deferred investment tax credit or other similar items shall not be taken into account as a liability or as a deduction from or adjustment to total assets.

GAAP means U.S. generally accepted accounting principles as are set forth in the statements and pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board and in opinions of the Accounting Principles Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants or in such other statements by such other entity as have been approved by a significant segment of the accounting profession or which have other substantial authoritative support in the United States and are applicable in the circumstances, in each case, as applied on a consistent basis, which are in effect as of the issuance date of the notes.

hedging obligations of any person means the obligations of such person pursuant to any interest rate swap agreement, interest rate cap agreement or other financial agreement or arrangement with respect to exposure to interest rates, any foreign exchange contract, currency swap agreement or other similar agreement with respect to currency values, any forward contract, commodity swap, commodity option or other financial agreement or arrangement relating to, or the value of which is dependent upon, fluctuations in commodity prices or any derivative contract entered into to hedge interest rate risk, currency exchange risk, and commodity price risk.

lien or liens means any mortgage, pledge, lien, security interest or other encumbrances upon any principal property or any shares of stock or on indebtedness for borrowed money of any restricted subsidiary (whether such principal property, shares of stock or indebtedness for borrowed money are now owned or hereafter acquired).

principal property means any single manufacturing or processing plant, office building or warehouse owned or leased by us or any of our restricted subsidiaries other than a plant, warehouse, office building, or portion thereof which, (i) has a gross book value of less than 2% of consolidated net tangible assets or (ii) in the opinion of the company's board of directors, is not of material importance to the business conducted by AGCO and its restricted subsidiaries as an entirety.

restricted subsidiary means any of our subsidiaries which owns or is the lessee of any principal property.

subsidiary means any corporation, partnership or other legal entity (a) the accounts of which are consolidated with ours in accordance with GAAP and (b) of which, in the case of a corporation, more than 50% of the outstanding voting stock is owned, directly or indirectly, by us or by one or more other subsidiaries, or by us and one or more other subsidiaries or, in the case of any partnership or other legal entity, more than 50% of the ordinary equity capital interests is, at the time, directly or indirectly owned or controlled by us or by one or more of the subsidiaries or by us and one or more of the subsidiaries.

Limitations on Sale and Leaseback Transactions

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We will not, and will not permit any restricted subsidiary to, enter into any sale and leaseback transaction unless:

(1) we or such restricted subsidiary would be entitled to create, incur, issue, assume or guarantee indebtedness secured by a lien upon such principal property at least equal in amount to the attributable debt in respect of such arrangement without equally and ratably securing the notes; provided, however, that from and after the date on which such arrangement becomes effective, the attributable debt in respect of such arrangement shall be deemed, for all purposes described under **Limitations on Liens** above, to be secured debt subject to the provisions of the covenants described therein; or

(2) since the original date of the indenture and within a period commencing twelve months prior to the consummation of such sale and leaseback transaction and ending twelve months after the consummation of such sale and leaseback transaction, we, or any restricted subsidiary, as the case may be, has expended or will expend for the principal property an amount equal to

(A) the net proceeds of such sale and leaseback transaction, and we elect to designate such amount as a credit against such sale and leaseback transaction, or

(B) a part of the net proceeds of such sale and leaseback transaction and we elect to designate such amount as a credit against such sale and leaseback transaction and applies an amount equal to the remainder of the net proceeds as provided in the following paragraph; or

(3) such sale and leaseback transaction does not come within the exceptions provided by paragraph (1) above and we do not make the election permitted by paragraph (2) above or make such election only as to a part of such net proceeds, in either of which events we shall apply an amount in cash equal to the attributable debt in respect of such arrangement (less any amount elected under paragraph (2) above) to the retirement, within 180 days of the effective date of any such arrangement, of indebtedness for borrowed money of ours or any restricted subsidiary (other than our indebtedness for borrowed money which is subordinated to the notes) which by its terms matures at or is extendible or renewable at the sole option of the obligor without requiring the consent of the obligees to a date more than twelve months after the date of the creation of such indebtedness for borrowed money (it being understood that such retirement may be made by prepayment of such indebtedness for borrowed money, if permitted by the terms thereof, as well as by payment at maturity, and that at our option and pursuant to the terms of the indenture, such indebtedness may include the notes).

For these purposes:

attributable debt means the present value (discounted at the weighted average interest rate borne by the notes outstanding at the time of such sale and leaseback transaction compounded semi-annually) of the obligation of a lessee for net rental payments during the remaining term of any lease (including any period for which such lease has been extended).

sale and leaseback transaction means any arrangement with any person providing for the leasing by us or any restricted subsidiary of any principal property, whether such principal property is now owned or hereafter acquired (except for (1) temporary leases for a term, including renewals at the option of the lessee, of not more than three years and (2) leases between us and a restricted subsidiary or between restricted subsidiaries), which principal property has been or is to be sold or transferred by us or such restricted subsidiary to such person with the intention of taking back a lease of such principal property.

Merger, Consolidation or Sale of Assets by AGCO

We may not consolidate with or merge with or into, whether or not we are the surviving corporation, or sell, assign, convey, transfer or lease our properties and assets substantially as an entirety to any person, unless:

the surviving corporation or the person acquiring the assets is organized and existing under the laws of the United States or one of the 50 states, any U.S. territory or the District of Columbia, and assumes the obligation to pay the principal of, and premium, if any, and interest, including additional interest, if any, on all the notes, and to perform or observe all covenants of the indenture;

immediately after the transaction, there is no event of default under the indenture; and

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we deliver to the trustee a certificate and opinion of counsel stating that the transaction complies with the indenture. Upon the consolidation, merger or sale, the successor corporation formed by the consolidation, or into which we are merged or to which the sale is made, will succeed to, and be substituted for us under the indenture and the registration rights agreement.

There is no clear meaning for the phrase substantially as an entirety. Accordingly, in certain circumstances there may be a degree of uncertainty as to whether a particular transaction would involve a disposition of our properties and assets substantially as an entirety. As a result, it may be unclear as to whether the merger, consolidation or sale of assets covenant would apply to a particular transaction as described above absent a decision by a court of competent jurisdiction.

Reports

The indenture provides that any documents or reports that we are required to file with the SEC pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act will be filed with the trustee within 30 days after the same is required to be filed with the SEC. Documents filed by us with the SEC via the EDGAR system (or any successor thereto) will be deemed to be filed with the trustee as of the time such documents are filed via EDGAR, provided, however, that the trustee will have no responsibility whatsoever to determine whether such filings have taken place.

Events of Default; Notice and Waiver

The following are events of default under the indenture:

we fail to pay principal or premium, if any, when due upon redemption or otherwise on the notes;

we fail to pay any interest or additional interest on the notes, when due and such failure continues for a period of 30 days;

we fail to perform or observe the covenants described above under the heading Merger, Consolidation or Sale of Assets by AGCO or fail to make or consummate any offer to redeem the notes following a change of control triggering event or redemption event;

we fail to perform or observe any of the covenants in the indenture for 90 days after notice by the trustee or the holders of 25% or more of the principal amount of outstanding notes;

the occurrence under indebtedness of the company or any significant subsidiary having an outstanding balance of \$50 million or more of (i) an event of default that has caused the holder of such indebtedness to accelerate the maturity of such indebtedness and such indebtedness has not been discharged in full or such acceleration rescinded within 30 days or (ii) the failure to make the principal payment on the final (but not interim) fixed maturity and such defaulted payment shall not have been made, waived or extended within 30 days; and

certain events involving our bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization or the bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization of one of our significant subsidiaries.

The trustee may withhold notice to the holders of the notes of any default, except defaults in payment of principal, premium, if any, or interest on the notes. However, the trustee must consider it to be in the interest of the holders of the notes to withhold this notice.

Subject to the provisions of the following paragraph, if an event of default occurs and continues, the trustee or the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding notes may declare the principal, premium, if any, and accrued interest and additional interest, if any, on the outstanding notes to be immediately due and payable. In case of certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency involving us, the principal, premium, if any, and accrued interest on the notes will automatically become due and payable. However, if we cure all defaults, except the nonpayment of principal, premium, if any, or interest or additional interest, if any, that became due as a result of the acceleration, and meet certain other conditions, with certain exceptions, this declaration may be cancelled and the holders of a majority of the principal amount of outstanding notes

may waive these past defaults.

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Notwithstanding the foregoing, the indenture will provide that, to the extent elected by us, the sole remedy for an Event of Default relating to the failure to file any documents or reports that we are required to file with the SEC pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and for any failure to comply with the requirements of Section 314(a)(1) of the Trust Indenture Act or of the covenant described above in Reports, will for the first 60 days after the occurrence of such an Event of Default consist exclusively of the right to receive an extension fee on the notes in an amount equal to 0.25% of the principal amount of the notes. If we so elect, the extension fee will be payable on all outstanding notes on the date on which an Event of Default relating to a failure to comply with the reporting obligations in the indenture first occurs. On the 60th day after such Event of Default (if the Event of Default relating to the reporting obligations is not cured or waived prior to such 60th day), the notes will be subject to acceleration as provided above. The provisions of the indenture described in this paragraph will not affect the rights of holders of notes in the event of the occurrence of any other Event of Default. In the event we do not elect to pay the extension fee upon an Event of Default in accordance with this paragraph, the notes will be subject to acceleration as provided above.

In order to elect to pay the extension fee as the sole remedy during the first 60 days after the occurrence of an Event of Default relating to the failure to comply with the reporting obligations in accordance with the immediately preceding paragraph, we must notify all holders of notes and the trustee and paying agent of such election on or before the close of business on the date on which such Event of Default occurs.

Payments of principal, premium, if any, or interest on the notes that are not made when due will accrue interest at the annual rate of 1% above the then applicable interest rate from the required payment date.

The holders of a majority of outstanding notes will have the right to direct the time, method and place of any proceedings for any remedy available to the trustee, subject to limitations specified in the indenture.

No holder of the notes may pursue any remedy under the indenture, except in the case of a default in the payment of principal, premium, if any, or interest on the notes, unless:

the holder has given the trustee written notice of a continuing event of default;

the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of outstanding notes make a written request, and offer indemnity reasonably satisfactory to the trustee to pursue the remedy;

the trustee does not receive an inconsistent direction from the holders of a majority in principal amount of the notes; and

the trustee fails to comply with the request within 60 days after receipt.

Modification and Waiver

The consent of the holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding notes is required to modify or amend the indenture. However, a modification or amendment requires the consent of the holder of each outstanding note affected if it would:

extend the fixed maturity of any note;

reduce the rate or extend the time for payment of interest of any note;

reduce the principal amount or premium of any note;

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reduce any amount payable upon redemption or repurchase of any note;

adversely change our obligation to redeem any note on a redemption date or upon a change of control triggering event or purchase any note on a repurchase event;

impair the right of a holder to institute suit for payment on any note;

change the currency in which any note is payable;

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reduce the quorum or voting requirements under the indenture;

change any obligation of ours to maintain an office or agency in the places and for the purposes specified in the indenture;

subject to specified exceptions, modify certain of the provisions of the indenture relating to modification or waiver of provisions of the indenture; or

reduce the percentage of notes required for consent to any modification of the indenture.

We are permitted to modify certain provisions of the indenture without the consent of the holders of the notes.

Legal Defeasance and Covenant Defeasance

The indenture provides that we may be discharged from our obligations with respect to the notes as described below.

At our option, we may choose one of the following alternatives:

We may elect to be discharged from any and all of our obligations in respect of the notes, except for, among other things, certain obligations to register the transfer or exchange of the notes, to replace stolen, lost or mutilated notes, and to maintain paying agencies and certain provisions relating to the treatment of funds held by the trustee for defeasance. We refer to this as legal defeasance.

Alternatively, we may decide not to comply with certain restrictive covenants contained in the indenture. Any noncompliance with those covenants will not constitute a default or an event of default with respect to the notes. We refer to this as covenant defeasance. In either case, we will be discharged from our obligations if we deposit with the trustee, in trust, sufficient money and/or U.S. government obligations (as referred to below), in the opinion of a nationally recognized investment bank, appraisal firm or firm of independent public accountants, to pay principal, any premium, and interest, including additional interest, if any, on the notes on the maturity of those payments in accordance with the terms of the indenture and the notes. This discharge may occur only if, among other things, we have delivered to the trustee an opinion of nationally recognized tax counsel which provides that the holders of the notes will not recognize income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such legal defeasance or covenant defeasance and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such legal defeasance or covenant defeasance had not occurred. In the case of legal defeasance, such opinion must be based on a change in law after the date of initial issuance or an Internal Revenue Service ruling directed to the trustee.

In the event we exercise our option to effect covenant defeasance with respect to the notes and the notes are declared due and payable because of the occurrence of any event of default, the amount of money and/or U.S. government obligations on deposit with the trustee will be sufficient to pay amounts due on the notes on the dates on which installments of interest or principal are due but may not be sufficient to pay amounts due on the notes at the time of the acceleration resulting from the event of default. Depending on the event causing the default, you may not be able to obtain payment of the shortfall.

For these purposes, U.S. government obligations generally means securities which are (1) direct obligations of the United States backed by its full faith and credit, or (2) obligations of a person controlled or supervised by and acting as an agency or instrumentality of the United States, the payment of which is unconditionally guaranteed as a full faith and credit obligation by the United States, which, in either case, are not callable or redeemable at the option of the issuer thereof, and will also include certain depository receipts.

We may exercise our legal defeasance option even if we have already exercised our covenant defeasance option. Legal defeasance and covenant defeasance are both subject to certain conditions, such as no default or event of default occurring and continuing, and no breach of any material agreement.

Book-Entry Delivery and Settlement

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The exchange notes will be issued in the form of one or more fully registered global notes (the global notes) which will be deposited with the trustee as custodian for DTC and registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC.

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Beneficial interests in the global notes will be represented through book-entry accounts of financial institutions acting on behalf of beneficial owners as direct and indirect participants in DTC. Investors may hold interests in the global notes through either DTC (in the United States), Clearstream Banking, S.A., Luxembourg, which we refer to as Clearstream, or Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear System, which we refer to as Euroclear, in Europe, either directly if they are participants in such systems or indirectly through organizations that are participants in such systems. Clearstream and Euroclear will hold interests on behalf of their participants through customers' securities accounts in Clearstream's and Euroclear's names on the books of their U.S. depositaries, which in turn will hold such interests in customers' securities accounts in the U.S. depositaries' names on the books of DTC.

Information Concerning DTC

All book-entry interests in the notes will be subject to the operations and procedures of DTC. We provide the following summaries of those operations and procedures solely for the convenience of investors. The operations and procedures of DTC are controlled by DTC and may be changed at any time.

We expect that under procedures established by DTC:

upon deposit of the global notes with DTC or its custodian, DTC will credit on its internal system the accounts of direct participants designated with portions of the principal amounts of the global notes; and

ownership of the notes will be shown on, and the transfer of ownership thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by DTC or its nominee, with respect to interests of direct participants, and the records of direct and indirect participants, with respect to interests of persons other than participants.

We are not responsible for these operations or procedures. DTC has advised us that it is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the laws of the State of New York, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a clearing corporation within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code and a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act. DTC was created to hold the securities of its participants and to facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions among its participants in such securities through electronic book-entry changes in the accounts of the participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of securities certificates. DTC's participants include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations, some of whom (or their representatives) own DTC. Access to DTC's book-entry system is also available to others, such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly.

Although DTC has agreed to the procedures described herein in order to facilitate transfers of interests in global notes among participants of DTC, it is under no obligation to perform or continue to perform such procedures, and such procedures may be discontinued at any time. Neither we, nor the trustee will have any responsibility for the performance by DTC or its participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

The laws of some jurisdictions may require that purchasers of securities take physical delivery of those securities in definitive form. Accordingly, the ability to transfer interests in the notes represented by a global note to those persons may be limited. In addition, because DTC can act only on behalf of its participants, who in turn act on behalf of persons who hold interests through participants, the ability of a person having an interest in notes represented by a global note to pledge or transfer those interests to persons or entities that do not participate in DTC's system, or otherwise to take actions in respect of such interest, may be affected by the lack of a physical definitive security in respect of such interest.

So long as DTC or its nominee is the registered owner of a global note, DTC or that nominee will be considered the sole owner or holder of the notes represented by that global note for all purposes under the indenture and under the notes. Except as provided below, owners of beneficial interests in a global note will not be entitled to have notes represented by that global note registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of certificated notes and will not be considered the owners or holders thereof under the applicable indenture or under the notes for any purpose, including with respect to the giving of any direction, instruction or approval to the trustee. Accordingly, each holder owning a beneficial interest in a global note must rely on the procedures of DTC and, if that holder is not a direct or indirect participant, on the procedures of the participant through which that holder owns its interest, to exercise any rights of a holder of notes under the applicable indenture or a global note.

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Neither we nor the trustee will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of notes by DTC, Clearstream or Euroclear, or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records of those organizations relating to the notes.

Payments on the notes represented by the global notes will be made by us to the paying agent and by the paying agent to DTC or its nominee, as the case may be, as the registered owner thereof. We expect that DTC or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment on the notes represented by a global note, will credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the global note as shown in the records of DTC or its nominee. We also expect that payments by participants to owners of beneficial interests in the global note held through such participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practice as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for such customers. The participants will be responsible for those payments.

Clearance and Settlement Procedures

Secondary market trading between DTC participants will occur in the ordinary way in accordance with DTC rules and will be settled in immediately available funds. Secondary market trading between Clearstream customers and/or Euroclear participants will occur in the ordinary way in accordance with the rules and operating procedures of Clearstream and Euroclear, as applicable, and will be settled using the procedures applicable to conventional eurobonds in immediately available funds.

Cross-market transfers between persons holding directly or indirectly through DTC, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Clearstream customers or Euroclear participants, on the other, will be effected through DTC in accordance with DTC rules on behalf of the relevant European international clearing system by its U.S. depositary; however, such cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to the relevant European international clearing system by the counterparty in such system in accordance with its rules and procedures and within its established deadlines (European time). The relevant European international clearing system will, if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to the U.S. depositary to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving the notes in DTC, and making or receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for same-day funds settlement applicable to DTC. Clearstream customers and Euroclear participants may not deliver instructions directly to their U.S. depositaries.

Because of time-zone differences, credits of the notes received in Clearstream or Euroclear as a result of a transaction with a DTC participant will be made during subsequent securities settlement processing and dated the business day following the DTC settlement date. Such credits or any transactions in the notes settled during such processing will be reported to the relevant Clearstream customers or Euroclear participants on such business day. Cash received in Clearstream or Euroclear as a result of sales of the notes by or through a Clearstream customer or a Euroclear participant to a DTC participant will be received with value on the DTC settlement date but will be available in the relevant Clearstream or Euroclear cash account only as of the business day following settlement in DTC.

Although DTC, Clearstream and Euroclear have agreed to the foregoing procedures to facilitate transfers of the notes among participants of DTC, Clearstream and Euroclear, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform such procedures and such procedures may be changed or discontinued at any time.

Certificated Notes

Individual certificates in respect of any notes will not be issued in exchange for the global notes except in very limited circumstances. We will issue or cause to be issued certificated notes to each person that DTC identifies as the beneficial owner of the notes represented by a global note upon surrender by DTC of the global note if:

DTC notifies us that it is no longer willing or able to act as a depositary for such global note or ceases to be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act, and we have not appointed a successor depositary within 120 days of that notice or becoming aware that DTC is no longer so registered;

an event of default has occurred and is continuing, and DTC requests the issuance of certificated notes; or

we determine not to have the notes represented by a global note.

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Neither we nor the trustee will be liable for any delay by DTC, its nominee or any direct or indirect participant in identifying the beneficial owners of the notes. We and the trustee may conclusively rely on, and will be protected in relying on, instructions from DTC or its nominee for all purposes, including with respect to the registration and delivery, and the respective principal amounts, of the certificated notes to be issued.

Registration and Transfer

The notes will be issued only in registered form without coupons. We will issue a book-entry security equal to the aggregate principal amount of outstanding notes represented by such book-entry security.

We initially have appointed the trustee as registrar under the indenture. We may at any time rescind the designation of any such transfer agent or approve a change in the location through which any such transfer agent acts, except that we will be required to maintain a transfer agent in the borough of Manhattan, the City of New York, for the notes. We may at any time designate additional transfer agents with respect to the notes.

In the event of any partial redemption of the notes, we will not be required to (1) issue notes, register the transfer of the notes or exchange the notes during a period beginning at the opening of business 15 days before the mailing date of a notice of redemption of the notes selected to be redeemed and ending at the close of business on such mailing date or (2) register the transfer or exchange of any note, or portion of any such note, that is called for redemption, except the unredeemed portion of any note being redeemed in part.

Transfers between participants in DTC will be done in accordance with DTC rules and will be settled in immediately available funds. If a holder requires physical delivery of definitive registered notes for any reason, including to sell the notes to persons in jurisdictions that require physical delivery of such securities or to pledge such securities, such holder must transfer its interest in the global notes in accordance with the normal procedures of DTC and in accordance with the provisions of the indenture.

Governing Law

The indenture, the registration rights agreement and the notes are governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

Information Concerning the Trustee

Union Bank, N.A., is the trustee under the indenture, and exchange agent for the notes. The trustee or its affiliates may provide banking and other services to us in the ordinary course of their business.

The indenture contains certain limitations on the rights of the trustee, if it or any of its affiliates is then our creditor, to obtain payment of claims in certain cases or to realize on certain property received on any claim as security or otherwise. The trustee and its affiliates will be permitted to engage in other transactions with us. However, if the trustee or any affiliate continues to have any conflicting interest and a default occurs with respect to the notes, the trustee must eliminate such conflict or resign as trustee under the indenture.

The trustee makes no representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of any information contained in this prospectus, except for such information that specifically pertains to the trustee itself, or any information incorporated by reference into this prospectus.

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MATERIAL UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The following is a summary of the material U.S. federal income tax considerations relating to the exchange of outstanding notes for exchange notes and the ownership and disposition of the exchange notes by a beneficial owner who purchased the outstanding notes on original issuance at the first price, which we refer to as the issue price, at which a substantial portion of the notes are sold for cash to persons other than bond houses, brokers, or similar persons or organizations acting in the capacity of underwriters, placement agents or wholesalers. This summary is based upon provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), applicable U.S. Treasury regulations, administrative rulings and judicial decisions in effect as of the date of this prospectus, any of which may subsequently be changed, possibly retroactively, or interpreted differently by the Internal Revenue Service (the IRS) so as to result in U.S. federal income tax consequences different from those discussed below. This summary does not address any U.S. federal tax considerations other than U.S. federal income tax considerations (such as estate or gift tax considerations), or considerations under the tax laws of any state, local or foreign jurisdiction.

Except where noted, this summary deals only with a note held as a capital asset (within the meaning of section 1221 of the Code) by a beneficial owner who purchased the note on original issuance at the issue price. This summary does not address all aspects of U.S. federal income taxation and does not deal with all tax consequences that may be relevant to holders in light of their personal circumstances or to special categories of holders, such as:

dealers in securities or currencies, financial institutions, regulated investment companies, real estate investment trusts, tax-exempt entities, insurance companies and traders in securities that elect to use a mark-to-market method of accounting for their securities;

persons holding notes as a part of a hedging, integrated, conversion or constructive sale transaction or a straddle;

U.S. holders, as defined below, whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar;

entities treated as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes and investors therein;

certain former citizens or residents of the United States; and

persons subject to alternative minimum tax.

In this discussion, we use the term U.S. holder to refer to a beneficial owner of notes that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes:

an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States;

a corporation (or any other entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes) created or organized in or under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia;

an estate the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source; or

a trust, if it (1) is subject to the primary supervision of a court within the United States and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust, or (2) has a valid election in effect under applicable U.S. Treasury regulations to be treated as a U.S. person.

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We use the term **non-U.S. holder** to describe a beneficial owner of notes that, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, is an individual, corporation, estate or trust that is not a U.S. holder.

If any entity treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes holds notes, the tax treatment of a partner or member generally will depend upon the status of the partner or member and the activities of the entity. If you are a partner or member in such an entity considering an investment in the notes, you should consult your own tax advisors.

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If you are considering the purchase of notes, you should consult your own tax advisors concerning the U.S. federal income, estate and gift tax consequences to you in light of your own specific situation, as well as consequences arising under the laws of any other taxing jurisdiction.

Exchange Offer

The exchange of the outstanding notes for the exchange notes will not be a taxable event to a holder and a holder will not recognize any taxable gain or loss or any interest income as a result of such exchange. The holding period for the exchange note received in the exchange will include the holding period for the outstanding note exchange therefor, a holder's adjusted tax basis in the exchange note will be the same as the adjusted tax basis of the outstanding notes exchange therefor and the exchange notes will have the same issue price as the outstanding notes.

Consequences to U.S. Holders

Payment of Stated Interest

Stated interest on a note generally will be taxable to a U.S. holder as ordinary income at the time it is received or accrued in accordance with the U.S. holder's usual method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Sale, Redemption or Other Taxable Disposition of Notes

A U.S. holder generally will recognize gain or loss upon the sale, redemption or other taxable disposition of a note equal to the difference between the amount realized (less any portion attributable to accrued but unpaid stated interest, which amount will be taxable as ordinary income, to the extent not previously so taxed) upon the sale, redemption or other taxable disposition and the U.S. holder's adjusted tax basis in the note. A U.S. holder's adjusted tax basis in a note generally will be equal to the amount that such U.S. holder paid for the note. Any gain or loss recognized on a sale, redemption or other taxable disposition of the note generally will be capital gain or loss. If, at the time of the sale, redemption or other taxable disposition of the note, a U.S. holder is treated as holding the note for more than one year, this capital gain or loss will be long-term capital gain or loss. Otherwise, this capital gain or loss will be short-term capital gain or loss. In the case of certain non-corporate U.S. holders (including individuals), long-term capital gain generally will be subject to a maximum U.S. federal income tax rate of 15%, which maximum tax rate currently is scheduled to increase to 20% for dispositions occurring during the taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2013. A U.S. holder's ability to deduct capital losses may be limited.

Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

Information reporting requirements generally will apply to payments of interest on the notes and the proceeds of a sale, redemption or other taxable disposition of a note paid to a U.S. holder unless the U.S. holder is an exempt recipient.

Backup withholding (currently at the rate of 28%, and currently scheduled to increase to 31% for payments made after December 31, 2012) will apply to those payments if the U.S. holder fails to provide its correct taxpayer identification number, or certification of exempt status, if the U.S. holder is notified by the IRS that it has become subject to backup withholding due to a prior failure to report in full payments of interest and dividend income, or otherwise fails to comply with applicable requirements of the backup withholding rules.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax. Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules will be allowed as a refund or a credit against a U.S. holder's U.S. federal income tax liability if the required information is furnished in a timely manner to the IRS.

Medicare Tax on Unearned Income

Recently enacted legislation requires certain U.S. holders that are individuals, estates or trusts to pay an additional 3.8% tax on, among other things, interest on and gains from the sale or other disposition of notes for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012. U.S. holders that are individuals, estates or trusts should consult their tax advisors regarding the effect, if any, of this legislation on their ownership and disposition of the notes.

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Consequences to Non-U.S. Holders

Payment of Interest

Subject to the discussion below concerning backup withholding, U.S. federal withholding tax will not apply to any payment of interest on a note to a non-U.S. holder provided that:

interest paid on the note is not effectively connected with the non-U.S. holder's conduct of a trade or business within the United States;

the non-U.S. holder does not actually or constructively own 10% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of our stock that are entitled to vote within the meaning of section 871(h)(3) of the Code;

the non-U.S. holder is not a bank whose receipt of interest on a note is described in section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code;

the non-U.S. holder is not a controlled foreign corporation that is related to us (actually or constructively) through stock ownership; and

the non-U.S. holder provides its name and address, and certifies, under penalties of perjury, that it is not a U.S. person (which certification may be made on an IRS Form W-8BEN or other applicable form) or (2) the non-U.S. holder holds the notes through certain foreign intermediaries or certain foreign partnerships, and the non-U.S. holder and the foreign intermediary or foreign partnership satisfies the certification requirements of applicable U.S. Treasury regulations.

If a non-U.S. holder cannot satisfy the requirements described above, payments of interest will be subject to the 30% U.S. federal withholding tax, unless the non-U.S. holder provides us with a properly executed (1) IRS Form W-8BEN (or other applicable form) claiming an exemption from or reduction in withholding under the benefit of an applicable income tax treaty or (2) IRS Form W-8ECI (or other applicable form) stating that interest paid on the notes is not subject to withholding tax because it is effectively connected with the non-U.S. holder's conduct of a trade or business within the United States. Effectively connected interest will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis in generally the same manner as a U.S. holder is taxed (unless any applicable income tax treaty provides otherwise). If a non-U.S. holder is a foreign corporation, it also may be subject to a branch profits tax equal to 30% (or lesser rate under an applicable income tax treaty) of its earnings and profits for the taxable year, subject to adjustments, that are effectively connected with its conduct of a trade or business within the United States.

Sale, Redemption or Other Taxable Disposition of Notes

Any gain realized by a non-U.S. holder on the sale, redemption or other taxable disposition of a note generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax unless:

that gain is effectively connected with a non-U.S. holder's conduct of a trade or business within the United States; or

the non-U.S. holder is an individual who was present in the United States for 183 days or more in the taxable year of that disposition and certain other conditions are met.

If a non-U.S. holder is described in the first bullet point above, it will be subject to tax on the net gain derived from the sale, redemption or other taxable disposition in the same manner as if the non-U.S. holder were a U.S. holder. If a non-U.S. holder is a foreign corporation that falls under the first bullet point above, it also may be subject to the branch profits tax equal to 30% (or lesser rate as may be specified under an applicable income tax treaty) of its effectively connected earnings and profits. If a non-U.S. holder is an individual described in the second bullet point above, such holder will be subject to a flat 30% tax on the gain derived from the sale, redemption or other taxable disposition, which may be

offset by certain U.S. source capital losses.

Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

Generally, we must report annually to the IRS and to non-U.S. holders the amount of interest paid to non-U.S. holders and the amount of tax, if any, withheld with respect to those payments. Copies of the information returns reporting such interest and withholding also may be made available to the tax authorities in the country in which a non-U.S. holder resides under the provisions of an applicable income tax treaty.

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In general, a non-U.S. holder will not be subject to backup withholding with respect to payments of interest that we make, provided the statement described above in the last bullet point under **Payment of Interest** has been received and we do not have actual knowledge or reason to know that the holder is a United States person, as defined under the Code, who is not an exempt recipient.

A non-U.S. holder will be subject to information reporting and, depending on the circumstances, backup withholding with respect to payments of the proceeds of the sale, redemption or other taxable disposition of a note within the United States or conducted through certain U.S.-related financial intermediaries, unless the statement described above has been received, and we do not have actual knowledge or reason to know that a holder is a United States person, as defined under the Code, who is not an exempt recipient, or the non-U.S. holder otherwise establishes an exemption.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax. Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules will be allowed as a refund or a credit against a non-U.S. holder's U.S. federal income tax liability if the required information is furnished in a timely manner to the IRS.

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PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

Each broker-dealer that receives exchange notes for its own account pursuant to the exchange offer must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of such exchange notes. This prospectus, as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, may be used by a broker-dealer in connection with resales of exchange notes received in exchange for outstanding notes where such exchange notes were acquired as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities. We have agreed to supplement or amend this prospectus for up to 180 days (subject to extension under specified circumstances) after the expiration date, in order to expedite or facilitate the disposition of any exchange notes by broker-dealers.

We will not receive any proceeds from any sale of the exchange notes by brokers-dealers. Exchange notes received by broker-dealers for their own account pursuant to the exchange offer may be sold from time to time in one or more transactions in the over-the-counter market, in negotiated transactions, through the writing of options on the exchange notes or a combination of such methods of resale, at market prices prevailing at the time of resale, at prices related to such prevailing market prices or negotiated prices. Any such resale may be made directly to purchasers or to or through brokers or dealers who may receive compensation in the form of commissions or concessions from any such broker-dealer and/or the purchasers of any such exchange notes. Any broker-dealer that resells exchange notes that were received by it for its own account pursuant to the exchange offer and any broker or dealer that participates in a distribution of such exchange notes may be deemed to be an underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act and any profit of any such resale of exchange notes and any commissions or concessions received by any such persons may be deemed to be underwriting compensation under the Securities Act. The letter of transmittal states that by acknowledging that it will deliver and by delivering a prospectus, a broker-dealer will not be deemed to admit that it is an underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act.

For such period of time as such broker-dealers subject to the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act must comply with such requirements, from the date on which the exchange offer is consummated, we will promptly send additional copies of this prospectus and any amendment or supplement to this prospectus to any broker-dealer that requests such documents in the letter of transmittal. We have agreed to pay all expenses in connection with the exchange offer (including the fees and disbursements of one counsel for the participating holders of the outstanding notes), other than underwriting discounts and commissions, brokerage commissions and transfer taxes, if any, relating to the sale or disposition of outstanding notes by the holders, and will indemnify the holders of the outstanding notes and their affiliates, directors, officers and controlling persons against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act.

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LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters in connection with the exchange offer, including the validity of the exchange notes, will be passed upon for us by Troutman Sanders LLP, Atlanta, Georgia.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule of AGCO Corporation and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2011, and management's assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011, have been included herein and in the registration statement in reliance upon the reports of KPMG LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, appearing elsewhere herein, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in accounting and auditing. The audit report on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011 contains an explanatory paragraph that states that AGCO Corporation acquired GSI Holdings Corp., Shandong Dafeng Machinery Co., Ltd., Laverda SpA, and AGCO-Amity JV (collectively the Acquired Entities) during 2011, and management excluded from its assessment of the effectiveness of AGCO Corporation's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011, the Acquired Entities' internal control over financial reporting associated with total assets of approximately \$1,685.8 million and total revenues of approximately \$249.4 million included in the consolidated financial statements of AGCO Corporation and subsidiaries as of and for the year ended December 31, 2011. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting of AGCO Corporation also excluded an evaluation of internal control over financial reporting of the Acquired Entities.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-4 under the Securities Act that registers the exchange notes that will be offered in exchange for the outstanding notes. The registration statement, including the attached exhibits and schedules, contains additional relevant information about us and the exchange notes. The rules and regulations of the SEC allow us to omit from this document certain information included in the registration statement.

In addition, this prospectus contains summaries and other information that we believe are accurate as of the date hereof with respect to specific terms of specific documents, but we refer to the actual documents (copies of which will be made available to holders of outstanding notes upon request to us) for complete information with respect to those documents. Statements contained in this prospectus as to the contents of any contract or other document referred to in this prospectus do not purport to be complete. Where reference is made to the particular provisions of a contract or other document, the provisions are qualified in all respects by reference to all of the provisions of the contract or other document. Industry and company data are approximate and reflect rounding in certain cases.

In accordance with the Exchange Act, we file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy these reports, proxy statements and other information that we file at the SEC's public reference room at 100 F Street, N.E., Room 1580, Washington, D.C. 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the public reference room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. The SEC also maintains an Internet site that contains reports, proxy statements and other information regarding registrants (including us) that file electronically with the SEC (www.sec.gov). We also maintain an internet site at www.agcocorp.com that contains information about us, but that information is not incorporated by reference herein unless expressly so provided.

A copy of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011 is attached as Annex B to this prospectus and is incorporated herein by reference. A copy of our Proxy Statement for our 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders is attached as Annex C to this prospectus and except as where otherwise indicated is incorporated herein by reference. We encourage you to review these documents as they provide important business and financial information about the Company.

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ANNEX A

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

With Respect to Tender of

Any and All Outstanding 5.875% Senior Notes due 2021

(CUSIP Nos. 001084AN2 and U00835AC9)

In Exchange For

5.875% Senior Notes due 2021

(CUSIP No. 001084AQ5)

of

AGCO CORPORATION

Pursuant to the Exchange Offer and Prospectus

Dated April 4, 2012

The exchange offer and withdrawal rights will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on May 2, 2012 (the Expiration Date), unless the exchange offer is extended by the issuer.

The Exchange Agent for the Exchange Offer is:

Union Bank, N.A.

Corporate Trust Department

120 South San Pedro Street, 4th Floor

Los Angeles, CA 90012

Attn: Josefina Benavides / Linh Duong

Fax: (213) 972-5695

For Information Call: (213) 972-5679

If you wish to exchange outstanding 5.875% Senior Notes due 2021 for an equal aggregate principal amount at maturity of new 5.875% Senior Notes due 2021 pursuant to the exchange offer, you must validly tender (and not withdraw) outstanding notes to the exchange agent prior to the expiration date.

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The undersigned hereby acknowledges receipt and review of the Prospectus, dated April 4, 2012 (the "Prospectus"), of AGCO Corporation (the "Issuer"), and this Letter of Transmittal (the "Letter of Transmittal"), which together describe the Issuer's offer (the "Exchange Offer") to exchange its issued and outstanding 5.875% Senior Notes due 2021 (the "outstanding notes") for a like principal amount of its 5.875% Senior Notes due 2021 (the "exchange notes") that have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act"). Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the respective meaning given to them in the Prospectus.

The Issuer reserves the right, at any time or from time to time, to extend the Exchange Offer at its discretion, in which event the term "Expiration Date" shall mean the latest date to which the Exchange Offer is extended. The Issuer shall notify the Exchange Agent and each registered holder of the outstanding notes of any extension by oral or written notice prior to 9:00 a.m., New York City time, on the next business day after the previously scheduled Expiration Date.

This Letter of Transmittal is to be used by holders of the outstanding notes. Tender of outstanding notes is to be made according to the automated tender offer program ("ATOP") of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") pursuant to the procedures set forth in the Prospectus under the caption "Exchange Offer Procedures for Tendering." DTC participants that are accepting the Exchange Offer must transmit their acceptance to DTC, which will verify the acceptance and execute a book-entry delivery to the Exchange Agent's DTC account. DTC will then send a computer-generated message known as an "agent's message" to the exchange agent for its acceptance. For you to validly tender your outstanding notes in the Exchange Offer, the Exchange Agent must receive, prior to the Expiration Date, an agent's message under the ATOP procedures that confirms that:

DTC has received your instructions to tender your outstanding notes; and

you agree to be bound by the terms of this Letter of Transmittal.

BY USING THE ATOP PROCEDURES TO TENDER OUTSTANDING NOTES, YOU WILL NOT BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER THIS LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL TO THE EXCHANGE AGENT. HOWEVER, YOU WILL BE BOUND BY ITS TERMS, AND YOU WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND THE REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES IT CONTAINS, JUST AS IF YOU HAD SIGNED IT.

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PLEASE READ THE ACCOMPANYING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

1. By tendering outstanding notes in the Exchange Offer, you acknowledge receipt of the Prospectus and this Letter of Transmittal.
2. By tendering outstanding notes in the Exchange Offer, you represent and warrant that you have full authority to tender the outstanding notes described above and will, upon request, execute and deliver any additional documents deemed by the Issuer to be necessary or desirable to complete the tender of outstanding notes.
3. You understand that the tender of the outstanding notes pursuant to all of the procedures set forth in the Prospectus will constitute an agreement between you and the Issuer as to the terms and conditions set forth in the Prospectus.
4. By tendering outstanding notes in the Exchange Offer, you acknowledge that the Exchange Offer is being made in reliance upon interpretations contained in no-action letters issued to third parties by the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), including Exxon Capital Holdings Corp., SEC No-Action Letter (available May 13, 1988), Morgan Stanley & Co., Inc., SEC No-Action Letter (available June 5, 1991) and Shearman & Sterling, SEC No-Action Letter (available July 2, 1993), that the exchange notes issued in exchange for the outstanding notes pursuant to the Exchange Offer may be offered for resale, resold and otherwise transferred by holders thereof without compliance with the registration and prospectus delivery provisions of the Securities Act (other than a broker-dealer who purchased outstanding notes exchanged for such exchange notes directly from the Issuer to resell pursuant to Rule 144A or any other available exemption under the Securities Act, and any such holder that is an affiliate of the Issuer within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act), provided that such exchange notes are acquired in the ordinary course of such holders' business and such holders are not participating in, and have no arrangement with any other person to participate in, the distribution of such exchange notes.
5. By tendering outstanding notes in the Exchange Offer, you hereby represent and warrant that:
 - (a) the exchange notes acquired pursuant to the Exchange Offer are being obtained in your ordinary course of business, whether or not you are the holder;
 - (b) you have no arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in the distribution of outstanding notes or exchange notes within the meaning of the Securities Act;
 - (c) you are not an affiliate, as such term is defined under Rule 405 promulgated under the Securities Act, of the Issuer; and
 - (d) if you are a broker-dealer, you will receive the exchange notes for your own account in exchange for outstanding notes that were acquired as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, and you acknowledge that you will deliver a prospectus (or, to the extent permitted by law, make available a prospectus) in connection with any resale of such exchange notes.
6. If you are a broker-dealer that will receive exchange notes for your own account in exchange for outstanding notes that were acquired as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, you acknowledge, by tendering outstanding notes in the Exchange Offer, that you will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of such exchange notes; however, by so acknowledging and by delivering a prospectus, you will not be deemed to admit that you are an underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act.
7. If you are a broker-dealer and outstanding notes held for your own account were not acquired as a result of market-making or other trading activities, such outstanding notes cannot be exchanged pursuant to the Exchange Offer.
8. Any of your obligations hereunder shall be binding upon your successors, assigns, executors, administrators, trustees in bankruptcy, and legal and personal representatives.

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INSTRUCTIONS

FORMING PART OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE EXCHANGE OFFER

1. Book-Entry Confirmations

Any confirmation of a book-entry transfer to the Exchange Agent's account at DTC of outstanding notes tendered by book-entry transfer, as well as an agent's message and any other documents required by this Letter of Transmittal, must be received by the Exchange Agent at its address set forth herein prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the Expiration Date.

2. Partial Tenders

Tenders of outstanding notes will be accepted only in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. The entire principal amount of outstanding notes delivered to the Exchange Agent will be deemed to have been tendered unless otherwise communicated to the Exchange Agent. If the entire principal amount of all outstanding notes is not tendered, then outstanding notes for the principal amount of outstanding notes not tendered and exchange notes issued in exchange for any outstanding notes accepted will be delivered to the holder via the facilities of DTC promptly after the outstanding notes are accepted for exchange.

3. Validity of Tenders

All questions as to the validity, form, eligibility (including time of receipt), acceptance and withdrawal of tendered outstanding notes will be determined by the Issuer, in its sole discretion, which determination will be final and binding. The Issuer reserves the absolute right to reject any or all tenders not in proper form or the acceptance for exchange of which may, in the opinion of counsel for the Issuer, be unlawful. The Issuer also reserves the absolute right to waive any of the conditions of the Exchange Offer or any defect or irregularity in the tender of any outstanding notes. The Issuer's interpretation of the terms and conditions of the Exchange Offer (including the instructions on the Letter of Transmittal) will be final and binding on all parties. Unless waived, any defects or irregularities in connection with tenders of outstanding notes must be cured within such time as the Issuer shall determine. Although the Issuer intends to notify holders of defects or irregularities with respect to tenders of outstanding notes, neither the Issuer, the Exchange Agent nor any other person shall be under any duty to give notification of any defects or irregularities in tenders or incur any liability for failure to give such notification. Tenders of outstanding notes will not be deemed to have been made until such defects or irregularities have been cured or waived. Any outstanding notes received by the Exchange Agent that are not properly tendered and as to which the defects or irregularities have not been cured or waived will be returned by the Exchange Agent to the tendering holders, unless otherwise provided in the Letter of Transmittal, promptly following the Expiration Date.

4. Waiver of Conditions

The Issuer reserves the absolute right to waive, in whole or part, up to the expiration of the Exchange Offer, any of the conditions to the Exchange Offer set forth in the Prospectus or in this Letter of Transmittal.

5. No Conditional Tender

No alternative, conditional, irregular or contingent tender of outstanding notes will be accepted.

6. Requests for Assistance or Additional Copies

Requests for assistance or for additional copies of the Prospectus or this Letter of Transmittal may be directed to the Exchange Agent at the address or telephone number set forth on the cover page of this Letter of Transmittal. Holders may also contact their broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee for assistance concerning the Exchange Offer.

7. Withdrawal

Tenders may be withdrawn only pursuant to the limited withdrawal rights set forth in the Prospectus under the caption "Exchange Offer - Withdrawal of Tenders."

8. No Guarantee of Late Delivery

There is no procedure for guarantee of late delivery in the Exchange Offer.

IMPORTANT: BY USING THE ATOP PROCEDURES TO TENDER OUTSTANDING NOTES, YOU WILL NOT BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER THIS LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL TO THE EXCHANGE AGENT. HOWEVER, YOU WILL BE BOUND BY ITS TERMS, AND YOU WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND THE REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES IT CONTAINS, JUST AS IF YOU HAD SIGNED IT.

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ANNUAL REPORT ON FORM 10-K

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

[Attached]

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011

of

AGCO CORPORATION

A Delaware Corporation

IRS Employer Identification No. 58-1960019

SEC File Number 1-12930

4205 River Green Parkway

Duluth, GA 30096

(770) 813-9200

AGCO Corporation's Common Stock and Junior Preferred Stock purchase rights are registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act and are listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

AGCO Corporation is a well-known seasoned issuer.

AGCO Corporation is required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. AGCO Corporation (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Act during the preceding 12 months, and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K will be contained in a definitive proxy statement, portions of which are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Form 10-K.

AGCO Corporation has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate website every Interactive Data File for the periods required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of regulation S-T.

The aggregate market value of AGCO Corporation's Common Stock (based upon the closing sales price quoted on the New York Stock Exchange) held by non-affiliates as of June 30, 2011 was approximately \$3.6 billion. For this purpose, directors and officers have been assumed to be affiliates. As of February 10, 2012, 97,194,732 shares of AGCO Corporation's Common Stock were outstanding.

AGCO Corporation is a large accelerated filer and is not a shell company.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of AGCO Corporation's Proxy Statement for the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Form 10-K.

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PART I

Item 1. Business

AGCO Corporation (“AGCO,” “we,” “us,” or the “Company”) was incorporated in Delaware in April 1991. Our executive offices are located at 4205 River Green Parkway, Duluth, Georgia 30096, and our telephone number is (770) 813-9200. Unless otherwise indicated, all references in this Form 10-K to the Company include our subsidiaries.

General

We are a leading manufacturer and distributor of agricultural equipment and related replacement parts throughout the world. We sell a full range of agricultural equipment, including tractors, combines, self-propelled sprayers, hay tools, forage equipment and implements. We also manufacture and distribute grain storage and handling equipment systems as well as protein production systems. Our products are widely recognized in the agricultural equipment industry and are marketed under a number of well-known brands, including: Challenger®, Fendt®, Massey Ferguson® and Valtra®. We distribute most of our products through a combination of approximately 3,100 independent dealers and distributors in more than 140 countries. In addition, we provide retail financing through our retail finance joint ventures with Coöperatieve Centrale Raiffeisen-Boerenleenbank B.A., which we refer to as “Rabobank.”

Products

Tractors

We offer a full range of tractors in the high horsepower segment (primarily 100 to 585 horsepower). Our high horsepower tractors typically are used on larger farms and on cattle ranches for hay production. Our compact tractors (under 40 horsepower) are typically used on small farms and in specialty agricultural industries, such as dairies, landscaping and residential areas. We also offer a full range of tractors in the utility tractor category (40 to 100 horsepower), including two-wheel and all-wheel drive versions. Our utility tractors are typically used on small- and medium-sized farms and in specialty agricultural industries, including dairy, livestock, orchards and vineyards. Tractors accounted for approximately 66% of our net sales in 2011, 68% in 2010 and 67% in 2009.

Combines

Our combines are sold with a variety of threshing technologies. All combines are complemented by a variety of crop-harvesting heads, available in different sizes, that are designed to maximize harvesting speed and efficiency while minimizing crop loss. Combines accounted for approximately 7% of our net sales in 2011 and 6% in both 2010 and 2009.

Application Equipment

We offer self-propelled, three- and four-wheeled vehicles and related equipment for use in the application of liquid and dry fertilizers and crop protection chemicals. We manufacture chemical sprayer equipment for use both prior to planting crops, known as “pre-emergence,” and after crops emerge from the ground, known as “post-emergence.” Application equipment accounted for approximately 4% of our net sales in each of 2011, 2010 and 2009.

Hay Tools and Forage Equipment, Implements and Other Products

Our hay tools and forage equipment include both round and rectangular balers, self-propelled windrowers, disc mowers, spreaders and mower conditioners and are used for the harvesting and packaging of vegetative feeds used in the beef cattle, dairy, horse and alternative fuel industries.

We also distribute a wide range of implements, planters and other equipment for our product lines. Tractor-pulled implements are used in field preparation and crop management. Implements include: disc harrows, which improve field performance by cutting through crop residue, leveling seed beds and mixing chemicals with the soil; heavy tillage, which break up soil and mix crop residue into topsoil, with or without prior discing; and field cultivators, which prepare a smooth seed bed and destroy weeds. Tractor-pulled planters apply fertilizer and place seeds in the field. Other equipment primarily includes loaders, which are used for a variety of tasks including lifting and transporting hay crops.

Hay tools and forage equipment, implements, engines, grain storage and protein production systems, and other products accounted for approximately 8% of our net sales in 2011, 7% in 2010 and 9% in 2009.

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Grain Storage and Protein Production Systems

On November 30, 2011, we acquired GSI Holdings Corp. (“GSI”), a leading manufacturer of grain storage and protein production systems. GSI manufactures and distributes grain storage bins and related drying and handling equipment systems, and swine and poultry feed storage and delivery, ventilation and watering systems. We sell our grain storage and protein production systems primarily under our GSI®, DMC®, FFI,TMZimmerman,TMAP,TMCumberland®, Hired HandTM and AgromarauTM brand names.

Engines

Our AGCO Sisu Power engines division produces diesel engines, gears and generating sets. The diesel engines are manufactured for use in a portion of our tractors, combines and sprayers, and are also sold to third parties. The engine division specializes in the manufacturing of off-road engines in the 50 to 500 horsepower range.

Precision Farming Technologies

We provide a variety of precision farming technologies that are developed, manufactured, distributed and supported on a worldwide basis. A majority of these technologies are developed by third parties and are installed in our products. These technologies provide farmers with the capability to enhance productivity and profitability on the farm. AGCO also offers other advanced technology precision farming products that gather information such as yield data, allowing our customers to produce yield maps for the purpose of maximizing planting and fertilizer applications. While these products do not generate significant revenues, we believe that these products and related services are highly valued by professional farmers around the world and are integral to the growth of our machinery sales.

Replacement Parts

In addition to sales of new equipment, our replacement parts business is an important source of revenue and profitability for both us and our dealers. We sell replacement parts, many of which are proprietary, for all of the products we sell. These parts help keep farm equipment in use, including products no longer in production. Since most of our products can be economically maintained with parts and service for a period of ten to 20 years, each product that enters the marketplace provides us with a potential long-term revenue stream. In addition, sales of replacement parts typically generate higher gross profit margins and historically have been less cyclical than new product sales. Replacement parts accounted for approximately 15% of our net sales in 2011 and 2010 and 14% in 2009.

Marketing and Distribution

We distribute products primarily through a network of independent dealers and distributors. Our dealers are responsible for retail sales to the equipment’s end user in addition to after-sales service and support of the equipment. Our distributors may sell our products through a network of dealers supported by the distributor. Our sales are not dependent on any specific dealer, distributor or group of dealers. We intend to maintain the separate strengths and identities of our core brand names and product lines.

Europe

We market and distribute farm equipment and replacement parts to farmers in European markets through a network of approximately 1,070 independent dealers and distributors. In certain markets, we also sell Valtra tractors and parts directly to end users. In some cases, dealers carry competing or complementary products from other manufacturers. As a result of our acquisition of GSI, we market and distribute grain storage and protein production system to farmers in Europe through a network of an additional 40 independent distributors. Sales in Europe accounted for approximately 52% of our net sales in 2011, 47% in 2010 and 54% in 2009.

North America

We market and distribute farm equipment and replacement parts to farmers in North America through a network of approximately 890 independent dealers, each representing one or more of our brand names. Dealers may also sell competitive and dissimilar lines of products. Sales in North America accounted for approximately 20% of our net sales in 2011 and 22% in both 2010 and 2009. As a result of our acquisition of GSI, we market and distribute grain storage and protein production system to farmers in North America through a network of an additional 400 independent dealers.

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South America

We market and distribute farm equipment and replacement parts to farmers in South America through several different networks. In Brazil and Argentina, we distribute products directly to approximately 310 independent dealers. In Brazil, dealers are generally exclusive to one manufacturer. Outside of Brazil and Argentina, we sell our products in South America through independent distributors. As a result of our acquisition of GSI, we market and distribute grain storage and protein production systems to farmers in South America through a network of an additional 50 independent distributors. Sales in South America accounted for approximately 21% of our net sales in 2011, 25% in 2010 and 18% in 2009.

Rest of the World

Outside Europe, North America and South America, we operate primarily through a network of approximately 280 independent dealers and distributors, as well as associates and licensees, marketing our products and providing customer service support in approximately 85 countries in Africa, the Middle East, Australia and Asia. With the exception of Australia and New Zealand, where we directly support our dealer network, we generally utilize independent distributors, associates and licensees to sell our products. These arrangements allow us to benefit from local market expertise to establish strong market positions with limited investment. As a result of our acquisition of GSI, we market and distribute grain storage and protein production system to farmers outside Europe, North America and South America, through a network of an additional 60 independent distributors. Sales outside Europe, North America and South America accounted for approximately 7% of our net sales in 2011 and 6% in both 2010 and 2009.

Associates and licensees provide a distribution channel in some markets for our products and/or a source of low-cost production for certain Massey Ferguson and Valtra products. Associates are entities in which we have an ownership interest, most notably in India and Turkey. Licensees are entities in which we have no direct ownership interest, most notably in Pakistan. The associate or licensee generally has the exclusive right to produce and sell Massey Ferguson or Valtra equipment in its home country but may not sell these products in other countries. We generally license to these associates and licensees certain technology, as well as the right to use the Massey Ferguson or Valtra trade names. We also sell products to associates and licensees in the form of components used in local manufacturing operations. Licensee manufacturers sell certain tractor models under the Massey Ferguson or Valtra brand names in the licensed territory and also may become a source of low-cost production for us.

Parts Distribution

Parts inventories are maintained and distributed in a network of master and regional warehouses throughout North America, South America, Europe and Australia in order to provide timely response to customer demand for replacement parts. Our primary Western European master distribution warehouses are located in Desford, United Kingdom; Exeter, United Kingdom; Ennery, France; and Suolahti, Finland; and our North American master distribution warehouses are located in Batavia, Illinois and Kansas City, Missouri. Our South American master distribution warehouses are located in Jundiai, São Paulo, Brazil and in Haedo, Argentina.

Dealer Support and Supervision

We believe that one of the most important criteria affecting a farmer's decision to purchase a particular brand of equipment is the quality of the dealer who sells and services the equipment. We provide significant support to our

dealers in order to improve the quality of our dealer network. We monitor each dealer's performance and profitability and establish programs that focus on continual dealer improvement. Our dealers generally have sales territories for which they are responsible.

We believe that our ability to offer our dealers a full product line of agricultural equipment and related replacement parts, as well as our ongoing dealer training and support programs focusing on business and inventory management, sales, marketing, warranty and servicing matters and products, helps ensure the vitality and increase the competitiveness of our dealer network. We also maintain dealer advisory groups to obtain dealer feedback on our operations.

We provide our dealers with volume sales incentives, demonstration programs and other advertising support to assist sales. We design our sales programs, including retail financing incentives, and our policies for maintaining parts and service availability with extensive product warranties to enhance our dealers' competitive position. In general, either party may cancel dealer contracts within certain notice periods.

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Wholesale Financing

Primarily in the United States and Canada, we engage in the standard industry practice of providing dealers with floor plan payment terms for their inventories of farm equipment for extended periods. The terms of our wholesale finance agreements with our dealers vary by region and product line, with fixed payment schedules on all sales, generally ranging from one to 12 months. In the United States and Canada, dealers typically are not required to make an initial down payment, and our terms allow for an interest-free period generally ranging from six to 12 months, depending on the product. All equipment sales to dealers in the United States and Canada are immediately due upon a retail sale of the equipment by the dealer, with the exception of sales of grain storage and protein production systems. If not previously paid by the dealer, installment payments are required generally beginning after the interest-free period with the remaining outstanding equipment balance generally due within 12 months after shipment. We also provide financing to dealers on used equipment accepted in trade. We retain a security interest in a majority of the new and used equipment we finance. Sales of grain and protein production systems generally are payable within 30 days of shipment.

Typically, sales terms outside the United States and Canada are of a shorter duration, generally ranging from 30 to 180 days. In many cases, we retain a security interest in the equipment sold on extended terms. In certain international markets, our sales are backed by letters of credit or credit insurance.

For sales in most markets outside of the United States and Canada, we normally do not charge interest on outstanding receivables from our dealers and distributors. For sales to certain dealers or distributors in the United States and Canada, interest is generally charged at or above prime lending rates on outstanding receivable balances after interest-free periods. These interest-free periods vary by product and generally range from one to 12 months, with the exception of certain seasonal products, which bear interest after periods of up to 23 months that vary depending on the time of year of the sale and the dealer or distributor's sales volume during the preceding year. For the year ended December 31, 2011, 16.9% and 3.2% of our net sales had maximum interest-free periods ranging from one to six months and seven to 12 months, respectively. Net sales with maximum interest-free periods ranging from 13 to 23 months were approximately 0.2% of our net sales during 2011. Actual interest-free periods are shorter than suggested by these percentages because receivables from our dealers and distributors in the United States and Canada are generally due immediately upon sale of the equipment to retail customers. Under normal circumstances, interest is not forgiven and interest-free periods are not extended.

We have an agreement to permit transferring, on an ongoing basis, substantially all of our wholesale interest-bearing and non-interest bearing receivables in North America to our U.S. and Canadian retail finance joint ventures. Upon transfer, the receivables maintain standard payment terms, including required regular principal payments on amounts outstanding, and interest charges at market rates. We also have accounts receivable sales agreements in Europe that permit the sale, on an ongoing basis, of a large portion of our wholesale receivables in Germany, France, Austria, Norway and Sweden to the relevant AGCO Finance entities in those countries. Upon transfer, the receivables maintain standard payment terms. Qualified dealers may obtain additional financing through our U.S., Canadian and European retail finance joint ventures at the joint ventures' discretion. In addition, AGCO Finance entities provide wholesale financing to dealers in Brazil.

Retail Financing

Through our AGCO Finance retail financing joint ventures located in the United States, Canada, Germany, France, the United Kingdom, Austria, Ireland, the Netherlands, Denmark, Italy, Sweden, Brazil, Argentina and Australia, end users of our products are provided with a competitive and dedicated financing source. These retail finance companies are owned 49% by AGCO and 51% by a wholly-owned subsidiary of Rabobank. Besides contributing to our overall profitability, the AGCO Finance joint ventures can enhance our sales efforts by tailoring retail finance programs to prevailing market conditions. Refer to “Retail Finance Joint Ventures” within Item 7, “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” for further information.

In addition, Rabobank is the primary lender with respect to our new credit facility and our 4 1/2% senior term loan, as are more fully described in “Liquidity and Capital Resources” within Item 7, “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.” Our historical relationship with Rabobank has been strong and we anticipate their continued long-term support of our business.

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Manufacturing and Suppliers

Manufacturing and Assembly

We manufacture our products in locations intended to optimize capacity, technology or local costs. Furthermore, we continue to balance our manufacturing resources with externally-sourced machinery, components and replacement parts to enable us to better control inventory and our supply of components. We believe that our manufacturing facilities are sufficient to meet our needs for the foreseeable future.

Europe

Our tractor manufacturing operations in Europe are located in Suolahti, Finland; Beauvais, France; and Marktoberdorf, Germany. The Suolahti facility produces 75 to 220 horsepower tractors marketed under the Valtra and Massey Ferguson brand names. The Beauvais facility produces 70 to 370 horsepower tractors marketed under the Massey Ferguson, Challenger, Valtra and AGCO brand names. The Marktoberdorf facility produces 50 to 390 horsepower tractors marketed under the Fendt brand name. We also assemble forklifts in our Kempten, Germany facility for sale to third parties and assemble cabs for our Fendt tractors in Baumenheim, Germany. We have a diesel engine manufacturing facility in Linnavuori, Finland. We have a joint venture with Claas Tractors SAS for the manufacture of driveline assemblies for tractors produced in our facility in Beauvais.

Our harvesting machinery manufacturing operations in Europe are located in Breganze, Italy; Feucht, Germany; and Hohenmoelsen, Germany. The Breganze facility produces straw walker and hybrid combine harvesters from 176 to 500 hp under the Massey Ferguson, Fendt, Laverda and Challenger brand names. The Breganze facility also manufactures free flow and power flow headers. The Hohenmoelsen facility produces self-propelled forage harvesters up to 650 horsepower for the Fendt brand name. The Feucht facility produces hay tools such as mowers, tedders and rakes under the Fella, Massey Ferguson and Challenger brand names.

North America

Our manufacturing operations in North America are located in Beloit, Kansas; Hesston, Kansas; Jackson, Minnesota; and Queretaro, Mexico, and produce products for a majority of our brand names in North America as well as for export outside of North America. The Beloit facility produces tillage and seeding equipment. The Hesston facility produces hay and forage equipment, rotary combines and planters. The Jackson facility produces 270 to 585 horsepower track tractors and four-wheeled drive articulated tractors, as well as self-propelled sprayers. In Queretaro, we assemble tractors for distribution in the Mexican market. In addition, we also have three tractor light assembly operations throughout the United States for the final assembly of imported tractors sold in the North American market. Our main manufacturing operations for grain storage and protein production systems are located in Taylorville, Newton, Flora, and Paris, Illinois and Bremen, Alabama. We also have a 50% interest in AGCO-Amity JV, LLC ("AGCO-Amity JV"), located in North Dakota, which is a joint venture that manufactures air-seeding and tillage equipment.

South America

Our manufacturing operations in South America are located in Brazil. In Canoas, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, we manufacture and assemble tractors, ranging from 50 to 220 horsepower, industrial loader-backhoes and self-propelled

application equipment. The tractors are sold primarily under the Massey Ferguson brand name. The self-propelled application equipment are sold under the Massey Ferguson and Valtra brand names. In Mogi das Cruzes, Brazil, we manufacture and assemble tractors, ranging from 50 to 210 horsepower, marketed primarily under the Valtra and Challenger brand names. We also manufacture diesel engines in the Mogi das Cruzes facility. We manufacture combines marketed under the Massey Ferguson, Valtra and Challenger brand names in Santa Rosa, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil. In Ibirubá, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, we manufacture and distribute a line of farm implements, including drills, planters, corn headers and front loaders. We also manufacture protein production systems in Marau, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil.

Rest of the World

Our tractor and harvesting manufacturing facilities in China are located in Daqing, Changzhou and Yanzhou. The Daqing facility produces 190 to 210 horsepower tractors marketed under the Valtra brand name and the Changzhou facility produces 80 to 120 horsepower tractors marketed under the Massey Ferguson brand name. The Yanzhou Dafeng facility produces harvesting equipment including self-propelled and mounted combines under the Massey Ferguson and Dafeng brand names.

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Third-Party Suppliers

We externally source many of our machinery, components and replacement parts. Our production strategy is intended to optimize our research and development and capital investment requirements and to allow us greater flexibility to respond to changes in market conditions.

We purchase some of the products we distribute from third-party suppliers. We purchase some tractor models from our licensee in India, Tractors and Farm Equipment Limited, as well as Carraro S.p.A. and Iseki & Company, Limited. We also purchase other tractors, implements and hay and forage equipment from various third-party suppliers.

In addition to the purchase of machinery, third-party suppliers supply us with significant components used in our manufacturing operations, such as engines and transmissions. We select third-party suppliers that we believe are low cost, high quality and possess the most appropriate technology. We also assist in the development of these products or component parts based upon our own design requirements. Our past experience with outside suppliers generally has been favorable.

Seasonality

Generally, retail sales by dealers to farmers are highly seasonal and are a function of the timing of the planting and harvesting seasons. To the extent practicable, we attempt to ship products to our dealers and distributors on a level basis throughout the year to reduce the effect of seasonal retail demands on our manufacturing operations and to minimize our investment in inventory. Our financing requirements are subject to variations due to seasonal changes in working capital levels, which typically increase in the first half of the year and then decrease in the second half of the year. The fourth quarter is also typically a period for large retail sales because of our customers' year end tax planning considerations, the increase in availability of funds from completed harvests and the timing of dealer incentives.

Competition

The agricultural industry is highly competitive. We compete with several large national and international full-line suppliers, as well as numerous short-line and specialty manufacturers with differing manufacturing and marketing methods. Our two principal competitors on a worldwide basis are Deere & Company and CNH Global N.V. In certain Western European, South American and Asian countries, we have regional competitors that have significant market share in a single country or a group of countries.

We believe several key factors influence a buyer's choice of farm equipment, including the strength and quality of a company's dealers, the quality and pricing of products, dealer or brand loyalty, product availability, the terms of financing, and customer service. See "Marketing and Distribution" for additional information.

Engineering and Research

We make significant expenditures for engineering and applied research to improve the quality and performance of our products, to develop new products and to comply with government safety and engine emissions regulations. Our expenditures on engineering and research were approximately \$275.6 million, or 3.1% of net sales, in 2011, \$219.6 million, or 3.2% of net sales, in 2010 and \$191.9 million, or 2.9% of net sales, in 2009.

Intellectual Property

We own and have licenses to the rights under a number of domestic and foreign patents, trademarks, trade names and brand names relating to our products and businesses. We defend our patent, trademark and trade and brand name rights primarily by monitoring competitors' machines and industry publications and conducting other investigative work. We consider our intellectual property rights, including our rights to use our trade and brand names, important in the operation of our businesses. However, we do not believe we are dependent on any single patent, trademark or trade name or group of patents or trademarks, trade names or brand names.

Environmental Matters and Regulation

We are subject to environmental laws and regulations concerning emissions to the air, discharges of processed or other types of wastewater, and the generation, handling, storage, transportation, treatment and disposal of waste materials. These laws and regulations are constantly changing, and the effects that they may have on us in the future are impossible to predict with accuracy. It is our policy to comply with all applicable environmental, health and safety laws and regulations, and we

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believe that any expense or liability we may incur in connection with any noncompliance with any law or regulation or the cleanup of any of our properties will not have a materially adverse effect on us. We believe that we are in compliance in all material respects with all applicable laws and regulations.

The United States Environmental Protection Agency has issued regulations concerning permissible emissions from off-road engines. Our AGCO Sisu Power engines division, which specializes in the manufacturing of off-road engines in the 40 to 500 horsepower range, currently complies with Com II, Com IIIa, Com IIIb, Tier II, Tier III and Tier 4i emissions requirements set by European and United States regulatory authorities. We also are currently required to comply with other country regulations outside of the United States and Europe. We expect to meet future emissions requirements through the introduction of new technology to our engines and exhaust after-treatment systems, as necessary. In some markets (such as the United States) we must obtain governmental environmental approvals in order to import our products, and these approvals can be difficult or time consuming to obtain or may not be obtainable at all. For example, our AGCO Sisu Power engine division and our engine suppliers are subject to air quality standards, and production at our facilities could be impaired if AGCO Sisu Power and these suppliers are unable to timely respond to any changes in environmental laws and regulations affecting engine emissions. Compliance with environmental and safety regulations has added, and will continue to add, to the cost of our products and increase the capital-intensive nature of our business.

Climate change as a result of emissions of greenhouse gases is a significant topic of discussion and may generate U.S. and other regulatory responses in the near future, including the imposition of a so-called “cap and trade” system. It is impracticable to predict with any certainty the impact on our business of climate change or the regulatory responses to it, although we recognize that they could be significant. The most direct impacts are likely to be an increase in energy costs, which would increase our operating costs (through increased utility and transportations costs) and an increase in the costs of the products we purchase from others. In addition, increased energy costs for our customers could impact demand for our equipment. It is too soon for us to predict with any certainty the ultimate impact of additional regulation, either directionally or quantitatively, on our overall business, results of operations or financial condition.

Our international operations also are subject to environmental laws, as well as various other national and local laws, in the countries in which we manufacture and sell our products. We believe that we are in compliance with these laws in all material respects and that the cost of compliance with these laws in the future will not have a materially adverse effect on us.

Regulation and Government Policy

Domestic and foreign political developments and government regulations and policies directly affect the agricultural industry in the United States and abroad and indirectly affect the agricultural equipment business. The application, modification or adoption of laws, regulations or policies could have an adverse effect on our business.

We are subject to various federal, state and local laws affecting our business, as well as a variety of regulations relating to such matters as working conditions and product safety. A variety of laws regulate our contractual relationships with our dealers. These laws impose substantive standards on the relationships between us and our dealers, including events of default, grounds for termination, non-renewal of dealer contracts and equipment repurchase requirements. Such laws could adversely affect our ability to terminate our dealers.

Employees

As of December 31, 2011, we employed approximately 17,400 employees, including approximately 5,300 employees in the United States and Canada. A majority of our employees at our manufacturing facilities, both domestic and international, are represented by collective bargaining agreements and union contracts with terms that expire on varying dates. We currently do not expect any significant difficulties in renewing these agreements.

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Available Information

Our Internet address is www.agcocorp.com. We make the following reports filed by us available, free of charge, on our website under the heading “SEC Filings” in our website’s “Investors” section located under “Company”:

- annual reports on Form 10-K;
- quarterly reports on Form 10-Q;
- current reports on Form 8-K;
- proxy statements for the annual meetings of stockholders; and
- Forms 3, 4 and 5

The foregoing reports are made available on our website as soon as practicable after they are filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”).

We also provide corporate governance and other information on our website. This information includes:

- charters for the committees of our board of directors, which are available under the heading “Committee Charters” in the “Corporate Governance” section of our website’s “About AGCO” section located under “Company;” and
- our Code of Conduct, which is available under the heading “Code of Conduct” in the “Corporate Governance” section of our website’s “About AGCO” section located under “Company.”

In addition, in the event of any waivers of our Code of Conduct, those waivers will be available under the heading “Office of Ethics and Compliance” in the “Corporate Governance” section of our website’s “About AGCO” section located under “Company.”

Financial Information on Geographical Areas

For financial information on geographic areas, see Note 14 to the financial statements contained in this Form 10-K under the caption “Segment Reporting,” which information is incorporated herein by reference.

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Item 1A. Risk Factors

We make forward-looking statements in this report, in other materials we file with the SEC or otherwise release to the public, and on our website. In addition, our senior management might make forward-looking statements orally to analysts, investors, the media and others. Statements concerning our future operations, prospects, strategies, products, manufacturing facilities, legal proceedings, financial condition, future financial performance (including growth and earnings) and demand for our products and services, and other statements of our plans, beliefs, or expectations, including the statements contained in Item 7, “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations,” regarding industry conditions, currency translation impacts, pricing impacts, the impact of recent acquisitions and marketing initiatives, market demand, farm incomes and economics, commodity supply, weather conditions, government financing programs, general economic conditions, availability of financing, net sales and income, working capital, capital expenditure and debt service requirements, gross margin improvements, product development, market expansion, payment of remaining acquisition purchase price, compliance with financial covenants, support of lenders, recovery of amounts under guarantee, funding of our postretirement plans and pensions, uncertain income tax provisions, funding of our pension and postretirement benefit plans, conversion features of our notes, or realization of net deferred tax assets, are forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements we make are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to various assumptions, risks, and other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those suggested by these forward-looking statements. These factors include, among others, those set forth below and in the other documents that we file with the SEC. There also are other factors that we may not describe, generally because we currently do not perceive them to be material, that could cause actual results to differ materially from our expectations.

We expressly disclaim any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by law.

Our financial results depend entirely upon the agricultural industry, and factors that adversely affect the agricultural industry generally, including declines in the general economy, increases in farm input costs, lower commodity prices and changes in the availability of credit for our retail customers, will adversely affect us.

Our success depends heavily on the vitality of the agricultural industry. Historically, the agricultural industry, including the agricultural equipment business, has been cyclical and subject to a variety of economic factors, governmental regulations and legislation, and weather conditions. Sales of agricultural equipment generally are related to the health of the agricultural industry, which is affected by farm income, farm input costs, debt levels and land values, all of which reflect levels of commodity prices, acreage planted, crop yields, agricultural product demand including crops used as renewable energy sources, government policies and government subsidies. Sales also are influenced by economic conditions, interest rate and exchange rate levels, and the availability of retail financing. Trends in the industry, such as farm consolidations, may affect the agricultural equipment market. In addition, weather conditions, such as floods, heat waves or droughts, and pervasive livestock diseases can affect farmers’ buying decisions. Downturns in the agricultural industry due to these or other factors could vary by market and are likely to result in decreases in demand for agricultural equipment, which would adversely affect our sales, growth, results of operations and financial condition. Moreover, volatility in demand makes it difficult for us to accurately predict sales and optimize production. This, in turn, can result in higher costs, including inventory carrying costs and underutilized manufacturing capacity. During previous downturns in the farm sector, we experienced significant and prolonged declines in sales and profitability, and we expect our business to remain subject to similar market fluctuations in the

future.

The agricultural equipment industry is highly seasonal, and seasonal fluctuations significantly impact results of operations and cash flows.

The agricultural equipment business is highly seasonal, which causes our quarterly results and our available cash flow to fluctuate during the year. Farmers generally purchase agricultural equipment in the Spring and Fall in conjunction with the major planting and harvesting seasons. In addition, the fourth quarter typically is a significant period for retail sales because of our customers' year end tax planning considerations, the increase in availability of funds from completed harvests and the timing of dealer incentives. Our net sales and income from operations historically have been the lowest in the first quarter and have increased in subsequent quarters as dealers anticipate increased retail sales in subsequent quarters.

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Most of our sales depend on the retail customers' obtaining financing, and any disruption in their ability to obtain financing, whether due to the current economic downturn or otherwise, will result in the sale of fewer products by us. In addition, the collectability of receivables that are created from our sales, as well as from such retail financing, is critical to our business.

Most retail sales of the products that we manufacture are financed, either by our joint ventures with Rabobank or by a bank or other private lender. During 2011, our joint ventures with Rabobank, which are controlled by Rabobank and are dependent upon Rabobank for financing as well, financed approximately 50% of the retail sales of our tractors and combines in the markets where the joint ventures operate. Any difficulty by Rabobank in continuing to provide that financing, or any business decision by Rabobank as the controlling member not to fund the business or particular aspects of it (for example, a particular country or region), would require the joint ventures to find other sources of financing (which may be difficult to obtain), or us to find another source of retail financing for our customers, or our customers would be required to utilize other retail financing providers. As a result of the recent economic downturn, financing for capital equipment purchases generally became more difficult in certain regions and, in some cases, was expensive to obtain. To the extent that financing is not available or available only at unattractive prices, our sales would be negatively impacted.

In addition, both AGCO and our retail finance joint ventures have substantial accounts receivable from dealers and retail customers, and we would be adversely impacted if the collectability of these receivables was not consistent with historical experience; this collectability is dependent on the financial strength of the farm industry, which in turn is dependent upon the general economy and commodity prices, as well as several of the other factors discussed in this "Risk Factors" section.

Our success depends on the introduction of new products, which requires substantial expenditures.

Our long-term results depend upon our ability to introduce and market new products successfully. The success of our new products will depend on a number of factors, including:

- innovation;
- customer acceptance;
- the efficiency of our suppliers in providing component parts and of our manufacturing facilities in producing final products; and
- the performance and quality of our products relative to those of our competitors.

As both we and our competitors continuously introduce new products or refine versions of existing products, we cannot predict the level of market acceptance or the amount of market share our new products will achieve. We have experienced delays in the introduction of new products in the past, and we cannot assure you that we will not experience delays in the future. Any delays or problems with our new product launches will adversely affect our operating results. In addition, introducing new products can result in decreases in revenues from our existing products. Consistent with our strategy of offering new products and product refinements, we expect to continue to use a substantial amount of capital for product development and refinement. We may need more capital for product development and refinement than is available to us, which could adversely affect our business, financial condition or results of operations.

Our expansion plans in emerging markets could entail significant risks.

Our strategies include establishing a greater manufacturing and marketing presence in emerging markets such as China and Russia. In addition, we are growing our use of component suppliers in these markets. If we progress with these strategies, it will involve a significant investment of capital and other resources and entail various risks. These include risks attendant to obtaining necessary governmental approvals and the construction of the facilities in a timely manner and within cost estimates, the establishment of supply channels, the commencement of efficient manufacturing operations and, ultimately, the acceptance of the products by our customers. While we expect the expansion to be successful, should we encounter difficulties involving these or similar factors, it may not be as successful as we anticipate.

We face significant competition and, if we are unable to compete successfully against other agricultural equipment manufacturers, we would lose customers and our net sales and profitability would decline.

The agricultural equipment business is highly competitive, particularly in North America, Europe and South America. We compete with several large national and international companies that, like us, offer a full line of agricultural equipment. We also compete with numerous short-line and specialty manufacturers of agricultural equipment. Our two key competitors, Deere & Company and CNH Global N.V., are substantially larger than we are and have greater financial and other resources. In

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In addition, in some markets, we compete with smaller regional competitors with significant market share in a single country or group of countries. Our competitors may substantially increase the resources devoted to the development and marketing, including discounting, of products that compete with our products. In addition, competitive pressures in the agricultural equipment business may affect the market prices of new and used equipment, which, in turn, may adversely affect our sales margins and results of operations.

We maintain an independent dealer and distribution network in the markets where we sell products. The financial and operational capabilities of our dealers and distributors are critical to our ability to compete in these markets. In addition, we compete with other manufacturers of agricultural equipment for dealers. If we are unable to compete successfully against other agricultural equipment manufacturers, we could lose dealers and their end customers and our net sales and profitability may decline.

Rationalization or restructuring of manufacturing facilities, including system upgrades at our manufacturing facilities, may cause production capacity constraints and inventory fluctuations.

The rationalization of our manufacturing facilities has at times resulted in, and similar rationalizations or restructurings in the future may result in, temporary constraints upon our ability to produce the quantity of products necessary to fill orders and thereby complete sales in a timely manner. In addition, system upgrades at our manufacturing facilities that impact ordering, production scheduling and other related manufacturing processes are complex, and could impact or delay production targets. A prolonged delay in our ability to fill orders on a timely basis could affect customer demand for our products and increase the size of our product inventories, causing future reductions in our manufacturing schedules and adversely affecting our results of operations. Moreover, our continuous development and production of new products will often involve the retooling of existing manufacturing facilities. This retooling may limit our production capacity at certain times in the future, which could adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition. In addition the expansion and reconfiguration of existing manufacturing facilities, as well as the start up of new manufacturing operations in emerging markets, such as China and Russia, could increase the risk of production delays, as well as require significant investments of capital.

We depend on suppliers for components, parts and raw materials for our products, and any failure by our suppliers to provide products as needed, or by us to promptly address supplier issues, will adversely impact our ability to timely and efficiently manufacture and sell products. We also are subject to raw material price fluctuations, which can adversely affect our manufacturing costs.

Our products include components and parts manufactured by others. As a result, our ability to timely and efficiently manufacture existing products, to introduce new products and to shift manufacturing of products from one facility to another depends on the quality of these components and parts and the timeliness of their delivery to our facilities. At any particular time, we depend on many different suppliers, and the failure by one or more of our suppliers to perform as needed will result in fewer products being manufactured, shipped and sold. If the quality of the components or parts provided by our suppliers is less than required and we do not recognize that failure prior to the shipment of our products, we will incur higher warranty costs. The timely supply of component parts for our products also depends on our ability to manage our relationships with suppliers, to identify and replace suppliers that fail to meet our schedules or quality standards, and to monitor the flow of components and accurately project our needs. The shift from our existing suppliers to new suppliers, including suppliers in emerging markets in the future, also may impact the quality and efficiency of our manufacturing capabilities, as well as impact warranty costs. A significant increase in the price

of any component or raw material could adversely affect our profitability. We cannot avoid exposure to global price fluctuations, such as occurred in the past with the costs of steel and related products, and our profitability depends on, among other things, our ability to raise equipment and parts prices sufficiently enough to recover any such material or component cost increases.

A majority of our sales and manufacturing take place outside the United States, and, as a result, we are exposed to risks related to foreign laws, taxes, economic conditions, labor supply and relations, political conditions and governmental policies. These risks may delay or reduce our realization of value from our international operations.

For the year ended December 31, 2011, we derived approximately \$7,409.5 million, or 84%, of our net sales from sales outside the United States. The foreign countries in which we do the most significant amount of business are Germany, France, Brazil, the United Kingdom, Finland, and Canada. In addition, we have significant manufacturing operations in France, Germany, Brazil, Italy and Finland. Our results of operations and financial condition may be adversely affected by the laws, taxes, economic conditions, labor supply and relations, political conditions, and governmental policies of the foreign countries in which we conduct business. Our business practices in these foreign countries must comply with U.S. law, including the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (“FCPA”). We have a compliance program in place designed to reduce the likelihood of potential

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violations of the FCPA, but we cannot provide assurances that future violations will not occur. If significant violations were to occur, they could subject us to fines and other penalties as well as increased compliance costs. Some of our international operations also are subject to various risks that are not present in domestic operations, including restrictions on dividends and the repatriation of funds. Foreign developing markets may present special risks, such as unavailability of financing, inflation, slow economic growth, price controls and compliance with U.S. regulations.

Domestic and foreign political developments and government regulations and policies directly affect the international agricultural industry, which affects the demand for agricultural equipment. If demand for agricultural equipment declines, our sales, growth, results of operations and financial condition may be adversely affected. The application, modification or adoption of laws, regulations, trade agreements or policies adversely affecting the agricultural industry, including the imposition of import and export duties and quotas, expropriation and potentially burdensome taxation, could have an adverse effect on our business. The ability of our international customers to operate their businesses and the health of the agricultural industry, in general, are affected by domestic and foreign government programs that provide economic support to farmers. As a result, farm income levels and the ability of farmers to obtain advantageous financing and other protections would be reduced to the extent that any such programs are curtailed or eliminated. Any such reductions likely would result in a decrease in demand for agricultural equipment. For example, a decrease or elimination of current price protections for commodities or of subsidy payments for farmers in the European Union, the United States, Brazil or elsewhere in South America could negatively impact the operations of farmers in those regions, and, as a result, our sales may decline if these farmers delay, reduce or cancel purchases of our products. In emerging markets some of these (and other) risks can be greater than they might be elsewhere. In addition, in some cases, the financing provided by our joint ventures with Rabobank or by others is supported by a government subsidy or guarantee. The programs under which those subsidies and guarantees are provided generally are of limited duration and subject to renewal and contain various caps and other limitations. In some markets, for example, Brazil, this support is quite significant. In the event the governments that provide this support elect not to renew these programs, and were financing not available, whether through our joint ventures or otherwise, our sales would be negatively impacted.

As a result of the multinational nature of our business and the acquisitions that we have made over time, our corporate and tax structures are complex, with a significant portion of our operations being held through foreign holding companies. As a result, it can be inefficient, from a tax perspective, for us to repatriate or otherwise transfer funds, and we may be subject to a greater level of tax-related regulation and reviews by multiple governmental units than would companies with a more simplified structure. In addition, our foreign and U.S. operations routinely sell products to, and license technology to other operations of ours. The pricing of these intra-company transactions is subject to regulation and review as well. While we make every effort to comply with all applicable tax laws, audits and other reviews by governmental units could result in our being required to pay additional taxes, interest and penalties.

We recently have experienced substantial and sustained volatility with respect to currency exchange rate and interest rate changes which can adversely affect our reported results of operations and the competitiveness of our products.

We conduct operations in a variety of currencies. Our production costs, profit margins and competitive position are affected by the strength of the currencies in countries where we manufacture or purchase goods relative to the strength of the currencies in countries where our products are sold. In addition, we are subject to currency exchange rate risk to the extent that our costs are denominated in currencies other than those in which we earn revenues and to risks associated with translating the financial statements of our foreign subsidiaries from local currencies into United States

dollars. Similarly, changes in interest rates affect our results of operations by increasing or decreasing borrowing costs and finance income. Our most significant transactional foreign currency exposures are the Euro, the Brazilian real and the Canadian dollar in relation to the United States dollar, and the Euro in relation to the British pound. Where naturally offsetting currency positions do not occur, we attempt to manage these risks by economically hedging some, but not necessarily all, of our exposures through the use of foreign currency forward exchange or option contracts. As with all hedging instruments, there are risks associated with the use of foreign currency forward exchange or option contracts, interest rate swap agreements and other risk management contracts. While the use of such hedging instruments provides us with protection for a finite period of time from certain fluctuations in currency exchange and interest rates, we potentially forego the benefits that might result from favorable fluctuations in currency exchange and interest rates. In addition, any default by the counterparties to these transactions could adversely affect us. Despite our use of economic hedging transactions, currency exchange rate or interest rate fluctuations may adversely affect our results of operations, cash flow and financial condition.

We are subject to extensive environmental laws and regulations, and our compliance with, or our failure to comply with, existing or future laws and regulations could delay production of our products or otherwise adversely affect our business.

We are subject to increasingly stringent environmental laws and regulations in the countries in which we operate. These regulations govern, among other things, emissions into the air, discharges into water, the use, handling and disposal of

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hazardous substances, waste disposal and the remediation of soil and groundwater contamination. Our costs of complying with these or any other current or future environmental regulations may be significant. For example, the European Union and the United States have adopted more stringent environmental regulations regarding emissions into the air, and it is possible that the U.S. Congress will pass emissions-related legislation in connection with concerns regarding greenhouse gases. We may be adversely impacted by costs, liabilities or claims with respect to our operations under existing laws or those that may be adopted in the future. If we fail to comply with existing or future laws and regulations, we may be subject to governmental or judicial fines or sanctions, or we may not be able to sell our products and, therefore, our business and results of operations could be adversely affected.

In addition, the products that we manufacture or sell, particularly engines, are subject to increasingly stringent environmental regulations. As a result, we will likely incur increased engineering expenses and capital expenditures to modify our products to comply with these regulations. Further, we may experience production delays if we or our suppliers are unable to design and manufacture components for our products that comply with environmental standards established by regulators. For instance, we are required to meet more stringent emissions requirements both now and in the future, and we expect to meet these requirements through the introduction of new technology to our engines and exhaust after-treatment systems, as necessary. Failure to meet such requirements could materially affect our business and results of operations.

Our labor force is heavily unionized, and our contractual and legal obligations under collective bargaining agreements and labor laws subject us to the risks of work interruption or stoppage and could cause our costs to be higher.

Most of our employees, most notably at our manufacturing facilities, are subject to collective bargaining agreements and union contracts with terms that expire on varying dates. Several of our collective bargaining agreements and union contracts are of limited duration and, therefore, must be re-negotiated frequently. As a result, we incur various administrative expenses associated with union representation of our employees. Furthermore, we are at greater risk of work interruptions or stoppages than non-unionized companies, and any work interruption or stoppage could significantly impact the volume of products we have available for sale. In addition, collective bargaining agreements, union contracts and labor laws may impair our ability to reduce our labor costs by streamlining existing manufacturing facilities and in restructuring our business because of limitations on personnel and salary changes and similar restrictions.

We have significant pension obligations with respect to our employees and our available cash flow may be adversely affected in the event that payments became due under any pension plans that are unfunded or underfunded. Declines in the market value of the securities used to fund these obligations result in increased pension expense in future periods.

A portion of our active and retired employees participate in defined benefit pension plans under which we are obligated to provide prescribed levels of benefits regardless of the value of the underlying assets, if any, of the applicable pension plan. To the extent that our obligations under a plan are unfunded or underfunded, we will have to use cash flow from operations and other sources to pay our obligations either as they become due or over some shorter funding period. In addition, since the assets that we already have provided to fund these obligations are invested in debt instruments and other securities, the value of these assets varies due to market factors. Recently, these fluctuations have been significant and adverse, and there can be no assurances that they will not be significant in the future. As of December 31, 2011, we had approximately \$307.9 million in unfunded or underfunded obligations

related to our pension and other postretirement health care benefits.

Our business routinely is subject to claims and legal actions, some of which could be material.

We routinely are a party to claims and legal actions incidental to our business. These include claims for personal injuries by users of farm equipment, disputes with distributors, vendors and others with respect to commercial matters, and disputes with taxing and other governmental authorities regarding the conduct of our business. While these matters generally are not material, it is entirely possible that a matter will arise that is material to our business.

We have a substantial amount of indebtedness, and, as a result, we are subject to certain restrictive covenants and payment obligations that may adversely affect our ability to operate and expand our business.

We have a substantial amount of indebtedness. As of December 31, 2011, we had total long-term indebtedness, including current portions of long-term indebtedness of approximately \$1,487.7 million, total stockholders' equity of approximately \$3,031.2 million and a ratio of total indebtedness to equity of approximately 0.49 to 1.0. We also had short-term obligations of \$224.3 million, capital lease obligations of \$4.9 million, unconditional purchase or other long-term obligations of \$594.9 million. In addition, we had guaranteed indebtedness owed to third parties and our retail finance joint ventures of approximately \$134.6 million, primarily related to dealer and end-user financing of equipment.

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Holders of our 1¹/₄ % convertible senior subordinated notes due 2036 may convert the notes if, during any fiscal quarter, the closing sales price of our common stock exceeds 120% of the conversion price of \$40.73 per share for at least 20 trading days in the 30 consecutive trading days ending on the last trading day of the preceding fiscal quarter. Future classification between current and long-term debt of our 1¹/₄% convertible senior subordinated notes depends on the closing sales price of our common stock during future quarters. In the event the notes are converted in the future, we believe we will be able to repay the notes with available cash on hand, funds from our credit facility or a combination of these sources.

Our substantial indebtedness could have important adverse consequences. For example, it could:

- require us to dedicate a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations to payments on our indebtedness, which would reduce the availability of our cash flow to fund future working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions and other general corporate purposes;
- increase our vulnerability to general adverse economic and industry conditions;
- limit our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in our business and the industry in which we operate;
- restrict us from introducing new products or pursuing business opportunities;
- place us at a competitive disadvantage compared to our competitors that have relatively less indebtedness; and
- limit, along with the financial and other restrictive covenants in our indebtedness, among other things, our ability to borrow additional funds, pay cash dividends or engage in or enter into certain transactions.

Our business increasingly is subject to regulations relating to privacy and data protection, and if we violate any of those regulations we could be subject to significant liability.

Increasingly the United States, the European Union and other governmental entities are imposing regulations designed to protect the collection, maintenance and transfer of personal information. Other regulations govern the collection and transfer of financial data and data security generally. These regulations generally impose penalties in the event of violations. In addition, we also could be subject to cyber attacks that, if successful, could compromise our information technology systems and our ability to conduct business.

In addition, our business relies on the Internet as well as other electronic communications systems that, by their nature, may be subject to efforts by so-called "hacker" to either disrupt our business or steal data or funds. While we strive to maintain customary protections against hackers, there can be no assurance that at some point a hacker will breach those safeguards and damage our business, possibly materially.

We may encounter difficulties in integrating GSI into our business and may not fully achieve, or achieve within a reasonable time frame, expected strategic objectives and other expected benefits of the acquisition.

We expect to realize strategic and other benefits as a result of our acquisition of GSI, including, among other things, the opportunity to extend our reach in the agricultural industry and provide our customers with an even wider range of products and services, including grain storage and protein production systems. However, it is impossible to predict with certainty whether, or to what extent, these benefits will be realized or whether we will be able to integrate GSI in a timely and effective manner. In addition:

- the costs of integrating GSI and its operations may be higher than we expect and may require significant attention from our management; and

our ability to successfully carry out our growth strategy for GSI will be affected by, among other things, our ability to maintain and enhance our relationships with existing GSI customers, our ability to provide additional product distribution opportunities to GSI through our existing distribution channels, changes in the spending patterns and preferences of customers and potential customers, fluctuating economic and competitive conditions and our ability to retain key GSI personnel.

In addition, GSI is subject to regulations, demands and risks that differ in some ways to our traditional business. As a result, we may be unable to achieve the same growth, sales levels and profitability as GSI has in the past.

Our ability to address these issues will determine the extent to which we are able to successfully integrate, develop and grow the GSI business and to realize the expected benefits of the transaction. Our failure to do so could have a material adverse effect on our revenues, operating results and financial condition following the transaction.

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Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

Not applicable.

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Item 2. Properties

Our principal properties as of January 31, 2012, were as follows:

Location	Description of Property	Leased (Sq. Ft.)	Owned (Sq. Ft.)
United States:			
Batavia, Illinois	Parts Distribution	310,200	
Beloit, Kansas	Manufacturing		232,500
Duluth, Georgia	Corporate Headquarters	125,000	
Hesston, Kansas	Manufacturing		1,296,100
Assumption, Illinois	Manufacturing, Sales and Administrative Office		933,900
Taylorville, Illinois	Manufacturing	236,000	
Paris, Illinois	Manufacturing		243,200
Bremen, Alabama	Manufacturing/Sales Office	169,500	
Jackson, Minnesota	Manufacturing	20,000	671,000
Wahpeton, North Dakota	Manufacturing	340,000	
Kansas City, Missouri	Parts Distribution/Warehouse	612,800	
International:			
Neuhausen, Switzerland	Regional Headquarters	20,200	
Stoneleigh, United Kingdom	Sales and Administrative Office	85,000	
Desford, United Kingdom	Parts Distribution	298,000	
Exeter, United Kingdom	Parts Distribution and Administrative Office		103,800
Beauvais, France ⁽¹⁾	Manufacturing		1,144,400
Ennery, France	Parts Distribution		417,500
Marktoberdorf, Germany	Manufacturing	110,000	1,394,400
Baumenheim, Germany	Manufacturing	62,400	513,300
Hohenmoelsen, Germany	Manufacturing		318,300
Breganze, Italy	Manufacturing		716,800
Linnavuori, Finland	Manufacturing		313,700
Suolahti, Finland	Manufacturing/Parts Distribution		550,900
Sunshine, Victoria, Australia	Regional Headquarters/Parts Distribution		94,600
Randers, Denmark ⁽²⁾	Engineering Office		143,400
Haedo, Argentina	Parts Distribution/Sales Office	32,000	
Canoas, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil	Regional Headquarters/Manufacturing/Parts Distribution		615,300
Marau, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil	Manufacturing/Sales Office		135,500
Santa Rosa, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil	Manufacturing		386,500
Mogi das Cruzes, Brazil	Manufacturing		722,200
Ibirubá, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil	Manufacturing		136,800
Jundiá, São Paulo, Brazil	Parts Distribution	188,400	
Changzhou, China	Manufacturing	201,700	
Daging, China	Manufacturing	104,400	

Yanzhou, China	Manufacturing	140,400
Penang, Malaysia	Manufacturing/Sales Office	118,300

(1) Includes our joint venture with GIMA, in which we own a 50% interest.

(2) This property is currently being marketed for sale.

We consider each of our facilities to be in good condition and adequate for its present use. We believe that we have sufficient capacity to meet our current and anticipated manufacturing requirements.

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Item 3. Legal Proceedings

On June 27, 2008, the Republic of Iraq filed a civil action in a federal court in New York, Case No. 08 CIV 59617, naming as defendants our French subsidiary and two of our other foreign subsidiaries that participated in the United Nations Oil for Food Program (the “Program”). Ninety-one other entities or companies also were named as defendants in the civil action due to their participation in the Program. The complaint purports to assert claims against each of the defendants seeking damages in an unspecified amount. Although our subsidiaries intend to vigorously defend against this action, it is not possible at this time to predict the outcome of this action or its impact, if any, on us, although if the outcome was adverse, we could be required to pay damages. In addition, the French government also is investigating our French subsidiary in connection with its participation in the Program.

In August 2008, as part of a routine audit, the Brazilian taxing authorities disallowed deductions relating to the amortization of certain goodwill recognized in connection with a reorganization of our Brazilian operations and the related transfer of certain assets to our Brazilian subsidiaries. The amount of the tax disallowance through December 31, 2011, not including interest and penalties, was approximately 90.6 million Brazilian reais (or approximately \$48.6 million). The amount ultimately in dispute will be greater because of interest and penalties. We have been advised by our legal and tax advisors that our position with respect to the deductions is allowable under the tax laws of Brazil. We are contesting the disallowance and believe that it is not likely that the assessment, interest or penalties will be required to be paid. However, the ultimate outcome will not be determined until the Brazilian tax appeal process is complete, which could take several years.

We are a party to various other legal claims and actions incidental to our business. We believe that none of these claims or actions, either individually or in the aggregate, is material to our business or financial statements as a whole, including our results of operations and financial condition.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not Applicable.

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PART II

Item 5. Market For Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange (“NYSE”) and trades under the symbol AGCO. As of the close of business on February 10, 2012, the closing stock price was \$51.26, and there were 424 stockholders of record (this number does not include stockholders who hold their stock through brokers, banks and other nominees). The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the high and low sales prices for our common stock for each quarter within the last two years, as reported on the NYSE.

	High	Low
2011		
First Quarter	\$56.77	\$49.75
Second Quarter	58.13	45.31
Third Quarter	52.88	34.57
Fourth Quarter	46.82	32.39
	High	Low
2010		
First Quarter	\$36.86	\$30.22
Second Quarter	39.77	25.86
Third Quarter	40.19	26.50
Fourth Quarter	50.94	37.11

DIVIDEND POLICY

We currently do not pay dividends. We cannot provide any assurance that we will pay dividends in the foreseeable future. Although we are in compliance with all provisions of our debt agreements, both our credit facility and the indenture governing our senior subordinated notes and term loan contain restrictions on our ability to pay dividends in certain circumstances.

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Item 6. Selected Financial Data

The following tables present our selected consolidated financial data. The data set forth below should be read together with Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," and our historical Consolidated Financial Statements and the related notes. The Consolidated Financial Statements as of December 31, 2011 and 2010 and for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009 and the reports thereon are included in Item 8 in this Form 10-K. The historical financial data may not be indicative of our future performance.

Years Ended December 31,