3M Reports Record Third-Quarter Sales and Earnings per Share

Company Continues Multi-Quarter Trend of Broad-Based Revenue Growth

3M (NYSE:MMM) today announced its sales and profit results for the third quarter of 2006.

Third-quarter worldwide sales were a record \$5.9 billion, up 8.8 percent compared to the third quarter of 2005. Total local-currency sales increased 7.3 percent, including 1.7 percent from acquisitions. Each business contributed positively to the growth, with local-currency sales increasing 17.1 percent in Safety, Security and Protection Services, 8.2 percent in Display and Graphics, 6.9 percent in Industrial and Transportation, 6 percent in Health Care, 5.8 percent in Consumer and Office and 3.4 percent in Electro and Communications.

Third-quarter net income was \$894 million, or \$1.18 per share, including net gains of \$0.01 per share due to a net benefit from certain income tax adjustments, partially offset by costs related to the company's current efforts to seek strategic alternatives for its branded pharmaceuticals business. In the third quarter of 2005, net income was \$840 million, or \$1.08 per share. Included in these results are stock options related costs of \$0.04 per share in the third quarter of 2006 and \$0.02 per share in the third quarter of 2005(a).

"This was a strong performance by the 3M team with broad sales growth across our portfolio," said George W. Buckley, 3M chairman of the board, president and CEO. "All six of our businesses posted positive local currency growth for the fifth consecutive quarter, led by Safety, Security and Protection Services at over 17 percent growth. In addition, we continued to drive growth via leveraging our world-class geographic infrastructure."

Local-currency growth was 9.5 percent in Asia Pacific, 8.4 percent in Europe, 6.3 percent in Latin America and 6.2 percent in the United States. Worldwide sales in dollars increased 8.8 percent, reaching an all-time quarterly high, and earnings per share improved 9.3 percent versus last year's third quarter.

Buckley also commented on 3M's LCD films business, which is part of the Display and Graphics segment. "As anticipated, LCD industry inventories have returned to more normal levels and our growth in this business accelerated in the third quarter as consumers purchased more LCD televisions. In addition, we saw continued manufacturing process improvement in this business as the quarter progressed and the new production line is now behaving in line with our expectations."

Buckley continued, "Looking ahead, we will continue to follow our agenda for accelerating innovation and growth via investments in R&D, sales and marketing, growth-oriented capital investment and selected acquisitions. These investments will be funded over time by productivity improvement efforts, such as global strategic sourcing and lean six sigma, to relentlessly drive out cost, simplify our supply chains and improve customer service."

For the fourth quarter of 2006, the company expects organic local-currency sales growth of 4 to 8 percent. Acquisitions are expected to add approximately 1.5 percent to fourth-quarter sales growth. The company expects fourth-quarter earnings per share will be in the range of \$1.10 to \$1.16, excluding an estimated \$0.12 to \$0.13 per share of one-time acquisition costs related to the purchase of Brontes Technologies Inc.(b). Also included in estimated fourth quarter earnings is \$0.04 per share cost from stock options expensing. In the fourth quarter of 2005, before a cumulative effect of accounting change, 3M earned \$1.01 per share, including \$0.02 per share from stock options expensing.

Buckley and Patrick D. Campbell, senior vice president and chief financial officer, will conduct an investor

teleconference at 9 a.m. Eastern Time (8 a.m. Central Time) today. Investors can access a webcast of this conference, along with related charts and materials, at http://investor.3M.com.

- (a) 3M adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123R effective Jan. 1, 2006, using the modified retrospective method, with prior periods adjusted to give effect to the fair-value-based method of accounting for stock option awards granted in fiscal years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 1995.
- (b) On Oct. 17, 2006, the company announced its intent to acquire Brontes Technologies Inc., a Lexington, Mass.-based developer of proprietary 3-D imaging technology for \$95 million in cash. The transaction will result in an estimated fourth-quarter 2006 charge in the range of \$0.12 to \$0.13 per share, reflecting the one-time write-off of in-process research and development costs. Financial accounting standards require companies to expense such costs upon acquisition.

Forward-Looking Statements

This news release contains forward-looking information (within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995) about the company's financial results and estimates, business prospects, and products under development that involve substantial risks and uncertainties. You can identify these statements by the use of words such as "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "project," "intend," "plan," "believe," "will," and other words and terms of similar meaning in connection with any discussion of future operating or financial performance. Among the factors that could cause actual results to differ materially are the following: (1) worldwide economic conditions; (2) competitive conditions and customer preferences; (3) foreign currency exchange rates and fluctuations in those rates; (4) the timing and acceptance of new product offerings; (5) the availability and cost of purchased components, compounds, raw materials and energy (including oil and natural gas and their derivatives) due to shortages, increased demand or supply interruptions (including those caused by natural and other disasters and other events); (6) the impact of acquisitions, strategic alliances, divestitures, and other unusual events resulting from portfolio management actions and other evolving business strategies, and possible organizational restructuring; (7) generating less productivity improvements than estimated; and (8) legal proceedings, including significant developments that could occur in the legal and regulatory proceedings described in the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended Dec. 31, 2005 and the Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the guarters ended March 31, 2006 and June 30, 2006 (the "Reports"). Changes in such assumptions or factors could produce significantly different results. A further description of these factors is located in the Reports under Part I, Item 1A (Annual Report) and Part II, Item 1A (Quarterly Report), "Risk Factors." The information contained in this news release is as of the date indicated. The company assumes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements contained in this news release as a result of new information or future events or developments.

About 3M - A Global, Diversified Technology Company

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3M Company and Subsidiaries CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME (Millions, except per-share amounts) (Unaudited)

	Three-mo	onths ended	Nine-mon Sept. 30	ths ended
	2006			2005
Net sales	\$ 5,858	\$ 5,382	\$17,141	\$15,842
Operating expenses Cost of sales	2,990	2,635	8,551	7,786
Selling, general and administrative expenses	1,186	1,166	3,691	3,440
Research, development and related expenses	340	314	1,013	952
Total Operating income Interest expense and income	4,516 1,342	4,115 1,267	13,255 3,886	12,178 3,664
Interest expense	37	20	84	59
Interest income	(13) (13)	(35)	(45)
Total	24	7	49	14
Income before income taxes and minority interest	1,318	1,260	3,837	3,650
Provision for income taxes Minority interest Net income	412 12 \$ 894	407 13 \$ 840	1,127 35 \$2,675	1,245 40 \$2,365
Weighted average common shares outstanding - basic	745.2	762.2	751.6	767.3
Earnings per share - basic	\$ 1.20	\$ 1.10	\$3.56	\$3.08
Weighted average common shares outstanding - diluted	756.2	777.1	765.1	784.5
Earnings per share - diluted	\$ 1.18	\$ 1.08	\$3.50	\$3.01
Cash dividends paid per common share		\$ 0.42	\$1.38	\$1.26

3M Company and Subsidiaries SUPPLEMENTAL CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME INFORMATION (Millions, except per-share amounts) (Unaudited)

	Sept. 30, 2	Three-months ended Sept. 30, 2006 Excluding			Three-months ended Sept. 30, 2005 Excluding			
	special	Special	Reported	special	Special	Reported		
	items (c)	items (c)	total	items (c)	items (c)	total		
Net sales	\$5,858	\$-	\$5,858	\$5,382	\$-	\$5,382		

Operating expenses

Cost of sales	2,990	-	2,990	2,635	-	2,635
Selling, general and administrative expenses	1,173	13	1,186	1,166	-	1,166
Research, development and related expenses	340	-	340	314	-	314
Total	4,503	13	4,516	4,115	-	4,115
Operating income (loss)	1,355	(13)	1,342	1,267	-	1,267
Interest expense and (income), net	24	-	24	7	-	7
Income (loss) before income taxes and minority interest	1,331	(13)	1,318	1,260	-	1,260
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	435	(23)	412	407	-	407
Effective tax rate	32.7 %	-	31.3 %	32.3 %	-	32.3 %
Minority interest	12	-	12	13	-	13
Net income (loss)	\$884	\$10	\$894	\$840	\$-	\$840
Weighted average diluted shares	756.2	756.2	756.2	777.1	777.1	777.1
Net income per diluted share	\$1.17	\$ ^{0.01}	\$1.18	\$1.08	\$-	\$1.08

(c) In addition to disclosing results that are determined in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the company also discloses non-GAAP results that exclude special items. Special items represent significant charges or credits that are important to an understanding of the company's ongoing operations. The company provides reconciliations of its non-GAAP financial reporting to the most comparable GAAP reporting. The company believes that discussion of results excluding special items provides a useful analysis of ongoing operating trends. Earnings per share and other amounts before special items are not measures recognized under GAAP. The determination of special items may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies.

In the third quarter of 2006, net income included net gains of \$10 million due to a net benefit from certain income tax adjustments, partially offset by costs related to the company's current efforts to seek strategic alternatives for its branded pharmaceuticals business.

3M Company and Subsidiaries SUPPLEMENTAL CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME INFORMATION (Millions, except per-share amounts) (Unaudited)

	Nine-months ended Sept. 30, 2006			Nine-mont Sept. 30, 2	l	
	Excluding special Special R		Reported	Excluding special	Special	Reported
	items (d)	items (d)	total	items (d)	items (d)	total
Net sales	\$17,141	\$-	\$17,141	\$15,842	\$-	\$15,842

Operating expenses Cost of sales Selling, general and adminis-trative expenses	8,551 3,629	- 62	8,551 3,691	7,786 3,440	-	7,786 3,440
Research, development and related expenses	1,013	-	1,013	952	-	952
Total	13,193	62	13,255	12,178	-	12,178
Operating income (loss)	3,948	(62)	3,886	3,664	-	3,664
Interest expense and (income), net Income (loss) before income taxes and minority interest	49 3,899	- (62)	49 3,837	14 3,650	-	14 3,650
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	1,273	(146)	1,127	1,170	75	1,245
Effective tax rate	32.7 %	-	29.4 %	32.0 %	-	34.1 %
Minority interest	35	-	35	40	-	40
Net income (loss)	\$2,591	\$84	\$2,675	\$2,440	\$(75)	\$2,365
Weighted average diluted shares	765.1	765.1	765.1	784.5	784.5	784.5
Net income per diluted share	\$3.39	\$0.11	\$3.50	\$3.11	\$(0.10)	\$3.01

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In the second quarter of 2006, net income included net gains of \$74 million due to a net benefit from certain income tax adjustments, partially offset by settlement costs of a previously disclosed class action and costs related to the company's current efforts to seek strategic alternatives for its branded pharmaceuticals business. Refer to 3M's Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2006 for further discussion of these items. Reference the preceding Note (c) for discussion of the net gains of \$10 million included in net income that impacted the third quarter of 2006.

In the second quarter of 2005, the company announced its intent to reinvest \$1.7 billion of foreign earnings in the United States pursuant to the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004. As a consequence, in the second quarter of 2005, 3M recorded a charge of \$75 million after-tax.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

(Dollars in millions)

(Unaudited)

	Sept. 30,	Dec. 31,	Sept. 30,
ASSETS	2006	2005	2005
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$999	\$1,072	\$1,848
Marketable securities - current	130		25
Accounts receivable - net	3,332	2,838	3,061
Inventories	2,632	2,162	2,098
Other current assets	1,216	1,043	1,135
Total current assets	8,309	7,115	8,167
Marketable securities - noncurrent	112		
Investments	287	272	275
Property, plant and equipment - net	5,782	5,593	5,604
Prepaid pension and postretirement benefits	2,959		2,775
Goodwill, intangible assets and other assets	5,234	4,656	4,560
Total assets	\$22,683	\$20,541	\$21,381
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Current liabilities			
Short-term borrowings and current portion of long-term			
debt	\$2,570	\$1,072	\$2,582
Accounts payable	1,373	1,256	1,249
Accrued payroll	535	469	520
Accrued income taxes	848	989	1,008
Other current liabilities	1,537		1,520
Total current liabilities	6,863	5,238	6,879
Long-term debt	1,230	1,309	688
Other liabilities	3,607		3,271
Total liabilities	11,700		
Total stockholders' equity - net	10,983	10,395	
Shares outstanding			
Sept. 30, 2006: 736,366,111 shares			
Dec. 31, 2005: 754,538,387 shares			
Sept. 30, 2005: 759,932,466 shares			
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$22,683	\$20,541	\$21,381

3M Company and Subsidiaries CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (Dollars in millions) (Unaudited)

	Nine-months end		
	Sept. 30		
	2006	2005	
SUMMARY OF CASH FLOWS:			
NET CASH PROVIDED BY			
OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$2,517	\$3,038	
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(763)	(660)	

Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(468)	(1,264)
Other investing activities	(198)	(40)
NET CASH USED IN		
INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(1,429)	(1,964)
Cash flows from financing activities: Change in debt	1,419	408
Purchases of treasury stock	(2,021)	(1,809)
Reissuances of treasury stock	426	467
Dividends paid to stockholders	(1,037)	(968)
Other financing activities	(25)	32
NET CASH USED IN		
FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(1,238)	(1,870)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	77	(113)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(73)	(909)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	1,072	2,757
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$999	\$1,848

3M Company and Subsidiaries SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW AND OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Dollars in millions) (Unaudited)

> Nine-months ended Sept. 30 2006 2005

NON-GAAP MEASURES

Free Cash Flow:

Net cash provided by operating activities \$2,517 \$3,038

Purchases of property, plant and equipment

(763) (660)

Free Cash Flow (e) \$1,754 \$2,378

OTHER NON-GAAP MEASURES:

Net Working Capital Turns (f) 5.1 5.5

- (e) Free cash flow is not defined under U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Therefore, it should not be considered a substitute for income or cash flow data prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP and may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies. The company defines free cash flow as net cash provided by operating activities less purchases of property, plant and equipment. It should not be inferred that the entire free cash flow amount is available for discretionary expenditures. The company believes free cash flow is a useful measure of performance and uses this measure as an indication of the strength of the company and its ability to generate cash.
- (f) The company uses various working capital measures that place emphasis and focus on certain working capital assets and liabilities. 3M's net working capital index is defined as quarterly net sales multiplied by four, divided by ending net accounts receivable plus inventory less accounts payable. This measure is not recognized under U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies.

3M Company and Subsidiaries SALES CHANGE ANALYSIS (Unaudited)

Three-months ended Sept. 30, 2006

Sales Change Analysis By Geographic Area		United States 3.4 %			World	wide %
Volume - organic						
Volume - acquisitions Volume - total	1.8 5.2		1.7 10.3		1.7 8.2	
Price	1.0		(2.2)	(0.9)
Total local-currency sales	6.2		8.1		7.3	
Translation Total sales change	- 6.2	%	2.5 10.6	%	1.5 8.8	%
Worldwide Sales Change Analysis By Business Segment	Local				Total	
	Sales	5	Trans	า	Sales Chang	
Industrial and Transportation	6.9	%	1.8	%	8.7	%
Health Care	6.0		1.9		7.9	
Display and Graphics	8.2		0.7		8.9	
Consumer and Office	5.8		1.2		7.0	

Safety, Security and Protection						
Services	17.1		2.1		19.2	
Total sales change	7.3	%	1.5	%	8.8	%

Note: Industrial and Transportation includes a 2.4 percent benefit from acquisitions, primarily CUNO. Safety, Security and Protection Services includes a 6.0 percent benefit from acquisitions, primarily Security Printing and Systems Limited.

3M Company and Subsidiaries SALES CHANGE ANALYSIS (Unaudited)

Nine-months ended Sept. 30, 2006

Sales Change Analysis By Geographic Area	United States	Inter- national	Worldwide
Volume - organic	3.9%	8.2%	6.5%
Volume - acquisitions Volume - total	2.9 6.8	1.8 10.0	2.2 8.7
Price	1.6	(1.7)	(0.4)
Total local-currency sales	8.4	8.3	8.3
Translation		(0.2)	(0.1)
Total sales change	8.4%	8.1%	8.2%
Worldwide Sales Change Analysis By Business Segment	Local-		Total
To death of the ord Tong on the Man	currency Sales 10.6%	Trans- lation 0.0%	Sales Change 10.6%
Industrial and Transportation			
Health Care	5.0	(0.3)	4.7
Display and Graphics	8.1	(0.1)	8.0
Consumer and Office	6.3	0.2	6.5
Electro and Communications	6.6	0.0	6.6
Safety, Security and Protection Services	13.5	0.2	13.7

Note: Industrial and Transportation includes a 5.9 percent benefit from acquisitions, primarily CUNO. Safety, Security and Protection Services includes a 2.0 percent benefit from acquisitions, primarily Security Printing and Systems Limited.

3M Company and Subsidiaries BUSINESS SEGMENTS (Dollars in millions) (Unaudited)

BUSINESS						
SEGMENT	Three-mo	nths ended	Nine-months ended			
INFORMATION	Sept. 30		Sept. 30			
(Millions)	2006	2005	2006	2005		
NET SALES						
Industrial and Transportation	\$ 1,679	\$ 1,544	\$5,071	\$4,586		
Health Care	998	926	2,964	2,831		
Display and Graphics	992	910	2,819	2,610		
Consumer and Office	867	810	2,414	2,268		
Electro and Communications	628	597	1,864	1,748		
Safety, Security and Protection	682	573	1,966	1,729		
Services						
Corporate and Unallocated	12	22	43	70		
Total Company	\$ 5,858	\$ 5,382	\$17,141	\$15,842		
OPERATING INCOME						
Industrial and Transportation	\$ 340	\$ 293	\$1,042	\$913		
Health Care	287	273	846	829		
Display and Graphics	300	314	837	876		
Consumer and Office	181	169	438	419		
Electro and Communications	124	124	374	334		
Safety, Security and Protection	148	137	457	410		
Services						
Corporate and Unallocated	(38)	(43)	(108)	(117)		
Total Company	\$ 1,342	\$ 1,267	\$3,886	\$3,664		

SFAS 123R Stock Option Expense Impact (Dollars in millions, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	Three months ended
	Sept. 30
	2006 2005 Difference
Cost of sales	\$10 \$3 \$7
% to Sales	0.2% 0.1% 0.1 %
Selling, general and administrative expenses	\$25 \$15 \$ 10
% to Sales	0.4% 0.2% 0.2 %

Research, development and related expenses	\$9	\$5	\$ 4	
% to Sales	0.2%	0.1%	0.1	%
Operating Income	\$44	\$23	\$ 21	
% to Sales	0.8%	0.4%	0.4	%

SFAS 123R Stock Option Expense Impact (Dollars in millions, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	Nine months ended						
	Sept. 30 2006 2005			Difference			
Cost of sales	\$33		\$23		\$	10	
% to Sales	0.1	%	0.1	%			
Selling, general and administrative expenses	\$98		\$83		\$	15	
% to Sales	0.6	%	0.5	%		0.1	%
Research, development and related expenses	\$31		\$27		\$	4	
% to Sales	0.2	%	0.2	%			
Operating Income	\$162		\$133		\$	29	
% to Sales	0.9	%	8.0	%		0.1	%

Business Segment Stock Option Expense (Dollars in millions) (Unaudited)

	Three-months ended Sept. 30									
	2006	% to Sales		% to Sales		2006 % to Sales		2005	% to :	Sales
Industrial and Transportation	\$ 10	0.6	%	\$ 7	0.5	%				
Health Care	8	8.0	%	5	0.5	%				
Display and Graphics	6	0.5	%	3	0.3	%				
Consumer and Office	5	0.6	%	3	0.4	%				
Electro and Communications	4	0.6	%	2	0.4	%				
Safety, Security and Protection		0.6	%		0.4	%				

Services	3	0.0	, .	3	.	, ,
Corporate	8					
Total Company	\$ 44	8.0	%	\$ 23	0.4	%

Business Segment Stock Option Expense

(Dollars in millions)

(Unaudited)

Nine months ended September 30

	2006	% to Sales		% to Sales		2005	% to 9	Sales
Industrial & Transportation	\$40	0.8	%	\$40	0.9	%		
Health Care	34	1.1	%	30	1.1	%		
Display and Graphics	22	0.8	%	17	0.6	%		
Consumer and Office	19	0.8	%	18	8.0	%		
Electro and Communications	16	0.9	%	14	8.0	%		
Safety, Security and Protection Services	16	0.8	%	14	8.0	%		
Corporate	15							
Total Company	\$162	0.9	%	\$133	8.0	%		

Quarterly Diluted Earnings Per Share Stock Option Expense (Unaudited)

2004 Reported EPS as originally reported	Q1 \$0.90	Q2 \$0.97	Q3 \$0.97	Q4 \$0.91	Total \$3.75
SFAS 123R impact	\$(0.03)	\$(0.04)	\$(0.06)	\$(0.06)	\$(0.19)
EPS with SFAS123R impact	\$0.87	\$0.93	\$0.91	\$0.85	\$3.56
2005 Reported EPS as originally reported	Q1 \$1.03	Q2 \$1.00	Q3 \$1.10	Q4 \$0.99	Total \$4.12
SFAS 123R impact	\$(0.06)	\$(0.04)	\$(0.02)	\$(0.02)	\$(0.14)
EPS with SFAS123R impact	\$0.97	\$0.96	\$1.08	\$0.97	\$3.98
2005 - Excluding					
Special Items (g)	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
EPS as originally reported	\$1.03	\$1.09	\$1.10	\$1.04	\$4.26
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SFAS 123R impact	\$ (U.Ub)	\$ (U.U4)	\$(U.U∠)	\$(U.U∠)	\$(U.14)
EPS with SFAS123R impact	\$0.97	\$1.06	\$1.08	\$1.01	\$4.12
2006 - Reported Diluted EPS/Guidance	Q1 \$1.17	Q2 \$1.15	Q3 \$1.18	Q4 \$0.97 to \$1.04	Total \$4.47 to \$4.54
Estimated SFAS 123R impact included in EPS/guidance	\$(0.02)	\$(0.07)	\$(0.04)	\$(0.04)	\$(0.17)
2006 - Excluding					
Special Items (g) Diluted EPS/Guidance	Q1 \$1.17	Q2 \$1.05	Q3 \$1.17	Q4 \$1.10 to \$1.16	Total \$4.49 to \$4.55
Estimated SFAS 123R impact included in EPS/guidance	\$(0.02)	\$(0.07)	\$(0.04)	\$(0.04)	\$(0.17)

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