

3M Reports Sales Information for Month of August 2020

Summary:

Sales of \$2.7 billion, up 2 percent year-on-year

August sales negatively impacted by one fewer business day – 21 days this year vs. 22 days last year – or minus 5 percent year-on-year impact

Company provides revenue expectations for third quarter; monthly sales updates to continue through end of 2020

ST. PAUL, Minn.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- 3M (NYSE: MMM) today reported sales information for the month of August 2020.

Total sales for August increased 2 percent year-on-year to \$2.7 billion. Organic local-currency sales (which includes organic volume impacts and selling price changes) declined 2 percent while acquisitions, net of divestitures, and foreign currency translation increased sales year-on-year by 3 percent and 1 percent, respectively.

Total sales increased 23 percent in Health Care, 6 percent in Safety and Industrial, and 3 percent in Consumer, while Transportation and Electronics declined 11 percent. Organic local-currency sales increased 6 percent in Health Care, 5 percent in Safety and Industrial, and 2 percent in Consumer, while Transportation and Electronics declined 11 percent.

On a geographic basis, total sales increased 7 percent in EMEA (Europe, Middle East and Africa), and 4 percent in the Americas, while Asia Pacific declined 2 percent. Organic local-currency sales were flat in both the Americas (including the U.S. up 1 percent) and EMEA, while Asia Pacific declined 5 percent (including China up 6 percent and Japan down 15 percent).

Sales for August 2020 were impacted by one fewer business day – 21 days this year versus 22 days last year – or minus 5 percent year-on-year. Because the company will have one additional business day in September 2020 versus September 2019, there will be no year-on-year business day impact on the third-quarter 2020.

While significant global economic uncertainty remains due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the company estimates, with one month left in the quarter, its sales to be in the range of \$8.2 to \$8.3 billion for the third-quarter. Given the current economic uncertainty, 3M will continue its monthly reporting of sales information through the end of the year to provide transparency on its ongoing business performance.

Upcoming events

3M will participate in the Morgan Stanley Virtual 8th Annual Laguna Conference on Thursday, Sept. 17, 2020.

Mike Roman, chairman and chief executive officer, and Monish Patolawala, senior vice president and chief financial officer, will speak at 8:15 a.m. EDT.

3M will host its third-quarter 2020 earnings conference call on Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2020, at 8 a.m. CDT.

Both events will be webcast live, and a replay will be available on 3M's Investor Relations website at <http://investors.3M.com>.

Forward-Looking Statements

This news release contains forward-looking information about 3M's financial results and estimates and business prospects that involve substantial risks and uncertainties. You can identify these statements by the use of

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