

Generac Reports Record Quarterly and Full-Year 2019 Results

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Fourth quarter results exceed expectations led by strong home standby demand; 2020 outlook anticipates continued strong revenue growth highlighted by expanding Clean Energy and California markets

WAUKESHA, Wis., Feb. 13, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Generac Holdings Inc. (NYSE: GNRC) ("Generac" or the "Company"), a leading global designer and manufacturer of energy technology solutions and other power products, today reported financial results for its fourth quarter and full-year ended December 31, 2019.

Fourth Quarter 2019 Highlights

- Net sales increased 4.9% to \$590.9 million during the fourth quarter of 2019 as compared to \$563.4 million in the prior-year fourth quarter. Core sales growth, which excludes both the impact of acquisitions and foreign currency, was approximately 4%.
 - Residential product sales increased 9.7% to \$322.5 million as compared to \$293.9 million last year, with core sales growth of approximately 7%.
 - Commercial & Industrial ("C&I") product sales decreased 2.7% to \$217.1 million as compared to \$223.2 million in the prior year, with core sales also declining approximately 3%.
- Net income attributable to the Company during the fourth quarter was \$69.6 million, or \$1.12 per share, as compared to \$75.6 million, or \$1.20 per share, for the same period of 2018. See accompanying reconciliation schedules for related earnings per share calculations.
- Adjusted net income attributable to the Company, as defined in the accompanying reconciliation schedules, was \$96.5 million, or \$1.53 per share, as compared to \$88.1 million, or \$1.42 per share, in the fourth quarter of 2018.
- Adjusted EBITDA before deducting for noncontrolling interests, as defined in the accompanying reconciliation schedules, was \$129.1 million, or 21.9% of net sales, as compared to \$126.1 million, or 22.4% of net sales, in the prior year.
- Cash flow from operations was \$175.1 million as compared to \$108.2 million in the prior year. Free cash flow, as defined in the accompanying reconciliation schedules, was \$160.3 million as compared to \$87.3 million in 2018. The increase was primarily driven by the monetization of previous working capital investments, together with lower capital expenditures compared to the prior year quarter.
- As previously announced, on December 13, 2019, the Company amended its Term Loan credit agreement, which among other things extended the maturity of the term loan from May 2023 to December 2026. In conjunction with the amendment, the Company paid down \$49 million of debt on the term loan.

Full-Year 2019 Highlights

- Net sales increased 8.9% to \$2.20 billion during 2019 as compared to \$2.02 billion in 2018, including \$41.2 million of contribution from acquisitions. Total core sales growth for the year was approximately 8%.
 - Residential product sales increased 9.7% to \$1.14 billion as compared to \$1.04 billion last year, with core sales growth of approximately 9%.
 - C&I product sales increased 6.3% to \$871.6 million as compared to \$820.3 million in the prior year, with core sales also increasing approximately 6%.
- Net income attributable to the Company during 2019 was \$252.0 million, or \$4.03 per share, as compared to \$238.3 million, or \$3.54 per share for 2018.
- Adjusted net income attributable to the Company was \$317.8 million, or \$5.06 per share, as compared to \$292.2 million, or \$4.70 per share, in 2018.
- Adjusted EBITDA before deducting for non-controlling interests for 2019 was \$454.1 million, or 20.6% of net sales, as compared to \$424.6 million, or 21.0% of net sales, last year.
- Cash flow from operations was \$308.9 million as compared to \$247.2 million in the prior year. Free cash flow was \$250.7 million as compared to \$203.6 million in 2018.

"The fourth quarter was a great finish to a very strong 2019 with record performance for both the quarter and the full-year for net sales, adjusted EBITDA and free cash flow," said Aaron Jagdfeld, President and Chief Executive Officer. "Home standby demand was again robust during the quarter driven by California as public utility shut-offs drove a dramatic increase in interest for these products. We also made the first shipments of our new PWRcell™ energy storage system during the quarter, and the outlook for our clean energy products continues to exceed our expectations. Our full-year results for residential products were also exceptionally strong and broad-based, and we experienced similar trends with domestic C&I product shipments through our industrial distributors as the penetration of natural gas generators continues to accelerate. Additionally, shipments to our telecom national account customers for the full year increased significantly as they continue to expand and harden their networks in preparation for the impending rollout of 5G technology. We believe our 2019 performance is further evidence of the tremendous growth opportunities for Generac, and as we enter 2020 we are incredibly excited about the long-term prospects for our business."

Additional Fourth Quarter 2019 Consolidated Highlights

Gross profit margin improved 130 basis points to 37.6% compared to 36.3% in the prior-year fourth quarter. Pricing actions and favorable sales mix, as well as lower realized commodity and foreign currency input costs, were partially offset by increased regulatory tariffs, and the unfavorable mix impact from acquisitions.

Operating expenses increased \$22.3 million, or 23.3%, as compared to the fourth quarter of 2018. The increase was primarily driven by higher employee costs, recurring operating expenses from recent acquisitions, additional intangible amortization and depreciation expense, as well as greater marketing and promotional spend as we continue to invest in a number of initiatives to capitalize on future growth opportunities.

Provision for income taxes for the current year quarter was \$13.4 million, or an effective tax rate of 16.1%, as compared to \$20.0 million, or a 20.7% effective tax rate, for the prior year. The current year quarter was favorably impacted by a year-end revaluation adjustment related to a reduction in the state income tax rate. For the full year, the effective tax rate for 2019 was 21.1% compared to 22.5% in the prior year.

During the fourth quarter of 2019, the Company completed the termination of its domestic pension plan, which did not result in a reduction of benefits to plan participants. This resulted in pre-tax settlement charges of \$10.9 million during the quarter, or \$0.17 per share.

Business Segment Results

Domestic Segment

Domestic segment sales increased 7.7% to \$470.1 million as compared to \$436.3 million in the prior year quarter. Core sales growth, which excludes the impact of the Neurio and Pika acquisitions, was approximately 6%. The current year quarter experienced strong growth in shipments of home standby generators due to increased outage activity across the U.S. and Canada, which included public safety power shut-offs in California. In addition, C&I stationary generator shipments were also strong during the quarter and broad-based through the Company's North American distributor channel. The overall Domestic segment growth was partially offset by lower shipments of C&I products to national telecom and rental account customers.

Adjusted EBITDA for the segment was \$122.9 million, or 26.1% of net sales, as compared to \$116.3 million in the prior year, or 26.7% of net sales. Pricing initiatives, favorable sales mix, and improved commodity and currency input costs were more than offset by the aforementioned regulatory tariffs and higher operating expense investments.

International Segment

International segment sales decreased 4.9% to \$120.9 million as compared to \$127.1 million in the prior year quarter. Core sales, which excludes the unfavorable impact of currency and the impact of the Captiva acquisition, declined approximately 4% compared to the prior year as slower economic growth and geopolitical headwinds caused softness in certain key regions of the world in which we operate.

Adjusted EBITDA for the segment, before deducting for noncontrolling interests, was \$6.2 million, or 5.2% of net sales, as compared to \$9.7 million, or 7.7% of net sales, in the prior year. Decreased operating leverage on the lower sales volumes was the primary contributor to the margin decline.

2020 Outlook

The Company is initiating guidance for 2020 with net sales expected to increase between 6 to 8% as compared to the prior year on an as-reported basis, and 5 to 7% on a core basis. This guidance assumes a level of power outages in line with the longer-term baseline average, but includes the benefit of one significant power shut-off event in California. Should there be a major event, such as a landed hurricane, along with additional public safety power shut-offs in California, we could expect approximately 3 to 5% of incremental revenue growth on top of the baseline guidance, resulting in an upside case as-reported sales growth of 9 to 13%.

Net income margin, before deducting for non-controlling interests, is expected to be approximately 11% for the full-year 2020, with corresponding adjusted EBITDA margin expected to be approximately 20.0%. Should there be a more active outage environment during 2020, we would expect margins to increase by approximately 50 basis points above this baseline guidance, resulting in an upside case adjusted EBITDA margin of approximately 20.5%.

Operating and free cash flow generation is expected to be strong, with the conversion of adjusted net income to free cash flow expected to be approximately 90%.

Conference Call and Webcast

Generac management will hold a conference call at 9:00 a.m. EST on Thursday, February 13, 2020 to discuss fourth quarter and full year 2019 operating results. The conference call can be accessed by dialing (866) 415-3113 (domestic) or +1 (678) 509-7544 (international) and entering passcode 9159339.

The conference call will also be webcast simultaneously on Generac's website (<u>http://www.generac.com</u>), accessed under the Investor Relations link. The webcast link will be made available on the Company's website prior to the start of the call within the Events section of the Investor Relations website.

Following the live webcast, a replay will be available on the Company's website. A telephonic replay will also be available approximately two hours after the call and can be accessed by dialing (855) 859-2056 (domestic) or +1 (404) 537-3406 (international) and entering passcode 9159339. The telephonic replay will be available for 7 days.

About Generac

Founded in 1959, Generac is a leading global designer and manufacturer of a wide range of energy technology solutions and other power products. As an industry leader serving residential, light commercial, and industrial markets, Generac's products and solutions are available globally through a broad network of independent dealers, distributors, retailers, e-commerce partners, wholesalers and equipment rental companies, as well as sold direct to certain end user customers.

Forward-looking Information

Certain statements contained in this news release, as well as other information provided from time to time by Generac Holdings Inc. or its employees, may contain forward looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward looking statements. Forward-looking statements give Generac's current expectations and projections relating to the Company's financial condition, results of operations, plans, objectives, future performance and business. You can identify forward-looking statements by the fact that they do not relate strictly to historical or current facts. These statements may include words such as "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "forecast," "project," "plan," "intend," "believe," "confident," "may," "should," "can have," "likely," "future," "optimistic" and other words and terms of similar meaning in connection with any discussion of the timing or nature of future operating or financial performance or other events.

Any such forward looking statements are not guarantees of performance or results, and involve risks, uncertainties (some of which are beyond the Company's control) and assumptions. Although Generac believes any forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, you should be aware that many factors could affect Generac's actual financial results and cause them to differ materially from those anticipated in any forward-looking statements, including:

- frequency and duration of power outages impacting demand for our products;
- availability, cost and quality of raw materials and key components from our global supply chain and labor needed in producing our products;
- the impact on our results of possible fluctuations in interest rates, foreign currency exchange rates, commodities, product mix and regulatory tariffs;
- the possibility that the expected synergies, efficiencies and cost savings of our acquisitions will not be realized, or will not be realized within the expected time period;
- the risk that our acquisitions will not be integrated successfully;
- difficulties we may encounter as our business expands globally or into new markets;
- our dependence on our distribution network;
- our ability to invest in, develop or adapt to changing technologies and manufacturing techniques;
- · loss of our key management and employees;
- increase in product and other liability claims or recalls;
- failures or security breaches of our networks or information technology systems; and
- Changes in environmental, health and safety, or product compliance laws and regulations affecting our products or operations.

Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, Generac's actual results may vary in material respects from those projected in any forward-looking statements. A detailed discussion of these and other factors that may affect future results is contained in Generac's filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), particularly in the Risk Factors section of the 2018 Annual Report on Form 10-K and in its periodic reports on Form 10-Q. Stockholders, potential investors and other readers should consider these factors carefully in evaluating the forward-looking statements.

Any forward-looking statement made by Generac in this press release speaks only as of the date on which it is made. Generac undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise, except as may be required by law.

Non-GAAP Financial Metrics

Core Sales

The Company references core sales to further supplement Generac's condensed consolidated financial statements presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Core sales excludes the impact of acquisitions and fluctuations in foreign currency translation. Management believes that core sales facilitates easier and more meaningful comparison of net sales performance with prior and future periods.

Adjusted EBITDA

The computation of adjusted EBITDA attributable to the Company is based on the definition of EBITDA contained in Generac's credit agreement dated as of May 31, 2013, as amended. To supplement the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP, Generac provides a summary to show the computation of adjusted EBITDA, which excludes the impact of noncontrolling interests, taking into account certain charges and gains that were recognized during the periods presented.

Adjusted Net Income

To further supplement Generac's condensed consolidated financial statements presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP, the Company provides a summary to show the computation of adjusted net income attributable to the Company. Adjusted net income attributable to the Company is defined as net income before noncontrolling interests and provision for income taxes adjusted for the following items: cash income tax expense, amortization of intangible assets, amortization of deferred financing costs and original issue discount related to the Company's debt, intangible impairment charges, certain transaction costs and other purchase accounting adjustments, losses on extinguishment of debt, business optimization expenses, certain other non-cash gains and losses, and adjusted net income attributable to non-controlling interests.

Free Cash Flow

In addition, we reference free cash flow to further supplement Generac's condensed consolidated financial statements presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Free cash flow is defined as net cash provided by operating activities, plus proceeds from beneficial interests in securitization

transactions, less expenditures for property and equipment, and is intended to be a measure of operational cash flow taking into account additional capital expenditure investment into the business.

The presentation of this additional information is not meant to be considered in isolation of, or as a substitute for, results prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Please see the accompanying Reconciliation Schedules and our SEC filings for additional discussion of the basis for Generac's reporting of Non-GAAP financial measures, which includes why the Company believes these measures provide useful information to investors and the additional purposes for which management uses the non-GAAP financial information.

SOURCE: Generac Holdings Inc.

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Generac Holdings Inc. Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (U.S. Dollars in Thousands, Except Share and Per Share Data) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended December 31,			Year Ended	Dec	December 31,	
	 2019		2018	 2019	. <u> </u>	2018	
Net sales	\$ 590,932	\$	563,404	\$ 2,204,336	\$	2,023,464	
Costs of goods sold	368,710		359,098	1,406,584		1,298,424	
Gross profit	 222,222		204,306	 797,752		725,040	
Operating expenses:							
Selling and service	58,729		50,013	217,683		191,887	
Research and development	19,488		11,897	68,394		50,019	
General and administrative	30,852		28,228	110,868		103,841	
Amortization of intangibles	 8,645		5,320	 28,644		22,112	
Total operating expenses	 117,714		95,458	 425,589		367,859	
Income from operations	104,508		108,848	372,163		357,181	
Other (expense) income:							
Interest expense	(10,116)		(10,017)	(41,544)		(40,956)	
Investment income	878		798	2,767		1,893	
Loss on extinguishment of debt	(926)		-	(926)		(1,332)	
Loss on pension settlement	(10,920)		-	(10,920)		_	
Other, net	 (65)		(2,946)	 (1,933)		(5,710)	
Total other expense, net	 (21,149)		(12,165)	 (52,556)		(46,105)	
Income before provision for income taxes	83,359		96,683	319,607		311,076	
Provision for income taxes	13,423		19,986	67,299		69,856	
Net income	 69,936		76,697	 252,308		241,220	
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	 322		1,122	 301		2,963	
Net income attributable to Generac Holdings Inc.	\$ 69,614	\$	75,575	\$ 252,007	\$	238,257	
Other comprehensive income (loss):							
Foreign currency translation adjustment	\$ 9,862	\$	(7,214)	\$ 2,210	\$	(5,976)	
Net unrealized gain (loss) on derivatives	1,043		(7,479)	(13,855)		2,924	
Pension liability adjustment	10,541		437	10,541		437	
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Other comprehensive income (loss)		21,446		(14,256)		(1,104)		(2,615)
Total comprehensive income		91,382		62,441		251,204		238,605
Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests		1,371		679		(635)		1,647
Comprehensive income attributable to Generac Holdings Inc.	\$	90,011	\$	61,762	\$	251,839	\$	236,958
Net income attributable to common shareholders per common share - basic:	\$	1.14	\$	1.21	\$	4.09	\$	3.57
Weighted average common shares outstanding - basic:	Ŧ	62,056,624	Ŧ	61,669,467	Ŧ	61,926,986	Ŧ	61,662,031
Net income attributable to common shareholders per								
common share - diluted:	\$	1.12	\$	1.20	\$	4.03	\$	3.54
Weighted average common shares outstanding - diluted:		63,219,078		62,201,066		62,865,446		62,233,225

Generac Holdings Inc. Consolidated Balance Sheets (U.S. Dollars in Thousands, Except Share and Per Share Data) (Unaudited)

	December 31,			⁻ 31,
		2019		2018
Assets				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	322,883	\$	224,482
Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$6,968 and		319,538		326,133
\$4,873 at December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively		519,000		520,155
Inventories		522,024		544,750
Prepaid expenses and other assets		31,384		25,404
Total current assets		1,195,829		1,120,769
Property and equipment, net		316,976		278,929
Customer lists, net		55,552		61,194
Patents and technology, net		85,546		29,970
Other intangible assets, net		8,259		3,043
Tradenames, net		148,377		152,283
Goodwill		805,284		764,655
Deferred income taxes		2,933		163
Operating lease and other assets		46,913		15,308
Total assets	\$	2,665,669	\$	2,426,314
Liabilities and stockholders' equity				
Current liabilities:				
Short-term borrowings	\$	58,714	\$	45,583
Accounts payable		261,977		328,091
Accrued wages and employee benefits		41,361		40,819
Other accrued liabilities		132,629		144,236
Current portion of long-term borrowings and finance lease obligations		2,383		1,977
Total current liabilities		497,064		560,706
Long-term borrowings and finance lease obligations		837,767		876,396

Deferred income taxes	96,328	71,300
Operating lease and other long-term liabilities	140,432	95,647
Total liabilities	1,571,591	1,604,049
Redeemable noncontrolling interest	61,227	61,004
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock, par value \$0.01, 500,000,000 shares authorized, 71,667,726		
and 71,186,418 shares issued at December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively	717	712
Additional paid-in capital	498,866	476,116
Treasury stock, at cost, 9,103,013 and 9,047,060 shares at December 31,		
2019 and 2018, respectively	(324,551)	(321,473)
Excess purchase price over predecessor basis	(202,116)	(202,116)
Retained earnings	1,084,383	831,123
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(24,917)	(23,813)
Stockholders' equity attributable to Generac Holdings Inc.	1,032,382	760,549
Noncontrolling interests	469	712
Total stockholders' equity	1,032,851	761,261
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 2,665,669	\$ 2,426,314

Generac Holdings Inc. Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (U.S. Dollars in Thousands) (Unaudited)

	Year Ended December 31,				
		2019		2018	
Operating activities					
Net income	\$	252,308	\$	241,220	
Adjustment to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:					
Depreciation		32,265		25,296	
Amortization of intangible assets		28,644		22,112	
Amortization of original issue discount and deferred financing costs		4,712		4,749	
Loss on extinguishment of debt		926		1,332	
Loss on pension settlement		10,920		_	
Deferred income taxes		18,733		23,600	
Share-based compensation expense		16,694		14,563	
Other		1,086		2,474	
Net changes in operating assets and liabilities:					
Accounts receivable		8,231		(43,243)	
Inventories		26,369		(152,594)	
Other assets		(358)		(6,362)	
Accounts payable		(69,404)		86,359	
Accrued wages and employee benefits		(3,724)		12,626	
Other accrued liabilities		(16,252)		16,972	
Excess tax benefits from equity awards		(2,263)		(1,877)	
Net cash provided by operating activities		308,887		247,227	

Investing activities

Proceeds from sale of property and equipment

Proceeds from beneficial interest in securitization transactions	2,630	3,933
Expenditures for property and equipment	(60,802)	(47,601)
Acquisition of business, net of cash acquired	(112,001)	(65,440)
Net cash used in investing activities	(170,078)	(108,894)
Financing activities		
Proceeds from short-term borrowings	73,340	53,965
Proceeds from long-term borrowings	1,660	51,425
Repayments of short-term borrowings	(59,518)	(27,880)
Repayments of long-term borrowings and finance lease obligations	(53,049)	(101,827)
Stock repurchases	-	(25,656)
Payment of contingent consideration	(5,550)	-
Cash dividends paid to noncontrolling interest of subsidiary	(285)	(314)
Payment of debt issuance costs	(1,473)	(1,702)
Taxes paid related to equity awards	(6,438)	(5,659)
Proceeds from the exercise of stock options	9,395	5,614
Net cash used in financing activities	(41,918)	(52,034)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	1,510	(289)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	98,401	86,010
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	224,482	138,472
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 322,883	\$ 224,482
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information		
Cash paid during the period Interest	\$ 35,465	\$ 41,007
Income taxes	φ 35,465 61,767	\$ 41,007 41,044
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Generac Holdings Inc. Segment Reporting and Product Class Information (U.S. Dollars in Thousands) (Unaudited)

	Net Sales									
		Three Months Ended December 31,						ember 31,		
Reportable Segments		2019		2018		2019		2018		
Domestic (1)	\$	470,058	\$	436,339	\$	1,742,898	\$	1,566,520		
International (1)		120,874		127,065		461,438		456,944		
Total net sales	\$	590,932	\$	563,404	\$	2,204,336	\$	2,023,464		
Product Classes										
Residential products	\$	322,490	\$	293,949	\$	1,143,723	\$	1,042,739		
Commercial & industrial products		217,137		223,151		871,595		820,270		
Other		51,305		46,304		189,018		160,455		
Total net sales	\$	590,932	\$	563,404	\$	2,204,336	\$	2,023,464		

Adjusted EBITDA

Three Months Ended December 31,					Year Ended December 31,				
	2019		2018		2019		2018		
\$	122,920	\$	116,343	\$	428,667	\$	388,495		
	6,228		9,724		25,448		36,057		
\$	129,148	\$	126,067	\$	454,115	\$	424,552		
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(1) In the fourth quarter of 2019, management determined that the Latin American export operations of the legacy Generac business (GPS LATAM) should have been included in the International reportable segment. Previously, GPS LATAM was reported in the Domestic segment, in amounts that were not material. To reflect this change, management has chosen to correct the net sales and adjusted EBITDA by segment as follows: For the first, second and third quarters ended in 2019, net sales of \$2,705, \$4,406, and \$3,353, respectively, and adjusted EBITDA of \$(253), \$845, and \$384, respectively, were moved from the Domestic segment to the International segment. For the first, second, third, and fourth quarters ended in 2018, net sales of \$3,822, \$5,907, \$2,577, and \$1,499, respectively, and adjusted EBITDA of \$312, \$815, \$(94), and \$(843), respectively, were moved from the Domestic segment to the International segment.

(2) See reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to Net income attributable to Generac Holdings Inc. on the following reconciliation schedule.

Generac Holdings, Inc. Reconciliation Schedules (U.S. Dollars in Thousands, Except Share and Per Share Data) (Unaudited)

Net income to Adjusted EBITDA reconciliation

	Thre	e Months End	ed Decer	nber 31,	Y	er 31,		
		2019		2018	2019			2018
Net income attributable to Generac Holdings Inc.	\$	69,614	\$	75,575	\$	252,007	\$	238,257
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		322		1,122		301		2,963
Net income		69,936		76,697		252,308		241,220
Interest expense		10,116		10,017		41,544		40,956
Depreciation and amortization		17,926		12,284		60,767		47,408
Provision for income taxes		13,423		19,986		67,299		69,856
Non-cash write-down and other adjustments (1)		(433)		10		240		3,532
Non-cash share-based compensation expense (2)		5,217		4,653		16,694		14,563
Loss on extinguishment of debt (3)		926		_		926		1,332
Loss on pension settlement (4)		10,920		-		10,920		-
Transaction costs and credit facility fees (5)		677		1,413		2,724		3,883
Business optimization expenses (6)		763		202		1,572		952
Other		(323)		805		(879)		850
Adjusted EBITDA		129,148		126,067		454,115		424,552
Adjusted EBITDA attributable to noncontrolling interests		1,243		2,126		4,965		7,759
Adjusted EBITDA attributable to Generac Holdings Inc.	\$	127,905	\$	123,941	\$	449,150	\$	416,793

(1) Includes gains/losses on disposals of assets, unrealized mark-to-market adjustments on commodity contracts, and certain foreign currency and purchase accounting related adjustments. A full description of these and the other reconciliation adjustments contained in these schedules is included in Generac's SEC filings.

(2) Represents share-based compensation expense to account for stock options, restricted stock and other stock awards over their respective vesting periods.

(3) Represents the write-off of original issue discount and capitalized debt issuance costs due to voluntary debt prepayments.

(4) Represents pre-tax settlement charges related to the termination of the Company's domestic pension plan in the fourth quarter of 2019.

(5) Represents transaction costs incurred directly in connection with any investment, as defined in our credit agreement, equity issuance or debt issuance or refinancing, together with certain fees relating to our senior secured credit facilities.

(6) Represents severance and other non-recurring restructuring charges related to the consolidation of certain of our facilities.

Net income to Adjusted net income reconciliation

	Thre	e Months Er	nded Dec	em	nber 31,	Y	ear Ended De	December 31,			
-		2019			2018		2019		2018		
Net income attributable to Generac Holdings Inc.	\$	69,614	\$	6	75,575	\$	252,007	\$	238,257		
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		322	_		1,122		301		2,963		
Net income		69,936			76,697		252,308		241,220		
Provision for income taxes		13,423			19,986		67,299		69,856		
Income before provision for income taxes		83,359			96,683		319,607		311,076		
Amortization of intangible assets		8,645			5,320		28,644		22,112		
Amortization of deferred finance costs and original issue discount		1,115			1,195		4,712		4,749		
Loss on extinguishment of debt (3)		926			_		926		1,332		
Loss on pension settlement (4)		10,920			_		10,920		-		
Transaction costs and other purchase accounting adjustments (7)		(499)			1,062		874		2,578		
Business optimization expenses (6)		763			202		1,572		952		
Adjusted net income before provision for income taxes		105,229			104,462		367,255		342,799		
Cash income tax expense (8)		(8,247)			(15,355)		(47,945)		(47,064)		
Adjusted net income		96,982			89,107		319,310		295,735		
Adjusted net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		530			1,031		1,488		3,522		
Adjusted net income attributable to Generac Holdings Inc.	\$	96,452	\$	5	88,076	\$	317,822	\$	292,213		
Adjusted net income attributable to Generac Holdings Inc. per											
common share - diluted:	\$	1.53	\$	3	1.42	\$	5.06	\$	4.70		
Weighted average common shares outstanding - diluted:	6	3,219,078		62	2,201,066	e	62,865,446	6	2,233,225		

(7) Represents transaction costs incurred directly in connection with any investment, as defined in our credit agreement, equity issuance or debt issuance or refinancing, and certain purchase accounting adjustments.

(8) Amount for the three months and year ended December 31, 2019 is based on an anticipated cash income tax rate of 15% for the full year ended 2019. Amount for the three months and year ended December 31, 2018 is based on an anticipated cash income tax rate of 15% for the full year ended 2018. Cash income tax expense for the respective periods is based on the projected taxable income and corresponding cash tax rate for the full year after considering the effects of current and deferred income tax items, and is calculated for each respective period by applying the derived cash tax rate to the period's pretax income.

Free Cash Flow Reconciliation

	Three Months Ended December 31,					Year Ended December 31,				
		2019	9 2018			2019		2018		
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	175,085	\$	108,229	\$	308,887	\$	247,227		
Proceeds from beneficial interests in securitization transactions		594		1,108		2,630		3,933		
Expenditures for property and equipment		(15,355)		(22,024)		(60,802)		(47,601)		
Free cash flow	\$	160,324	\$	87,313	\$	250,715	\$	203,559		

GAAP Earnings Per Share

	Three Months Ended December 31,				Year Ended December 31,					
		2019		2018		2019		2018		
Numerator										
Net income attributable to Generac Holdings Inc.	\$	69,614	\$	75,575	\$	252,007	\$	238,257		
Redeemable noncontrolling interest redemption value adjustment		1,054		(1,088)		1,253		(17,970)		
Net income attributable to common shareholders	\$	70,668	\$	74,487	\$	253,260	\$	220,287		
Denominator										
Weighted average shares, basic	6	2,056,624	6	1,669,467	6	61,926,986	6	61,662,031		
Dilutive effect of stock compensation awards		1,162,454		531,599		938,460		571,194		
Diluted shares	6	3,219,078	6	2,201,066	6	62,865,446	6	2,233,225		
Net income attributable to common shareholders per share										
Basic	\$	1.14	\$	1.21	\$	4.09	\$	3.57		
Diluted	\$	1.12	\$	1.20	\$	4.03	\$	3.54		



Source: Generac Holdings Inc