## Asbury Automotive Group Announces Record 2014 Second Quarter Financial Results

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## Record second quarter EPS from continuing operations of $\mathbf{\$ 1 . 1 9}$ per diluted share, up $\mathbf{2 1 \%}$ over prior year quarter adjusted EPS

DULUTH, Ga., July 22, 2014 /PRNewswire/ --Â Asbury Automotive Group, Inc. (NYSE: ABG), one of the largest automotive retail and service companies in the U.S., today reported income from continuing operations for the second quarter 2014 of $\$ 36.2$ million, or $\$ 1.19$ per diluted share, versus adjusted income from continuing operations in the second quarter 2013 of $\$ 30.4$ million, or $\$ 0.98$ per diluted share, a $21 \%$ increase per diluted share. $\hat{A}$ Â There were no reported adjustments for the second quarter of 2014; see attached reconciliation for reported adjustments related to the second quarter of 2013. Net income for the second quarter 2014 was $\$ 35.9$ million, or $\$ 1.18$ per diluted share, compared to $\$ 27.0$ million, or $\$ 0.87$ per diluted share in the prior year period. $\hat{A}$

## Second Quarter 2014 Operational Highlights (compared to the prior year period):

- Total revenues increased $12 \%$ to $\$ 1.5$ billion
- New vehicle retail revenues up $12 \%$; gross profit up $15 \%$
- Used vehicle retail revenues up $12 \%$; gross profit up $7 \%$
- Finance and insurance revenues up $11 \%$
- Parts and service gross profit up $11 \%$
- Total gross profit up $12 \%$ with increases from all business lines
- SG\&A expense as a percent of gross profit improved 90 basis points to $68.3 \%$
- Record operating margin of $4.8 \%$


## Strategic Highlights:

- Acquired a Hyundai franchise in Deland, FL; approximately $\$ 40$ million of annualized revenues
- Opened first stand-alone used vehicle store branded as "Q auto" in Brandon, FL
- Repurchased $\$ 20$ million of common stock
- Closed on $\$ 60$ million of mortgages in July
- Board of Directors increased our share repurchase authorization to $\$ 100$ million in July
"Asbury is pleased to announce another record quarter," said Craig Monaghan, Asbury's President and Chief Executive Officer. "We continue to be thrilled with the success of our employees who produced record earnings and operating margins for yet another quarter. This speaks to our team's dedication and commitment to excellence."
"The industry continued to gain momentum in the second quarter," said Asbury's Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, Michael Kearney. "Our teams continue to demonstrate the strength and diversity of the earnings power of the Asbury dealer model, delivering gross profit growth across all segments of the business."

For the six-month period ended June 30, 2014, the Company reported income from continuing operations of $\$ 67.7$ million, or $\$ 2.21$ per diluted share, compared to adjusted income from continuing operations of $\$ 54.3$ million, or $\$ 1.75$ per diluted share in the prior year period. $\hat{A}$ The Company's revenues for the 2014 period totaled $\$ 2.9$ billion, an increase of $11 \%$ compared to $\$ 2.6$ billion in the prior year period. $\hat{A}$ Net income for the six-month period ended June 30, 2014 was $\$ 67.3$ million, or $\$ 2.20$ per diluted share, compared to $\$ 59.5$ million, or $\$ 1.91$ per diluted share, for the prior year period. $\hat{A}$ Included in net income for the prior year period, as part of discontinued operations, is an after tax gain of $\$ 8.4$ million, or $\$ 0.27$ per diluted share, from the sale of a mid-line import store. $\hat{A}$ See attached reconciliation for reported adjustments.

Asbury will host a conference call to discuss itsÂ second quarter results this morning at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time. $\hat{A}$ The
call will be simulcast live on the Internet and can be accessed by logging onto http://www.asburyauto.com. $\hat{A}$ In addition, a live audio of the call will be accessible to the public by calling (800) 768-6569 (domestic), or (785) 830-7992 (international); passcode - 2902927.Â A conference call replay will be available two hours following the call for seven days, and can be accessed by calling (888) 203-1112 (domestic), or (719) 457-0820 (international); passcode- 2902927.

## About Asbury Automotive Group, Inc.

Asbury Automotive Group, Inc. ("Asbury"), a Fortune 500 company headquartered in Duluth, Georgia, a suburb of Atlanta, is one of the largest automotive retailers in the U.S.Â Built through a combination of organic growth and a series of strategic acquisitions, Asbury currently operates 81 dealership locations, encompassing 102 franchises for the sale and servicing of 29 domestic and foreign brands of new vehicles.Â We also operate 24 collision repair centers and one stand-alone used vehicle store.Â Asbury offers customers an extensive range of automotive products and services, including new and used vehicle sales and related financing and insurance, vehicle maintenance and repair services, replacement parts and service contracts.

## Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.Â Forward-looking statements are statements other than historical fact, and may include statements relating to goals, plans, market conditions and projections regarding Asbury's financial position, liquidity, results of operations, market position and dealership portfolio, the benefits of its restructuring program and other initiatives and future business strategy. $\hat{A}$ These statements are based on management's current expectations and beliefs and involve significant risks and uncertainties that may cause results to differ materially from those set forth in the statements. $\hat{A}$ These risks and uncertainties include, among other things, market factors, Asbury's relationships with, and the financial and operational stability of, vehicle manufacturers and other suppliers, acts of God or other incidents which may adversely impact supply from vehicle manufacturers and/or present retail sales challenges, risks associated with Asbury's indebtedness (including available borrowing capacity, compliance with its financial covenants and ability to refinance or repay such indebtedness on favorable terms), Asbury's relationships with, and the financial stability of, its lenders and lessors, risks related to competition in the automotive retail and service industries, general economic conditions both nationally and locally, governmental regulations, legislation, adverse results in litigation and other proceedings, and Asbury's ability to execute its IT initiatives and other operational strategies, Asbury's ability to leverage gains from its dealership portfolio, Asbury's ability to capitalize on opportunities to repurchase its debt and equity securities or purchase properties that it currently leases, and Asbury's ability to stay within its targeted range for capital expenditures. $\hat{A}$ There can be no guarantees that Asbury's plans for future operations will be successfully implemented or that they will prove to be commercially successful.

These and other risk factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in our forward-looking statements are and will be discussed in Asbury's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission from time to time, including its most recent annual report on Form $10-\mathrm{K}$ and any subsequently filed quarterly reports on Form 10-Q.Â We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(In millions, except per share data)
(Unaudited)


For the Six Months Ended June 30,
$2014 \quad 2013$

2013

REVENUES:

| New vehicle | \$ | 831.5 | \$ | 743.5 | \$ | 1,557.5 | \$ | 1,408.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Used vehicle |  | 445.3 |  | 395.5 |  | 862.2 |  | 761.8 |
| Parts and service |  | 168.2 |  | 153.9 |  | 327.6 |  | 301.5 |
| Finance and insurance, net |  | 58.4 |  | 52.4 |  | 111.8 |  | 99.4 |
| Total revenues |  | 1,503.4 |  | 1,345.3 |  | 2,859.1 |  | 2,570.7 |
| COST OF SALES: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| New vehicle |  | 779.7 |  | 698.4 |  | 1,460.3 |  | 1,322.2 |
| Used vehicle |  | 411.9 |  | 364.6 |  | 794.8 |  | 699.6 |
| Parts and service |  | 63.9 |  | 60.0 |  | 126.0 |  | 120.3 |
| Total cost of sales |  | 1,255.5 |  | 1,123.0 |  | 2,381.1 |  | 2,142.1 |
| GROSS PROFIT |  | 247.9 |  | $2 २ 2.3$ |  | 478.0 |  | 428.6 |
| OPERATING EXPENSES: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Selling, general and administrative |  | 169.2 |  | 153.9 |  | 329.0 |  | 301.6 |
| Depreciation and amortization |  | 6.4 |  | 5.9 |  | 12.7 |  | 11.8 |
| Other operating (income) expense, net |  | 0.1 |  | 5.1 |  | (0.1) |  | 5.2 |
| Income from operations |  | 72.2 |  | 57.4 |  | 136.4 |  | 110.0 |
| OTHER EXPENSES: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Floor plan interest expense |  | (3.3) |  | (3.1) |  | (6.3) |  | (6.2) |
| Other interest expense, net |  | (9.5) |  | (9.5) |  | (18.6) |  | (18.7) |
| Swap interest expense |  | (0.4) |  | (0.9) |  | (1.0) |  | (2.1) |
| Total other expenses, net |  | (13.2) |  | (13.5) |  | (25.9) |  | (27.0) |
| Income before income taxes |  | 59.0 |  | 43.9 |  | 110.5 |  | 83.0 |
| INCOME TAX EXPENSE |  | 22.8 |  | 16.7 |  | 42.8 |  | 31.9 |
| INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS |  | 36.2 |  | 27.2 |  | 67.7 |  | 51.1 |
| DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS, net of tax |  | (0.3) |  | (0.2) |  | (0.4) |  | 8.4 |
| NET INCOME | \$ | 35.9 | \$ | 27.0 | \$ | 67.3 | \$ | 59.5 |
| EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basicấ" |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Continuing operations | \$ | 1.19 | \$ | 0.88 | \$ | 2.23 | \$ | 1.66 |
| Discontinued operations |  | (0.01) |  | â€" |  | (0.01) |  | 0.27 |
| Net income | \$ | 1.18 | \$ | 0.88 | \$ | 2.22 | \$ | 1.93 |
| Dilutedâ€" |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Continuing operations | \$ | 1.19 | \$ | 0.87 | \$ | 2.21 | \$ | 1.64 |
| Discontinued operations |  | (0.01) |  | â€" |  | (0.01) |  | 0.27 |
| Net income | \$ | 1.18 | \$ | 0.87 | \$ | 2.20 | \$ | 1.91 |
| WEIGHTED AVERAGE COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic |  | 30.3 |  | 30.8 |  | 30.3 |  | 30.8 |
| Restricted stock |  | 0.1 |  | 0.2 |  | 0.2 |  | 0.2 |
| Performance share units |  | 0.1 |  | 0.1 |  | 0.1 |  | 0.1 |
| Diluted |  | 30.5 |  | 31.1 |  | 30.6 |  | 31.1 |

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## NewÂ Vehicle-

For the Three Months Ended
June 30,

| June 30, |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2014 | 2013 | Increase\% <br> Change |

(Dollars in millions, except for per vehicle data)
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Revenue:
New vehicle revenueâ€"same store(1)

| Luxury | \$ | 300.8 | \$ | 261.4 | \$ | 39.4 | 15 | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mid-line import |  | 386.4 |  | 373.6 |  | 12.8 | 3 | \% |
| Mid-line domestic |  | 120.1 |  | 108.5 |  | 11.6 | 11 | \% |
| Total new vehicle revenueâ€"sameÂ store(1) |  | 807.3 |  | 743.5 |  | 63.8 | 9 | \% |
| New vehicle revenueâ€"acquisitions and new stores |  | 24.2 |  | â€" |  |  |  |  |
| New vehicle revenue, as reported | \$ | 831.5 | \$ | 743.5 | \$ | 88.0 | 12 | \% |

Gross profit:
New vehicle gross profitâ€"same store(1)

| Luxury | \$ | 21.7 | \$ | 18.5 | \$ | 3.2 | 17 | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mid-line import |  | 21.5 |  | 19.7 |  | 1.8 | 9 | \% |
| Mid-line domestic |  | 7.4 |  | 6.9 |  | 0.5 | 7 | \% |
| Total new vehicle gross profitấ"sameÂ store(1) |  | 50.6 |  | 45.1 |  | 5.5 | 12 | \% |
| New vehicle gross profitấ"acquisitions and new stores |  | 1.2 |  | â€' |  |  |  |  |
| New vehicle gross profit, as reported | \$ | 51.8 | \$ | 45.1 | \$ | 6.7 | 15 | \% |
|  | For the Three Months Ended June 30, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 2014 |  | 2013 | Increase |  | Change |  |

New vehicle units:
New vehicle retail unitsâ€"same store(1)

| Luxury | 5,895 | 5,202 | 693 | 13 | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mid-line import | 14,551 | 13,916 | 635 | 5 | \% |
| Mid-line domestic | 3,030 | 2,964 | 66 | 2 | \% |
| Total new vehicle retail unitsâ€"same store(1) | 23,476 | 22,082 | 1,394 | 6 | \% |
| Fleet vehicles | 636 | 363 | 273 | 75 | \% |
| Total new vehicle unitsâ€"sameÂ store(1) | 24,112 | 22,445 | 1,667 | 7 | \% |
| Â Â A Â Â Â Â Â New vehicle unitsấ"acquisitions and new stores | 925 | â€" |  |  |  |
| New vehicle unitsâ€"actual | 25,037 | 22,445 | 2,592 | 12 | \% |

New Vehicle Metrics-
For the Three Months Ended
June 30,

| June 30, |  |  |  |  |  | Increase |  |  | \% Change |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2014 |  |  | 2013 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \$ | 33,481 |  | \$ | 33,125 |  | \$ | 356 |  | 1 | \% |
| \$ | 2,099 |  | \$ | 2,009 |  | \$ | 90 |  | 4 | \% |
| 6.3 |  | \% |  | 6.1 | \% |  | 0.2 | \% | 3 | \% |

(1) Same store amounts consist of information from dealerships for the identical months of each period presented in the comparison, commencing with the first full month in which the dealership was owned by us.

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UsedÂ Vehicle-Â Â
For the Three Months Ended

June 30, \begin{tabular}{l}
2013 <br>
\hline 2014

$\quad$

Increase <br>
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\end{tabular}

(Dollars in millions, except for per vehicle data)

Revenue:

| Used vehicle retail revenuesâ€"same store(1) | \$ | 380.2 | \$ | 351.0 | \$ | 29.2 | 8 | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Used vehicle retail revenuesâ€"acquisitions and new stores |  | 12.8 |  | â€' |  |  |  |  |
| Total used vehicle retail revenues |  | 393.0 |  | 351.0 |  | 42.0 | 12 | \% |
| Used vehicle wholesale revenuesâ€"same store(1) |  | 50.8 |  | 44.5 |  | 6.3 | 14 | \% |
| Used vehicle wholesale revenuesâ€"acquisitions and new stores |  | 1.5 |  | â€' |  |  |  |  |
| Total used vehicle wholesale revenues |  | 52.3 |  | 44.5 |  | 7.8 | 18 | \% |
| Used vehicle revenue, as reported | \$ | 445.3 | \$ | 395.5 | \$ | 49.8 | 13 | \% |
| Gross profit: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Used vehicle retail gross profitấ"same store(1) | \$ | 32.8 | \$ | 31.5 | \$ | 1.3 | 4 | \% |
| Used vehicle retail gross profitâ€"acquisitions and new stores |  | 0.9 |  | ấ" |  |  |  |  |
| Total used vehicle retail gross profit |  | 33.7 |  | 31.5 |  | 2.2 | 7 | \% |
| Used vehicle wholesale gross profitấ"same store(1) |  | (0.3) |  | (0.6) |  | 0.3 | 50 | \% |
| Used vehicle wholesale gross profitấ"acquisitions and new stores |  | â€" |  | â€" |  |  |  |  |
| Total used vehicle wholesale gross profit |  | (0.3) |  | (0.6) |  | 0.3 | 50 | \% |
| Used vehicle gross profit, as reported | \$ | 33.4 | \$ | 30.9 | \$ | 2.5 | 8 | \% |
| Used vehicle retail units: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Used vehicle retail unitsâ€"same store(1) |  | 18,155 |  | 17,703 |  | 452 | 3 | \% |
| Used vehicle retail unitsâ€"acquisitions and new stores |  | 685 |  | ấ" |  |  |  |  |
| Used vehicle retail unitsâ€"actual |  | 18,840 |  | 17,703 |  | 1,137 | 6 | \% |

## Used Vehicle Metrics-

Revenue per used vehicle retailedâ€"same store(1)
Gross profit per used vehicle retailedâ€"same store(1)
Used vehicle retail gross marginâ€"same store(1)

| For the Three Months Ended June 30, |  |  |  |  |  | Increase (Decrease) |  |  | \% <br> Change |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2014 |  |  | 2013 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \$ | 20,942 |  | \$ | 19,827 |  | \$ | 1,115 |  | 6 | \% |
| \$ | 1,807 |  | \$ | 1,779 |  | \$ | 28 |  | 2 | \% |
|  | 8.6 | \% |  | 9.0 | \% |  | (0.4) | \% | (4) | \% |

(1) Same store amounts consist of information from dealerships for the identical months of each period presented in the comparison, commencing with the first full month in which the dealership was owned by us.

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Parts and Service-

|  | For the Three Months Ended June 30, |  |  |  | Increase |  | \% <br> Change |  |
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|  | 2014 |  | 2013 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | (Dollars inÂ millions) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Revenue: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Parts and service revenueâ€"same store(1) | \$ | 164.9 | \$ | 153.9 | \$ | 11.0 | 7 | \% |
| Parts and service revenuesâ€"acquisitions and new stores |  | 3.3 |  | â€" |  |  |  |  |
| Parts and service revenue, as reported | \$ | 168.2 | \$ | 153.9 | \$ | 14.3 | 9 | \% |

Gross profit:
Parts and service gross profitâ€"same store(1)

| Warranty |  | 13.6 |  | 12.2 |  |  | 1.4 |  |  | 11 | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Reconditioning and preparation |  | 25.0 |  | 21.7 |  |  | 3.3 |  |  | 15 | \% |
| Wholesale parts |  | 5.1 |  | 5.0 |  |  | 0.1 |  |  | 2 | \% |
| Total parts and service gross profitâ€"same store(1) |  | 102.2 |  | 93.9 |  |  | 8.3 |  |  | 9 | \% |
| Parts and service gross profitấ"acquisitions and new stores |  | 2.1 |  | â€" |  |  | \$ | 10.4 |  | 11 | \% |
| Parts and service gross profit, as reported | \$ | 104.3 |  | \$ | 93.9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Parts and service gross marginâ€"same store(1) |  | 62.0 | \% |  | 61.0 | \% |  | 1.0 | \% | 2 | \% |

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Finance and Insurance, net-Â Â

|  | For the Three Months Ended June 30, |  |  |  | Increase |  | \% <br> Change |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2014 |  | 2013 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | (Dollars inÂ millions,Â exceptÂ forÂ per vehicleÂ data) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Finance and insurance, netấ"same store(1) | \$ | 55.3 | \$ | 52.4 | \$ | 2.9 | 6 | \% |
| Finance and insurance, netâ€"acquisitions and new stores |  | 3.1 |  | â€" |  |  |  |  |
| Finance and insurance, net as reported | \$ | 58.4 | \$ | 52.4 | \$ | 6.0 | 11 | \% |
| Finance and insurance, net per vehicle soldâe"same store(1) | \$ | 1,308 |  | 1,305 | \$ | 3 | â€' | \% |

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## For the Six Months Ended

June 30,

| 2014 | June 30, | 2013 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | | Increase |
| :---: |$\quad$| $\%$ |
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| (Dollars in millions, except for per vehicle data) |

(Dollars in millions, except for per vehicle data)

Revenue:
New vehicle revenueâ€"same store(1)

| Luxury | \$ | 575.5 | \$ | 500.7 | \$ | 74.8 | 15 | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mid-line import |  | 715.9 |  | 702.3 |  | 13.6 | 2 | \% |
| Mid-line domestic |  | 225.1 |  | 205.0 |  | 20.1 | 10 | \% |
| Total new vehicle revenueâ€"sameÂ store(1) |  | 1,516.5 |  | 1,408.0 |  | 108.5 | 8 | \% |
| New vehicle revenueâ€"acquisitions and new stores |  | 41.0 |  | â€" |  |  |  |  |
| New vehicle revenue, as reported | \$ | 1,557.5 | \$ | 1,408.0 | \$ | 149.5 | 11 | \% |

Gross profit:
New vehicle gross profitâ€"same store(1)

| Luxury | \$ | 41.9 | \$ | 35.7 | \$ | 6.2 | 17 | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mid-line import |  | 38.9 |  | 36.7 |  | 2.2 | 6 | \% |
| Mid-line domestic |  | 14.3 |  | 13.4 |  | 0.9 | 7 | \% |
| Total new vehicle gross profitâ€"sameÂ store(1) |  | 95.1 |  | 85.8 |  | 9.3 | 11 | \% |
| New vehicle gross profitấ"acquisitions and new stores |  | 2.1 |  | â€" |  |  |  |  |
| New vehicle gross profit, as reported | \$ | 97.2 | \$ | 85.8 | \$ | 11.4 | 13 | \% |
|  | For the Six Months Ended June 30, |  |  |  |  |  | \% <br> Change |  |
|  | 2014 |  | 2013 |  | Increase |  |  |  |

New vehicle units:
New vehicle retail unitsâ€"same store(1)

| Luxury | 11,264 | 9,928 | 1,336 | 13 | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mid-line import | 26,930 | 26,208 | 722 | 3 | \% |
| Mid-line domestic | 5,727 | 5,668 | 59 | 1 | \% |
| Total new vehicle retail unitsâ€"same store(1) | 43,921 | 41,804 | 2,117 | 5 | \% |
| Fleet vehicles | 1,199 | 682 | 517 | 76 | \% |
| Total new vehicle unitsâ€"sameÂ store(1) New vehicle | 45,120 | 42,486 | 2,634 | 6 | \% |
| unitsâ€"acquisitions |  |  |  |  |  |
| and new stores | 1,573 | â€" |  |  |  |
| New vehicle unitsâ€"actual | 46,693 | 42,486 | 4,207 | 10 | \% |

New Vehicle Metrics-

## For the Six Months Ended

June 30,

| Increase |  |  | \% Change |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \$ | 470 |  | 1 | \% |
| \$ | 89 |  | 4 | \% |
|  | 0.2 | \% | 3 | \% |

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## UsedÂ Vehicle-Â Â

For the Six Months Ended
June 30,
\%
Change (Dollars in millions, except for per vehicle data)
Revenue:

| Used vehicle retail revenuesâ€"same store(1) | \$ | 738.1 | \$ | 669.5 | \$ | 68.6 | 10 | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Used vehicle retail revenuesâ€"acquisitions and new stores |  | 22.2 |  | â€" |  |  |  |  |
| Total used vehicle retail revenues |  | 760.3 |  | 669.5 |  | 90.8 | 14 | \% |
| Used vehicle wholesale revenuesâ€"same store(1) |  | 99.5 |  | 92.3 |  | 7.2 | 8 | \% |
| Used vehicle wholesale revenuesâ€"acquisitions and new stores |  | 2.4 |  | â€" |  |  |  |  |
| Total used vehicle wholesale revenues |  | 101.9 |  | 92.3 |  | 9.6 | 10 | \% |
| Used vehicle revenue, as reported | \$ | 862.2 | \$ | 761.8 | \$ | 100.4 | 13 | \% |
| Gross profit: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Used vehicle retail gross profitấ"same store(1) | \$ | 65.3 | \$ | 62.0 | \$ | 3.3 | 5 | \% |
| Used vehicle retail gross profitấ"acquisitions and new stores |  | 1.6 |  | â€" |  |  |  |  |
| Total used vehicle retail gross profit |  | 66.9 |  | 62.0 |  | 4.9 | 8 | \% |
| Used vehicle wholesale gross profitâ€"same store(1) |  | 0.5 |  | 0.2 |  | 0.3 | 150 | \% |
| Used vehicle wholesale gross profitâ€"acquisitions and new stores |  | â€" |  | â€" |  |  |  |  |
| Total used vehicle wholesale gross profit |  | 0.5 |  | 0.2 |  | 0.3 | 150 | \% |
| Used vehicle gross profit, as reported | \$ | 67.4 | \$ | 62.2 | \$ | 5.2 | 8 | \% |
| Used vehicle retail units: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Used vehicle retail unitsâ€"same store(1) |  | 36,137 |  | 34,046 |  | 2,091 | 6 | \% |
| Used vehicle retail unitsâ€"acquisitions and new stores |  | 1,206 |  | â€" |  |  |  |  |
| Used vehicle retail unitsâ€"actual |  | 37,343 |  | 34,046 |  | 3,297 | 10 | \% |

Used Vehicle Metrics-

Revenue per used vehicle retailedâ€"same store(1)
Gross profit per used vehicle retailedâ€"same store(1)
Used vehicle retail gross marginâ€"same store(1)

| For the Six Months Ended |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| June 30, |  |  |  |


| Increase |  |  |  | $\%$ <br> Change |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\$$ | 760 |  | 4 | $\%$ |  |
| $\$$ | $(14)$ |  | $(1)$ | $\%$ |  |
|  | $(0.5)$ | $\%$ |  | $(5)$ |  |

(1) Same store amounts consist of information from dealerships for the identical months of each period presented in the comparison, commencing with the first full month in which the dealership was owned by us.

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Parts and Service-
For the Six Months Ended


Revenue:

Parts and service revenueâ€"same store(1)
Parts and service revenuesâ€"acquisitions and new stores Parts and service revenue, as reported
$\qquad$
\$ 20.1
7 \%
\$ 26.1
$9 \%$

Gross profit:
Parts and service gross profitâ€"same store(1)


Â $\qquad$
(1) Same store amounts consist of information from dealerships for the identical months of each period presented in the comparison, commencing with the first full month in which the dealership was owned by us.

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Finance and Insurance, net-

For the Six Months Ended

(Dollars inÂ millions,Â exceptÂ forÂ per vehicleÂ data)

| Finance and insurance, netâ€"same store(1) | \$ | 106.3 | \$ | 99.4 | \$ | 6.9 | 7 | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Finance and insurance, netâ€"acquisitions and new stores |  | 5.5 |  | â€" |  |  |  |  |
| Finance and insurance, net as reported | \$ | 111.8 | \$ | 99.4 | \$ | 12.4 | 12 | \% |
| Finance and insurance, net per vehicle soldâ€"same store(1) | \$ | 1,308 | \$ | 1,299 | \$ | 9 | 1 | \% |

(1) Same store amounts consist of information from dealerships for the identical months of each period presented in the comparison, commencing with the first full month in which the dealership was owned by us.

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|  | For the Six Months Ended June 30, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2014 |  | 2013 |  |
| REVENUE MIX PERCENTAGES: |  |  |  |  |
| New vehicles | 54.5 | \% | 54.8 | \% |
| Used retail vehicles | 26.5 | \% | 26.0 | \% |
| Used vehicle wholesale | 3.6 | \% | 3.6 | \% |
| Parts and service | 11.5 | \% | 11.7 | \% |
| Finance and insurance, net | 3.9 | \% | 3.9 | \% |
| Total revenue | 100.0 | \% | 100.0 | \% |

GROSS PROFIT MIX PERCENTAGES:

| New vehicles | 20.3 | \% | 20.0 | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Used retail vehicles | 14.0 | \% | 14.5 | \% |
| Used vehicle wholesale | 0.1 | \% | â€" | \% |
| Parts and service | 42.2 | \% | 42.3 | \% |
| Finance and insurance, net | 23.4 | \% | 23.2 | \% |
| Total gross profit | 100.0 | \% | 100.0 | \% |
| SG\&A EXPENSES AS A PERCENTAGE OF GROSS PROFIT | 68.8 | \% | 70.4 | \% |

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Additional Disclosures
(In millions)
(Unaudited)

|  | June 30, 2014 |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { December 31, } \\ 2013 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  | Increase (Decrease) |  | \%Â Change |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SELECTED BALANCE SHEET DATA |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ | 7.0 | \$ | 5.4 | \$ | 1.6 | 30 | \% |
| New vehicle inventory |  | 598.0 |  | 605.2 |  | (7.2) | (1) | \% |
| Used vehicle inventory |  | 152.6 |  | 121.8 |  | 30.8 | 25 | \% |
| Parts inventory |  | 42.5 |  | 40.7 |  | 1.8 | 4 | \% |
| Total current assets |  | 1,123.5 |  | 1,108.6 |  | 14.9 | 1 | \% |
| Floor plan notes payable |  | 610.7 |  | 609.5 |  | 1.2 | â€" | \% |
| Total current liabilities |  | 848.2 |  | 834.2 |  | 14.0 | 2 | \% |

CAPITALIZATION:

| Long-term debt (including current portion) | \$ | 548.9 | \$ | 554.4 | \$ | (5.5) | (1) | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Shareholders' equity |  | 528.8 |  | 490.6 |  | 38.2 | 8 | \% |
| Total | \$ | 1,077.7 | \$ | 1,045.0 | \$ | 32.7 | 3 | \% |

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Brand Mix - New Vehicle Revenue by Brand-

|  | For the Six Months Ended June 30, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2014 |  | 2013 |  |
| Luxury |  |  |  |  |
| BMW | 9 | \% | 9 | \% |
| Mercedes-Benz | 7 | \% | 6 | \% |
| Lexus | 7 | \% | 6 | \% |
| Acura | 5 | \% | 5 | \% |
| Infiniti | 4 | \% | 4 | \% |
| Other luxury | 6 | \% | 6 | \% |
| Total luxury | 38 | \% | 36 | \% |

Mid-Line Imports:

| Honda | 18 | $\%$ | 21 | $\%$ |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: | :--- |
| Nissan | 13 | $\%$ | 13 | $\%$ |
| Toyota | 12 | $\%$ | 12 | $\%$ |
| Other imports | 4 | $\%$ | 4 | $\%$ |


| Total imports | 47 | \% | 50 | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mid-Line Domestic: |  |  |  |  |
| Ford | 8 | \% | 7 | \% |
| Dodge | 3 | \% | 3 | \% |
| Chevrolet | 2 | \% | 2 | \% |
| Other domestics | 2 | \% | 2 | \% |
| Total domestic | 15 | \% | 14 | \% |
| Total New Vehicle Revenue | 100 | \% | 100 | \% |

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Selling, General and Administrative Expense ("SG\&A")-

|  | For the Three Months Ended June 30, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Increase (Decrease) |  | \%Â ofÂ Gross Profit Decrease |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2014 |  | \%Â ofÂ GrossProfit |  | 2013 |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { \%Â ofÂ Gross } \\ \text { Profit } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | (Dollars inÂ millions) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SG\&A, excluding rent expense | \$ | 161.5 | 65.2 | \% | \$ | 145.6 | 65.5 | \% | \$ | 15.9 | (0.3) | \% |
| Rent expense |  | 7.7 | 3.1 | \% |  | 8.3 | 3.7 | \% |  | (0.6) | (0.6) | \% |
| SG\&A-total | \$ | 169.2 | 68.3 | \% | \$ | 153.9 | 69.2 | \% | \$ | 15.3 | (0.9) | \% |
| Gross profit | \$ | 247.9 |  |  | \$ | 222.3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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|  | For the Six Months Ended June 30, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Increase (Decrease) |  | $\qquad$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2014 |  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { \%Â ofÂ } \\ \text { Pro } \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | 2013 |  | \%Â ofÂ GrossProfit |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | (Dollars inÂ millions) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SG\&A, excluding rent expense | \$ | 313.7 | 65.6 | \% | \$ | 284.5 | 66.4 | \% | \$ | 29.2 | (0.8) | \% |
| Rent expense |  | 15.3 | 3.2 | \% |  | 17.1 | 4.0 | \% |  | (1.8) | (0.8) | \% |
| SG\&A-total | \$ | 329.0 | 68.8 | \% | \$ | 301.6 | 70.4 | \% | \$ | 27.4 | (1.6) | \% |
| Gross profit | \$ | 478.0 |  |  | \$ | 428.6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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## ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP INC.

## Supplemental Disclosures

(Unaudited)

## Non-GAAP Financial Disclosure and Reconciliation

In addition to evaluating the financial condition and results of our operations in accordance with GAAP, from time to time management evaluates and analyzes results and any impact on the Company of strategic decisions and actions relating to, among other things, cost reduction, growth, and profitability improvement initiatives, and other events outside of normal, or "core," business and operations, by considering certain alternative financial measures not prepared in accordance with GAAP. These measures include "Adjusted income from continuing operations," "Adjusted diluted earnings per share ("EPS") from continuing operations," "Adjusted long-term debt," "Adjusted EBITDA" and "Adjusted leverage ratio." Non-GAAP measures do not have definitions under GAAP and may be defined differently by and not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies. As a result, any non-GAAP financial measures considered and evaluated by management are reviewed in connection with a review of the most directly comparable measures calculated in accordance with GAAP. Management cautions investors not to place undue reliance on such non-GAAP measures, but also to consider them with the most directly comparable GAAP measures.Â In its evaluation of results from time to time, management excludes items that do not arise directly from core operations, or are otherwise of an unusual or non-recurring
nature. Because these non-core, unusual or non-recurring charges and gains materially affect Asbury's financial condition or results in the specific period in which they are recognized, management also evaluates, and makes resource allocation and performance evaluation decisions based on, the related non-GAAP measures excluding such items. $\hat{A}$ In addition to using such non-GAAP measures to evaluate results in a specific period, management believes that such measures may provide more complete and consistent comparisons of operational performance on a period-over-period historical basis and a better indication of expected future trends. Management discloses these non-GAAP measures, and the related reconciliations, because it believes investors use these metrics in evaluating longer-term period-over-period performance, and to allow investors to better understand and evaluate the information used by management to assess operating performance.

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|  | For the Twelve Months Ended |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | June 30, 2014 |  | March 31, 2014 |  |
|  | (Dollars in millions) |  |  |  |
| Adjusted leverage ratio: |  |  |  |  |
| Long-term debt (including current portion) | \$ | 548.9 | \$ | 551.8 |
| Less: unamortized premium on 8.375\% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2020 |  | (8.7) |  | (8.9) |
| Â Adjusted long-term debt (including current portion) | \$ | 540.2 | \$ | 542.9 |
| Calculation of earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA"): |  |  |  |  |
| Income from continuing operations | \$ | 117.8 | \$ | 108.7 |
| Add: |  |  |  |  |
| Depreciation and amortization |  | 25.1 |  | 24.7 |
| Income tax expense |  | 75.0 |  | 69.0 |
| Swap and other interest expense |  | 40.5 |  | 40.8 |
| Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA") | \$ | 258.4 | \$ | 243.2 |
| Non-core items - expense: |  |  |  |  |
| Real estate-related charges |  | 2.1 |  | 7.3 |
| Loss on extinguishment of long-term debt |  | 6.8 |  | 6.8 |
| A Total non-core items |  | 8.9 |  | 14.1 |
| Adjusted EBITDA | \$ | 267.3 | \$ | 257.3 |
| Adjusted leverage ratio |  | 2.0 |  | 2.1 |

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The non-core operating items shown in the table below consist of expenses related to real estate transactions.

| For the Three Months Ended |
| :---: |
| June 30, |
| 2014 |
| (In millions, except per share data) |


| Net income | \$ | 35.9 | \$ | 27.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Discontinued operations, net of tax |  | 0.3 |  | 0.2 |
| Income from continuing operations |  | 36.2 |  | 27.2 |

Non-core items - expense (income):

| Real estate-related charges |  | â€' |  | 5.2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tax benefit on non-core items above |  | â€' |  | (2.0) |
| Total non-core items |  | â€' |  | 3.2 |
| Adjusted income from continuing operations | \$ | 36.2 | \$ | 30.4 |
| Adjusted diluted earnings per share (EPS) from continuing operations: |  |  |  |  |
| Net income | \$ | 1.18 | \$ | 0.87 |
| Discontinued operations, net of tax |  | 0.01 |  | â€' |
| Income from continuing operations | \$ | 1.19 | \$ | 0.87 |
| Total non-core items |  | â€' |  | 0.11 |
| Adjusted diluted EPS from continuing operations | \$ | 1.19 | \$ | 0.98 |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding - diluted |  | 30.5 |  | 31.1 |

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|  | For the Six Months Ended June 30, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2014 |  | 2013 |  |
|  | (In millions, except per share data) |  |  |  |
| Adjusted income from continuing operations: |  |  |  |  |
| Net income | \$ | 67.3 | \$ | 59.5 |
| Discontinued operations, net of tax |  | 0.4 |  | (8.4) |
| Income from continuing operations |  | 67.7 |  | 51.1 |
| Non-core items - expense (income): |  |  |  |  |
| Real estate-related charges |  | â€" |  | 5.2 |
| Tax benefit on non-core items above |  | â€" |  | (2.0) |
| Total non-core items |  | â€" |  | 3.2 |
| Adjusted income from continuing operations | \$ | 67.7 | \$ | 54.3 |
| Adjusted diluted earnings per share (EPS) from continuing operations: |  |  |  |  |
| Net income | \$ | 2.20 | \$ | 1.91 |
| Discontinued operations, net of tax |  | 0.01 |  | (0.27) |
| Income from continuing operations | \$ | 2.21 | \$ | 1.64 |
| Total non-core items |  | â€" |  | 0.11 |
| Adjusted diluted EPS from continuing operations | \$ | 2.21 | \$ | 1.75 |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding - diluted |  | 30.6 |  | 31.1 |

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