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

## **FORM 10-Q**

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the Quarter Ended September 30, 2018 Commission File Number: 0-3676

# VSE CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

DELAWARE (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

54-0649263 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

www.vsecorp.com

(Webpage)

6348 Walker Lane Alexandria, Virginia (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (703) 960-4600

#### Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.05 per share	The NASDAQ Global Select Market

22310

#### Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes [x] No []

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (section 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes [x] No [

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of "accelerated filer and large accelerated filer" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer [] Non-accelerated filer []

Accelerated filer [x] Smaller reporting company [] Emerging growth company []

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transaction period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. Yes [] No []

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes [] No [x]

Number of shares of Common Stock outstanding as of October 22, 2018: 10,881,106

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#### **VSE Corporation and Subsidiaries**

#### Forward Looking Statements

This report contains statements that, to the extent they are not recitations of historical fact, constitute "forward looking statements" under federal securities laws. All such statements are intended to be subject to the safe harbor protection provided by applicable securities laws. For discussions identifying some important factors that could cause actual results of VSE Corporation ("VSE," the "Company," "us," "our," or "we") to differ materially from those anticipated in the forward looking statements contained in this report, see VSE's discussions captioned "Business," "Risk Factors," "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and "Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements" contained in VSE's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017 filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on March 7, 2018 ("2017 Form 10-K").

Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward looking statements, which reflect management's analysis only as of the date hereof. We undertake no obligation to revise publicly these forward looking statements to reflect events or circumstances that arise after the date hereof. Readers should carefully review the risk factors described in our 2017 Form 10-K and in the reports and other documents the Company files from time to time with the SEC, including this and other Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and any Current Reports on Form 8-K that we have filed or will file with the SEC subsequent to our 2017 Form 10-K.

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# **PART I. Financial Information**

# Item 1. Financial Statements

# VSE Corporation and Subsidiaries

## **Unaudited Consolidated Balance Sheets**

(in thousands except share and per share amounts)

	Se	ptember 30, 2018	De	ecember 31, 2017
Assets				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	889	\$	624
Receivables, net		55,512		55,760
Unbilled receivables, net		35,771		42,577
Inventories, net		166,486		132,591
Other current assets		13,933		16,988
Total current assets		272,591		248,540
Property and equipment, net		51,192		55,146
Intangible assets, net		98,896		110,909
Goodwill		198,622		198,622
Other assets		15,766		15,796
Total assets	\$	637,067	\$	629,013
Liabilities and Stockholders' equity				
Current liabilities:				
Current portion of long-term debt	\$	9,466	\$	6,960
Accounts payable		48,219		66,015
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		36,282		40,243
Dividends payable		870		759
Total current liabilities		94,837		113,977
Long-term debt, less current portion		165,393		165,614
Deferred compensation		18,649		16,323
Long-term lease obligations, less current portion		19,344		20,581
Deferred tax liabilities		18,337		19,423
Total liabilities	_	316,560		335,918
Commitments and contingensies				
Commitments and contingencies				
Stockholders' equity:				
Common stock, par value \$0.05 per share, authorized 15,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding 10,881,106 and 10,838,747, respectively		544		542
Additional paid-in capital		26,490		24,470
Retained earnings		292,930		267,902
Accumulated other comprehensive income		543		181
Total stockholders' equity		320,507		293,095
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	637,067	\$	629,013

# **VSE** Corporation and Subsidiaries

# **Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Income**

(in thousands except share and per share amounts)

	F	For the three months ended September 30,				For the nine Septen		
		2018		2017		2018		2017
Revenues:								
Products	\$	85,886	\$	82,314	\$	264,678	\$	260,585
Services		83,045		91,850		251,544		304,733
Total revenues		168,931		174,164		516,222		565,318
Costs and operating expenses:								
Products		72,256		68,678		222,816		217,606
Services		77,810		88,989		239,536		293,083
Selling, general and administrative expenses		863		255		2,412		1,178
Amortization of intangible assets		4,005		4,005		12,013		12,013
Total costs and operating expenses		154,934		161,927		476,777		523,880
Gain on sale of contract		1,700		_		1,700		—
Operating income		15,697		12,237		41,145		41,438
Interest expense, net		2,340		2,347		6,697		7,158
Income before income taxes		13,357		9,890		34,448		34,280
Provision for income taxes		3,323		3,251		8,611	<u> </u>	12,541
Net income	\$	10,034	\$	6,639	\$	25,837	\$	21,739
Basic earnings per share	\$	0.92	\$	0.61	\$	2.38	\$	2.01
Basic weighted average shares outstanding	1	0,881,106	10	),838,435	1	0,874,331	]	0,833,237
Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.92	\$	0.61	\$	2.37	\$	2.00
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	1	0,935,112	10	),856,675	1	0,916,989	1	0,855,983
Dividends declared per share	\$	0.08	\$	_	\$	0.23	\$	0.13

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# **VSE** Corporation and Subsidiaries

# **Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income** (in thousands)

	For the three months ended September 30,				F		months ended nber 30,		
		2018	2017		7 2018			2017	
Net income	\$	10,034	\$	6,639	\$	25,837	\$	21,739	
Change in fair value of interest rate swap agreements, net of tax		28		20		362		89	
Other comprehensive income, net of tax		28		20		362		89	
Comprehensive income	\$	10,062	\$	6,659	\$	26,199	\$	21,828	

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# **VSE** Corporation and Subsidiaries

# Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(in thousands)

		months ended mber 30,
	2018	2017
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 25,837	\$ 21,739
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	18,984	19,584
Deferred taxes	(1,733)	) (1,947
Stock-based compensation	2,146	1,935
Gain on sale of contract	(1,700)	) —
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Receivables, net	738	16,154
Unbilled receivables, net	11,298	12,190
Inventories, net	(36,448)	) 815
Other current assets and noncurrent assets	3,518	(3,392
Accounts payable and deferred compensation	(14,972)	) (42,441
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	(3,010)	) 15,916
Long-term lease obligations	(1,237)	
Net cash provided by operating activities	3,421	39,511
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of property and equipment	(2,522)	) (2,387
Proceeds from the sale of property and equipment	51	689
Proceeds from the sale of contract	1,700	_
Net cash used in investing activities	(771)	) (1,698
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Borrowings on loan agreement	468,949	258,657
Repayments on loan agreement	(465,521)	
Payment of debt financing costs	(1,702)	
Payments on capital lease obligations	(1,077)	
Payments of taxes for equity transactions	(641)	
Dividends paid	(2,393)	
	(2,555)	(2,00)
Net cash used in financing activities	(2,385)	) (37,769
	(2,505)	, (31,10)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	265	44
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	624	428
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 889	\$ 472

#### (1) Nature of Business and Basis of Presentation

Our accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles for interim financial information and the instructions to SEC Form 10-Q and Article 10 of SEC Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles for complete financial statements. In our opinion, all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. Operating results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2018. For further information refer to the consolidated financial statements and footnotes thereto included in our 2017 Form 10-K.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant estimates affecting the financial statements include accruals for contract disallowance reserves, award fee revenues, costs to complete on fixed price contracts, and recoverability of goodwill and intangible assets.

#### **Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements**

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)* ("ASC 606"), which outlines a single comprehensive model for entities to use in accounting for revenue arising from contracts with customers and supersedes most current revenue recognition guidance, including industry-specific guidance. ASC 606 is based on the principle that an entity should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for the goods or services. ASC 606 also requires additional disclosure about the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from customer contracts, including significant judgments and changes in judgments and assets recognized from costs incurred to fulfill a contract.

On January 1, 2018, we adopted ASC 606 using the modified retrospective method applied to those contracts which were not completed as of January 1, 2018, including the aggregate effect of modifications to such contracts through January 1, 2018. We recognized the cumulative effect of initially applying the new standard through an increase to the opening balance of retained earnings of \$1.7 million. The primary effects of adopting ASC 606 are: (1) the timing of when we recognize revenue on our contracts with award fees, which previously was based on when we received customer authorization, changed to recognition of the award fees to the extent that it is probable that a significant reversal will not occur as the related performance obligation is satisfied, resulting in revenue being recognized earlier in the contract period, (2) the timing of when we recognize revenues and costs on maintenance, repair and overhaul ("MRO") services for aviation clients and certain fixed price delivery contracts, which changed from the date of delivery to recognition over time as control of the good or service transfers to the customer and progress is made to satisfy the performance obligation, and (3) the pattern in which we recognize revenue on certain fixed price services contracts changed from a straight-line basis over the contract period to measuring progress using input measures, such as costs incurred. The comparative information has not been restated and continues to be reported under the accounting standards in effect for those periods.

The adoption of ASC 606 also resulted in the establishment of "Unbilled receivables, net" as a separate line item on our unaudited consolidated balance sheets and reclassification of balances to this new line item from "Receivables, net." Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation. These reclassifications have no effect on our reported financial condition, results of operations, or cash flows.

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The cumulative effect of the changes made to our January 1, 2018 unaudited consolidated balance sheet for the adoption of the ASC 606 update was as follows (in thousands):

	_	Balance at mber 31, 2017	Adjustment for ASC 606		Adjusted balance at January 1, 2018
Assets:					
Receivables, net	\$	55,760	\$	490	\$ 56,250
Unbilled receivables, net	\$	42,577	\$	4,492	\$ 47,069
Inventories, net	\$	132,591	\$	(2,553)	\$ 130,038
Liabilities: Accounts payable	\$ ¢	66,015	\$	(498)	65,517
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	\$	40,243	\$	655	\$ 40,898
Deferred tax liabilities	\$	19,423	\$	577	\$ 20,000
Stockholders' equity:					
Retained earnings	\$	267,902	\$	1,695	\$ 269,597

In accordance with the new revenue standard requirements for entities adopting ASC 606 using the modified retrospective method, the disclosure of the impact of adoption on our unaudited consolidated balance sheet as of September 30, 2018 and statement of income for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2018 was as follows (in thousands):

# **Balance Sheet**

	As	As Reported		thout Adoption of ASC 606
<u>Assets:</u>				
Unbilled receivables, net	\$	35,771	\$	29,341
Inventories, net	\$	166,486	\$	170,221
Liabilities: Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	\$	36,282	\$	36,282
Deferred tax liabilities	\$	18,337	\$	17,574
<u>Stockholders' equity:</u>				
Retained earnings	\$	292,930	\$	290,998

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#### Statement of Income

	For the three months ended September 30, 2018						 nonths ended 30, 2018																																												
	As Reported		As Reported		Adoptic		Without Adoption of ASC 606		Adoption of		A	s Reported	Without doption of ASC 606																																						
Revenues:																																																			
Products	\$	85,886	\$	85,625	\$	264,678	\$ 263,094																																												
Services	\$	83,045	\$	83,227	\$	251,544	\$ 251,213																																												
Costs and operating expenses:																																																			
Products	\$	72,256	\$	72,089	\$	222,816	\$ 221,634																																												
Services	\$	77,810	\$	77,810	\$	239,536	\$ 239,536																																												
Provision for income taxes	\$	3,323	\$	3,345	\$	8,611	\$ 8,425																																												
Net income	\$	10,034	\$	10,099	\$	25,837	\$ 25,290																																												

#### Significant Accounting Policies Update

Our significant accounting policies are discussed in "Note 1: Nature of Business and Significant Accounting Policies" of our 2017 Form 10-K. Significant changes to our policies related to revenue recognition as a result of adopting ASC 606 are discussed below:

We account for revenue in accordance with ASC 606. The unit of account in ASC 606 is a performance obligation. At the inception of each contract with a customer, we determine our performance obligations within the contract and the contract's transaction price. A performance obligation is a promise in a contract to transfer a distinct good or service to the customer, and is defined as the unit of account. A contract's transaction price is allocated to each distinct performance obligation and recognized as revenue when the performance obligation is satisfied. The majority of our contracts have a single performance obligation as the promise to transfer the individual goods or services is not separately identifiable from other promises in the contracts and is, therefore, not distinct. For product sales, each product sold to a customer typically represents a distinct performance obligation. Our performance obligations are satisfied over time as work progresses or at a point in time based on transfer of control of products and services to our customers.

Contract modifications are routine in the performance of our contracts. Contracts are often modified to account for changes in contract specifications or requirements. In most instances, contract modifications are for goods or services that are not distinct, and therefore are accounted for as part of the existing contract.

Substantially all of our Supply Chain Management Group revenue from the sale of vehicle parts to customers is recognized at the point in time of the transfer of control to the customer. Sales returns and allowances for vehicle parts are not significant.

Our Aviation Group revenues result from the sale of aircraft parts and performance of MRO services for private and commercial aircraft owners, other aviation MRO providers, and aviation original equipment manufacturers. Our Aviation Group recognizes revenues at a point in time for the sale of aircraft parts when control is transferred to the customer, which usually occurs when the parts are shipped. Our Aviation Group recognizes revenues for MRO services over time as the services are transferred to the customer. MRO services revenue recognized is measured based on the cost-to-cost input method, as costs incurred reflect the work completed, and therefore the services transferred to date. Sales returns and allowances are not significant

Our Federal Services Group revenues result from professional and technical services, which we perform for customers on a contract basis. Revenue is recognized for performance obligations over time as we transfer the services to the customer. The three primary types of contracts used are cost-type, fixed-price and time and materials. Revenues result from work performed on these contracts by our employees and our subcontractors and from costs for materials and other work related costs allowed under our contracts.

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Revenues on cost-type contracts are recorded as contract allowable costs are incurred and fees are earned. Variable consideration, typically in the form of an award fees, is included in the estimated transaction price, to the extent that it is probable that a significant reversal will not occur, when there is a basis to reasonably estimate the amount of the fee. These estimates are based on historical award experience, anticipated performance and our best judgment based on current facts and circumstances.

Revenues on fixed-price contracts are recorded as work is performed over the period. Revenue is recognized over time using costs incurred to date relative to total estimated costs at completion to measure progress toward satisfying our performance obligations. Incurred cost represents work performed, which corresponds with the transfer of control to the customer. For such contracts, we estimate total costs at the inception of the contract based on our assumptions of the cost elements required to complete the associated tasks of the contract and assess the affects of the risks on our estimates of total costs to complete the contract. Our cost estimates are based on assumptions that include the complexity of the work, our employee labor costs, the cost of materials, and the performance of our subcontractors. These cost estimates are subject to change as we perform under the contract and as a result, the timing of revenues and amount of profit on a contract may change as there are changes in estimated costs to complete the contract. Such adjustments are recognized on a cumulative catch-up basis in the period we identify the changes.

Revenues for time and materials contracts are recorded based on the amount for which we have the right to invoice our customers, because the amount directly reflects the value of our work performed for the customer. Time and materials contracts are recorded on the basis of contract allowable labor hours worked multiplied by the contract defined billing rates, plus the direct costs and indirect cost burdens associated with materials and subcontract work used in performance on the contract. Generally, profits on time and materials contracts result from the difference between the cost of services performed and the contract defined billing rates for these services.

## (2) Revenue

#### **Disaggregated Revenue**

Our revenues are derived from contract services performed for United States Department of Defense ("DoD") agencies or federal civilian agencies and from the delivery of products to our clients. Our customers also include various other government agencies and commercial entities.

A summary of revenues for our operating groups by customer for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 is as follows (in thousands):

	Three months ended September 30, 2018									
Customer	Supply Chain Management			Aviation Federal				Total		
U.S. Postal Services	\$	43,031	\$	_	\$	_	\$	43,031		
DoD		5,479		913		73,610		80,002		
Commercial		3,324		32,641		62		36,027		
Other government		—		446		9,425		9,871		
	\$	51,834	\$	34,000	\$	83,097	\$	168,931		
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		Nine months ended September 30, 2018							
	Sup	ply Chain	Federal						
Customer	Ma	nagement		Aviation		Services		Total	
U.S. Postal Services	\$	130,151	\$		\$		\$	130,151	
DoD		21,180		3,153		225,509		249,842	
Commercial		10,123		98,213		295		108,631	
Other government		507		1,188		25,903		27,598	
	\$	161,961	\$	102,554	\$	251,707	\$	516,222	

A summary of revenues for our operating groups by contract type for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 is as follows (in thousands):

	T	Three months ended September 30, 2018								
	Supply Chain	Supply Chain								
Contract Type	Management	Management Aviation			Services		Total			
Cost-type	\$	\$		\$	44,638	\$	44,638			
Fixed-price	51,834		20,152		19,234		91,220			
Time and materials	_		13,848		19,225		33,073			
Total revenues	\$ 51,834	\$	34,000	\$	83,097	\$	168,931			

	Ν	Nine months ended September 30, 2018											
	Supply Chain	Supply Chain											
Contract Type	Management		Aviation	Services			Total						
Cost-type	\$	\$	1,098	\$	137,560	\$	138,658						
Fixed-price	161,961		59,525		51,577		273,063						
Time and materials			41,931		62,570		104,501						
Total revenues	\$ 161,961	\$	102,554	\$	251,707	\$	516,222						

#### **Contract Balances**

Billed receivables, unbilled receivables (contract assets), and contract liabilities are the results of revenue recognition, customer billing, and timing of payment receipts. Billed receivables, net, represent unconditional rights to consideration under the terms of the contract and include amounts billed and currently due from our customers. Unbilled receivables represent our right to consideration in exchange for goods or services that we have transferred to the customer prior to us having the right to payment for such goods or services. Contract liabilities are recorded when customers remit contractual cash payments in advance of us satisfying performance obligations under contractual arrangements, including those with performance obligations to be satisfied over a period of time.

We present our unbilled receivables and contract liabilities on a contract-by-contract basis. If a contract liability exists, it is netted against the unbilled receivables balance for that contract. Unbilled receivables decreased from \$47.1 million at adoption of ASC 606 on January 1, 2018 to \$35.8 million at September 30, 2018, primarily due to billings in excess of revenue recognized. Contract liabilities, which are included in accrued expenses and other current liabilities in our consolidated balance sheet, decreased from \$9.8 million at adoption of ASC 606 on January 1, 2018 to \$4.4 million at September 30, 2018, primarily due to revenue recognized in excess of advance payments received. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, we recognized revenue of \$0.4 million and \$8.1 million, respectively that was previously included in the beginning balance of contract liabilities.



#### **Performance Obligations**

Our performance obligations are satisfied over time as work progresses or at a point in time. Revenues from products and services transferred to customers over time accounted for approximately 57% of our revenues for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, primarily related to revenues in our Federal Services Group and for MRO services in our Aviation Group. Revenues from products and services transferred to customers at a point in time accounted for approximately 43% of our revenues for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018. The majority of our revenue recognized at a point in time is for the sale of vehicle and aircraft parts in our Supply Chain Management and Aviation groups.

As of September 30, 2018, the aggregate amount of transaction prices allocated to unsatisfied or partially unsatisfied performance obligations was \$345 million. Performance obligations expected to be satisfied within one year and greater than one year are 96% and 4%, respectively. We have applied the practical expedient for certain parts sales and MRO services to exclude the amount of remaining performance obligations for (i) contracts with an original expected term of one year or less or (ii) contracts for which we recognize revenue in proportion to the amount we have the right to invoice for services performed.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, revenue recognized from performance obligations satisfied in prior periods was not material.

## (3) Debt

We have a loan agreement with a group of banks to provide working capital support, letters of credit and acquisition financing. The loan agreement, which was amended in January 2018 and expires in January 2023, has a term loan facility and a revolving loan facility. The revolving loan facility provides for revolving loans and letters of credit. Financing costs associated with the inception of the amended loan agreement of approximately \$1.7 million were capitalized and are being amortized over the five-year life of the loan.

Our required term loan payments after September 30, 2018 are approximately \$2.5 million in 2018, \$10.0 million in 2019, \$11.9 million in 2020, \$14.4 million in 2021, \$15.0 million in 2022, and \$39.5 million in 2023. The amount of term loan borrowings outstanding as of September 30, 2018 was \$93.3 million.

The maximum amount of credit available to us under the loan agreement for revolving loans and letters of credit as of September 30, 2018 was \$300 million. Subject to the terms of the loan agreement, we may borrow and repay the revolving loan borrowings as our cash flows require or permit. We pay an unused commitment fee and fees on letters of credit that are issued. We had \$83.8 million in revolving loan amounts outstanding and \$57 thousand in letters of credit outstanding as of September 30, 2018. We had approximately \$79.3 million in revolving loan amounts outstanding and no letters of credit outstanding as of December 31, 2017.

Under the loan agreement we may elect to increase the maximum availability of the term loan facility, the revolving loan facility, or both facilities, up to an aggregate additional amount of \$100 million.

Total bank loan borrowed funds outstanding, including term loan borrowings and revolving loan borrowings, were \$177.1 million and \$173.7 million, as of September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively. Unamortized deferred financing costs of approximately \$2.2 million and \$1.1 million as of September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017 are included in long-term debt on our consolidated balance sheets. The fair value of outstanding debt as of September 30, 2018 under our bank loan facilities approximates its carrying value using Level 2 inputs based on market data on companies with a corporate rating similar to ours that have recently priced credit facilities.

We pay interest on the term loan borrowings and revolving loan borrowings at LIBOR plus a base margin or at a base rate (typically the prime rate) plus a base margin. As of September 30, 2018, the LIBOR base margin was 2.00% and the base rate base margin was 0.75%. The base margins increase or decrease in increments as our Total Funded Debt/EBITDA Ratio increases or decreases.

The loan agreement requires us to have interest rate hedges on a portion of the outstanding term loan for the first three years after the January 2018 amendment date of the agreement. We executed interest rate swap agreements in February 2015 and February 2018. The notional amount of the interest rate swap agreements was \$50 million and \$85 million as of September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively.



After taking into account the impact of interest rate swap agreements, as of September 30, 2018, interest rates on portions of our outstanding debt ranged from 3.25% to 6.00%, and the effective interest rate on our aggregate outstanding debt was 4.10%.

Interest expense incurred on bank loan borrowings and interest rate hedges was approximately \$1.9 million and \$1.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Interest expense incurred on bank loan borrowings and interest rate hedges was approximately \$5.1 million and \$5.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

The loan agreement contains collateral requirements to secure our loan agreement obligations, restrictive covenants, a limit on annual dividends, and other affirmative and negative covenants, conditions, and limitations. Restrictive covenants include a maximum Total Funded Debt/EBITDA Ratio, which decreases over time, and a minimum Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio. We were in compliance with required ratios and other terms and conditions at September 30, 2018.

#### (4) Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share ("EPS") has been computed by dividing net income by the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during each period. Shares issued during the period are weighted for the portion of the period that they were outstanding. Our calculation of diluted earnings per common share includes the dilutive effects for an assumed vesting of restricted stock awards.

	Three months er	nded September	Nine months en	ded September	
	30	),	30,		
	2018	2017	2018	2017	
Basic weighted average common shares outstanding	10,881,106	10,838,435	10,874,331	10,833,237	
Effect of dilutive shares	54,006	18,240	42,658	22,746	
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding	10,935,112	10,856,675	10,916,989	10,855,983	

# (5) Commitments and Contingencies

#### Contingencies

In November 2016, a lawsuit, Arrieta et al vs. Prime Turbines LLC et al, was filed in the District Court of Texas in Dallas County, by Edgar Arrieta, and four other plaintiffs against two VSE subsidiaries and three other defendants unrelated to VSE. The plaintiffs alleged that in 2016, a plane crashed resulting in the death of three plaintiffs and serious injuries to six other plaintiffs and that VSE's subsidiaries were negligent in providing maintenance, service and inspection of the airplane's engine prior to the crash. In October 2018, the parties in the lawsuit settled the case. VSE, which is not required to financially contribute to the settlement, will be dismissed from the case once the Court formally approves the settlement.

On or about April 19, 2018 Joseph Waggoner, on behalf of himself and all similarly situated individuals, filed a lawsuit against VSE and two of our subcontractors in the United State District Court, Eastern District of Texas, Texarkana Division, alleging overtime compensation entitlement at a rate of one and one-half times their regular rate of pay for all hours worked over 40 hours in a workweek. The plaintiffs are seeking to certify the case as a collective action for similarly situated individuals. The plaintiffs work under a contract between defendants and the United States Army at the Red River Army Depot in Texas. The plaintiffs assert that employees' 15-minute unpaid work breaks should have been included as "working hours" in calculating overtime. We believe it is probable that VSE will incur a loss related to this matter, and we have accrued an immaterial loss provision in an amount representing our reasonable estimate related to an unfavorable settlement of the matter, and we do not believe that we have any further exposure that would be material to VSE in excess of the amount we have accrued related to this matter.

In a letter dated May 21, 2018, Dyncorp International ("Dyncorp") notified VSE's subsidiary Prime Turbines LLC that the U.S. Air Force ("USAF") had filed a claim against Dyncorp for approximately \$27 million in respect of work performed by Dyncorp and VSE's subsidiary Prime Turbines in support of the USAF program for servicing fuel nozzle tips on aircraft engines. Dyncorp asserted that any liability arising from the USAF claim should be borne by Prime Turbines under its agreement dated August 21, 2013, with Dyncorp. As the events leading to the USAF claim against Dyncorp, including the work performed by Prime Turbines as a



subcontractor, occurred prior to VSE's acquisition of Prime Turbines in January 2015, VSE notified the sellers of Prime Turbines of the Dyncorp and USAF claims and VSE's intention to seek restitution from the sellers for any damages arising from such claims. Dyncorp and Prime Turbines filed a motion to dismiss the USAF appeal to the Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals ("ASBCA") against Dyncorp. On September 28, 2018, the USAF rescinded its approximate \$27 million claim against Dyncorp and moved to dismiss the appeal to the ASBCA as moot because the USAF had rescinded its claim from which the appeal arises. While the USAF could reassert its claim at a later date, we consider this matter currently closed because the ASBCA no longer has jurisdiction of this matter and the USAF has no current claim against Dyncorp in respect of any work performed by Prime Turbines.

#### **Other Matters**

In addition to the above-referenced legal proceedings, we may have certain claims in the normal course of business, including legal proceedings, against us and against other parties. In our opinion, the resolution of these other claims will not have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial position, or cash flows. However, because the results of any legal proceedings cannot be predicted with certainty, the amount of loss, if any, cannot be reasonably estimated.

Further, from time-to-time, government agencies investigate whether our operations are being conducted in accordance with applicable contractual and regulatory requirements. Government investigations of us, whether relating to government contracts or conducted for other reasons, could result in administrative, civil or criminal liabilities, including repayments, fines or penalties being imposed upon us, or could lead to suspension or debarment from future government contracting. Government investigations often take years to complete and many result in no adverse action against us. We believe, based upon current information, that the outcome of any such government disputes and investigations will not have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition, or cash flows.

#### (6) Business Segments and Customer Information

#### **Business Segments**

Management of our business operations is conducted under three reportable operating segments:

<u>Supply Chain Management Group</u> – Our Supply Chain Management Group supplies vehicle parts primarily through a Managed Inventory Program ("MIP") and direct sales to the United States Postal Service ("USPS"), the United States Department of Defense ("DoD") and to other commercial customers.

<u>Aviation Group</u> – Our Aviation Group provides maintenance, repair and overhaul ("MRO") services, parts supply and distribution, and supply chain solutions for commercial aviation and business and general aviation jet aircraft engines and engine accessories.

<u>Federal Services Group</u> – Our Federal Services Group provides engineering, industrial, logistics, foreign military sales, legacy equipment sustainment services, IT and technical and consulting services primarily to DoD and other government agencies.

The operating segments reported below are the segments of the Company for which separate financial information is available and for which segment results are evaluated regularly by our Chief Executive Officer in deciding how to allocate resources and in assessing performance. We evaluate segment performance based on consolidated revenues and operating income. Net sales of our business segments exclude intersegment sales as these activities are eliminated in consolidation.

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Our segment information is as follows (in thousands):

	Th	aree months e 3	nded 0,	September	Nine months ended Septembe 30,				
		2018		2017		2018		2017	
Revenues:									
Supply Chain Management Group	\$	51,834	\$	51,174	\$	161,961	\$	163,663	
Aviation Group		34,000		31,059		102,554		96,003	
Federal Services Group		83,097		91,931		251,707		305,652	
Total revenues	\$	168,931	\$	174,164	\$	516,222	\$	565,318	
Operating income:									
Supply Chain Management Group	\$	7,783	\$	8,178	\$	23,547	\$	25,611	
Aviation Group		2,184		1,983		7,291		6,898	
Federal Services Group		6,186		2,593		12,270		10,503	
Corporate/unallocated expenses		(456)		(517)		(1,963)		(1,574)	
Operating income	\$	15,697	\$	12,237	\$	41,145	\$	41,438	

In the third quarter of 2018, we completed the sale of a contract we had been awarded by the National Institutes of Health, which resulted in a \$1.7 million gain recorded within our Federal Services Group.

# **Customer Information**

Our revenues by customer is as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Three r	nonths ende	d September 3	0,	Nine months ended September 30,							
Customer	2018	%	2017	%	2018	%	2017	%				
U.S. Postal Service	\$ 43,031	25.5%	\$ 43,833	25.2% \$	5 130,151	25.2% \$	136,261	24.1%				
U.S. Navy	37,013	21.9%	38,895	22.3%	115,294	22.4%	143,421	25.4%				
U.S. Army	38,167	22.6%	45,717	26.3%	122,502	23.7%	150,217	26.6%				
U.S. Air Force	4,822	2.9%	2,967	1.7%	12,046	2.3%	5,807	1.0%				
Total - DoD	80,002	47.4%	87,579	50.3%	249,842	48.4%	299,445	53.0%				
Commercial aviation	32,641	19.3%	30,637	17.6%	98,213	19.0%	94,706	16.8%				
Other commercial	3,386	2.0%	2,833	1.6%	10,418	2.0%	9,270	1.6%				
Total - Commercial	36,027	21.3%	33,470	19.2%	108,631	21.0%	103,976	18.4%				
Other government	9,871	5.8%	9,282	5.3%	27,598	5.4%	25,636	4.5%				
Total	\$ 168,931	100%	\$ 174,164	100% \$	516,222	100% \$	565,318	100%				



#### (7) Goodwill and Intangible Assets

Changes in goodwill for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 are as follows (in thousands):

	 pply Chain	Fed	eral Services	 Aviation	Total
Balance as of December 31, 2017	\$ 63,190	\$	30,883	\$ 104,549	\$ 198,622
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Intangible assets consist of the value of contract and customer-related intangible assets, acquired technologies and trade names. Amortization expense was approximately \$4.0 million and \$12.0 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and September 30, 2017, respectively.

Intangible assets, net were comprised of the following (in thousands):

	Cost		Accumulated Amortization	Accumulated npairment Loss	Net Intangible Assets
September 30, 2018					
Contract and customer-related	\$ 173,094	\$	(82,791)	\$ (1,025)	\$ 89,278
Acquired technologies	12,400		(8,251)	_	4,149
Trade names	16,670		(11,201)	—	5,469
Total	\$ \$ 202,164		(102,243)	\$ (1,025)	\$ 98,896
December 31, 2017					
Contract and customer-related	\$ 173,094	\$	(72,937)	\$ (1,025)	\$ 99,132
Acquired technologies	12,400		(7,406)	_	4,994
Trade names	16,670		(9,887)	—	6,783
Total	\$ 202,164	\$	(90,230)	\$ (1,025)	\$ 110,909

# (8) Fair Value Measurements

The accounting standard for fair value measurements defines fair value, and establishes a market-based framework or hierarchy for measuring fair value. The standard is applicable whenever assets and liabilities are measured at fair value.

The fair value hierarchy established in the standard prioritizes the inputs used in valuation techniques into three levels as follows:

Level 1-Observable inputs-quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities;

Level 2-Observable inputs-other than the quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities-includes quoted prices for similar instruments, quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in inactive markets and amounts derived from valuation models where all significant inputs are observable in active markets; and

Level 3–Unobservable inputs–includes amounts derived from valuation models where one or more significant inputs are unobservable and require us to develop relevant assumptions.

The following table summarizes the financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017 and the level they fall within the fair value hierarchy (in thousands):

Amounts Recorded at Fair Value	Financial Statement Classification	Fair Value Hierarchy	-	air Value nber 30, 2018	De	Fair Value ecember 31, 2017
Non-COLI assets held in Deferred Supplemental						
Compensation Plan	Other assets	Level 1	\$	433	\$	389
Interest rate swap agreements	Other current assets	Level 2	\$	726	\$	294

Non-COLI assets held in our deferred supplemental compensation plan consist of equity funds with fair value based on observable inputs such as quoted prices for identical assets in active markets and changes in fair value are recorded as selling, general and administrative expenses.

We account for our interest rate swap agreements under the provisions of ASC 815, *Derivatives and Hedging*, and have determined that our swap agreements qualify as highly effective cash flow hedges. The fair value of the swap agreements was approximately \$726 thousand and \$294 thousand at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively. The offset, net of an income tax effect of approximately \$183 thousand and \$113 thousand, was included in accumulated other comprehensive income in the accompanying balance sheets as of September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively. The amounts paid and received on the swap agreements are recorded in interest expense in the period during which the related floating-rate interest is incurred. We determine the fair value of the swap agreements based on a valuation model using primarily observable market data inputs.

## (9) Income Taxes

Our effective tax rate was 24.9% and 25.0% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively, and 32.9% and 36.6% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, respectively. The decrease in our effective income tax rate was primarily due to the enactment of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act in December 2017 (the "Tax Act"), which reduced the statutory U.S. corporate income tax rate from 35% to 21% effective January 1, 2018. Income tax expense during interim periods is based on our estimated annual effective income tax rate plus any discrete items that are recorded in the period in which they occur. Our tax rate is affected by discrete items that may occur in any given year, but may not be consistent from year to year.

We have not completed our determination of the accounting implications of the Tax Act on our financial statements as of December 31, 2017. However, we reasonably estimated the effects of the Tax Act and recorded a provisional benefit in our financial statements as of December 31, 2017. The final adjustments may differ materially from the provisional amounts due to further updates or changes to estimates and assumptions utilized in our calculations, additional guidance issued by the U.S. Government, and related accounting policy decisions we may take as a result of the Tax Act. We will record any such adjustments in the period that they are identified over a one-year measurement period ending December 22, 2018.

#### (10) Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements Not Yet Adopted

In February 2018, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued ASU No. 2018-02, *Reclassification of Certain Tax Effects from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income*, which provides companies with an option to reclassify stranded tax effects resulting from enactment of the Tax Act from accumulated other comprehensive income to retained earnings. The new standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018 with early adoption permitted. We currently are assessing the impact that this standard will have on our consolidated financial statements.

In August 2017, the FASB issued ASU No. 2017-12, *Targeted Improvements to Accounting for Hedging Activities*, which amends and simplifies existing guidance in order to allow companies to more accurately present the economic effects of risk management activities in the financial statements. The new standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018 with early adoption permitted. We currently are assessing the impact that this standard will have on our consolidated financial statements.

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-13, *Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments*, which changes the methodology for measuring credit losses on financial instruments and the timing of when such losses are recorded. The new standard

is effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2019 with early adoption permitted for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2018. We currently are assessing the impact that this standard will have on our consolidated financial statements.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)*, to increase transparency and comparability among organizations by recognizing lease assets and lease liabilities on the balance sheet and disclosing key information about leasing arrangements. The new standard is required to be adopted using a modified retrospective method and is effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2018, with early adoption permitted. In July 2018, the FASB provided an alternative transition method of adoption through ASU No. 2018-11, *Targeted Improvements*, which provides entities with an optional transition method to apply the transition provisions of ASU 2016-02 at the beginning of the period of adoption. We plan to adopt the standard on January 1, 2019 using the alternative transition method provided by ASU 2018-11 whereby we will record right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for our existing leases as of January 1, 2019, as well as a cumulative-effect adjustment to retained earnings of initially applying the new standard. As permitted by the transition provisions of ASU 2016-02, we currently expect to retain the original lease classification for leases existing prior to the adoption date.

We are in the process of evaluating the changes required for the adoption of the new standard on our current leases, including our headquarters lease, as well as the quantitative impact this guidance will have on our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures. While we have not completed our quantitative analysis of the effect of the adoption of the new standard, we expect the adoption of ASU 2016-02 to result in a material increase in assets and liabilities on our consolidated balance sheets, primarily as a result of recognizing assets and liabilities associated with existing office leases. However, we do not anticipate that the pattern of expense recognition to significantly change.

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#### Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

# **Executive Overview**

We are a diversified products distribution and services company that assists our clients in sustaining, extending the service life and improving the performance of their transportation, equipment and other assets and systems. We provide products distribution and sustainment services for mission critical legacy systems and equipment and professional and technical services to the United States Government (the "government"), including the United States Department of Defense ("DoD"), the United States Postal Service ("USPS"), and other federal civilian agencies, commercial customers and other customers. Our largest customers are the DoD and USPS. Our operations include supply chain management solutions and parts supply for vehicle fleets; parts supply and maintenance, repair, and overhaul ("MRO") services for aviation clients; vehicle and equipment maintenance and refurbishment; logistics; engineering; energy and environmental services; IT and health care IT solutions; and consulting services.

## **Organization and Segments**

Our operations are conducted within three reportable segments aligned with our management groups: 1) Supply Chain Management; 2) Aviation; and 3) Federal Services.

**Supply Chain Management Group** - Our Supply Chain Management Group provides sourcing, acquisition, scheduling, transportation, shipping, logistics, data management, and other services to assist our clients with supply chain management efforts. Operations of this group are conducted by our wholly owned subsidiary Wheeler Bros., Inc., which supports the USPS, commercial truck fleets, and DoD with fleet management and sustainment solutions, managed inventory services, and other vehicle parts solutions. The primary revenue source for this group is derived from the sale of vehicle parts and mission critical supply chain services to support the USPS truck fleet.

**Aviation Group** - Our Aviation Group provides parts supply and distribution, supply chain solutions, and MRO services for commercial aviation and business and general aviation aircraft, engines and accessories. This group offers a range of complementary services and supplies to a diversified client base of corporate and private aircraft owners, commercial and regional airlines, aviation manufacturers, other aviation MRO providers, cargo transporters, and agricultural clients.

**Federal Services Group** - Our Federal Services Group provides foreign military sales services, refurbishment services to extend and enhance the life of existing vehicles and equipment, fleet-wide ship and aircraft support, aircraft sustainment and maintenance, and other technical, management, engineering, logistics, maintenance, configuration management, prototyping, technology, and field support services to the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps, U.S. Army and Army Reserve, U.S. Air Force, and other customers. Significant work efforts for this group include assistance to the U.S. Navy in executing its Foreign Military Sales ("FMS") Program for surface ships sold, leased or granted to foreign countries, our Red River Army Depot Equipment Related Services Program ("RRAD ERS") providing on-site logistics support for Red River Army Depot at Texarkana, Texas, our Fort Benning Logistics Support Services Program supporting base operations and logistics at Fort Benning, Georgia, our U.S. Army Reserve vehicle refurbishment program and various vehicle and equipment refurbishment, maintenance and sustainment programs for U.S. Army commands, and various task orders under the U.S. Air Force Contract Field Teams ("CFT") Program.

Our Federal Services Group also provides energy and environmental consulting services and IT solutions and services with a focus on medical and health related fields for various DoD and federal civilian agencies, including the United States Department of Energy ("DoE"); the Social Security Administration; the National Institutes of Health ("NIH"); customers in the military health system; and other government agencies and commercial clients.

#### **Concentration of Revenues**

(dollars in thousands)

	For the nine months ended September 30,											
	2018											
Source of Revenue	Revenues	%	Revenues	%								
USPS	\$ 130,151	25	\$ 136,261	24								
FMS Program *	103,955	20	130,306	23								
Other	282,116	55	298,751	53								
Total revenues	\$ 516,222	2 100	\$ 565,318	100								

\* Our Aviation Group utilizes the Federal Services Group's FMS Program to sell its gas turbine MRO services to the DoD.

# **Management Outlook**

After a strong year in 2017, revenues from our FMS program have declined in 2018. This revenue decline is predominantly due to the completion of the transfer of two frigates to Taiwan on this program in the first half of 2017. Our FMS program revenues for the third quarter of 2018 increased from the prior year third quarter, and our foreign client demand signal remains steady. The completion of the transfer of the two frigates, completion of work on two of our U.S. Army programs in 2017, a reduction in work performed on our RRAD ERS contract in May 2018 due to a client directed reduction in force, and procedural delays in the contracting process on our FMS program has resulted in a decline in our Federal Services Group revenues on a year over year basis. Despite these revenue challenges, our operating income has increased due to a gain on the sale of an IT services contract, margin improvements on some of our U. S. Army programs and the completion in 2017 of a contract that recorded a loss.

In the third quarter of 2018 we completed the sale of an IT services contract we had been awarded by the NIH to a company with more extensive IT client relationships. As a result, we were able to more fully monetize the value of the contract while retaining the work we are currently performing and our access to the contract for future potential work.

Our Aviation Group has shown improved performance in 2018. Both new and existing lines of business are contributing to the improved performance. We have increased revenue and operating profits on sales from new parts distribution and on MRO services on engine accessories and components. Our Singapore operation began generating revenue in the second quarter as we extended new product lines to new end-user clients in the Asian-Pacific market, including commercial airlines. We continue to extend key distribution agreements to other geographic markets. We believe these efforts will provide us with sustainable revenue sources with viable growth potential, and that the associated investment in increased inventory will be beneficial to our future results. While revenues, operating income, and inventory may experience fluctuations due to market demand and the mix of products sold, we are optimistic about the performance of our Aviation Group.

Our Supply Chain Management Group continues to make steady progress toward becoming a more diversified enterprise that is less reliant on a single large customer. Parts sales and supply chain and inventory management support services to DoD and commercial clients have shown steady increases on a year over year basis as we capture and on-board new commercial customers. Our commercial client base now includes companies in a wide array of businesses that have vehicle fleets required to meet mission critical delivery or service schedules. We also are capturing new customers and increasing revenue using e-commerce solutions. We look forward to further developing these new client relationships and expect them to reflect a more significant portion of our revenue in the future.

Revenues from parts sales to the USPS for the first nine months of 2018 declined on a year over year basis. We continue to closely monitor the USPS delivery vehicle procurement efforts and are positioning ourselves to support both newly procured vehicles that are placed in service and aging vehicles that remain in service. While it will likely be several years before the USPS planned custom next-generation delivery vehicle ("NGDV") is placed in service in significant numbers, the USPS has begun some shorter-term annual vehicle acquisitions through the procurement of commercial off-the-shelf ("COTS") mass-market vehicles and the retirement of some of its aging COTS vehicles. As a matter of USPS practice, we are a provider of replacement parts for all 215,000 USPS vehicle fleet assets, including the COTS vehicles. While we cannot predict with certainty the impact of the USPS NGDV procurement and concurrent retirement of older fleet assets on our future revenues, we believe that our years of service, unique knowledge of this client's complex operational model and maintenance facility processes and procedures, and our superior performance strategically position us to continue to serve as a key vehicle fleet sustainment partner regardless of source or vintage. We will remain agile and support this client during its comprehensive vehicle transition initiatives embracing emerging technologies spanning the next decade or longer.

Although inventory levels associated with supporting our Aviation growth initiatives increased during 2018, our borrowing increases have been modest and we continue to keep our total debt at reasonable levels. We remain well positioned to pursue further strategic initiatives.

# **Bookings and Funded Backlog**

Revenues for federal government contract work performed by our Federal Services Group depend on contract funding ("bookings"), and bookings generally occur when contract funding documentation is received. Funded contract backlog is an indicator of potential future revenue. While bookings and funded contract backlog generally result in revenue, we may occasionally have funded contract backlog that does not generate revenue due to contract expiration, reduction in work levels or de-obligation upon contract completion.



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A summary of our bookings and revenues for our Federal Services Group for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, and funded contract backlog as of September 30, 2018 and 2017 was as follows (in millions):

	2018	2017
Bookings	\$ 284	\$ 398
Revenues	\$ 252	\$ 306
Funded Contract Backlog	\$ 345	\$ 403

# **Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements**

For a description of recently announced accounting standards, including the expected dates of adoption and estimated effects, if any, on our consolidated financial statements, see *Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements* in Note 10 of the Notes to our Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements in this report.

# **Critical Accounting Policies**

Our consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, which require us to make estimates and assumptions. See our 2017 Form 10-K for a full discussion of our critical accounting policies. Effective January 1, 2018, we adopted ASC 606, which changed the way we recognize revenue for certain contracts. See *Nature of Business and Basis of Presentation* in Note 1 of the Notes to our Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements in this report for changes to our critical accounting policies as a result of adopting ASC 606.

#### Goodwill and Intangible Assets

Goodwill is subject to a review for impairment at least annually. We perform an annual review of goodwill for impairment during the fourth quarter and whenever events or other changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be fully recoverable. We estimate the fair value of our reporting units using a weighting of fair values derived from the income approach and market approach. Under the income approach, we calculate the fair value of a reporting unit based on the present value of estimated future cash flows. Cash flow projections are based on our estimates of revenue growth rates and operating margins, taking into consideration industry and market conditions. The discount rate used is based on a weighted average cost of capital adjusted for the relevant risk associated with the characteristics of the business and the projected cash flows.

In the fourth quarter of 2017, we performed our annual goodwill impairment analysis for each of our reporting units utilizing the statutory tax rate in effect at the time of the test. The results of the impairment analysis indicated that our reporting units had fair values substantially in excess of their carrying values with the exception of our VSE Aviation and Akimeka reporting units.

The fair value of our VSE Aviation reporting unit, within our Aviation Group, approximated its carrying value as of our 2017 annual goodwill impairment analysis. While there was not a significant contract or customer loss, VSE Aviation's revenues and operating income for 2017 did not meet our cash flow projections, primarily due to a decreased demand for new parts and slower than anticipated development of new business opportunities. We believed these to be temporary conditions and that the overall outlook for our Aviation business was consistent with our long-term projections. Because the fair value of our VSE Aviation reporting unit approximated its carrying value, a negative change in the key assumptions used in the annual impairment analysis or an increase in the carrying value could have resulted in a future impairment of this reporting unit's goodwill.

Due to the lower clearance at the 2017 annual impairment test and the increase in the carrying value resulting from the decrease in our deferred tax liabilities as a result of the Tax Act, we performed an interim goodwill impairment analysis as of December 31, 2017. The result of this impairment analysis showed that VSE Aviation's fair value exceeded its carrying value by approximately 2%. Consistent with the annual impairment analysis, negative changes in key assumptions or a further increase in the carrying value may result in a future impairment of the VSE Aviation reporting unit's goodwill.

Based on the results of the 2017 annual and interim impairment analysis performed, we have determined that VSE Aviation is at risk of a future goodwill impairment if there are future declines in our cash flow projections or if we are unsuccessful in implementing our revenue growth plans. Additionally, the fair value could be adversely affected by other market factors such as an increase in the discount rate used in the income approach or a decrease in the market multiples used in the market approach, or an increase in the

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carrying value of this reporting unit. As of September 30, 2018 goodwill associated with VSE Aviation was approximately \$104.5 million.

The fair value of our Akimeka reporting unit, within our Federal Services Group, exceeded its carrying value by approximately 12% as of our 2017 annual impairment test. Akimeka had experienced a reduction in services performed in prior years due to a decline in services ordered by clients on contracts and a loss of work performed on expiring contracts for which the follow-on work was often awarded to small businesses as set-aside contracts. These factors were considered in the projections used in our 2017 impairment analysis. Based on our assessment, we remain at risk of a future goodwill impairment if there is further deterioration of projected cash flows or negative changes in market factors, such as an increase in the discount rate used in the income approach or a decrease in the market multiples used in the market approach, or an increases in carrying value of this reporting unit. The carrying value of Akimeka as of September 30, 2018 included goodwill of approximately \$29.8 million

We also review the recoverability of our long-lived intangible assets with finite lives when an indicator of impairment exists. For the same reasons discussed above, we assessed the recoverability of the long-lived intangible assets with finite lives at our VSE Aviation and Akimeka reporting units as of December 31, 2017. Based on our analysis of estimated undiscounted future cash flows expected to result from the use of these long-lived intangible assets with finite lives, we determined that their carrying values were recoverable.

# **Results of Operations**

Our results of operations are as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Three months					Nine 1	nont	ths	Change			
		ended Sep	otem	ber 30,		ended September 30,				Three	Nine	
		2018		2017		2018		2017		Months	Months	
Revenues	\$	168,931	\$	174,164	\$	516,222	\$	565,318	\$	(5,233) \$	(49,096)	
Costs and operating expenses		154,934		161,927		476,777		523,880		(6,993)	(47,103)	
Gain on sale of contract		1,700		_		1,700				1,700	1,700	
Operating income		15,697		12,237		41,145		41,438		3,460	(293)	
Interest expense, net		2,340		2,347		6,697		7,158		(7)	(461)	
Income before income taxes		13,357		9,890		34,448		34,280		3,467	168	
Provision for income taxes		3,323		3,251		8,611		12,541		72	(3,930)	
Net income	\$	10,034	\$	6,639	\$	25,837	\$	21,739	\$	3,395 \$	4,098	

Our revenues decreased approximately \$5 million or 3% for the third quarter of 2018, and approximately \$49 million or 9%, for the first nine months of 2018, as compared to the same periods of 2017. The change in revenues resulted primarily from a decrease in our Federal Services Group revenues of approximately \$9 million for the quarter and \$54 million for the nine months. Revenues from our Supply Chain Management Group increased approximately \$660 thousand for the quarter and decreased approximately \$1.7 million for the nine months. Revenues from our Aviation Group increased approximately \$2.9 million for the quarter and \$6.6 million for the nine months.

Costs and operating expenses consist primarily of cost of inventory and delivery of our products sold; direct costs including labor, material, and supplies used in the performance of our contract work; indirect costs associated with our direct contract costs; sales, general, and administrative expenses associated with our operating groups and corporate management; and certain costs and charges arising from nonrecurring events outside the ordinary course of business. These costs will generally increase or decrease in conjunction with our level of products sold or contract work performed. Costs and operating expenses also include expense for amortization of intangible assets acquired through our acquisitions. Expense for amortization of acquisition related intangible assets is included in the segment results in which the acquisition is included. Segment results also include expense for an allocation of corporate management costs.

Our costs and operating expenses decreased approximately \$7 million or 4% for the third quarter of 2018, and approximately \$47 million or 9% for the first nine months of 2018, as compared to the same periods of 2017. Costs and operating expenses for our Federal Services Group decreased for the quarter and the nine months and costs and operating expenses for our Supply Chain Management Group and our Aviation Group increased for the quarter and the nine months.

Gain on sale of contract is comprised of \$1.7 million associated with the sale of an indefinite-delivery/indefinite-quantity government-wide acquisition contract with the NIH in the third quarter of 2018. Under the transaction terms, we will continue performing work as a subcontractor on task orders under which we are currently engaged, and we may perform additional work that we identify after the sale for which the buyer is the successful bidder.

Our operating income increased approximately \$3.5 million or 28% for the third quarter of 2018, and decreased approximately \$293 thousand or 1% for the first nine months of 2018, as compared to the same periods of 2017. Operating income from our Federal Services and Aviation Groups increased for the third quarter and for the first nine months of 2018. Operating income from our Supply Chain Management Group decreased for the third quarter and first nine months of 2018.

Changes in revenues, costs and operating expenses, and operating income are further discussed in the summaries of our segment results that follow.

Interest expense decreased approximately \$461 thousand for the first nine months of 2018, as compared to the same period of 2017, due primarily to a decrease in our average level of bank borrowing in 2018. Interest expense also includes interest associated with capitalized construction costs related to our executive and administrative headquarters facility lease. The amount of interest expense associated with this financing lease for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 was approximately \$347 thousand and \$1.0 million, respectively, as compared to \$374 thousand and \$1.1 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, respectively.

Our effective tax rate was 24.9% and 25.0% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively, and 32.9% and 36.6% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, respectively. The decrease in our effective income tax rate for 2018 is primarily due to the Tax Act that reduced the statutory U.S. corporate income tax rate from 35% to 21% effective January 1, 2018. Income tax expense during interim periods is based on our estimated annual effective income tax rate plus any discrete items that are recorded in the period in which they occur. Our tax rate is affected by discrete items that may occur in any given year, but may not be consistent from year to year.

# Supply Chain Management Group Results

The results of operations for our Supply Chain Management Group are as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Three	ths		Nine 1	ths	Change					
	ended September 30,				ended Sep	otem	ber 30,		Three		Nine
	2018		2017	2018 2017			2017	Months			Months
Revenues	\$ 51,834	\$	51,174	\$	161,961	\$	163,663	\$	660	\$	(1,702)
Costs and operating expenses	44,051		42,996		138,414		138,052		1,055		362
Operating income	\$ 7,783	\$	8,178	\$	23,547	\$	25,611	\$	(395)	\$	(2,064)
Profit percentage	 15.0%		16.0%		14.5%		15.6%				

Revenues for our Supply Chain Management Group increased approximately \$660 thousand or 1% for the third quarter and decreased approximately \$1.7 million or 1% for the first nine months of 2018, as compared to the same periods of 2017. Revenues from sales to the USPS decreased approximately \$802 thousand for the third quarter and approximately \$6.1 million for the nine months. Revenues from sales to other customers, including sales to government and commercial customers, increased approximately \$1.5 million to \$9.0 million for the third quarter and approximately \$1.1 million or 2% for the third quarter and approximately \$362 thousand for the first nine months, reflecting the change in distribution of revenues among customer types.

Costs and operating expenses include allocated corporate costs, which increased approximately \$54 thousand for the third quarter of 2018, and approximately \$460 thousand for the first nine months of 2018.

Operating income decreased by approximately \$395 thousand or 5% for the third quarter and approximately \$2.1 million or 8% for the first nine months. The decreases in operating income and profit percentages were attributable to decreased USPS vehicle parts sales and lower margins typically associated with our DoD sales.

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## Aviation Group Results

The results of operations for our Aviation Group are as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Three	ths		Nine	hs		Change				
	ended September 30,				ended Sep	oteml	ber 30,		Three		Nine
	2018		2017		2018		2017		Months	l	Months
Revenues	\$ 34,000	\$	31,059	\$	102,554	\$	96,003	\$	2,941	\$	6,551
Costs and operating expenses	31,816		29,076		95,263		89,105		2,740		6,158
Operating income	\$ 2,184	\$	1,983	\$	7,291	\$	6,898	\$	201	\$	393
Profit percentage	6.4%		6.4%		7.1%		7.2%	)			

Revenues for our Aviation Group increased approximately \$2.9 million or 9% for the third quarter of 2018 and approximately \$6.6 million or 7% for the first nine months of 2018, as compared to the same periods of 2017. Revenues from the distribution of new parts and work on engine accessories increased and revenues from engine MRO work and the sale of serviceable parts declined. Costs and operating expenses increased approximately \$2.7 million or 9% for the third quarter of 2018 and approximately \$6.2 million or 7% for the first nine months of 2018, in line with the revenue trend.

Costs and operating expenses include allocated corporate costs, which increased approximately \$160 thousand for the third quarter of 2018, and approximately \$444 thousand for the first nine months of 2018.

Operating income increased approximately \$201 thousand or 10% for the third quarter of 2018, and approximately \$393 thousand or 6% for the first nine months of 2018, as compared to the same periods of 2017. The increases in operating income resulted primarily from the increases in revenues as profit margins remained consistent.

# Federal Services Group Results

The results of operations for our Federal Services Group are as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Three months				Nine months				Change				
		ended September 30,				ended September 30,				Three		Nine	
		2018		2017		2018		2017		Months		Months	
Revenues	\$	83,097	\$	91,931	\$	251,707	\$	305,652	\$	(8,834)	\$	(53,945)	
Costs and operating expenses		78,611		89,338		241,137		295,149		(10,727)		(54,012)	
Gain on sale of contract		1,700				1,700				1,700		1,700	
Operating income	\$	6,186	\$	2,593	\$	12,270	\$	10,503	\$	3,593	\$	1,767	
Profit percentage		7.4%	,	2.8%		4.9%	,	3.4%	,				

Revenues for our Federal Services Group decreased approximately \$9 million or 10% for the third quarter of 2018 and approximately \$54 million or 18% for the first nine months of 2018, as compared to the same periods of 2017.

Significant items affecting our third quarter revenue on a year to year comparative basis include decreased revenues of approximately \$5 million due to the completion of work on one of our U.S. Army programs in 2017, decreased revenues of approximately \$7 million on our RRAD ERS Program due to a client directed reduction in force, increased revenues of approximately \$1.3 million on our CFT program work, increased revenues of approximately \$1.8 million on our FMS program, and changes in the level of work on various other programs and contracts. Significant items affecting our first nine months revenue on a year to year comparative basis include a decrease of approximately \$21 million in revenues on our FMS Program, a net decrease in revenues of approximately \$20 million on the two U.S. Army contracts that were completed, decreased revenues of approximately \$9 million on our RRAD ERS Program, increased revenues of approximately \$5.7 million on our CFT Program work, and changes in the level of work on various other programs and contracts.

Costs and operating expenses decreased approximately \$11 million or 12% for the third quarter of 2018 and approximately \$54 million or 18% for the first nine months of 2018, as compared to the same periods of 2017. The decreases in costs and operating expenses are primarily attributable to the decreased level of work in 2018.



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Gain on sale of contract is comprised of \$1.7 million associated with the sale of an indefinite-delivery/indefinite-quantity government-wide acquisition contract with NIH in the third quarter of 2018.

Operating income increased by approximately \$3.6 million or 139% for the third quarter and approximately \$1.8 million or 17% for the first nine months of 2018, compared to the same periods of 2017. Significant items affecting our third quarter operating income on a year to year comparative basis include a gain of \$1.7 million on the sale of the NIH contract, a loss recorded in 2017 of approximately \$1.2 million on a DoE contract that did not continue into 2018, and an increase in operating income in 2018 of approximately \$582 thousand attributable to increased fee income on our FMS Program. Significant items affecting the first nine months operating income on a year to year comparative basis include a gain of \$1.7 million on the sale of the NIH contract, a loss recorded in 2017 of approximately \$1.6 million on the sale of the NIH contract, a loss recorded in 2017 of approximately \$1.6 million on the sale of the NIH contract, a loss recorded in 2017 of approximately \$1.6 million on the sale of the NIH contract, a loss recorded in 2017 of approximately \$1.6 million on the sale of the NIH contract, a loss recorded in 2017 of approximately \$1.6 million on the sale of the NIH contract, a loss recorded in 2017 of approximately \$1.6 million on the DoE contract that did not continue into 2018 and a decrease in fees earned on our FMS Program of approximately \$1.5 million.

Prior to 2018, award fee evaluations on our FMS contract occurred three times per year and we recognized award fee revenue and income in the period we received contractual notification of the award, which typically occurred in the first, second, and fourth quarters. The adoption of ASC 606 in January 2018 required award fees to be recognized as the performance obligation is satisfied, resulting in the recognition of award fee revenue and income for the year over four quarters instead of three times per year. Also, our award fee associated with work performed during the final award fee period of 2017 will not be recognized in our revenue or income in 2018, rather those award fees earned resulted in an increase to our retained earnings as of January 1, 2018 based on the transition guidance of ASC 606. Beginning in September 2017, our FMS contract was modified such that delivery orders issued subsequent to the modification would include a fixed fee instead of an award fee. Fixed fee revenue and income will be recognized as the costs associated with it are incurred.

# **Financial Condition**

There has been no material adverse change in our financial condition in the first nine months of 2018. Changes to asset and liability accounts were due primarily to our earnings, our level of business activity, the timing of inventory purchases, contract delivery schedules, subcontractor and vendor payments required to perform our contract work, and the timing of associated billings to and collections from our customers.

# Liquidity and Capital Resources

## Cash Flows

Cash and cash equivalents increased approximately \$265 thousand during the first nine months of 2018.

Cash provided by operating activities decreased approximately \$36.1 million in the first nine months of 2018 as compared to the first nine months of 2017. The change was primarily attributable to a decrease of approximately \$38.3 million due to changes in the levels of operating assets and liabilities, a decrease of approximately \$1.9 million in non-cash operating activities, and an increase of approximately \$4.1 million in cash provided by net income.

Our levels of inventory, accounts receivable, unbilled receivables, and accounts payable may fluctuate depending on the timing of services ordered and products sold, government funding delays, the timing of billings received from subcontractors and materials vendors, and the timing of payments receivable, unbilled receivables, and accounts payable balances in short time periods, and accordingly, can cause significant increases or decreases in our cash provided by operations. Our inventory increased by approximately \$36.4 million for the first nine months of 2018 primarily due to strategic inventory purchases for our Aviation Group related to growth initiatives, notably the startup of our Singapore distribution operation. This increase in inventory was financed in part by cash flows from operating activities and in part by an increase in borrowings on our bank loan facility.

Cash used in investing activities decreased approximately \$927 thousand in the first nine months of 2018 as compared to the first nine months of 2017. Cash used in investing activities in 2018 and 2017 consisted primarily of purchases of property and equipment offset by cash provided by the proceeds from the sale of a contract in 2018.



Cash used in financing activities decreased approximately \$35.4 million in the first nine months of 2018 compared to the first nine months of 2017. Cash used in financing activities consisted primarily of bank borrowing activities, debt financing costs associated with our bank loan amendment, and payment of dividends.

We paid cash dividends totaling approximately \$2.4 million or \$0.22 per share in the first nine months of 2018. Our payment of cash dividends is subject to restrictions in our loan agreement, including a restriction on the annual aggregate amount of dividends we may pay. We have paid cash dividends each year since 1973 and have increased our dividend each year since 2004.

# Liquidity

Our internal sources of liquidity are primarily from operating activities, specifically from changes in our level of revenues and associated inventory, accounts receivable, and accounts payable, and from profitability. Significant increases or decreases in revenues and inventory, accounts receivable, and accounts payable can impact our liquidity. Our inventory and accounts payable levels can be affected by the timing of large strategic inventory purchases. Our accounts receivable and accounts payable levels can be affected by the level of contract work we perform, by the timing of large materials purchases and subcontractor efforts used in our contracts, and by delays in the award of contractual coverage and funding and payments. Government funding delays can cause delays in our ability to invoice for revenues earned, presenting a potential negative impact on our days sales outstanding.

We also purchase property and equipment; invest in expansion, improvement, and maintenance of our operational and administrative facilities; and invest in the acquisition of other companies.

Our external financing consists of a loan agreement with a bank group that provides for a term loan, revolving loans, and letters of credit. The loan agreement, which was amended in January 2018 and expires in January 2023, has a term loan facility and a revolving loan facility. The revolving loan facility provides for revolving loans and letters of credit. Our outstanding debt of approximately \$174.9 million as of September 30, 2018 was net of unamortized deferred financing costs of approximately \$2.2 million.

The term loan requires quarterly installment payments. Our required term loan payments after September 30, 2018 are approximately \$2.5 million in 2018, \$10.0 million in 2019, \$11.9 million in 2020, \$14.4 million in 2021, \$15.0 million in 2022, and \$39.5 million in 2023. The amount of term loan borrowings outstanding as of September 30, 2018 was \$93.3 million.

The maximum amount of credit available to us under our loan agreement for revolving loans and letters of credit as of September 30, 2018 was \$300 million. We may borrow and repay the revolving loan borrowings as our cash flows require or permit. We pay an unused commitment fee and fees on letters of credit that are issued. We had \$83.8 million in revolving loan amounts outstanding and \$57 thousand of letters of credit outstanding as of September 30, 2018. The timing of certain payments made and collections received associated with our inventory, subcontractor, and materials requirements and other operating expenses can cause fluctuations in our outstanding revolving loan amounts. Delays in government funding of our work performed can also cause additional borrowing requirements.

Under our loan agreement we may elect to increase the maximum availability of the term loan facility, the revolving loan facility, or a combination of both facilities up to an aggregate additional amount of \$100 million.

We pay interest on the term loan borrowings and revolving loan borrowings at LIBOR plus a base margin or at a base rate (typically the prime rate) plus a base margin. As of September 30, 2018, the LIBOR base margin was 2.00% and the base rate base margin was 0.75%. The base margins increase or decrease in steps as our Total Funded Debt/EBITDA Ratio increases or decreases.

Our loan agreement requires us to have interest rate hedges on a portion of the outstanding term loan for the first three years after the date of the amendment. We have executed compliant interest rate hedges. As of September 30, 2018, interest rates on portions of our outstanding debt ranged from 3.25% to 6.00% and the effective interest rate on our aggregate outstanding debt was 4.10%.

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Our loan agreement contains collateral requirements to secure our loan obligations, restrictive covenants, a limit on annual dividends, and other affirmative and negative covenants, conditions and limitations. Restrictive covenants include a maximum Total Funded Debt/EBITDA Ratio and a minimum Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio. We were in compliance with the financial covenants and other terms and conditions at September 30, 2018.

	Maximum Ratio	Actual Ratio			
Total Funded Debt/EBITDA Ratio	3.00 to 1	2.19 to 1			
	Minimum Ratio	Actual Ratio			
Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio	1.20 to 1	3.11 to 1			

We currently do not use public debt security financing.

# **Inflation and Pricing**

Most of our contracts under which services are performed for the government provide for estimates of future labor costs to be escalated for any option periods, while the non-labor costs in our contracts are normally considered reimbursable at cost. Our property and equipment consists principally of land, buildings and improvements, shop and warehouse equipment, computer systems equipment, and furniture and fixtures. We do not expect the overall impact of inflation on replacement costs of our property and equipment to be material to our future results of operations or financial condition.

# **Disclosures About Market Risk**

#### Interest Rates

Our bank loan agreement provides available borrowing to us at variable interest rates. Accordingly, future interest rate changes could potentially put us at risk for a material adverse impact on future earnings and cash flows. To mitigate the risks associated with future interest rate movements we have employed interest rate hedges to fix the rate on a portion of our outstanding borrowings for various periods. The resulting fixed rates on this portion of our debt have given us protection against interest rate increases.

In February 2015, we entered into a LIBOR based interest rate swap on our term loan for a term of four years with a notional amount of \$100 million. This swap amount decreases in increments on an annual basis. As of September 30, 2018, the amount of this swap was \$40 million and we pay an effective interest rate of 1.25% plus our base margin on the debt matched to it. In February 2018, we entered into a LIBOR based interest rate swap on our term loan for a term of three years with a notional amount of \$10 million for the first year and \$50 million for the second and third years. We pay an effective interest rate of 2.54% plus our base margin on the debt matched to this swap.

#### VSE CORPORATIONS AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risks

See "Disclosures About Market Risk" in Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

#### Item 4. Controls and Procedures

As of the end of the period covered by this report, based on management's evaluation, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) or 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act")), our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective in ensuring that information required to be disclosed by us in reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

There was no change in our internal control over financial reporting during our third quarter of fiscal 2018 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

#### PART II. Other Information

#### Item 1. Legal Proceedings

In November 2016, a lawsuit, Arrieta et al vs. Prime Turbines LLC et al, was filed in the District Court of Texas in Dallas County, by Edgar Arrieta, and four other plaintiffs against VSE subsidiaries, Kansas Aviation of Independence, L.L.C. and Prime Turbines LLC, and three other unrelated defendants. The other named defendants are Pratt & Whitney of Canada Corporation, Cessna Aircraft Company and Woodward Inc. The plaintiffs allege that on April 1, 2016, a plane crashed resulting in the death of three plaintiffs and serious injuries to six other plaintiffs. The plaintiffs also alleged that VSE's subsidiaries were negligent in providing maintenance, service and inspection of the airplane engine prior to the crash. In October 2018, the parties in the lawsuit settled the case. VSE, which is not required to financially contribute to the settlement, will be dismissed from the case once the Court formally approves the settlement.

On or about April 19, 2018 Joseph Waggoner, on behalf of himself and all similarly situated individuals, filed a lawsuit against VSE and two of our subcontractors in the United State District Court, Eastern District of Texas, Texarkana Division, alleging overtime compensation entitlement at a rate of one and one-half times their regular rate of pay for all hours worked over 40 hours in a workweek. The plaintiffs are seeking to certify the case as a collective action for similarly situated individuals. The plaintiffs work under a contract between defendants and the United States Army at the Red River Army Depot in Texas. The plaintiffs assert that employees' 15-minute unpaid work breaks should have been included as "working hours" in calculating overtime. We believe it is probable that VSE will incur a loss related to this matter, and we have accrued an immaterial loss provision in an amount representing our reasonable estimate related to an unfavorable settlement of the matter, and we do not believe that we have any further exposure that would be material to VSE in excess of the amount we have accrued related to this matter.

In a letter dated May 21, 2018, Dyncorp International ("Dyncorp") notified VSE's subsidiary Prime Turbines LLC that the U.S. Air Force ("USAF") had filed a claim against Dyncorp for approximately \$27 million in respect of work performed by Dyncorp and VSE's subsidiary Prime Turbines in support of the USAF program for servicing fuel nozzle tips on aircraft engines. Dyncorp asserted that any liability arising from the USAF claim should be borne by Prime Turbines under its agreement dated August 21, 2013, with Dyncorp. As the events leading to the USAF claim against Dyncorp, including the work performed by Prime Turbines as a subcontractor, occurred prior to VSE's acquisition of Prime Turbines in January 2015, VSE notified the sellers of Prime Turbines of the Dyncorp and USAF claims and VSE's intention to seek restitution from the sellers for any damages arising from such claims. Dyncorp and Prime Turbines filed a motion to dismiss the USAF appeal to the Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals ("ASBCA") against Dyncorp. On September 28, 2018, the USAF rescinded its approximate \$27 million claim against Dyncorp and moved to dismiss the appeal to the ASBCA as moot because the USAF had rescinded its claim from which the appeal arises. While the USAF could reassert its claim at a later date, we consider this matter currently closed because the ASBCA no longer has jurisdiction of this matter and the USAF has no current claim against Dyncorp in respect of any work performed by Prime Turbines.



#### Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

We did not purchase any of our equity securities during the period covered by this report.

VSE's loan agreement prohibits VSE from paying cash dividends, except that if there is no event of default, no act, event or condition that would constitute an event of default with the giving of notice or the passage of time, or both, and no covenant breach would occur giving effect to the payment of the dividend, VSE may pay cash dividends that do not exceed \$6 million in the aggregate in any fiscal year.

# Item 6. Exhibits

(a) Exhibits

Exhibit 31.1	Section 302 CEO Certification
Exhibit 31.2	Section 302 CFO and PAO Certification
Exhibit 32.1	Section 906 CEO Certification
Exhibit 32.2	Section 906 CFO and PAO Certification
Exhibit 101.INS	XBRL Instance Document
Exhibit 101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
Exhibit 101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
Exhibit 101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
Exhibit 101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
Exhibit 101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Document

Pursuant to the requirements of the Exchange Act, VSE has omitted all other items contained in "Part II. Other Information" because such other items are not applicable or are not required if the answer is negative or because the information required to be reported therein has been previously reported.

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# VSE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

# **VSE CORPORATION**

Date: October 31, 2018

/s/ M. A. Gauthier M. A. Gauthier Chief Executive Officer, President and Chief Operating Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

Date: October 31, 2018

/s/ T. R. Loftus

By:

By:

T. R. Loftus Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)

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# CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-14 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

#### I, M. A. Gauthier, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this report on Form 10-Q of VSE Corporation (the "Registrant");
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The Registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the Registrant and have:
- (a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the Registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
- (b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
- (c) evaluated the effectiveness of the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
- (d) disclosed in this report any change in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Registrant's most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The Registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the Registrant's auditors and the audit committee of Registrant's Board of Directors (or persons performing the equivalent function):
- (a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the Registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
- (b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: October 31, 2018

/s/ M. A. Gauthier

M. A. Gauthier Chief Executive Officer, President and Chief Operating Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

# CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-14 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

#### I, T. R. Loftus, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this report on Form 10-Q of VSE Corporation (the "Registrant");
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The Registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) for the Registrant and have:
- (a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the Registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
- (b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
- (c) evaluated the effectiveness of the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the
  effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation;
  and
- (d) disclosed in this report any change in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Registrant's most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The Registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the Registrant's auditors and the audit committee of Registrant's Board of Directors (or persons performing the equivalent function):
- (a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the Registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
- (b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: October 31, 2018

/s/ T. R. Loftus

T. R. Loftus Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)

## CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 1350, CHAPTER 63 OF TITLE 18, UNITED STATES CODE, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

Pursuant to Section 1350, Chapter 63 of Title 18, United States Code, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, the undersigned, as President, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operating Officer of VSE Corporation (the "Company"), does hereby certify that to the best of the undersigned's knowledge:

- 1) the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2018 (the "Report"), fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- 2) the information contained in the Company's Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: October 31, 2018

/s/ M. A. Gauthier

M. A. Gauthier Chief Executive Officer, President and Chief Operating Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

# CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 1350, CHAPTER 63 OF TITLE 18, UNITED STATES CODE, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

Pursuant to Section 1350, Chapter 63 of Title 18, United States Code, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, the undersigned, as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of VSE Corporation (the "Company"), does hereby certify that to the best of the undersigned's knowledge:

- 1) the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2018 (the "Report"), fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- 2) the information contained in the Company's Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: October 31, 2018

/s/ T. R. Loftus

T. R. Loftus Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)