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FORM 10-Q**

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended December 31, 2016

OR

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

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number 001-36454



KIMBALL ELECTRONICS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Indiana

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

1205 Kimball Boulevard, Jasper, Indiana

(Address of principal executive offices)

35-2047713

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

47546

(Zip Code)

(812) 634-4000

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

Not Applicable

Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report

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 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 No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes No

The number of shares outstanding of the Registrant's common stock as of January 23, 2017 was 27,330,079 shares.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

**KIMBALL ELECTRONICS, INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**
(Amounts in Thousands, Except for Share Data)

	(Unaudited) December 31, 2016	June 30, 2016
ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 42,740	\$ 54,738
Receivables, net of allowances of \$149 and \$192, respectively	156,535	149,652
Inventories	138,729	132,877
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	25,420	24,944
Total current assets	363,424	362,211
Property and Equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$168,385 and \$161,034, respectively	130,918	120,701
Goodwill	6,191	6,191
Other Intangible Assets, net of accumulated amortization of \$26,223 and \$25,817, respectively	4,804	4,593
Other Assets	18,034	16,869
Total Assets	\$ 523,371	\$ 510,565
LIABILITIES AND SHARE OWNERS' EQUITY		
Current Liabilities:		
Borrowings under credit facilities	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000
Accounts payable	150,730	142,152
Accrued expenses	25,399	23,651
Total current liabilities	185,129	174,803
Other long-term liabilities	12,441	11,393
Total Liabilities	197,570	186,196
Share Owners' Equity:		
Preferred stock-no par value		
Shares authorized: 15,000,000		
Shares issued: None	—	—
Common stock-no par value		
Shares authorized: 150,000,000		
Shares issued: 29,430,000	—	—
Additional paid-in capital	301,021	301,581
Retained earnings	66,426	48,492
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(15,985)	(12,190)
Treasury stock, at cost:		
Shares: 2,100,000 and 1,210,000, respectively	(25,661)	(13,514)
Total Share Owners' Equity	325,801	324,369
Total Liabilities and Share Owners' Equity	\$ 523,371	\$ 510,565

See [Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements](#).

KIMBALL ELECTRONICS, INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(Amounts in Thousands, Except for Per Share Data)

(Unaudited)	Three Months Ended December 31		Six Months Ended December 31	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Net Sales	\$ 230,265	\$ 207,129	\$ 456,716	\$ 407,547
Cost of Sales	209,712	191,014	417,841	376,152
Gross Profit	20,553	16,115	38,875	31,395
Selling and Administrative Expenses	8,312	9,182	17,817	17,541
Other General Income	—	—	(4,005)	—
Operating Income	12,241	6,933	25,063	13,854
Other Income (Expense):				
Interest income	14	12	37	24
Interest expense	(60)	(4)	(99)	(5)
Non-operating income (expense), net	(968)	(596)	(189)	(1,273)
Other income (expense), net	(1,014)	(588)	(251)	(1,254)
Income Before Taxes on Income	11,227	6,345	24,812	12,600
Provision for Income Taxes	3,415	1,781	6,878	3,561
Net Income	\$ 7,812	\$ 4,564	\$ 17,934	\$ 9,039
Earnings Per Share of Common Stock:				
Basic	\$ 0.29	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.65	\$ 0.31
Diluted	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.65	\$ 0.31
Average Number of Shares Outstanding:				
Basic	27,350	29,228	27,714	29,260
Diluted	27,455	29,278	27,775	29,350

See [Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements](#).

KIMBALL ELECTRONICS, INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
(Amounts in Thousands)

(Unaudited)	Three Months Ended December 31, 2016			Three Months Ended December 31, 2015		
	Pre-tax	Tax	Net of Tax	Pre-tax	Tax	Net of Tax
Net income			\$ 7,812			\$ 4,564
Other comprehensive income (loss):						
Foreign currency translation adjustments	\$ (5,328)	\$ —	\$ (5,328)	\$ (2,144)	\$ —	\$ (2,144)
Postemployment severance actuarial change	(45)	17	(28)	154	(59)	95
Derivative gain (loss)	(82)	187	105	579	(60)	519
Reclassification to (earnings) loss:						
Derivatives	617	(216)	401	813	(279)	534
Amortization of actuarial change	(78)	29	(49)	(65)	26	(39)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	\$ (4,916)	\$ 17	\$ (4,899)	\$ (663)	\$ (372)	\$ (1,035)
Total comprehensive income			\$ 2,913			\$ 3,529

(Unaudited)	Six Months Ended December 31, 2016			Six Months Ended December 31, 2015		
	Pre-tax	Tax	Net of Tax	Pre-tax	Tax	Net of Tax
Net income			\$ 17,934			\$ 9,039
Other comprehensive income (loss):						
Foreign currency translation adjustments	\$ (4,518)	\$ —	\$ (4,518)	\$ (1,920)	\$ —	\$ (1,920)
Postemployment severance actuarial change	312	(117)	195	268	(103)	165
Derivative gain (loss)	(266)	328	62	(1,927)	637	(1,290)
Reclassification to (earnings) loss:						
Derivatives	896	(321)	575	1,591	(594)	997
Amortization of prior service costs	—	—	—	28	(10)	18
Amortization of actuarial change	(174)	65	(109)	(128)	51	(77)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	\$ (3,750)	\$ (45)	\$ (3,795)	\$ (2,088)	\$ (19)	\$ (2,107)
Total comprehensive income			\$ 14,139			\$ 6,932

See [Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements](#).

KIMBALL ELECTRONICS, INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(Amounts in Thousands)

(Unaudited)	Six Months Ended December 31	
	2016	2015
Cash Flows From Operating Activities:		
Net income	\$ 17,934	\$ 9,039
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	11,429	9,779
Gain on sales of assets	(39)	(150)
Deferred income tax and other deferred charges	(1,617)	3,312
Stock-based compensation	1,941	1,916
Excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation	—	(203)
Bargain purchase gain	(925)	—
Other, net	(41)	95
Change in operating assets and liabilities:		
Receivables	(8,650)	2,967
Inventories	(5,158)	(3,206)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	1,099	(2,664)
Accounts payable	9,468	(189)
Accrued expenses	650	(4,377)
Net cash provided by operating activities	26,091	16,319
Cash Flows From Investing Activities:		
Capital expenditures	(19,057)	(18,579)
Proceeds from sales of assets	191	175
Payments for acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(2,138)	—
Purchases of capitalized software	(677)	(907)
Other, net	(7)	49
Net cash used for investing activities	(21,688)	(19,262)
Cash Flows From Financing Activities:		
Proceeds from revolving credit facility	4,000	3,000
Payments on revolving credit facility	(4,000)	—
Excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation	—	203
Repurchases of common stock	(14,323)	(3,499)
Repurchase of employee shares for tax withholding	(709)	(897)
Net cash used for financing activities	(15,032)	(1,193)
Effect of Exchange Rate Change on Cash and Cash Equivalents	(1,369)	(545)
Net Decrease in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(11,998)	(4,681)
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Period	54,738	65,180
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period	\$ 42,740	\$ 60,499
Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information		
Cash paid during the period for:		
Income taxes	\$ 1,959	\$ 4,034
Interest expense	\$ 83	\$ 1

See [Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements](#).

KIMBALL ELECTRONICS, INC.
NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Unaudited)

Note 1. Business Description and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Business Description:

Kimball Electronics, Inc. (also referred to herein as “Kimball Electronics,” the “Company,” “we,” “us” or “our”) is a global contract electronic manufacturing services (“EMS”) company that specializes in producing durable electronics for the automotive, medical, industrial, and public safety end markets. We offer a package of value that begins with our core competency of producing “durable electronics” and includes our set of robust processes and procedures that help us ensure that we deliver the highest levels of quality, reliability, and service throughout the entire life cycle of our customers’ products. We have been producing safety critical electronic assemblies for our automotive customers for over 30 years. We are well recognized by customers and industry trade publications for our excellent quality, reliability, and innovative service.

Basis of Presentation:

The Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements presented herein reflect the consolidated financial position as of December 31, 2016 and June 30, 2016, results of operations for the three and six months ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, and cash flows for the six months ended December 31, 2016 and 2015. The financial data presented herein is unaudited and should be read in conjunction with the annual Consolidated Financial Statements as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016 and related notes thereto included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K. As such, certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”) have been condensed or omitted, although we believe that the disclosures are adequate to make the information presented not misleading. Intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated. Management believes the financial statements include all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) considered necessary to present fairly the financial statements for the interim periods. The results of operations for the interim periods shown in this report are not necessarily indicative of results for any future interim period or for the entire fiscal year.

Notes Receivable and Trade Accounts Receivable:

Notes receivable and trade accounts receivable are recorded per the terms of the agreement or sale, and accrued interest is recognized when earned. We determine on a case-by-case basis the cessation of accruing interest, the resumption of accruing interest, the method of recording payments received on nonaccrual receivables, and the delinquency status for our limited number of notes receivable.

In the ordinary course of business, customers periodically negotiate extended payment terms on trade accounts receivable. Customary terms require payment within 30 to 45 days, with any terms beyond 45 days being considered extended payment terms. We may utilize accounts receivable factoring arrangements with third-party financial institutions in order to extend terms for the customer without negatively impacting our cash flow. These arrangements in all cases do not contain recourse provisions which would obligate us in the event of our customers’ failure to pay. Receivables are considered sold when they are transferred beyond the reach of Kimball Electronics and its creditors, the purchaser has the right to pledge or exchange the receivables, and we have surrendered control over the transferred receivables. In the six months ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, we sold, without recourse, \$72.2 million and \$60.2 million of accounts receivable, respectively. Factoring fees were not material.

The Company’s China operation, in limited circumstances, may receive banker’s acceptance drafts from customers as payment for their trade accounts receivable. The banker’s acceptance drafts are non-interest bearing and primarily mature within six months from the origination date. The Company has the ability to sell the drafts at a discount or transfer the drafts in settlement of current accounts payable prior to the scheduled maturity date. These drafts, which totaled \$6.0 million at December 31, 2016 and \$5.7 million at June 30, 2016, are reflected in the Receivables line on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets until the banker’s drafts are sold at a discount, transferred in settlement of current accounts payable, or cash is received at maturity. Banker’s acceptance drafts sold at a discount or transferred in settlement of current accounts payable during the six months ended December 31, 2016 and 2015 were \$4.2 million and \$5.9 million, respectively. See [Note 5 - Commitments and Contingent Liabilities](#) of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for more information on banker’s acceptance drafts.

Other General Income:

Other General Income in the six months ended December 31, 2016 included \$4.0 million of pre-tax income resulting from a payment received related to a class action lawsuit in which Kimball Electronics was a class member. The lawsuit alleged that certain suppliers to the EMS industry conspired over a number of years to raise and fix the prices of electronic components, resulting in overcharges to purchasers of those components. No Other General Income was recorded in the six months ended December 31, 2015.

Non-operating Income (Expense), net:

The Non-operating income (expense), net line item includes the impact of such items as foreign currency rate movements and related derivative gain or loss, fair value adjustments on supplemental employee retirement plan (“SERP”) investments, bank charges, and other non-operating income and expense items that are not directly related to operations. The Bargain purchase gain on acquisition relates to the acquisition of Aircom Manufacturing, Inc. during the six months ended December 31, 2016 and resulted from the estimated fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities recorded being greater than the consideration paid. See [Note 2 - Acquisitions](#) of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for more information on the bargain purchase gain. The gain (loss) on SERP investments is offset by a change in the SERP liability that is recognized in Selling and Administrative Expenses.

Components of Non-operating income (expense), net:

(Amounts in Thousands)	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	December 31		December 31	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Foreign currency/derivative loss	\$ (1,185)	\$ (731)	\$ (1,470)	\$ (955)
Gain (loss) on supplemental employee retirement plan investments	(1)	258	259	(196)
Bargain purchase gain on acquisition	—	—	925	—
Other	218	(123)	97	(122)
Non-operating income (expense), net	<u>\$ (968)</u>	<u>\$ (596)</u>	<u>\$ (189)</u>	<u>\$ (1,273)</u>

Income Taxes:

In determining the quarterly provision for income taxes, we use an estimated annual effective tax rate which is based on expected annual income, statutory tax rates, and available tax planning opportunities in the various jurisdictions in which we operate. Unusual or infrequently occurring items are separately recognized in the quarter in which they occur.

The Company entered into a Tax Matters Agreement with Kimball International, Inc. (our “former Parent”) that governs the Company’s rights and obligations after the spin-off from former Parent on October 31, 2014 with respect to tax liabilities and benefits, tax attributes, tax contests, and other tax sharing regarding income taxes, other tax matters, and related tax returns. The Company will continue to have joint and several liabilities with former Parent with the IRS and certain U.S. state tax authorities for U.S. federal income and state taxes for the taxable periods in which the Company was a part of former Parent’s consolidated group. The tax matters agreement specifies the portion, if any, of this liability for which the Company bears responsibility, and former Parent has agreed to indemnify the Company against any amounts for which the Company is not responsible. As of both December 31, 2016 and June 30, 2016, the Company has a receivable from Kimball International recorded for \$0.7 million, of which \$0.6 million is a long-term receivable, and was recorded in Other Assets on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, relating to benefits from domestic research and development tax credits.

“Emerging Growth Company” Reporting Requirements:

The Company qualifies as an “emerging growth company” as defined in the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act (the “JOBS Act”). For as long as a company is deemed to be an “emerging growth company,” it may take advantage of specified reduced reporting and other regulatory requirements that are generally unavailable to other public companies. Among other things, we are not required to provide an auditor attestation report on the assessment of the internal control over financial reporting under Section 404(b) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (the “Sarbanes-Oxley Act”).

Section 107 of the JOBS Act also provides that an “emerging growth company” can delay the adoption of certain accounting standards until those standards would otherwise apply to private companies. We have elected to take advantage of this extended transition period. Our financial statements may therefore not be comparable to those of companies that comply with such new or revised accounting standards.

For further information regarding our status as an “emerging growth company,” refer to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2016.

New Accounting Standards:

In February 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) issued guidance on leases. The new guidance requires lessees to recognize assets and liabilities on the balance sheet for the rights and obligations created by those leases with terms of more than 12 months. Under the current guidance, only capital leases are recognized on the balance sheet. The new guidance requires additional qualitative and quantitative disclosures. The new guidance is effective for our fiscal year 2020 financial statements. We are currently evaluating the impact of the adoption of this guidance on our consolidated financial statements.

In November 2015, the FASB issued guidance on the balance sheet classification of deferred taxes. Under the current guidance, deferred tax liabilities and assets must be separated into current and noncurrent amounts in a classified statement of financial position. The new guidance requires deferred tax liabilities and assets be classified as noncurrent in a classified statement of financial position. The new guidance does not change the requirement that deferred tax liabilities and assets of a tax-paying component of an entity to be offset and presented as a single amount. The guidance is effective for our fiscal year 2019 annual financial statements and interim periods within annual periods for our fiscal year 2020, with earlier application permitted as of the beginning of an interim or annual reporting period. The guidance offers two acceptable adoption methods: (i) retrospective adoption to all periods presented; or (ii) prospective adoption to all deferred tax liabilities and assets. We do not expect the adoption of this standard to have a material effect on our financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

In July 2015, the FASB issued guidance on simplifying the measurement of inventory. The guidance amends the subsequent measurement of inventory from the lower of cost or market to the lower of cost and net realizable value. Under the current guidance, market value could be replacement cost, net realizable value, or net realizable value less an approximately normal profit margin. Within the scope of the new guidance, an entity should measure inventory at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Net realizable value is the estimated selling prices in the ordinary course of business, less reasonably predictable costs of completion, disposal, and transportation. The guidance is effective for our fiscal year 2018 financial statements. We do not expect the adoption of this standard to have a material effect on our financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

In May 2014, the FASB issued guidance on the recognition of revenue from contracts with customers. The core principle of the guidance is that a company should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration which the company expects to receive in exchange for those goods or services. To achieve this core principle, the guidance provides a five-step analysis of transactions to determine when and how revenue is recognized. The guidance addresses several areas including transfer of control, contracts with multiple performance obligations, and costs to obtain and fulfill contracts. The guidance 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 obtain or fulfill a contract. In August 2015, the FASB issued additional guidance deferring the effective date for one year while allowing entities the option to adopt one year early. The guidance is effective for our fiscal year 2020 financial statements using either of two acceptable adoption methods: (i) retrospective adoption to each prior reporting period presented with the option to elect certain practical expedients; or (ii) adoption with the cumulative effect of initially applying the guidance recognized at the date of initial application and providing certain additional disclosures. We are currently assessing the impact, including changes required in our business processes and information technology systems, to adopt this guidance. We have not yet selected a transition method nor determined the effect of this guidance on our consolidated financial statements.

Note 2. Acquisitions

On July 18, 2016, the Company acquired certain assets and assumed certain liabilities of Aircom Manufacturing, Inc. (“Aircom”), located in Indianapolis, Indiana, for consideration of \$3.5 million, which consisted of \$2.5 million in cash payments and the settlement of a \$1.0 million receivable. This acquisition was accounted for as a business combination and includes assets acquired of \$6.4 million and liabilities assumed of \$1.4 million based on their estimated fair values as of the acquisition date. Operating results are included in the Company’s condensed consolidated financial statements beginning on July 18, 2016 and had an immaterial effect on the Company’s financial results for the three and six months ended December 31, 2016. Direct costs of the acquisition were not material.

Consideration paid for Aircom was less than the estimated fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, which resulted in a bargain purchase gain of \$0.9 million and was recorded in the Non-operating income (expense), net line item on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income. For tax purposes, the bargain purchase gain resulted in the reduction of the tax basis in Property and Equipment, resulting in a deferred tax liability of \$0.6 million recorded on the opening balance sheet. This deferred tax liability reduced the bargain purchase gain, and the bargain purchase gain is not taxable.

The Company reassessed the recognition and measurement of identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed and concluded that all assets and liabilities were recognized and the valuation procedures and resulting estimates of fair values were appropriate. The bargain purchase gain resulted from the financial distress of Aircom as they were unable to secure sufficient capital to continue operations and service their existing debt.

Aircom was the former parent of Medivative Technologies, LLC, from which the Company acquired certain assets and assumed certain liabilities on May 2, 2016 (the “Medivative acquisition”). Aircom provided component parts and services to the Company subsequent to the Medivative acquisition. The Aircom acquisition is expected to add expertise in the manufacturing of precision metals and plastics to the Company’s package of value. For further information regarding the Medivative acquisition, refer to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2016.

Note 3. Inventories

Inventories are valued using the lower of first-in, first-out (FIFO) cost or market value. Inventory components were as follows:

(Amounts in Thousands)	December 31, 2016	June 30, 2016
Finished products	\$ 25,204	\$ 21,577
Work-in-process	12,964	10,678
Raw materials	100,561	100,622
Total inventory	<u>\$ 138,729</u>	<u>\$ 132,877</u>

Note 4. Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

During the six months ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, the changes in the balances of each component of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss), net of tax, were as follows:

(Amounts in Thousands)	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)		Postemployment Benefits		Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)
			Prior Service Costs	Net Actuarial Gain	
	Foreign Currency Translation Adjustments	Derivative Gain (Loss)			
Balance at June 30, 2016	\$ (9,653)	\$ (3,137)	\$ —	\$ 600	\$ (12,190)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	(4,518)	62	—	195	(4,261)
Reclassification to (earnings) loss	—	575	—	(109)	466
Net current-period other comprehensive income (loss)	(4,518)	637	—	86	(3,795)
Balance at December 31, 2016	\$ (14,171)	\$ (2,500)	\$ —	\$ 686	\$ (15,985)
Balance at June 30, 2015	\$ (9,113)	\$ (3,557)	\$ (18)	\$ 441	\$ (12,247)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	(1,920)	(1,290)	—	165	(3,045)
Reclassification to (earnings) loss	—	997	18	(77)	938
Net current-period other comprehensive income (loss)	(1,920)	(293)	18	88	(2,107)
Balance at December 31, 2015	\$ (11,033)	\$ (3,850)	\$ —	\$ 529	\$ (14,354)

The following reclassifications were made from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss) to the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income:

Reclassifications from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss) (Amounts in Thousands)	Three Months Ended December 31		Six Months Ended December 31		Affected Line Item in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income
	2016	2015	2016	2015	
Derivative gain (loss) ⁽¹⁾	\$ (611)	\$ (813)	\$ (890)	\$ (1,590)	Cost of Sales
	(6)	—	(6)	(1)	Non-operating income (expense), net
	216	279	321	594	Benefit (Provision) for Income Taxes
	\$ (401)	\$ (534)	\$ (575)	\$ (997)	Net of Tax
Postemployment Benefits:					
Amortization of prior service costs ⁽²⁾	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ (16)	Cost of Sales
	—	—	—	(12)	Selling and Administrative Expenses
	—	—	—	10	Benefit (Provision) for Income Taxes
	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ (18)	Net of Tax
Amortization of actuarial gain (loss) ⁽²⁾	\$ 45	\$ 37	\$ 101	\$ 73	Cost of Sales
	33	28	73	55	Selling and Administrative Expenses
	(29)	(26)	(65)	(51)	Benefit (Provision) for Income Taxes
	\$ 49	\$ 39	\$ 109	\$ 77	Net of Tax
Total reclassifications for the period	\$ (352)	\$ (495)	\$ (466)	\$ (938)	Net of Tax

Amounts in parentheses indicate reductions to income.

(1) See [Note 7 - Derivative Instruments](#) of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for further information on derivative instruments.

(2) See [Note 9 - Postemployment Benefits](#) of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for further information on postemployment benefit plans.

Note 5. Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

Standby letters of credit are issued to third-party suppliers, lessors, and insurance institutions and can only be drawn upon in the event of the Company's failure to pay its obligations to a beneficiary. As of December 31, 2016, we had a maximum financial exposure from unused standby letters of credit totaling \$0.4 million. We don't expect circumstances to arise that would require us to perform under any of these arrangements and believe that the resolution of any claims that might arise in the future, either individually or in the aggregate, would not materially affect our condensed consolidated financial statements. Accordingly, no liability has been recorded as of December 31, 2016 with respect to the standby letters of credit. The Company also may enter into commercial letters of credit to facilitate payments to vendors and from customers.

The Company's China operation, in limited circumstances, receives banker's acceptance drafts from customers as settlement for their trade accounts receivable. We in turn may transfer the acceptance drafts to a supplier of ours in settlement of current accounts payable. These drafts contain certain recourse provisions afforded to the transferee under laws of The People's Republic of China. If a transferee were to exercise its available recourse rights, our China operation would be required to satisfy the

obligation with the transferee and the draft would revert back to our China operation. At December 31, 2016, the drafts transferred and outstanding totaled \$2.0 million. No transferee has exercised their recourse rights against us. For additional information on banker's acceptance drafts, see [Note 1 – Business Description and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies](#) of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

We maintain a provision for limited warranty repair or replacement of products manufactured and sold, which has been established in specific manufacturing contract agreements. We estimate product warranty liability at the time of sale based on historical repair or replacement cost trends in conjunction with the length of the warranty offered. Management refines the warranty liability periodically based on changes in historical cost trends and in certain cases where specific warranty issues become known.

Changes in the product warranty accrual for the six months ended December 31, 2016 and 2015 were as follows:

(Amounts in Thousands)	Six Months Ended	
	December 31	
	2016	2015
Product warranty liability at the beginning of the period	\$ 605	\$ 621
Additions to warranty accrual (including changes in estimates)	263	220
Settlements made (in cash or in kind)	(256)	(88)
Product warranty liability at the end of the period	<u>\$ 612</u>	<u>\$ 753</u>

Note 6. Fair Value

The Company categorizes assets and liabilities measured at fair value into three levels based upon the assumptions (inputs) used to price the assets or liabilities. Level 1 provides the most reliable measure of fair value, whereas level 3 generally requires significant management judgment. The three levels are defined as follows:

- Level 1: Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities.
- Level 2: Observable inputs other than those included in level 1. For example, quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets or quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in inactive markets.
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs reflecting management's own assumptions about the inputs used in pricing the asset or liability.

Our policy is to recognize transfers between these levels as of the end of each quarterly reporting period. There were no transfers between these levels during the six months ended December 31, 2016. There were also no changes in the inputs or valuation techniques used to measure fair values during the six months ended December 31, 2016. For more information on inputs and fair valuation techniques used, refer to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2016.

Recurring Fair Value Measurements:

As of December 31, 2016 and June 30, 2016, the fair values of financial assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis using the market approach are categorized as follows:

(Amounts in Thousands)	December 31, 2016		
	Level 1	Level 2	Total
Assets			
Cash equivalents	\$ 1,084	\$ —	\$ 1,084
Derivatives: foreign exchange contracts	—	3,117	3,117
Trading securities: mutual funds held in nonqualified SERP	6,721	—	6,721
Total assets at fair value	\$ 7,805	\$ 3,117	\$ 10,922
Liabilities			
Derivatives: foreign exchange contracts	\$ —	\$ 1,960	\$ 1,960
Total liabilities at fair value	\$ —	\$ 1,960	\$ 1,960
June 30, 2016			
(Amounts in Thousands)	Level 1	Level 2	Total
Assets			
Cash equivalents	\$ 21,225	\$ —	\$ 21,225
Derivatives: foreign exchange contracts	—	754	754
Trading securities: mutual funds held in nonqualified SERP	6,166	—	6,166
Total assets at fair value	\$ 27,391	\$ 754	\$ 28,145
Liabilities			
Derivatives: foreign exchange contracts	\$ —	\$ 1,300	\$ 1,300
Total liabilities at fair value	\$ —	\$ 1,300	\$ 1,300

We had no level 3 assets or liabilities measured at fair value during the six months ended December 31, 2016.

Nonqualified supplemental employee retirement plan (SERP) assets consist primarily of equity funds, balanced funds, a bond fund, and a money market fund. The SERP investment assets are offset by a SERP liability which represents Kimball Electronics' obligation to distribute SERP funds to participants. See [Note 8 - Investments](#) of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for further information regarding the SERP.

Financial Instruments Not Carried At Fair Value:

Financial instruments that are not reflected in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at fair value that have carrying amounts which approximate fair value include notes receivable and borrowings under credit facilities. There were no changes to the inputs and valuation techniques used to assess the fair value of these financial instruments during the six months ended December 31, 2016. For more information on inputs and fair valuation techniques used, refer to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2016.

The carrying value of our cash deposit accounts, trade accounts receivable, and trade accounts payable approximates fair value due to the relatively short maturity and immaterial non-performance risk.

Note 7. Derivative Instruments

Foreign Exchange Contracts:

We operate internationally and are therefore exposed to foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations in the normal course of business. Our primary means of managing this exposure is to utilize natural hedges, such as aligning currencies used in the supply chain with the sale currency. To the extent natural hedging techniques do not fully offset currency risk, we use derivative instruments with the objective of reducing the residual exposure to certain foreign currency rate movements. Factors considered in the decision to hedge an underlying market exposure include the materiality of the risk, the volatility of the market, the duration of the hedge, the degree to which the underlying exposure is committed to, and the availability, effectiveness, and cost of derivative instruments. Derivative instruments are only utilized for risk management purposes and are not used for speculative or trading purposes.

We use forward contracts designated as cash flow hedges to protect against foreign currency exchange rate risks inherent in forecasted transactions denominated in a foreign currency. Foreign exchange contracts are also used to hedge against foreign currency exchange rate risks related to intercompany balances denominated in currencies other than the functional currencies. As of December 31, 2016, we had outstanding foreign exchange contracts to hedge currencies against the U.S. dollar in the aggregate notional amount of \$26.9 million and to hedge currencies against the Euro in the aggregate notional amount of 79.1 million Euro. The notional amounts are indicators of the volume of derivative activities but may not be indicators of the potential gain or loss on the derivatives.

In limited cases due to unexpected changes in forecasted transactions, cash flow hedges may cease to meet the criteria to be designated as cash flow hedges. Depending on the type of exposure hedged, we may either purchase a derivative contract in the opposite position of the undesignated hedge or may retain the hedge until it matures if the hedge continues to provide an adequate offset in earnings against the currency revaluation impact of foreign currency denominated liabilities.

The fair value of outstanding derivative instruments is recognized on the balance sheet as a derivative asset or liability. When derivatives are settled with the counterparty, the derivative asset or liability is relieved and cash flow is impacted for the net settlement. For derivative instruments that meet the criteria of hedging instruments under FASB guidance, the effective portions of the gain or loss on the derivative instrument are initially recorded net of related tax effect in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss), a component of Share Owners' Equity, and are subsequently reclassified into earnings in the period or periods during which the hedged transaction is recognized in earnings. The ineffective portion of the derivative gain or loss is reported in the Non-operating income (expense), net line item on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income immediately. The gain or loss associated with derivative instruments that are not designated as hedging instruments or that cease to meet the criteria for hedging under FASB guidance is also reported in the Non-operating income (expense), net line item on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income immediately.

Based on fair values as of December 31, 2016, we estimate a \$0.5 million pre-tax derivative loss deferred in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss will be reclassified into earnings, along with the earnings effects of related forecasted transactions, within the next 12 months. Losses on foreign exchange contracts are generally offset by gains in operating income in the income statement when the underlying hedged transaction is recognized in earnings. Because gains or losses on foreign exchange contracts fluctuate partially based on currency spot rates, the future effect on earnings of the cash flow hedges alone is not determinable, but in conjunction with the underlying hedged transactions, the result is expected to be a decline in currency risk. The maximum length of time we had hedged our exposure to the variability in future cash flows was 12 months as of both December 31, 2016 and June 30, 2016.

See [Note 6 - Fair Value](#) of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for further information regarding the fair value of derivative assets and liabilities and the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the changes in deferred derivative gains and losses. Information on the location and amounts of derivative fair values in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets and derivative gains and losses in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income are presented below.

Fair Value of Derivative Instruments on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

(Amounts in Thousands)	Asset Derivatives			Liability Derivatives		
	Balance Sheet Location	Fair Value As of		Balance Sheet Location	Fair Value As of	
		December 31, 2016	June 30, 2016		December 31, 2016	June 30, 2016
Derivatives Designated as Hedging Instruments:						
Foreign exchange contracts	Prepaid expenses and other current assets	\$ 1,640	\$ 517	Accrued expenses	\$ 1,689	\$ 1,156
Derivatives Not Designated as Hedging Instruments:						
Foreign exchange contracts	Prepaid expenses and other current assets	1,477	237	Accrued expenses	271	144
Total derivatives		<u>\$ 3,117</u>	<u>\$ 754</u>		<u>\$ 1,960</u>	<u>\$ 1,300</u>

The Effect of Derivative Instruments on Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

(Amounts in Thousands)	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	December 31		December 31	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Amount of Pre-Tax Gain or (Loss) Recognized in Other Comprehensive Income (Loss) (OCI) on Derivatives (Effective Portion):				
Foreign exchange contracts	\$ (82)	\$ 579	\$ (266)	\$ (1,927)

The Effect of Derivative Instruments on Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income

(Amounts in Thousands)	Location of Gain or (Loss)	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
		December 31		December 31	
		2016	2015	2016	2015
Derivatives in Cash Flow Hedging Relationships					
Amount of Pre-Tax Gain or (Loss) Reclassified from Accumulated OCI into Income (Effective Portion):					
Foreign exchange contracts	Cost of Sales	\$ (611)	\$ (813)	\$ (890)	\$ (1,590)
Foreign exchange contracts	Non-operating income (expense)	(6)	—	(6)	—
Total		<u>\$ (617)</u>	<u>\$ (813)</u>	<u>\$ (896)</u>	<u>\$ (1,590)</u>
Amount of Pre-Tax Loss Reclassified from Accumulated OCI into Income (Ineffective Portion):					
Foreign exchange contracts	Non-operating income (expense)	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ (1)
Derivatives Not Designated as Hedging Instruments					
Amount of Pre-Tax Gain or (Loss) Recognized in Income on Derivatives:					
Foreign exchange contracts	Non-operating income (expense)	\$ 1,885	\$ 599	\$ 1,662	\$ 562
Total Derivative Pre-Tax Gain (Loss) Recognized in Income		<u>\$ 1,268</u>	<u>\$ (214)</u>	<u>\$ 766</u>	<u>\$ (1,029)</u>

Note 8. Investments

The Company established and maintains a self-directed supplemental employee retirement plan (“SERP”) for executive and other key employees. The Company SERP utilizes a rabbi trust, and therefore assets in the SERP portfolio are subject to creditor claims in the event of bankruptcy. The Company recognizes SERP investment assets on the balance sheet at current fair value. A SERP liability of the same amount is recorded on the balance sheet representing an obligation to distribute SERP funds to participants. The SERP investment assets are classified as trading, and accordingly, realized and unrealized gains and losses are recognized in income in the other income (expense) category. Adjustments made to revalue the SERP liability are also recognized in income as selling and administrative expenses and offset valuation adjustments on SERP investment assets. The change in net unrealized holding gains (losses) for the six months ended December 31, 2016 and 2015 was, in thousands, \$(186) and \$30, respectively.

SERP asset and liability balances applicable to Kimball Electronics participants were as follows:

(Amounts in Thousands)	December 31, 2016	June 30, 2016
SERP investments - current asset	\$ 231	\$ 214
SERP investments - other long-term asset	6,490	5,952
Total SERP investments	<u>\$ 6,721</u>	<u>\$ 6,166</u>
SERP obligation - current liability	\$ 231	\$ 214
SERP obligation - other long-term liability	6,490	5,952
Total SERP obligation	<u>\$ 6,721</u>	<u>\$ 6,166</u>

Note 9. Postemployment Benefits

The Company maintains severance plans for all domestic employees. These plans cover domestic employees and provide severance benefits to eligible employees meeting the plans’ qualifications, primarily involuntary termination without cause. There are no statutory requirements for us to contribute to the plans, nor do employees contribute to the plans. The plans hold no assets. Benefits are paid using available cash on hand when eligible employees meet plan qualifications for payment. Benefits are based upon an employee’s years of service and accumulate up to certain limits specified in the plans and include both salary and an allowance for medical benefits. The net periodic postemployment benefit costs were not material for the three and six months ended December 31, 2016 and 2015. Unusual or non-recurring severance actions are not estimable using actuarial methods and are expensed in accordance with the applicable U.S. GAAP.

Note 10. Stock Compensation Plans

The Company maintains a stock compensation plan, the Kimball Electronics, Inc. 2014 Stock Option and Incentive Plan (the “Plan”), which allows for the issuance of up to 4.5 million shares and may be awarded in the form of incentive stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted shares, unrestricted shares, restricted share units, or performance shares and performance units. The Plan is a ten-year plan with no further awards allowed to be made under the Plan after October 1, 2024. For more information on our Plan, refer to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2016. On October 20, 2016, the Company’s Board of Directors (the “Board”) approved a nonqualified deferred compensation plan, the Kimball Electronics, Inc. Non-Employee Directors Stock Compensation Deferral Plan (the “Deferral Plan”), which allows non-employee directors to elect to defer all, or a portion of, their retainer fees in stock until retirement or termination from the Board or death. The Deferral Plan allows for issuance of up to 1.0 million shares of the Company’s common stock.

During the first six months of fiscal year 2017, the following stock compensation was awarded under the Plan and the Deferral Plan to non-employee members of the Company’s Board of Directors.

Unrestricted Shares ⁽¹⁾	Quarter Awarded	Shares	Grant Date Fair Value
Unrestricted shares (Director compensation)	2nd Quarter	10,477	\$15.75

Deferred Share Units ⁽²⁾	Quarter Awarded	Units	Grant Date Fair Value
Deferred share units (Director compensation)	2nd Quarter	17,779	\$15.75

(1) Unrestricted shares which were awarded to non-employee members of the Company’s Board of Directors as compensation for the portion of director’s annual retainer fees as a result of the directors’ election to be paid in unrestricted shares in lieu of cash payment or deferred share units. Director’s fees are expensed over the period that directors earn the compensation. Unrestricted shares do not have vesting periods, holding periods, restrictions on sales, or other restrictions.

(2) Deferred share units were awarded to non-employee members of the Company’s Board of Directors as compensation for the portion of director’s annual retainer fees as a result of directors’ elections to receive deferred share units in lieu of cash payment or unrestricted shares. Director’s fees are expensed over the period that directors earn the compensation. Deferred share units are participating securities and are payable in common stock upon a Director’s retirement or termination from the Board or death.

Note 11. Share Owners’ Equity

On October 21, 2015, the Company’s Board of Directors (the “Board”) authorized an 18-month stock repurchase plan (the “Plan”) allowing a repurchase of up to \$20 million worth of common stock. On September 29, 2016, the Board extended the Plan to allow the repurchase of up to an additional \$20 million worth of common stock with no expiration date. Purchases may be made under various programs, including in open-market transactions, block transactions on or off an exchange, or in privately negotiated transactions, all in accordance with applicable securities laws and regulations. The Plan may be suspended or discontinued at any time. During the six months ended December 31, 2016, the Company repurchased \$13.8 million of common stock at an average price of \$13.28 which was recorded as Treasury stock, at cost in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. Through December 31, 2016, the Company has repurchased \$26.9 million of common stock under the Plan at an average cost of \$12.15 per share.

Note 12. Earnings Per Share

Basic and diluted earnings per share were calculated as follows under the two-class method:

(Amounts in thousands, except per share data)	Three Months Ended December 31		Six Months Ended December 31	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Basic and Diluted Earnings Per Share:				
Net Income	\$ 7,812	\$ 4,564	\$ 17,934	\$ 9,039
Less: Net Income allocated to participating securities	\$ 3	\$ —	\$ 4	\$ —
Net Income allocated to common Share Owners	<u>\$ 7,809</u>	<u>\$ 4,564</u>	<u>\$ 17,930</u>	<u>\$ 9,039</u>
Basic weighted average common shares outstanding	27,350	29,228	27,714	29,260
Dilutive effect of average outstanding performance shares	102	50	58	90
Dilutive effect of average outstanding deferred stock units	<u>3</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>—</u>
Dilutive weighted average shares outstanding	<u>27,455</u>	<u>29,278</u>	<u>27,775</u>	<u>29,350</u>
Earnings Per Share of Common Stock:				
Basic	\$ 0.29	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.65	\$ 0.31
Diluted	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.65	\$ 0.31

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

Emerging Growth Company Status

The Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements are prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP") and reflect the financial position, results of operations, and cash flows of Kimball Electronics. Kimball Electronics qualifies as an "emerging growth company" as defined in the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act (the "JOBS Act"). For as long as a company is deemed to be an "emerging growth company," it may take advantage of specified reduced reporting and other regulatory requirements that are generally unavailable to other public companies. The JOBS Act also provides that an "emerging growth company" can delay the adoption of certain accounting standards until those standards would otherwise apply to private companies. We have elected to take advantage of this extended transition period. Our financial statements may therefore not be comparable to those of companies that comply with such new or revised accounting standards.

Business Overview

We are a global contract electronic manufacturing services ("EMS") company that specializes in producing durable electronics for the automotive, medical, industrial, and public safety end markets. Our engineering, manufacturing, and supply chain services utilize common production and support capabilities globally. We are well recognized by our customers and the EMS industry for our excellent quality, reliability, and innovative service, and we were recently named the 2016 EMS Company of the Year by CIRCUITS ASSEMBLY, the leading brand and technical publication for electronics manufacturers worldwide.

A significant business challenge that we face as an independent publicly traded company is maintaining our profit margins while we look to accelerate revenue growth. The EMS industry has become increasingly competitive. As a mid-sized player in the EMS market, we can expect to be challenged by the agility and flexibility of the smaller, regional players and we can expect to be challenged by the scale and price competitiveness of the larger, global players.

We enjoy a unique market position between these extremes which allows us to compete with the larger scale players for high-volume projects, but also maintain our competitive position in the generally lower volume durable electronics market space. We expect to continue to effectively operate in this market space. Price increases are uncommon in the market as production efficiencies and material pricing advantages for most projects drive costs and prices down over the life of the projects. This characteristic of the contract electronics marketplace is expected to continue.

Key economic indicators currently point toward continued strengthening in the overall economy. However, uncertainties still exist and may pose a threat to our future growth as they have the tendency to cause disruption in business strategy, execution, and timing in many of the markets in which we compete.

The 2016 edition of The Worldwide Electronics Manufacturing Services Market, a comprehensive study on the worldwide EMS market published by New Venture Research ("NVR"), provided worldwide forecast trends for 2015 to 2020. NVR projects worldwide electronics assembly value to grow at a compound annual growth rate ("CAGR") of 4.0% over the next five years, with the automotive market projected to grow at a CAGR of 4.3%, the medical market projected to grow at a CAGR of 3.9%, and the industrial market projected to grow at a CAGR of 3.3%.

Our focus is on the four key vertical markets of automotive, medical, industrial, and public safety. Our overall expectation for the EMS market is that of moderate growth, but with mixed demand.

The automotive end market has benefited from overall strength in each of the regional markets we serve. The industrial market is showing improvement with growing end market demand for climate control products, smart metering, and energy efficient lighting. We saw demand in the public safety market stabilize compared to last year. Demand in the medical market remains stable. We continue to monitor the current economic environment and its potential impact on our customers.

We invest in capital expenditures prudently for projects in support of both organic growth and potential acquisitions that would enhance our capabilities and diversification while providing an opportunity for growth and improved profitability. For example, the recent acquisitions of Medivative and Aircom provide capabilities that will enhance our medical end market as well as support our mechanical assembly needs in all four key vertical markets. We have a strong focus on cost control and closely monitor market changes and our liquidity in order to proactively adjust our operating costs and discretionary capital spending as needed. Managing working capital in conjunction with fluctuating demand levels is likewise key. In addition, a long-standing component of our profit sharing incentive bonus plan is that it is linked to our financial performance which results in varying amounts of compensation expense as profits change.

We continue to maintain a strong balance sheet, which included no long-term debt and Share Owners' equity of \$326 million at December 31, 2016. Our short-term liquidity available, represented as cash and cash equivalents plus the unused amount of our credit facilities, totaled \$93.3 million at December 31, 2016.

In addition to the above discussion related to the current market conditions, management currently considers the following events, trends, and uncertainties to be most important to understanding our financial condition and operating performance:

- Due to the contract and project nature of the EMS industry, fluctuation in the demand for our products and variation in the gross margin on those projects is inherent to our business. Effective management of manufacturing capacity is, and will continue to be, critical to our success.
- The nature of the EMS industry is such that the start-up of new customers and new programs to replace expiring programs occurs frequently. While our agreements with customers generally do not have a definitive term and thus could be canceled at any time, we generally realize relatively few cancellations prior to the end of the product's life cycle. We attribute this to our focus on long-term customer relationships, meeting customer expectations, required capital investment, and product qualification cycle times. As such, our ability to continue contractual relationships with our customers, including our principal customers, is not certain. New customers and program start-ups generally cause losses early in the life of a program, which are generally recovered as the program becomes established and matures. Risk factors within our business include, but are not limited to, general economic and market conditions, customer order delays, increased globalization, foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations, rapid technological changes, component availability, supplier and customer financial stability, the contract nature of this industry, the concentration of sales to large customers, and the potential for customers to choose a dual sourcing strategy or to in-source a greater portion of their electronics manufacturing. The continuing success of our business is dependent upon our ability to replace expiring customers/programs with new customers/programs. We monitor our success in this area by tracking the number of customers and the percentage of our net sales generated from them by years of service as depicted in the table below. While variation in the size of program award makes it difficult to directly correlate this data to our sales trends, we believe it does provide useful information regarding our customer loyalty and new business growth. Additional risk factors that could have an effect on our performance are located within the "Risk Factors" section of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2016.

Customer Service Years	Six Months Ended	
	December 31	
	2016	2015
More than 10 Years		
% of Net Sales	55%	54%
# of Customers	27	23
5 to 10 Years		
% of Net Sales	40%	38%
# of Customers	24	27
Less than 5 Years		
% of Net Sales	5%	8%
# of Customers	33	23
Total		
% of Net Sales	100%	100%
# of Customers	84	73

- Globalization continues to reshape not only the industries in which we operate but also our key customers and competitors.
- Employees throughout our business operations are an integral part of our ability to compete successfully, and the stability of the management team is critical to long-term Share Owner value. Our career development and succession planning processes help to maintain stability in management.

Certain preceding statements could be considered forward-looking statements under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and are subject to certain risks and uncertainties including, but not limited to, successful integration of acquisitions and new operations, adverse changes in the global economic conditions, loss of key customers or suppliers, or similar unforeseen events. Additional information on risks is contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2016.

Financial Overview

At or for the Three Months Ended December 31

(Amounts in Millions, Except for Per Share Data)	2016		2015		% Change
	2016	as a % of Net Sales	2015	as a % of Net Sales	
Net Sales	\$ 230.3		\$ 207.1		11%
Gross Profit	\$ 20.6	8.9%	\$ 16.1	7.8%	28%
Selling and Administrative Expenses	\$ 8.3	3.6%	\$ 9.2	4.5%	(9)%
Operating Income	\$ 12.2	5.3%	\$ 6.9	3.3%	77%
Net Income	\$ 7.8		\$ 4.6		71%
Diluted Earnings per Share	\$ 0.28		\$ 0.16		
Open Orders	\$ 189.9		\$ 169.6		12%

For the Six Months Ended December 31

(Amounts in Millions, Except for Per Share Data)	2016		2015		% Change
	2016	as a % of Net Sales	2015	as a % of Net Sales	
Net Sales	\$ 456.7		\$ 407.5		12%
Gross Profit	\$ 38.9	8.5%	\$ 31.4	7.7%	24%
Selling and Administrative Expenses	\$ 17.8	3.9%	\$ 17.5	4.3%	2%
Other General Income	\$ 4.0		\$ —		
Operating Income	\$ 25.1	5.5%	\$ 13.9	3.4%	81%
Net Income	\$ 17.9		\$ 9.0		98%
Diluted Earnings per Share	\$ 0.65		\$ 0.31		

Net Sales by Vertical Market

(Amounts in Millions)	Three Months Ended December 31			Six Months Ended December 31		
	2016	2015	% Change	2016	2015	% Change
Automotive	\$ 96.3	\$ 82.6	16%	\$ 188.5	\$ 154.6	22%
Medical	63.4	60.0	6%	128.4	118.5	8%
Industrial	48.4	42.8	13%	99.9	92.2	8%
Public Safety	15.8	15.9	(1)%	29.0	32.4	(10)%
Other	6.4	5.8	10%	10.9	9.8	11%
Total Net Sales	\$ 230.3	\$ 207.1	11%	\$ 456.7	\$ 407.5	12%

Second quarter and year-to-date fiscal year 2017 total net sales increased compared to the second quarter and year-to-date period of fiscal year 2016 as increases in sales to customers in the automotive market, medical market, and industrial market more than offset decreases in sales to customers in the public safety market.

Sales to customers in the automotive market experienced double-digit sales growth in the second quarter and year-to-date period of fiscal year 2017 compared to the second quarter and year-to-date period of fiscal year 2016 as demand in all markets, particularly China, increased, in addition to increased sales resulting from the ramp-up of new product introductions. Sales to

customers in the medical market increased in the second quarter and year-to-date period of fiscal year 2017 compared to the second quarter and year-to-date period of fiscal year 2016 primarily due to sales generated from the recent acquisitions and the successful launch of a next generation product for one of our largest customers. Sales to customers in the industrial market experienced double-digit growth in the second quarter of fiscal year 2017 compared to the second quarter of fiscal year 2016 and upper single-digit growth in the first half of fiscal year 2017 compared to the first half of the prior fiscal year largely due to increased end market demand for climate control products as well as new product launches related to smart metering. Sales to customers in the public safety market declined slightly in the second quarter of fiscal year 2017 compared to the second quarter of fiscal year 2016. Sales to customers in the public safety market declined in the first half of fiscal year 2017 compared to the first half of the prior fiscal year primarily due to lower overall demand.

Open orders were up 12% as of December 31, 2016 compared to December 31, 2015 as open orders in each of the four vertical markets increased. Open orders at a point in time may not be indicative of future sales trends due to the contract nature of our business.

Second quarter and year-to-date fiscal year 2017 gross profit as a percent of net sales improved when compared to the second quarter and year-to-date period of fiscal year 2016, primarily due to the positive impact from leverage gained on higher revenue, cost productivity, lower healthcare costs in the U.S., and favorable product mix, which were partially offset by the costs related to the ramp-up of the Romania operation and new product introductions.

Selling and administrative expenses decreased as a percent of net sales and in absolute dollars in the second quarter of fiscal year 2017 when compared to the second quarter of fiscal year 2016. The current quarter selling and administrative expenses were favorably impacted by not having incremental start-up costs related to our Romania operation, lower warranty expense, and the favorable year-over-year comparison of the SERP expense. The SERP expense is a result of the revaluation of the SERP liability and is offset by the revaluation to fair value of the SERP investments recorded in Other Income (Expense).

For the first half of fiscal year 2017, the selling and administrative expenses decreased as a percent of net sales and increased slightly in absolute dollars when compared to the first half of fiscal year 2016. Selling and administrative expenses benefited in the current year from not having the incremental start-up costs related to our Romania operation.

Other General Income in the first six months of fiscal year 2017 included \$4.0 million of pre-tax income resulting from a payment received related to the settlement of a class action lawsuit in which Kimball Electronics was a class member. The lawsuit alleged that certain suppliers to the EMS industry conspired over a number of years to raise and fix the prices of electronic components, resulting in overcharges to purchasers of those components. No Other General Income was recorded during the first six months of fiscal year 2016.

Other Income (Expense) consisted of the following:

(Amounts in Thousands)	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	December 31		December 31	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Interest income	\$ 14	\$ 12	\$ 37	\$ 24
Interest expense	(60)	(4)	(99)	(5)
Foreign currency/derivative loss	(1,185)	(731)	(1,470)	(955)
Gain (loss) on supplemental employee retirement plan (“SERP”) investments	(1)	258	259	(196)
Bargain purchase gain on acquisition	—	—	925	—
Other	218	(123)	97	(122)
Other income (expense), net	<u>\$ (1,014)</u>	<u>\$ (588)</u>	<u>\$ (251)</u>	<u>\$ (1,254)</u>

The revaluation to fair value of the SERP investments recorded in Other Income (Expense) is offset by the revaluation of the SERP liability recorded in Selling and Administrative Expenses, and thus there is no effect on net income. The Foreign currency/derivative loss resulted from net foreign currency exchange rate movements. The Bargain purchase gain on acquisition for the first six months of fiscal year 2017 resulted from the Aircom acquisition as the consideration paid for Aircom was less than the estimated fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed.

Our income before income taxes and effective tax rate were comprised of the following U.S. and foreign components:

(Amounts in Thousands)	For the Six Months Ended			
	December 31, 2016		December 31, 2015	
	Income Before Taxes	Effective Tax Rate	Income Before Taxes	Effective Tax Rate
United States	\$ 5,722	29.3%	\$ 1,922	24.0%
Foreign	19,090	27.2%	10,678	29.0%
Total	\$ 24,812	27.7%	\$ 12,600	28.3%

The effective tax rate for the first six months of fiscal year 2017 was favorably impacted by a high mix of earnings in foreign jurisdictions, which have lower statutory rates than the U.S., and adjustments for domestic tax credits. Also impacting the effective tax rate for the first six months of the current fiscal year was the \$0.9 million bargain purchase gain from the Aircom acquisition, which was treated as a discrete item in the first quarter of fiscal year 2017 and excluded from the calculation of the estimated annual effective tax rate. The effective tax rate for the first six months of fiscal year 2016 was favorably impacted by a high mix of earnings in foreign jurisdictions and by the permanent extension of the U.S. research and development tax credit in December 2015 that was retroactive to calendar year 2015, which resulted in a \$0.3 million tax benefit recorded in the first six months of fiscal year 2016. Our overall effective tax rate will fluctuate depending on the geographic distribution of our worldwide earnings.

A significant amount of sales to Philips, ZF TRW, and Nexteer Automotive accounted for the following portions of our net sales:

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	December 31		December 31	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Philips	14%	15%	14%	14%
Nexteer Automotive	13%	10%	12%	9%
ZF TRW	11%	10%	11%	10%

Comparing the balance sheet as of December 31, 2016 to June 30, 2016, accounts receivable increased \$6.9 million primarily as a result of increased sales volumes. Inventory increased \$5.9 million primarily to support increased open orders and production volumes. Our property and equipment, net increased \$10.2 million primarily due to expenditures to support new business awards and capacity purposes, property and equipment from the Aircom acquisition, and the purchase of a previously leased facility housing the former Medivative operation. Accounts payable increased \$8.6 million largely from the increased inventory purchases to support increased production volumes. Treasury stock, at cost, increased \$12.1 million primarily from repurchases of our common stock under an authorized stock repurchase plan.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Working capital at December 31, 2016 was \$178.3 million compared to working capital of \$187.4 million at June 30, 2016. The current ratio was 2.0 at December 31, 2016 and 2.1 at June 30, 2016. Our short-term liquidity available, represented as cash and cash equivalents plus the unused amount of our credit facilities, totaled \$93.3 million at December 31, 2016 and \$105.4 million at June 30, 2016.

Cash Conversion Days (“CCD”) are calculated as the sum of Days Sales Outstanding (“DSO”) plus Production Days Supply on Hand (“PDSOH”) less Accounts Payable Days (“APD”). CCD is a metric used to measure the efficiency of managing working capital. CCD for the quarter ended December 31, 2016 was 59 days, which remained unchanged from the quarter ended June 30, 2016 and the quarter ended December 31, 2015. The following table summarizes our CCD for the quarterly periods indicated.

	Three Months Ended		
	December 31,	June 30, 2016	December 31,
	2016		2015
DSO	64	61	59
PDSOH	60	61	62
APD	65	63	62
CCD	59	59	59

We define DSO as the average of monthly trade accounts and notes receivable divided by an average day's net sales, PDSOH as the average of monthly gross inventory divided by an average day's cost of sales, and APD as the average of monthly accounts payable divided by an average day's cost of sales.

Cash Flows

The following table reflects the major categories of cash flows for the first six months of fiscal years 2017 and 2016.

(Amounts in thousands)	Six Months Ended	
	December 31	
	2016	2015
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 26,091	\$ 16,319
Net cash used for investing activities	\$ (21,688)	\$ (19,262)
Net cash used for financing activities	\$ (15,032)	\$ (1,193)

Cash Flows from Operating Activities

Net cash provided by operating activities for the first six months of fiscal years 2017 and 2016 was primarily driven by net income adjusted for non-cash items. Cash provided by operating activities for the six months ending December 31, 2016 included \$4.0 million of cash proceeds related to the settlement of a class action lawsuit. Changes in working capital used \$2.6 million of cash in the first six months of fiscal year 2017 and \$7.5 million of cash in the first six months of fiscal year 2016.

For the usage of \$2.6 million cash from changes in working capital balances in the first six months of fiscal year 2017, large fluctuations were in our accounts receivable, inventory, and accounts payable. An increase in accounts receivable used cash of \$8.7 million which primarily resulted from increased sales volumes. An increase in inventory used cash of \$5.2 million primarily to support increased open orders and production volumes. Partially offsetting these usages was an increase in accounts payable which provided cash of \$9.5 million largely resulting from the increased inventory purchases and APD.

The usage of \$7.5 million cash from changes in working capital balances in the first six months of fiscal year 2016 was primarily due to fluctuations in our inventory, prepaid expenses and other current assets, and accrued expenses. An increase in inventory used cash of \$3.2 million primarily from new product introductions, anticipation of production at our Romania greenfield start-up facility, and customer demand fluctuations. An increase in certain prepaid expenses and other current assets used cash of \$2.7 million primarily due to an increase in taxes refundable. A decrease in accrued expenses used cash of \$4.4 million primarily due to a significant portion of accrued incentive compensation payments occurring during the first quarter. Partially offsetting these usages was a decrease in accounts receivable which provided cash of \$3.0 million resulting primarily from the overall decline in net sales, from the maturity or discounting of banker's acceptance drafts during the first half of fiscal year 2016, and the improved collections with several customers.

Cash Flows from Investing Activities

For the first six months of fiscal years 2017 and 2016, net cash used for investing activities was \$21.7 million and \$19.3 million, respectively. During the first six months of fiscal year 2017, we reinvested \$19.7 million into capital investments for the future with the largest expenditures to support new business awards, capacity purposes, and for the purchase of the previously leased facility that housed the former Medivative operation. Also during the first six months of fiscal year 2017, we invested \$2.1 million, net of cash received, to acquire certain assets and assumed certain liabilities of Aircom Manufacturing, Inc. See [Note 2 -](#)

[Acquisitions](#) of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for more information on the Aircom acquisition. During the first six months of fiscal year 2016, we reinvested \$19.5 million into capital investments for the future with the largest expenditures for manufacturing equipment, including equipment to support new business awards, and our greenfield start-up facility in Romania.

Cash Flows from Financing Activities

For the first six months of fiscal year 2017, net cash used for financing activities resulted from repurchases of our common stock under an authorized stock repurchase plan and for the remittance of tax withholdings on share-based payments. For the first six months of fiscal year 2016, net cash used for financing activities resulted from repurchases of our common stock under an authorized stock repurchase plan and amounts related to the issuance of performance shares to officers and other key employees, offset by borrowings on our China credit facility for working capital purposes.

Credit Facilities

The Company maintains a U.S. primary credit facility (the “primary facility”) that has a maturity date of October 31, 2019 and allows for up to \$50 million in borrowings, with an option to increase the amount available for borrowing to \$75 million at the Company’s request, subject to participating banks’ consent.

The proceeds of the revolving credit loans are to be used for general corporate purposes of the Company including potential acquisitions and share repurchases. A portion of the credit facility, not to exceed \$15 million of the principal amount, will be available for the issuance of letters of credit. A commitment fee on the unused portion of the principal amount of the credit facility is payable at a rate that ranges from 20.0 to 25.0 basis points per annum as determined by the Company’s ratio of consolidated total indebtedness to adjusted consolidated EBITDA. The interest rate on borrowings is dependent on the type of borrowings.

At both December 31, 2016 and June 30, 2016, we had \$9.0 million in short-term borrowings under the primary facility and \$0.4 million in letters of credit against the primary facility. During the second quarter of fiscal year 2017, we borrowed \$4.0 million on the primary facility and repaid the amount during the quarter due to timing of domestic cash needs.

The Company’s financial covenants under the primary credit facility require:

- a ratio of consolidated total indebtedness minus unencumbered U.S. cash on hand in the U.S. in excess of \$15 million to adjusted consolidated EBITDA, determined as of the end of each of its fiscal quarters for the then most recently ended four fiscal quarters, to not be greater than 3.0 to 1.0, and
- a fixed charge coverage ratio, determined as of the end of each of its fiscal quarters for the then most recently ended four fiscal quarters, to not be less than 1.10 to 1.00.

We were in compliance with the financial covenants during the six-month period ended December 31, 2016.

Kimball Electronics utilizes foreign credit facilities to satisfy short-term cash needs at specific foreign locations rather than funding from intercompany sources. As of December 31, 2016, we maintained a Thailand overdraft credit facility which allows for borrowings up to 90 million Thai Baht (approximately \$2.5 million at December 31, 2016 exchange rates). We had no borrowings under this foreign credit facility as of December 31, 2016 or June 30, 2016. We also maintained a credit facility for our China operation, which allows for borrowings up to \$7.5 million that can be drawn in either U.S. dollars or China Renminbi. We had no borrowings outstanding under this foreign credit facility as of December 31, 2016 or June 30, 2016. These foreign credit facilities can be canceled at any time by either the bank or us.

Future Liquidity

We believe our principal sources of liquidity from available funds on hand, cash generated from operations, and the availability of borrowing under our credit facilities will be sufficient to meet our working capital and other operating needs for at least the next 12 months. The ability to borrow in USD equivalent under all of our credit facilities totaled \$50.6 million at December 31, 2016. We expect to continue to invest in capital expenditures prudently, particularly for projects, including potential acquisitions, that would enhance our capabilities and diversification while providing an opportunity for growth and higher profits. As part of this

plan to enhance our capabilities and diversification, we recently acquired certain assets and assumed certain liabilities of Medivative Technologies, LLC and Aircom Manufacturing, Inc. These acquisitions were financed with available liquidity.

We are growing our business in Europe through the expansion of our manufacturing capabilities in the region. We completed the construction of our greenfield facility in Romania in fiscal year 2016 and have begun operations. Capacity at this facility will continue to ramp up through fiscal year 2017.

At December 31, 2016, our capital expenditure commitments were approximately \$8 million, consisting primarily of commitments for capacity purposes and in anticipation of future growth, including new program wins. We anticipate our funds on hand and funds provided by operations will be sufficient to fund these capital expenditures.

At December 31, 2016, our foreign operations held cash totaling \$39.4 million. Except for the nontaxable repayment of intercompany loans, our intent is to permanently reinvest these funds outside of the United States and our current plans do not demonstrate a need to repatriate these funds to our U.S. operations. However, if these funds were repatriated, the amount remitted would currently be subject to U.S. income taxes and applicable non-U.S. income and withholding taxes.

On October 21, 2015, the Company's Board of Directors approved a resolution to authorize an 18-month stock repurchase plan (the "Plan") to allow the repurchase of up to \$20 million of common stock. Then on September 29, 2016, the Board extended the Plan to allow the repurchase of up to an additional \$20 million worth of common stock with no expiration date. The Plan may be suspended or discontinued at any time. The extent to which the Company repurchases its shares, and the timing of such repurchases, will depend upon a variety of factors, including market conditions, regulatory requirements, and other corporate considerations, as determined by the Company's management team. The Company expects to finance the purchases with existing liquidity. The Company repurchased \$26.9 million of common stock under the Plan through December 31, 2016.

Our ability to generate cash from operations to meet our liquidity obligations could be adversely affected in the future by factors such as general economic and market conditions, lack of availability of raw material components in the supply chain, a decline in demand for our services, loss of key contract customers, unsuccessful integration of acquisitions and new operations, the ability of Kimball Electronics to generate profits, and other unforeseen circumstances. In particular, should demand for our customers' products and, in turn, our services decrease significantly over the next 12 months, the available cash provided by operations could be adversely impacted.

The preceding statements include forward-looking statements under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Certain factors could cause actual results to differ materially from forward-looking statements.

Fair Value

During the second quarter of fiscal year 2017, no level 1 or level 2 financial instruments were affected by a lack of market liquidity. For level 1 financial assets, readily available market pricing was used to value the financial instruments. Our foreign currency derivatives, which were classified as level 2 assets/liabilities, were independently valued using observable market inputs such as forward interest rate yield curves, current spot rates, and time value calculations. To verify the reasonableness of the independently determined fair values, these derivative fair values were compared to fair values calculated by the counterparty banks. Our own credit risk and counterparty credit risk had an immaterial impact on the valuation of the foreign currency derivatives. See [Note 6 - Fair Value](#) of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information.

Contractual Obligations

There have been no material changes outside the ordinary course of business to Kimball Electronics' summary of contractual obligations under the caption, "Contractual Obligations" in the section entitled "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2016.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

In limited circumstances, we receive banker's acceptance drafts from customers in our China operation. In turn, we may transfer the acceptance drafts to a supplier in settlement of current accounts payable. These drafts contain certain recourse provisions afforded to the transferee under laws of The People's Republic of China, and if exercised, our China operation would be required to satisfy the obligation with the transferee and the draft would revert back to our China operation. At December 31, 2016, the drafts transferred and outstanding totaled \$2.0 million. No transferee has exercised their recourse rights against us.

We also have standby letters of credit and operating leases entered into in the normal course of business. These arrangements do not have a material current effect and are not reasonably likely to have a material future effect on our financial condition, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures, or capital resources.

See [Note 1 – Business Description and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies](#) of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for more information on the banker’s acceptance drafts and [Note 5 - Commitments and Contingent Liabilities](#) of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for more information on standby letters of credit. We do not have material exposures to trading activities of non-exchange traded contracts.

The preceding statements are forward-looking statements under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Certain factors could cause actual results to differ materially from forward-looking statements.

Critical Accounting Policies

Kimball Electronics’ Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These principles require the use of estimates and assumptions that affect amounts reported and disclosed in the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and related notes. Actual results could differ from these estimates and assumptions. Management uses its best judgment in the assumptions used to value these estimates, which are based on current facts and circumstances, prior experience, and other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable. For further information regarding our critical accounting policies, refer to “Note 1 - Business Description and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies” of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements and “Critical Accounting Policies” in the section entitled “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2016.

New Accounting Standards

See [Note 1 - Business Description and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies](#) of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for information regarding New Accounting Standards.

Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements contained within this document are considered forward-looking under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The statements may be identified by the use of words such as “believes,” “anticipates,” “expects,” “intends,” “plans,” “projects,” “estimates,” “forecasts,” “seeks,” “likely,” “future,” “may,” “might,” “should,” “would,” “will,” and similar expressions. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties including, but not limited to, successful integration of acquisitions and new operations, adverse changes in the global economic conditions, significant volume reductions from key contract customers, significant reduction in customer order patterns, loss of key customers or suppliers within specific industries, financial stability of key customers and suppliers, availability or cost of raw materials and components, increased competitive pricing pressures reflecting excess industry capacities, foreign exchange fluctuations, changes in the regulatory environment, or similar unforeseen events. Additional cautionary statements regarding other risk factors that could have an effect on the future performance of Kimball Electronics are contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2016.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

Foreign Exchange Rate Risk: Kimball Electronics operates internationally and thus is subject to potentially adverse movements in foreign currency rate changes. Our risk management strategy includes the use of derivative financial instruments to hedge certain foreign currency exposures. Derivatives are used only to manage underlying exposures and are not used in a speculative manner. Further information on derivative financial instruments is provided in [Note 7 - Derivative Instruments](#) of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. We estimate that a hypothetical 10% adverse change in foreign currency exchange rates relative to non-functional currency balances of monetary instruments, to the extent not hedged by derivative instruments, would not have a material impact on profitability over an entire year.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

(a) Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures.

We maintain controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports that are filed or submitted under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in the rules and forms of the Securities and Exchange Commission and that such information is accumulated and communicated to management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Based upon their evaluation of those controls and procedures performed as of December 31, 2016, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

(b) Changes in internal control over financial reporting.

There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the quarter ended December 31, 2016 that have materially affected, or that are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

We may, from time to time, be involved in legal proceedings arising in the normal course of business. Other than proceedings incidental to our business, we are not a party to, nor is any of our property the subject of, any material pending legal proceedings and no such proceedings are, to our knowledge, threatened against us.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

We are subject to various risks and uncertainties in the course of our business. A comprehensive disclosure of risk factors related to Kimball Electronics can be found in our Annual Report on Form 10-K. There have been no material changes to the risk factors disclosed in our Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2016.

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

The following table contains information about our purchases of equity securities during the three months ended December 31, 2016.

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plan	Maximum Dollar Value of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plan ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾
October 1, 2016 - October 31, 2016	457,285	\$ 13.88	457,285	\$ 14,075,549
November 1, 2016 - November 30, 2016	71,577	\$ 14.03	71,577	\$ 13,071,473
December 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016	—	\$ —	—	\$ 13,071,473
Total	<u>528,862</u>	\$ 13.90	<u>528,862</u>	

(1) On October 21, 2015, our Board of Directors approved an 18-month stock repurchase plan (the “Plan”), authorizing the repurchase of up to \$20 million worth of our common stock.

(2) On September 29, 2016, the Board extended the Plan to allow the repurchase of up to an additional \$20 million worth of common stock with no expiration date.

Item 6. Exhibits

Exhibits (numbered in accordance with Item 601 of Regulation S-K)

3.1	Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Company (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Form 8-K/A filed October 23, 2014, File No. 001-36454)
3.2	Amended and Restated By-laws of the Company (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Company's Form 8-K filed October 26, 2015, File No. 001-36454)
31.1 ⁺	Certification filed by Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
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101.PRE ⁺	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document

⁺ Filed herewith

[^] In accordance with Item 601(b)(32)(ii) of Regulation S-K, the certifications furnished in Exhibit 32.1 and 32.2 will not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act. Such certifications will not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, except to the extent that the registrant specifically incorporates it by reference.

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.

KIMBALL ELECTRONICS, INC.

By: /s/ DONALD D. CHARRON

Donald D. Charron
Chairman of the Board,
Chief Executive Officer
February 2, 2017

By: /s/ MICHAEL K. SERGESKETTER

Michael K. Sergesketter
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Chief Financial Officer
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Exhibit 31.1

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
RULE 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a),
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Donald D. Charron, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Kimball Electronics, Inc.;
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 officer 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 (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) 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 officer 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 the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (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: February 2, 2017

/s/ DONALD D. CHARRON

DONALD D. CHARRON
Chairman of the Board,
Chief Executive Officer

Exhibit 31.2

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
RULE 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a),
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Michael K. Sergesketter, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Kimball Electronics, Inc.;
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 officer 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 (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) 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 officer 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 the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (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: February 2, 2017

/s/ MICHAEL K. SERGESKETTER

MICHAEL K. SERGESKETTER
Vice President,
Chief Financial Officer

Exhibit 32.1

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Kimball Electronics, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended December 31, 2016 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Donald D. Charron, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) 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 Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: February 2, 2017

/s/ DONALD D. CHARRON

DONALD D. CHARRON
Chairman of the Board,
Chief Executive Officer

Exhibit 32.2

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Kimball Electronics, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended December 31, 2016 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Michael K. Sergesketter, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) 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 Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: February 2, 2017

/s/ MICHAEL K. SERGESKETTER

MICHAEL K. SERGESKETTER
Vice President,
Chief Financial Officer

