

News Digest

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fabricator and distributor of doors, frames and hardware to commercial contractors for the office build-out market.

US LBM Holdings LLC, Green Bay, WI, has acquired **Samuel Feldman Lumber Co.**, Brooklyn, NY.

Builders FirstSource Inc., Dallas, TX, has acquired **Truss Rite LLC**, Sherman, TX.

ABC Supply Co. Inc., Beloit, WI, opened its first North Dakota location in Fargo.

BlueLinx Holdings Inc., Atlanta, GA, reported sales for the second quarter of \$531.5 million, a decrease of 12 percent compared to the same period a year ago. Profit was \$3.2 million, compared to a year-ago net loss of \$22.3 million. For the first six months, sales were \$975.4 million, down 11.9 percent from the same period a year ago. Net loss was \$5.4 million, compared with a year-ago loss of \$35 million.

Beacon Roofing Supply Inc., Peabody, MA, reported sales for the fiscal third quarter ended June 30 of \$663.4 million, a 5.8 percent increase over the same period a year ago. Organic sales increased 1.5 percent. Profit decreased 1.3 per-

cent to \$26.8 million. For the first nine months, sales were \$1.6 billion, up 2.7 percent over the same period a year ago. Profit was \$29.6 million, down 34.4 percent year-over-year.

NOW Inc., Houston, TX, reported sales for the second quarter of \$952 million, down 11 percent year-over-year. Profit decreased 18.2 percent to \$27 million. Year-to-date sales were \$2 billion, down 5.3 percent over the prior-year period. Profit decreased 8.1 percent to \$68 million.

VWR Funding Inc., the parent company of laboratory supplies and equipment distributor **VWR International**, Radnor, PA, reported second-quarter sales of \$1.1 billion, a year-over-year increase of 5 percent. Profit for the period was \$16.6 million, compared to a year-ago loss of \$3.6 million. For the first six months of 2014, sales were \$2.2 billion, up 4 percent year-over-year. Profit grew 84 percent to \$34 million.

Park-Ohio Holdings Corp., Cleveland, OH, reported sales for the second quarter of \$343.3 million, an 11.7 percent increase over the same period a year ago. Profit increased 3 percent to \$12.4 million. For the first six months, sales were \$661.1 million, up 12 percent over the same period a year ago. Profit was \$22.5 million, up

Calculation of MDM Inflation Index for July 2014

	BLS	BLS	BLS		Weighted	%	%	
	Price	Price	Price	%	Indices	Change	Change	
	Indices	Indices	Indices	Sales	July '14	July '14	July '14	
	July '14	June '14	July '13	Weight	(1)X(4)	June '14	July '13	
1136	Abr. Prod.	572.9	573.8	562.2	19.1	109.43	-0.16	1.90
1135	Cutting Tools	495.1	497.8	488.3	18.9	93.58	-0.54	1.39
1145	Power Trans.	804.1	802.0	800.7	15.4	123.84	0.27	0.43
1081	Fasteners	510.7	508.5	504.7	9.0	45.96	0.42	1.18
1149.01	Valves, etc.	962.9	962.4	933.8	7.6	73.18	0.05	3.12
1132	Power Tools	361.8	361.8	355.6	6.5	23.52	0.00	1.74
1144	Mat. Handling	582.0	582.0	567.1	6.2	36.08	0.00	2.63
0713.03	Belting	839.2	836.9	859.8	6.1	51.19	0.27	-2.40
1042	Hand Tools	778.8	777.5	777.5	8.1	63.08	0.18	0.18
108	Misc. Metal	480.0	478.3	476.6	3.1	14.88	0.35	0.71

"New" July Index	331.6	July Inflation Index	634.74	0.03	1.10
"New" June Index	331.5	June Inflation Index	634.55		
		July 2013 Inflation Index	627.85		

New index reflects 1977-100 base other #: 1967 To convert multiply by .52247