## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

(Mark One)

[X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended JUNE 30, 1999

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

For the transition period from.....to.....to....

Commission file number 1-225

KIMBERLY-CLARK CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

39-0394230 (I.R.S. -Employer Identification No.)

P. O. BOX 619100
DALLAS, TEXAS
75261-9100
(Address of principal executive offices)
(Zip Code)

(972) 281-1200 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

NO CHANGE

(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 X. No

AS OF AUGUST 9, 1999, 532,778,476 SHARES OF THE CORPORATION'S COMMON STOCK WERE OUTSTANDING.

SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL AND ACCOUNTING DEVELOPMENTS

On December 15, 1998, Kimberly-Clark Corporation ("Kimberly-Clark" or the "Corporation") filed a Registration Statement on Form S-3 (the "Form S-3") with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). The Form S-3 related to the shelf registration of \$500 million of debt securities to be issued by Kimberly-Clark from time to time.

On January 29, 1999 and February 2, 1999, Kimberly-Clark received from the SEC's Division of Corporation Finance (the "Division") a number of legal and accounting comments, respectively, with respect to the Form S-3. On March 12, 1999, Kimberly-Clark responded to each set of comments and filed a Current Report on Form 8-K to report its audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 1998, the related notes and management's discussion and analysis with respect thereto.

On March 26, 1999, Kimberly-Clark filed its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1998. On May 12, 1999, Kimberly-Clark filed its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended March 31, 1999 (the "1999 First Quarter Form 10-Q").

From April through early July 1999, representatives of Kimberly-Clark and the Division engaged in an extensive dialogue concerning specific accounting

comments that the Division had raised. The primary focus of the comments related to the restructuring and other charges that Kimberly-Clark had previously recorded in connection with its 1995 merger with Scott Paper Company ("Scott"), its 1997 restructuring plan and its 1998 facilities consolidation plan.

Following these discussions, Kimberly-Clark management concluded that it would recommend to the Board of Directors that there should be a restatement of the Corporation's 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998 and first quarter 1999 financial statements and related disclosures (the "Restatement"). On July 20, 1999, the Kimberly-Clark Board of Directors authorized the Restatement and, on July 21, 1999, the Corporation issued a press release to that effect. On August 5, 1999, the Board of Directors approved the restated financial statements reflected in the Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 1998 and the related Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q/A for the period ended March 31, 1999. On August 6, 1999, the Corporation filed the Form 10-K/A and Form 10-Q/A referred to above.

This Form 10-Q contains the Corporation's restated financial statements for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1998 which reflect, among other things and to the extent applicable, the following changes:

- The effects of changes in estimates to restructuring and other unusual charges and facility closure charges have been recorded in the periods when estimates for individual programs included in the applicable plan changed. In prior presentations, on an aggregate basis, the changes in estimates were either reallocated to other components of each such plan or were returned to earnings at the time aggregate amounts were identified as being in excess of the then current estimate to complete each plan;
- - Certain assets that were to be disposed of but which were not immediately removed from operations have been depreciated on an accelerated basis over their remaining useful life. In prior presentations, these assets had been written down to estimated fair value as of the date such assets were expected to be removed from service, assuming continuation of normal depreciation until the estimated date of removal; and

- An energy contract termination penalty of \$24.3 million has been recorded in the second quarter of 1998 in connection with the planned closure of the Corporation's pulp mill in Mobile, Alabama. The Corporation had originally intended to record this charge in the third quarter of 1999 when the entire integrated pulp operation is to be disposed of, including the related sale of the associated woodlands operations, with a net gain resulting from the overall transaction. The Corporation continues to expect a net gain on the overall transaction.

The principal effects of these items on the accompanying income statements are presented in Note 8 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

# CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT KIMBERLY-CLARK CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

	Three Ended	e Months June 30		Months June 30
(Millions of dollars, except per share amounts)	1999	1998	1999	1998
		(As Restated - See Note 8)		(As Restated - See Note 8)
NET SALES	\$3,148.6 1,851.6	\$3,041.3 1,915.2	\$6,273.8 3,703.5	\$6,089.9 3,851.2
GROSS PROFIT	1,297.0 517.6 62.2 166.8 10.2 (1.4)	1,126.1 491.5 54.8 169.8 9.0 8.6	2,570.3 1,024.8 117.0 316.9 17.0 1.5	2,238.7 986.4 107.7 320.2 16.8 32.0
OPERATING PROFIT	541.6 5.2 (54.6) 27.7	392.4 5.5 (48.9) 7.7	1,093.1 11.2 (108.1) 20.8	775.6 14.1 (97.1) 7.4
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	519.9 165.8	356.7 121.3	1,017.0 327.0	700.0 229.6
INCOME BEFORE EQUITY INTERESTS	354.1 46.9 (9.9)	235.4 33.6 (6.1)	690.0 90.5 (14.8)	470.4 62.9 (12.5)
INCOME BEFORE CUMULATIVE EFFECT OF ACCOUNTING CHANGE  Cumulative effect of accounting change, net of income taxes	391.1	262.9	765.7 -	520.8 (11.2)
NET INCOME	\$ 391.1 =======	\$ 262.9 ======	\$ 765.7 =======	\$ 509.6
PER SHARE BASIS:				
BASIC: Income before cumulative effect of accounting change Cumulative effect of accounting change, net of income taxes	\$ .73	\$ .47	\$ 1.43	\$ .94
Net income	\$ .73 ======	\$ .47 ======	\$ 1.43 =======	\$ .92 =======
DILUTED: Income before cumulative effect of accounting change Cumulative effect of accounting change, net of income taxes	\$ .73	\$ .47	\$ 1.42	\$ .93
Net income	\$ .73 =======	\$ .47 ======	\$ 1.42 =======	\$ .91 ========
CASH DIVIDENDS DECLARED	\$ .26	\$ .25	\$ .52	\$ .50

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET KIMBERLY-CLARK CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

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(Millions of dollars)	1999	December 31, 1998
ASSETS CURRENT ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	1,501.5 1,257.5 400.4	\$ 144.0 1,465.2 1,283.8 492.8
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	3,333.9	3,385.8
PROPERTY	10,780.2 4,586.8	10,560.0 4,561.9
NET PROPERTY	6,193.4	5,998.1
INVESTMENTS IN EQUITY COMPANIES	842.5	813.1
ASSETS HELD FOR SALE	96.1	109.5
GOODWILL, DEFERRED CHARGES AND OTHER ASSETS	1,622.4	1,381.3
		\$11,687.8 ======
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
CURRENT LIABILITIES  Debt payable within one year		1,003.2 1,419.1 706.4
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	3,980.7	3,764.1
LONG-TERM DEBT	2,110.9	2,068.2
NONCURRENT EMPLOYEE BENEFIT AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS.	902.6	899.9
DEFERRED INCOME TAXES	794.1	721.6
MINORITY OWNERS' INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES	223.9	202.5
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	4,076.1	4,031.5
	\$12,088.3 ======	\$11,687.8 ======

### Unaudited

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

# CONDENSED CASH FLOW STATEMENT KIMBERLY-CLARK CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

		onths June 30
(Millions of dollars)	1999	1998
		(As Restated - See Note 8)
OPERATIONS		
Net income	\$ 765.7 -	\$ 509.6 11.2
Restructuring and other unusual charges	1.5	32.0
Other charges	-	
Mobile pulp mill fees and severances	9.0	
Depreciation		306.4
Goodwill amortization	17.0	16.8
Changes in operating working capital	(144.0)	(37.9) (23.6)
Pension funding in excess of expense		
Other	19.9	30.2
CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATIONS	938.5	
INVESTING		
Capital spending	(350 0)	(330.6)
Acquisitions of businesses, net of cash acquired		(269.8)
Disposals of property and businesses		32.9
Other		(17.8)
CASH USED FOR INVESTING		(585.3)
FINANCING		
Cash dividends paid	(274.6)	(270.7)
Changes in debt payable within one year	404.4	147.1
Increases in long-term debt	23.6	228.8
Decreases in long-term debt	(40.0)	(288.3)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	37.0	24.6
Acquisitions of common stock for the treasury	(359.5)	(160.9)
Other	11.0	(11.8)
CASH USED FOR FINANCING	(198.1)	(331.2)
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INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		\$ (11.9) ======
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#### Unaudited

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS KIMBERLY-CLARK CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

- 1. The unaudited consolidated financial statements of Kimberly-Clark Corporation (the "Corporation") have been prepared on the same basis as those in the Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 1998, and include all adjustments necessary to present fairly the condensed consolidated balance sheet, consolidated results of operations and condensed consolidated cash flow statements for the periods indicated.
- 2. The Corporation has undertaken a number of actions in recent years to address ongoing business competitiveness by improving its operating efficiency and cost structure. Certain of these programs affect the financial statements for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1999 and 1998 as follows.
  - In the fourth quarter of 1998, the Corporation announced a facilities consolidation plan to, among other things, further align tissue manufacturing capacity with demand in Europe, close a diaper manufacturing facility in Canada, shut down and dispose of a tissue machine in Thailand and write down certain excess feminine care production equipment in North America. Certain assets, primarily a tissue manufacturing facility in the United Kingdom, which will remain in use until its expected shutdown in October 2000, became subject to accelerated depreciation, some of which was recorded in the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1999.
  - In the fourth quarter of 1997, the Corporation announced a plan to restructure its worldwide operations. Certain assets that were to be disposed of, but remained or will remain in use until disposed of in 1999 and 2000, became subject to accelerated depreciation, some of which was recorded in the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1999 and 1998.
  - An energy contract termination penalty of \$24.3 million has been recorded in the second quarter of 1998 in connection with the planned closure of the Corporation's pulp mill in Mobile, Alabama. In the second quarter of 1999, the Corporation recorded employee severance costs of \$9.0 million for employee terminations related to the associated woodlands operations when such employee severances and benefits were appropriately communicated. The Corporation had originally intended to record these charges in the third quarter of 1999 when the entire integrated pulp operation is to be disposed of, including the related sale of the associated woodlands operations, with a net gain resulting from the overall transaction. The Corporation continues to expect a net gain on the overall transactions.

The accelerated depreciation adjustments, the Mobile pulp mill fees and the associated employee severance costs described above, and other less significant adjustments related to the described plans, were charged to earnings in the following income statement categories for the periods indicated.

		Quarter June 30		Months June 30
(Millions of dollars)	1999	1998	1999	1998
Cost of products sold	1.4	\$69.6 - 8.6	\$33.3 2.8 1.5	\$118.0 - 32.0
Total charges	\$14.8 =====	\$78.2 =====	\$37.6 =====	\$150.0 =====

3. There are no adjustments required to be made to Income Before Extraordinary Gains for purposes of computing basic and diluted earnings per share ("EPS"). A reconciliation of the average number of common shares outstanding used in the basic and diluted EPS computations is as follows:

	Average	Common Sh	nares Outs	tanding
		Quarter Ine 30		
(Millions)	1999	1998	1999	1998
Basic	. 532.3	556.2	534.1	556.4
Dilutive effect of stock options	. 3.5	2.5	2.8	2.7
Dilutive effect of deferred compensation plan shares	1	-	.1	-
Dilutive effect of shares issued for participation share awards	4	. 4	. 4	. 4
Diluted	. 536.3	559.1 =====	537.4 =====	559.5 =====

There were no options outstanding during the second quarter ended June 30, 1999 which were not included in the computation of diluted EPS. Options outstanding during the six months ended June 30, 1999 to purchase 2.9 million shares of common stock at a weighted average price of \$55.94 per share were not included in the computation of diluted EPS because the exercise prices of the options were greater than the average market price of the common shares. The options, which expire in 2008, were still outstanding at June 30, 1999.

Options outstanding during the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1998 to purchase 9.3 million and 6.4 million shares of common stock, respectively, at a weighted average price of \$52.73 and \$53.93 per share, respectively, were not included in the computation of diluted EPS because the exercise price of the options were greater than the average market price of the common shares.

The number of common shares outstanding at June 30, 1999 and 1998 was 532.6 million and 554.2 million, respectively.

4. The following schedule details inventories by major class as of June 30, 1999 and December 31, 1998:

(Millions of dollars)	JUNE 30, 1999 	December 31, 1998 
At lower of cost on the First-In, First-Out (FIFO) method or market: Raw materials	161.9 738.4	164.2
	1,440.1	1,466.4
Excess of FIFO over Last-In, First-Out (LIFO) cost	(182.6)	(182.6)
Total	\$1,257.5 ======	\$1,283.8 ======

5. The following schedule provides the detail of comprehensive income:

	Six	Months	Ended	June	30
(Millions of dollars)		1999	1998	3 3	
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Net Income		\$ 765.7	\$509	. 6	
Unrealized currency translation adjustmen	its	(135.3)	(44	.1)	
Comprehensive income		\$ 630.4	\$465	. 5	

6. The following schedule presents information concerning consolidated operations by business segment:

	Second Quarter Ended June 30	Ended June 30
(Millions of dollars)	1999 1998	
NET SALES:		
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Tissue	1,292.7 1,164.8	2,489.1 2,266.7
Intersegment sales	(6.2) (6.6)	(14.1) (16.2)
Consolidated	\$3,148.6 \$3,041.3 ========	
OPERATING PROFIT (reconciled to income before income taxes):		
Tissue	264.9 179.0	497.2 315.1
Unallocated items - net	(23.8) (22.8)	(35.8) (48.3)
Total Operating Profit	541.6 392.4	1,093.1 775.6
<pre>Interest income</pre>	(54.6) (48.9)	11.2 14.1 (108.1) (97.1) 20.8 7.4
Income Before Income Taxes	\$ 519.9 \$ 356.7 ========	. ,

#### Description of Business Segments:

The Tissue segment manufactures and markets facial and bathroom tissue, paper towels and wipers for household and away-from-home use; wet wipes; printing, premium business and correspondence papers; and related products.

The Personal Care segment manufactures and markets disposable diapers; training and youth pants; feminine and incontinence care products; and related products.

The Health Care and Other segment manufactures and markets health care products such as surgical packs and gowns, sterilization wraps and disposable face masks; specialty and technical papers and related products; and other products.

7. Other income and expense in the second quarter of 1999 included nonoperating credits of \$23 million, equivalent to \$.03 per share, of which approximately \$9 million was attributable to a gain on the sale of the Corporation's pulp mill in Miranda, Spain.

#### 8. Restatement

Subsequent to the issuance of the Corporation's 1998 financial statements and the filing of its 1998 Form 10-K with the SEC, and following extensive discussions with representatives of the Division concerning its review of the Corporation's financial statements, Kimberly-Clark concluded that it would restate its 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998 and first quarter 1999 financial statements and related disclosures. The accompanying consolidated income statements for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1998 present restated results to reflect, among other things and to the extent applicable, the following changes:

- The effects of changes in estimates to restructuring and other unusual charges and facility closure charges have been recorded in the periods when estimates for individual programs included in the applicable plan changed. In prior presentations, on an aggregate basis, the changes in estimates were either reallocated to other components of each such plan or were returned to earnings at the time aggregate amounts were identified as being in excess of the then current estimate to complete each plan.
- Certain assets that were to be disposed of but which were not immediately removed from operations have been depreciated on an accelerated basis over their remaining useful life. In prior presentations, these assets had been written down to estimated fair value as of the date such assets were expected to be removed from service, assuming continuation of normal depreciation until the estimated date of removal.
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A comparison of the restated and previously reported income statements for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1998 follows:

Consolidated Income Statements Three Months Six Months Ended June 30, 1998 Ended June 30, 1998 -----As AS AS

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(Millions of dollars, except per share amounts) Restated Reported Restated Reported 1,126.1 1,193.8 2,238.7 491.5 491.5 2,358.3 986.4 491.5 491.5 986.4 54.8 54.8 107.7 Advertising, promotion and selling expenses. . . . 107.7 169.8 169.8 320.2 320.2 9.0 9.0 16.8 16.8 8.6 33.3 32.0 47.5 Restructuring and other unusual charges. . . . . . 392.4 435.4 775.6 5.5 5.5 14.1 (48.9) (48.9) (97.1) 7.7 7.7 7.4 879.7 14.1 Interest expense . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . (97.1)(91.1, 7.4 7.4 Other income (expense), net. . . . . . . . . . . . 356.7 399.7 700.0 804.1 121.3 127.0 229.6 256.6 INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Provision for income taxes . . . . . . . . . . . . INCOME BEFORE EQUITY INTERESTS . . . . . . . . . . . . 235.4 272.7 470.4 547.5 Share of net income of equity companies. . . . . . 33.6 33.6 62.9 62.9 (6.1) (6.2) (12.5) (12.7) Minority owners' share of subsidiaries' net income INCOME BEFORE CUMULATIVE EFFECT OF ACCOUNTING 300.1 262.9 520.8 597.7 Cumulative effect of accounting change, net of (11.2) income taxes . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . (11.2)..... ======== \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ PER SHARE BASIS: BASIC: Income before cumulative effect of accounting .47 \$ .54 \$ .94 1.07 Cumulative effect of accounting change, net of (.02) (.02)---------------.54 \$ .92 . 47 \$ \$ 1.05 DILUTED: Income before cumulative effect of accounting \$ .54 \$ .93 1.07 Cumulative effect of accounting change, net of income taxes . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . (.02)(.02)------\$ .47 \$ .54 \$ .91 \$ 1.05 

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### ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS.

Management believes that the following commentary and tables appropriately discuss and analyze the comparative results of operations and the financial condition of the Corporation for the periods covered.

#### Restatement

Subsequent to the issuance of the Corporation's 1998 financial statements and the filing of its 1998 Form 10-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), and following extensive discussions with representatives of the SEC's Division of Corporation Finance concerning its review of the Corporation's financial statements, Kimberly-Clark concluded that it would restate its 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998 and first quarter 1999 financial statements and related disclosures (the "Restatement"). Additional information concerning the Restatement is contained in "Significant Financial and Accounting Developments" contained elsewhere in this Form 10-Q.

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements as of and for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1999 and 1998.

#### Business Improvement and Other Programs

The Corporation has undertaken a number of actions in recent years to address ongoing business competitiveness by improving its operating efficiency and cost structure. Certain of these programs affect the financial statements for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1999 and 1998 as follows.

- In the fourth quarter of 1998, the Corporation announced a facilities consolidation plan to, among other things, further align tissue manufacturing capacity with demand in Europe, close a diaper manufacturing facility in Canada, shut down and dispose of a tissue machine in Thailand and write down certain excess feminine care production equipment in North America. Certain assets, primarily a tissue manufacturing facility in the United Kingdom, which will remain in use until its expected shutdown in October 2000, became subject to accelerated depreciation, some of which was recorded in the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1999.
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The accelerated depreciation adjustments, the Mobile pulp mill fees and the associated employee severance costs described above, and other less significant adjustments related to the described plans, were charged to earnings in the following income statement categories for the periods indicated.

	Second ( Ended Ju				)
(Millions of dollars)	1999		1999		
Cost of products sold	1.4	-	2.8	-	
Total charges	\$14.8 =====	\$78.2 =====	\$37.6 =====	\$150.0 =====	

#### RESULTS OF OPERATIONS:

For purposes of this Management's Discussion and Analysis, and in order to facilitate a meaningful discussion of the ongoing operations of the Corporation, the charges described in the "Business Improvement and Other Programs" section above are considered to be unusual items ("Unusual Items") and have been excluded from operating profit in the "Excluding Unusual Items" columns in the following Operating Profit tables.

#### SECOND QUARTER OF 1999 COMPARED WITH SECOND QUARTER OF 1998

By Business Segment (Millions of dollars)

NET SALES	1999	1998
Tissue	\$1,629.9	\$1,606.1
Personal Care	1,292.7	1,164.8
Health Care and Other	232.2	277.0
Intersegment Sales	(6.2)	(6.6)
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Consolidated	\$3,148.6	\$3,041.3

	1999		199	98
OPERATING PROFIT	AS	EXCLUDING	As	Excluding
	REPORTED	UNUSUAL ITEMS	Restated	Unusual Items
Tissue	\$253.4	\$262.3	\$192.5	\$261.4
	264.9	270.6	179.0	190.6
	47.1	47.3	43.7	46.7
	(23.8)	(23.8)	(22.8)	(28.1)
Consolidated	\$541.6	\$556.4	\$392.4	\$470.6
	======	======	======	======

Note: Unallocated items - net, consists of expenses not associated with

the business segments.

#### Commentary:

Consolidated net sales for the quarter were 3.5 percent higher than in 1998; however, excluding the revenues of K-C Aviation Inc. ("KCA"), which was sold in the third quarter of 1998, net sales increased 5.4 percent. Excluding the net sales of KCA, worldwide sales volumes were approximately 6 percent higher, while changes in foreign currency exchange rates reduced net sales by approximately 1 percent.

- Worldwide sales of tissue products for the quarter increased 1.5 percent, on a 2 percent increase in sales volumes, with gains in North America for both consumer and away-from-home products. A portion of the sales gain is attributable to operations in Colombia, in which the Corporation made an additional investment in late 1998 to gain majority ownership of certain equity companies (the "Colombian Investment"). Sales of tissue products in Europe were somewhat lower primarily due to competitive conditions and currency effects.
- Worldwide sales of personal care products increased 11.0 percent from the second quarter of 1998. Personal care product sales volumes were approximately 12 percent higher, led by increased shipments of Huggies diapers in North America, Europe and Asia and strong double-digit growth of Depend and Poise incontinence products in North America. A portion of the increased sales and volumes in Latin America is attributable to the Colombian Investment.
- Excluding the revenues of KCA, worldwide sales of health care and other products rose 4.7 percent primarily because of continued growth in sales of professional health care products.

Excluding the Unusual Items, second quarter operating profit was 18.2 percent higher in 1999, and operating profit as a percentage of sales increased from 15.5 percent in 1998 to 17.7 percent in 1999. The increase in sales, along with productivity gains and other manufacturing cost benefits, contributed to the improved profitability, more than offsetting significant incremental investment in production start-up and marketing costs for new Kleenex Cottonelle bathroom tissue and improved Scott towels in North America.

- The increase in operating profit for the worldwide personal care segment was primarily due to the increase in unit sales volumes, selling price increases and manufacturing cost reductions.
- Excluding the operating results of KCA, operating profit for the health care and other segment increased 15.6 percent primarily due to the increased sales volumes and productivity gains in professional health care.

By Geography (Millions of dollars)

NET SALES	1999	1998
North America Outside North America	\$2,145.1 1,077.4	\$2,084.4 1,025.3
Intergeographic Sales	(73.9)	(68.4)
Consolidated	\$3,148.6 ======	\$3,041.3 ======

	1999		1998	3
OPERATING PROFIT	AS	EXCLUDING	As	Excluding
	REPORTED	UNUSUAL ITEMS	Restated	Unusual Items
North America	\$470.6	\$480.7	\$381.7	\$426.8
Outside North America .	94.8	99.5	33.5	71.9
Unallocated items - net	(23.8)	(23.8)	(22.8)	(28.1)
Consolidated	\$541.6	\$556.4	\$392.4	\$470.6

Note: Unallocated items - net, consists of expenses not associated with the geographic areas.

#### Commentary:

- - Excluding the revenues of KCA, net sales in North America increased 5.7 percent due to the increased sales volumes for personal care products.
- - Net sales outside North America increased due, in part, to the Colombian Investment and higher sales in Asia.
- - Excluding the Unusual Items, operating profit in North America increased 12.6 percent, due primarily to the increased sales volumes and manufacturing cost benefits for personal care products.
- - Excluding the Unusual Items, operating profit outside North America increased 38.4 percent. This increase was due to improvement in Europe from lower manufacturing and marketing costs and improvements in Asia.

#### Additional Income Statement Commentary:

- - The increase in interest expense was primarily due to an increase in the level of debt.
- Other income and expense in the second quarter of 1999 includes nonoperating credits of \$23 million, equivalent to 3 cents per share, of which approximately \$9 million was attributable to a gain on the sale of the company's pulp mill in Miranda, Spain.
- The effective income tax rate was 31.9 percent compared to 34.0 percent last year. Excluding the Unusual Items and the nonoperating credits, the effective income tax rate was 32.0 percent compared to 31.9 percent last year. The effective tax rate, excluding the Unusual Items and the nonoperating credits, is expected to be between 32.0 percent and 32.5 percent for 1999.
- The Corporation's share of net income of equity companies increased 39.6 percent from 1998. This increase was primarily attributable to higher earnings of Kimberly-Clark de Mexico, S.A. de C.V. due to increased selling prices and higher sales volumes.
- Net income was \$.73 per share in 1999 compared with \$.47 per share in 1998, an increase of 55.3 percent. Excluding the Unusual Items and the nonoperating credits, earnings per share from operations were \$.72 per share in 1999 compared with \$.58 per share in 1998, an increase of 24.1 percent.

FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 1999 COMPARED WITH FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 1998

# By Business Segment (Millions of dollars)

NET SALES	1999	1998
Tissue	\$3,337.9	\$3,301.1
Personal Care	2,489.1	2,266.7
Health Care and Other	460.9	538.3
Intersegment Sales	(14.1)	(16.2)
Consolidated	\$6,273.8 =======	\$6,089.9 ======

	1999		1998	
OPERATING PROFIT	AS	EXCLUDING	As	Excluding
	REPORTED	UNUSUAL ITEMS	Restated	Unusual Items
Tissue	\$ 537.9	\$ 559.6	\$428.0	\$528.6
	497.2	512.2	315.1	361.7
	93.8	94.9	80.8	88.1
	(35.8)	(36.0)	(48.3)	(52.8)
Consolidated	\$1,093.1	\$1,130.7	\$775.6	\$925.6
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Note: Unallocated items - net, consists of expenses not associated with the business segments.

#### Commentary:

Consolidated net sales for the first six months were 3.0 percent higher than in 1998; however, excluding the revenues of KCA, net sales increased 4.7 percent. Excluding the net sales of KCA, worldwide sales volumes were 5 percent higher.

- - Worldwide sales of personal care products increased 9.8 percent from the first six months of 1998. Personal care products sales volumes were nearly 11 percent higher, with increases in all product categories in North America, and improvement in Latin America and Asia. Nearly all of the volume increase in Latin America is attributable to the Colombian Investment.
- - Excluding the revenues of KCA, worldwide sales of health care and other products were 4.9 percent higher primarily because of continued growth in sales of professional health care products.

Excluding the Unusual Items, the first six months operating profit was 22.2 percent higher in 1999, and operating profit as a percentage of sales increased from 15.2 percent in 1998 to 18.0 percent in 1999.

- The increase in operating profit for the worldwide tissue segment was primarily due to productivity gains, increased sales volumes and manufacturing cost benefits more than offsetting an increase in marketing expenses.
- - The increase in operating profit for the worldwide personal care segment was primarily due to the increase in unit sales volumes and manufacturing cost reductions.
- Excluding the operating results of KCA, operating profit for the health care and other segment increased 19.4 percent primarily due to the increased sales volumes and productivity gains in professional health care.

# By Geography (Millions of dollars)

NET SALES	1999	1998
North America Outside North America Intergeographic Sales	\$4,242.7 2,166.2 (135.1)	\$4,184.7 2,044.1 (138.9)
Consolidated	\$6,273.8 ======	\$6,089.9 ======

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REPORTED UNUSUAL ITEMS Restated Unusual Items OPERATING PROFIT - -----North America . . . . \$ 939.5 \$ 965.7 \$740.7 Outside North America . 189.4 201.0 83.2 Unallocated items - net (35.8) (36.0) (48.3) \$839.9 138.5 (52.8) \$1,130.7 \$775.6 \$925.6 ====== === Consolidated. . . . . \$1,093.1 , 555.1 ====== \_\_, \_\_ou . / ========

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Note: Unallocated items - net, consists of expenses not associated with the geographic areas.

1999

- Excluding the revenues of KCA, 1999 net sales for North America increased 3.8 percent compared with the prior year.
- - The increase in net sales outside North America is primarily attributable to higher sales volumes in Asia and Latin America, which benefited from the Colombian Investment.

#### Additional Income Statement Commentary:

- - The increase in interest expense is attributable to higher average debt levels.
- - The Corporation's share of net income of equity companies increased 43.9 percent. The increase was primarily attributable to higher earnings of Kimberly-Clark de Mexico, S.A. de C.V. due to increased selling prices and higher sales volumes. In 1998, a charge of \$3.8 million, or \$.01 per share, related to the change in value of the Mexican peso was recorded against the first six months earnings.
- The Corporation adopted Statement of Position 98-5, Reporting on the Costs of Start-up Activities, effective January 1, 1998, and recorded a pretax charge of \$17.8 million, \$11.2 million after taxes, or \$.02 per share, as the cumulative effect of this accounting change. This change had no material effect on total costs and expenses for 1998.
- - Net income was \$1.43 per share in 1999 compared with \$.92 per share in 1998, an increase of 55.4 percent. Excluding the Unusual Items, the nonoperating credits, the charge for the devaluation of the peso and the cumulative effect of the accounting change for start-up costs, earnings from operations were \$1.45 per share for the first six months of 1999 compared with \$1.14 per share in 1998, an increase of 27.2 percent.

#### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

- Cash provided by operations in the first six months of 1999 increased by \$33.9 million compared with the first six months of 1998. A higher level of net income plus net noncash charges included in net income more than offset an increase in working capital.
- Accrued expenses associated with the Corporation's restructuring program announced in 1997 (the "1997 Plan") are summarized below:

First Six Months of 1999 -----

1997 Plan. . . . . . . \$111.0 \$(3.0) \$(54.2) \$53.8

The balance at June 30, 1999 is estimated to be adequate to complete the actions contemplated in the 1997 Plan. The activities involved in the 1997 Plan have not disrupted the Corporation's business operations to any significant extent. The principal benefits of the 1997 Plan have resulted in lower production costs and simplified manufacturing and sourcing strategies.

- At June 30, 1999, total debt was \$3.2 billion compared with \$2.7 billion at December 31, 1998. Net debt (total debt net of cash, cash equivalents and \$220 million of long-term notes receivable) was \$2.8 billion at June 30, 1999 compared with \$2.3 billion at December 31, 1998. The Corporation's ratio of net debt to capital was 39.5 percent at June 30, 1999 compared with 35.6 percent at December 31, 1998.
- Management believes that the Corporation's ability to generate cash from operations and its capacity to issue short-term and long-term debt are adequate to fund working capital, capital spending and other needs in the foreseeable future.
- On June 10, 1999, the Corporation purchased the European consumer and away-from-home tissue businesses of Attisholz Holding AG for approximately \$365 million. Such businesses are located in Germany, Switzerland and Austria.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

The Corporation has been named as a potentially responsible party at a number of waste disposal sites, none of which, individually or in the aggregate, in management's opinion, is likely to have a material adverse effect on its business or results of operations. Notwithstanding its opinion, management believes it appropriate to discuss the following matter concerning a site where the Corporation's estimated share of total site remediation costs, if any, cannot be established on the basis of currently available information:

- On June 28, 1999, the Corporation was notified by the State of Michigan Department of Environmental Quality of its status as a potentially liable party at the Sunrise Landfill in Wayland, Allegan County, Michigan. The Corporation currently lacks adequate information to make a determination as to the extent of its liability at the site.

#### "YEAR 2000" READINESS

Since 1995, the Corporation has been involved in a worldwide program to be "Year 2000" ready. The program involves reviews of major business, financial and other information systems, including equipment with embedded microprocessors; development of specific plans for modification or replacement of date-sensitive software or microprocessors; execution of such plans; and the testing of such systems to ensure their "Year 2000" readiness. Included within the scope of the program are contacts with key suppliers and customers to determine the extent of their "Year 2000" readiness in order to ensure a steady flow of goods and services to the Corporation and continuity with respect to customer service.

The Corporation's Crisis Management Program has been expanded, where necessary, to include contingency plans relating to possible "Year 2000" issues. This program includes, among other things, contingency plans and backup procedures to be followed in case of failure of production operations, the inability of major suppliers to fulfill their commitments, and the inability of major customers to submit orders and receive product.

Progress against the "Year 2000" readiness plan is monitored and reported to senior management and to the Corporation's board of directors or audit committee on a regular basis. As of June 30, 1999, management estimates that it has completed almost 90 percent of the work involved in modifying, replacing and testing the Corporation's major systems and microprocessors. Management has plans to have substantially all such work completed by September 30, 1999.

The total cost to ensure "Year 2000" readiness, which is primarily comprised of staff time and the cost of replacing certain computerized systems and microprocessors, is estimated to be approximately \$80 million. Management estimates that \$67 million has been incurred for this purpose as of June 30, 1999

Neither the "Year 2000" issue nor the financial effects of the reviews, modifications, replacements and testing are expected to have a material adverse effect on the Corporation's business or its consolidated financial position, results of operations, or cash flow.

Management believes that its "Year 2000" readiness program has encompassed all reasonable actions and contingency plans to avoid business interruptions resulting from "Year 2000" problems. The effect, if any, on the Corporation's future results of operations from the Corporation's major customers or suppliers not being "Year 2000" ready cannot be reasonably estimated. This latter risk is mitigated somewhat by the Corporation's broad base of customers and suppliers and the worldwide nature of the Corporation's operations.

#### INFORMATION CONCERNING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain information contained in this report is forward looking and is based on various assumptions. Such information includes, without limitation, anticipated financial and operating results, strategies, contingencies and contemplated transactions of the Corporation, including, but not limited to, the adequacy of the 1997 Plan, the anticipated sale of the Mobile woodlands operations, the Corporation's estimated effective tax rate for 1999, and the success of its "Year 2000" readiness program. These forward-looking statements are based upon management's expectations and beliefs concerning future events impacting the Corporation. There can be no assurance that such events will occur or that their effects on the Corporation will be as currently expected. For a description of certain factors that could cause the Corporation's future results to differ materially from those expressed in any such forward-looking statements, see the section of Part I, Item 1 of the Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 1998 entitled "Factors That May Affect Future Results."

#### PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K.

#### (a) Exhibits

- (3)a Restated Certificate of Incorporation, dated June 12, 1997, incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. (3)a of the Corporation's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 1997.
- (3)b By-Laws, as amended November 22, 1996, incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 4.2 of the Corporation's Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 6, 1996 (File No. 33-17367).
- (4) Copies of instruments defining the rights of holders of long-term debt will be furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission upon request.
- (27) The Financial Data Schedule required by Item 601(b)(27) of Regulation S-K has been included with the electronic filing of this Form 10-Q.
- (b) Reports on Form 8-K

Previously reported.

#### **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.

KIMBERLY-CLARK CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/ John W. Donehower

John W. Donehower Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (principal financial officer)

/s/ Randy J. Vest By:

Randy J. Vest Vice President and Controller (principal accounting officer)

August 11, 1999

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Items not disclosed since they are not required for interim reporting under regulation S-X, Article  $10\,$