

Pason Reports First Quarter 2019 Results

CALGARY, May 1, 2019 /CNW/ - Pason Systems Inc. (TSX:PSI) announced today its 2019 first quarter results.

Performance Data

Three Months Ended March, 31	2019	2018	Change
(CDN 000s, except per share data)	(\$)	(\$)	(%)
Revenue	82,143	73,813	11
EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	40,435	32,220	25
Adjusted EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	40,641	34,753	17
As a % of revenue	49.5	47.1	240bps
Funds flow from operations	35,899	33,958	6
Per share – basic	0.42	0.40	5
Per share – diluted	0.42	0.40	5
Cash from operating activities	8,442	24,344	(65)
Capital expenditures	10,317	5,797	78
Free cash flow ⁽¹⁾	385	18,906	(98)
Cash dividends declared	0.18	0.17	6
Net Income	19,044	12,359	54
Per share – basic	0.22	0.15	47
Per share – diluted	0.22	0.14	57
Total interest bearing debt	—	—	—
Shares outstanding end of period (#000's)	85,801	85,172	1

(1) Non-IFRS financial measures are defined in the Management's Discussion and Analysis section.

Current period amounts are in accordance with IFRS following the adoption of IFRS 16, Leases as discussed in Note 3 in the Consolidated Financial Statements. Prior periods have not been restated.

Q1 2019 vs Q1 2018

The Company generated consolidated revenue of \$82.1 million in the first quarter of 2019, an increase of 11% from the same period in 2018. In the US business unit, industry activity increased by 7% while market share increased to 61% from 60% in the prior year. In Canada, industry activity decreased by 32% while market share increased. The International business unit saw increases in activity in each of the Company's major markets.

Adjusted EBITDA increased to \$40.6 million in the first quarter, an increase of 17% from the same period in 2018. The increase in adjusted EBITDA was driven by the increase in activity in both the US and International business units, offset by a drop in Canadian gross profit and an increase in research and development expense.

Funds flow from operations increased to \$35.9 million in the first quarter, an increase of 6% from the same period in 2018. The increase is driven by the increase in adjusted EBITDA, offset by an increase in current tax expense as a result of the Company no longer having tax loss carry forwards to reduce current tax expense.

Cash from operating activities decreased to \$8.4 million in the first quarter of 2019, with the decrease attributable to:

- during the first quarter of 2019, the Company paid withholding tax owing to the CRA of \$15.3 million as part of the Bilateral Advanced Pricing Arrangement entered into with the CRA and the IRS. The Company will recover this amount from the IRS when its previous years US tax returns are reassessed.
- during the current quarter, the Company paid out the 2018 short term incentive plan. In prior years, the majority of this payment was made in the same year that it was earned.
- the increase in current income tax expense described above.

Free cash flow was significantly lower than the first quarter of 2018 due to the drop in cash from operating activities described above combined with an increase in capital expenditures in the US business unit.

The Company recorded net income of \$19.0 million (\$0.22 per share) in the first quarter of 2019, compared to net income of \$12.4 million (\$0.14 per share) recorded in the same period in 2018. Net income was positively impacted from the increased level of activity in the US and international markets, a smaller foreign exchange loss, offset by an increase in both stock-based compensation expense and research and development costs.

President's Message

Pason continues to perform well in all geographies, and we are pleased with our financial results in the first quarter of 2019. Pason generated revenue of \$82.1 million in the period, an increase of 11% compared to the same quarter last year. The main drivers of revenue growth were increased industry activity in the United States, higher activity levels in all Pason's international markets, and an increase in the penetration of new Drilling Intelligence products.

Adjusted EBITDA was \$40.6 million for the quarter, an increase of 17%. Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of revenue was 50% compared to 47% one year ago. The driver of this improvement was the increase in revenue with high incremental margins. Adjusted EBITDA was also positively impacted by the adoption of IFRS 16 (Leases) in the first quarter. Pason recorded net income for the quarter of \$19.0 million (\$0.22 per share) compared to \$12.4 million (\$0.15 per share) in the prior year quarter.

At March 31, 2019, our working capital position stood at \$258 million, including cash and cash equivalents of \$184 million. We are maintaining our quarterly dividend at \$0.18 share.

At the beginning of last year, we began reporting our revenue along five product categories to better reflect the changing nature of Pason's business as follows:

- **Drilling Data** contains all products and services associated with acquiring, displaying, storing, and delivering drilling data. Revenue in this segment increased 16% in the first quarter compared to the prior year period and accounted for 53% of our total revenue. The increase was driven by a 7% increase in total US land drilling activity and market share gains in both the United States and Canada, and partially offset by a 32% decline in Canadian drilling activity. Internationally, drilling activity increased in all major markets with the largest absolute increases in Australia and Argentina.
- **Mud Management & Safety** includes products such as the Pit Volume Totalizer, Smart Alarms, Gas Analyzer, Hazardous Gas Alarm, and the Electronic Choke Actuator. In the first quarter, Mud Management & Safety revenue increased 11% and generated 29% of total revenue.
- **Communications** includes satellite and terrestrial Internet bandwidth, Wireless Rigsite, VoIP and Intercom services and accounted for 7% of total revenue. Revenue in this segment is showing negative growth because of the transition from satellite to terrestrial bandwidth with lower pricing, while we share cost savings and provide a better user experience for our customers.
- **Drilling Intelligence** bundles Pason's product offerings targeted at enabling our customers' drilling optimization and automation efforts. It contains products such as autodrillers, abbl Directional Advisor®, the ExxonMobil Drilling Advisory System® and Pivot, a pipe oscillation system for improving slide drilling. Drilling Intelligence is our highest growth segment as revenue increased 30% in the first quarter compared to the prior year and accounted for 7% of our total revenue.
- **Analytics & Other** includes our Verdazo Discovery Analytics product suite, various reports, and other revenue streams. This segment is not as directly correlated to drilling activity, grew 14% and accounted for 4% of total revenue in the first quarter.

R&D and IT expenses, including deferred development costs, grew 13% in the first quarter compared to the prior year period. The drivers of this growth were additions to R&D staff and the ongoing transition to a more cloud-based IT infrastructure, which implies lower capital spending but higher operating costs in the IT space.

From a macro perspective, driven by a solid demand outlook and OPEC and Russia production cuts taking full effect, the oil market sentiments should steadily improve over the course of this year. There are clear signs that E&P investments are starting to normalize as the industry moves toward a more sustainable financial stewardship of the global resource base. This means that higher investments in the international markets are required simply to keep production flat, while North America land is set for somewhat lower investments.

We expect international drilling activity and rig counts to further increase in 2019. Conversely in North American land, we see lower capital spending relative to last year as companies aim to spend within cash flow, repair balance sheets and improve shareholder returns. We expect US land drilling activity and rig counts to trend down slightly from current levels before starting to increase again towards the end of this year. In Canada, infrastructure issues continue to weigh heavily on the outlook for the upstream sector. With drilling activity constrained by operator access to oil and gas markets, Canadian rig counts are expected to remain materially below last year's levels.

In this environment, we are prudently managing our fixed costs and maintaining flexibility for our plans for 2019, which gives us the means and confidence to address any activity scenario. Our capital expenditures will be relatively modest going forward with a larger portion of development efforts focused on software and analytics. We intend to spend up to \$30 million in capital expenditures in 2019. Our highly capable and flexible IT and communications platform can host additional new Pason and third-party software at the rigsite and in the cloud.

Our market positions remain strong, and we expect to be able to deliver growth through higher product adoption going forward. We are the service provider of choice for many leading operators and drilling contractors with Pason equipment installed on over 65% of all active land drilling rigs in the Western Hemisphere.

Marcel Kessler
President and Chief Executive Officer
May 1, 2019

Management's Discussion and Analysis

The following discussion and analysis has been prepared by management as of May 1, 2019, and is a review of the financial condition and results of operations of Pason Systems Inc. (Pason or the Company) based on International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and accompanying notes.

Certain information regarding the Company contained herein may constitute forward-looking statements under applicable securities laws. Such statements are subject to known or unknown risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated or implied in the forward-looking statements.

All financial measures presented in this report are expressed in Canadian dollars unless otherwise indicated.

Impact of IFRS 16

The Company adopted IFRS 16, Leases, effective January 1, 2019, using the modified retrospective approach. This new standard supersedes IAS 17, Leases, and introduces a single lessee accounting model by eliminating a lessee's classification of leases as either operating leases or finance leases.

Comparative figures have not been restated. Further disclosure is provided in Note 3 to the Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements.

The impact of adopting this new standard on IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures is described below. The figures presented below are the 2019 actual numbers that are classified differently than the 2018 comparative figures. Effectively, the operating expense line items recognized under the previous standard will be bifurcated between depreciation expense and interest expense.

Impact on IFRS Measures

Three Months Ended March 31	2019
(000s)	(\$)
Reduction in rental services and local administration	272
Reduction in research and development expenses	233
Reduction in corporate services costs	296
(Increase) in depreciation of right of use assets	(799)
(Increase) in net interest expense on lease liabilities	(130)
Reduction in Income tax provision	32
(Decrease) in net income	(96)
Increase in depreciation of right of use assets	799
(Reduction) in Income tax provision	(32)
Total increase in funds flow from operations and cash from operating activities	671

Impact on Non-IFRS Measures

Three Months Ended March 31	2019
(000s)	(\$)
Decrease in rental services and local administration - Canada operating segment	40
Decrease in rental services and local administration - United States operating segment	197
Decrease in rental services and local administration - International operating segment	35
Decrease in research and development expenses	233
Decrease in corporate services costs	296
Total increase in EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA	801

Additional IFRS Measures

In its Consolidated Financial Statements, the Company uses certain additional IFRS measures. Management believes these measures provide useful supplemental information to readers.

Funds flow from operations

Management believes that funds flow from operations, as reported in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, is a useful additional measure as it represents the cash generated during the period, regardless of the timing of collection of receivables and payment of payables. Funds flow from operations represents the cash flow from continuing operations, excluding non-cash items. Funds flow from operations is defined as net income adjusted for depreciation and amortization expense, non-cash, stock-based compensation expense, deferred taxes, and other non-cash items impacting operations.

Cash from operating activities

Cash from operating activities is defined as funds flow from operations adjusted for changes in working capital items.

Non-IFRS Financial Measures

These definitions are not recognized measures under IFRS, and accordingly, may not be comparable to measures used by other companies. These Non-IFRS measures provide readers with additional information regarding the Company's ability to generate funds to finance its operations, fund its research and development and capital expenditure program, and pay dividends.

Revenue per EDR day

Revenue per EDR day is defined as the daily revenue generated from all products that the Company has on rent on a drilling rig that has the Company's base EDR installed. This metric provides a key measure on the Company's ability to increase production adoption and evaluate product pricing.

EBITDA

EBITDA is defined as net income before interest expense, income taxes, stock-based compensation expense, depreciation and amortization expense, and gains on disposal of investments.

Adjusted EBITDA

Adjusted EBITDA is defined as EBITDA, adjusted for foreign exchange, impairment of property, plant, and equipment, restructuring costs, and other items which the Company does not consider to be in the normal course of continuing operations.

Management believes that EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are useful supplemental measures as they provide an indication of the results generated by the Company's principal business activities prior to the consideration of how these results are taxed in multiple jurisdictions, how the results are impacted by foreign exchange or how the results are impacted by the Company's accounting policies for equity-based compensation plans.

Free cash flow

Free cash flow is defined as cash from operating activities plus proceeds on disposal of property, plant, and equipment, less capital expenditures (including changes to non-cash working capital associated with capital expenditures), and deferred development costs. This metric provides a key measure on the Company's ability to generate cash from its principal business activities after funding the capital expenditure program, and provides an indication of the amount of cash available to finance, among other items, the Company's dividend and other investment opportunities.

Overall Performance

Three Months Ended March, 31	2019	2018	Change
(000s)	(\$)	(\$)	(%)
Revenue			
Drilling Data	43,253	37,295	16
Mud Management and Safety	23,674	21,260	11
Communications	5,957	7,798	(24)
Drilling Intelligence	5,973	4,581	30
Analytics and Other	3,286	2,879	14
Total revenue	82,143	73,813	11

The Pason Electronic Drilling Recorder (EDR) remains the Company's primary product. The EDR provides a complete system of drilling data acquisition, data networking, and drilling management tools and reports at both the wellsite and at customer offices. The EDR is the base product from which all other wellsite instrumentation products are linked. By linking these products, a number of otherwise redundant elements such as data processing, display, storage, and networking are eliminated. This ensures greater reliability and a more robust system of instrumentation for the customer.

Total revenue increased 11% for the three months ending March 31, 2019, over the same period in 2018. This increase is attributable to an increase in revenue per EDR day in all three operating segments combined with an increase in the activity in the US and International operating segment.

Industry activity in the US market increased 7% in the first quarter of 2019 compared to the

corresponding period in 2018, while first quarter Canadian industry activity decreased by 32%.

US EDR days increased by 9% in the first quarter of 2019 compared to the corresponding period in 2018, while Canadian EDR days, which includes non-oil and gas-related activity, decreased 27% from 2018 levels.

In the first quarter of 2019, the Pason EDR was installed on 61% of the land rigs in the US market, an increase of 100bp over the same time period in 2018.

In the first quarter of 2019, the Pason EDR was installed on 94% of the land rigs in the Canadian market compared to 88% during the same period of 2018. For the purposes of market share, the Company uses the number of EDR days billed and oil and gas drilling days as reported by accepted industry sources.

Revenue generated from the Company's other wellsite instrumentation products was largely driven by the increase in drilling activity in the US market combined with increases in the adoption of certain EDR peripherals, most notably the alarms and sensors, and an increase in revenue from the Company's drilling intelligence products. Communication revenue has decreased over the same period in 2018 as the Company continues to share cost savings with its customers.

First quarter revenue was positively impacted by a stronger US dollar relative to the Canadian dollar.

For the first quarter of 2019, the Company saw an increase in activity in all major regions of the International operating segment with the largest increases in Australia and Argentina.

Discussion of Operations

United States Operations

Three Months Ended March, 31	2019	2018	Change
(000s)	(\$)	(\$)	(%)
Revenue			
Drilling Data	29,176	23,698	23
Mud Management and Safety	17,217	13,236	30
Communications	3,229	3,698	(13)
Drilling Intelligence	3,152	2,144	47
Analytics and Other	1,691	1,332	27
Total revenue	54,465	44,108	23
Rental services and local administration	19,090	16,885	13
Depreciation and amortization	4,774	3,828	25
Segment gross profit	30,601	23,395	31

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Three Months Ended March, 31	2019	2018	Change
(000s)	(#)	(#)	(%)
Pason Electronic Drilling Recorder (EDR) Rental Days	55,700	50,900	9

Three Months Ended March, 31	2019	2018	Change
	(\$)	(\$)	(%)
Revenue per EDR day - USD	728	678	7
Revenue per EDR day - CAD	968	857	13

Revenue from the US operations increased by 23% in the first quarter of 2019 over the 2018 comparable period (17% when measured in USD).

Industry activity in the US market increased by 7% in the first quarter of 2019 over the 2018 comparable period. US market share was 61% for the first quarter of 2019 compared to 60% during the same period in 2018.

EDR rental days increased by 9% in the first quarter of 2019 over the 2018 comparable period. Revenue per EDR day increased to US \$728 in the first quarter of 2019, an increase of US\$50 over

the same period in 2018. The increase in revenue per EDR day was driven by higher adoption of drilling intelligence products and other peripheral products and selective price increases on certain products.

Rental services and local administration increased by 13% in the first quarter of 2019 over the 2018 comparative period (9% when measured in USD). The increase in operating costs is attributable higher field staff levels and higher direct costs to support additional activity.

Depreciation expense increased by 25% in the first quarter of 2019 over the 2018 comparative period. The increase is due to the adoption of IFRS 16, Leases, the stronger US dollar relative to the Canadian dollar, and a slight increase in the capital program.

Segment gross profit increased by \$7.2 million or 31% in the first quarter of 2019 over the 2018 comparative period. The Company benefited from a stronger US dollar relative to the Canadian dollar.

Canadian Operations

Three Months Ended March, 31	2019	2018	Change
(000s)	(\$)	(\$)	(%)
Revenue			
Drilling Data	8,092	9,920	(18)
Mud Management and Safety	4,683	6,661	(30)
Communications	2,292	3,769	(39)
Drilling Intelligence	2,490	2,118	18
Analytics and Other	956	956	—
Total revenue	18,513	23,424	(21)
Rental services and local administration	5,709	7,328	(22)
Depreciation and amortization	4,555	4,385	4
Segment gross profit	8,249	11,711	(30)

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Three Months Ended March, 31	2019	2018	Change
(000s)	(#)	(#)	(%)
Pason Electronic Drilling Recorder (EDR) Rental Days	15,500	21,100	(27)

Three Months Ended March, 31	2019	2018	Change
	(\$)	(\$)	(%)
Revenue per EDR day - CAD	1,142	1,070	7

Canadian drilling activity in the first quarter of 2019 decreased by 32% relative to the same period in 2018. Rig activity reflected the challenging industry outlook which lead to among other things a lack of urgency on the part of operators to drill.

Canadian segment revenue decreased by 21% in the first quarter of 2019 over the 2018 comparative period. Canadian market share was 94% for the first quarter of 2019 compared to 88% during the same period of 2018.

EDR rental days decreased 27% in the first quarter of 2019 compared to 2018. Revenue per EDR day increased by \$72 to \$1,142 during the first quarter of 2019 compared to 2018. The increase is driven by the successful introduction of drilling intelligence products.

Rental services and local administration decreased by 22% in the first quarter of 2019 relative to the same period in 2018.

Depreciation and amortization expense increased by 4% in the first quarter of 2019 over the 2018 comparative period. The increase is due to the adoption of IFRS 16, Leases, off set by a greater proportion of research and development project costs being expensed for accounting purposes.

Segment gross profit for the first quarter of 2019 decreased 30% to \$8.2 million compared to \$11.7 million in segment gross profit in the 2018 comparative period.

International Operations

Three Months Ended March, 31 (000s)	2019 (\$)	2018 (\$)	Change (%)
Revenue			
Drilling Data	5,985	3,677	63
Mud Management and Safety	1,774	1,363	30
Communications	436	331	32
Drilling Intelligence	331	319	4
Analytics and Other	639	591	8
Total revenue	9,165	6,281	46
Rental services and local administration	5,306	4,683	13
Depreciation and amortization	893	962	(7)
Segment gross profit	2,966	636	366

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Drilling activity increased in all of the Company's major international markets, although the majority of the absolute gains were seen in Australia, Argentina, and the Andean region.

Revenue in the International segment increased by 46% in the first quarter of 2019 compared to the same period in 2018.

Rental services and local administration expenses increased by 13% in the first quarter of 2019 compared to the same period in 2018.

Depreciation expense decreased by 7% in the first quarter of 2019 compared to the same period in 2018.

Segment gross profit was \$3.0 million for the first quarter of 2019, an improvement from the \$0.6 million profit recorded in the corresponding period in 2018.

Corporate Expenses

Three Months Ended March, 31 (000s)	2019 (\$)	2018 (\$)	Change (%)
Other expenses			
Research and development	7,744	6,359	22
Corporate services	3,653	3,805	(4)
Stock-based compensation	3,824	2,534	51
Other			
Foreign exchange loss	101	2,404	(96)
Net interest expense - lease liability	137	—	—
Interest income - short term investments	(185)	—	—
Other	105	129	(19)
Total corporate expenses	15,379	15,231	1

Current period amounts are in accordance with IFRS following the adoption of IFRS 16, Leases as discussed in Note 3 in the Consolidated Financial Statements. Prior periods have not been restated.

Research and development expenses increased in the first quarter of 2019 over the 2018 comparative period due to additions to the R&D personnel and the Company's continued transition towards more Cloud-based IT infrastructure, focusing on maximizing uptime service to customers and enhancing disaster recovery and business continuity capabilities.

Net interest expense - lease liability is a result of the adoption of the new lease accounting standard.

Q1 2019 vs Q4 2018

Consolidated revenue was \$82.1 million in the first quarter of 2019 compared to \$82.0 million in the fourth quarter of 2018, an increase of \$0.1 million. Industry activity increased in the Canadian and International markets. The US market recorded an increase in revenue per EDR day, offset by a 5% decrease in activity.

Revenue in the US segment was \$54.5 million in the first quarter of 2019 compared to \$55.3 million in the fourth quarter of 2018. The Canadian segment earned revenue of \$18.5 million in the first quarter of 2019 compared to \$17.9 million in the fourth quarter of 2018. The International segment earned revenue of \$9.2 million in the first quarter of 2019 compared to \$8.7 million in the fourth quarter of 2018.

Adjusted EBITDA, which adjusts EBITDA for foreign exchange and certain non-recurring charges, was \$40.6 million in the first quarter of 2019 compared to \$39.3 million in the fourth quarter of 2018. Funds flow from operations was \$35.9 million in the first quarter of 2019 compared to \$30.7 million in the fourth quarter of 2018.

The Company recorded net income in the first quarter of 2019 of \$19.0 million (\$0.22 per share) compared to net income of \$20.7 million (\$0.24 per share) in the fourth quarter of 2018.

Condensed Consolidated Interim Balance Sheets

As at	March 31, 2019	December 31, 2018
(CDN 000s) (unaudited)	(\$)	(\$)
Assets		
Current		
Cash and cash equivalents	183,931	203,838
Trade and other receivables	86,964	80,020
Income tax recoverable other	15,304	15,304
Prepaid expenses	3,604	3,934
Income taxes recoverable	2,483	6,203
Total current assets	292,286	309,299
Non-current		
Property, plant and equipment	129,318	120,417
Intangible assets and goodwill	30,462	32,000
Lease receivable	3,967	—
Total non-current assets	163,747	152,417
Total assets	456,033	461,716
Liabilities and equity		
Current		
Trade payables and accruals	25,850	34,229
Income taxes payable other	—	15,304
Stock-based compensation liability	4,787	3,301
Lease liability	3,330	312
Total current liabilities	33,967	53,146
Non-current		
Deferred tax liabilities	19,003	17,060
Lease Liability	12,666	2,233
Stock-based compensation liability	4,364	3,200
Total non-current liabilities	36,033	22,493
Equity		
Share capital	167,138	164,723
Share-based benefits reserve	27,986	27,287
Foreign currency translation reserve	56,839	63,574
Retained earnings	134,070	130,493
Total equity	386,033	386,077
Total liabilities and equity	456,033	461,716

Condensed Consolidated Interim Statements of Operations

Three Months Ended March 31,	2019	2018
(CDN 000s) (unaudited)	(\$)	(\$)
Revenue	82,143	73,813
Operating expenses		
Rental services	26,794	26,039
Local administration	3,311	2,857
Depreciation and amortization	10,222	9,175
	40,327	38,071

Gross profit	41,816	35,742
Other expenses		
Research and development	7,744	6,359
Corporate services	3,653	3,805
Stock-based compensation expense	3,824	2,534
Other expense	158	2,533
	15,379	15,231
Income before income taxes	26,437	20,511
Income tax provision	7,393	8,152
Net income	19,044	12,359
Income per share		
Basic	0.22	0.15
Diluted	0.22	0.14

Condensed Consolidated Interim Statements of Other Comprehensive Income

Three Months Ended March 31,	2019	2018
(CDN 000s) (unaudited)	(\$)	(\$)
Net income	19,044	12,359
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to net income:		
Tax (recovery) expense on net investment in foreign operations related to an inter-company financing	791	(989)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	(7,526)	9,780
Other comprehensive gain (loss)	(6,735)	8,791
Total comprehensive income	12,309	21,150

Condensed Consolidated Interim Statements of Cash Flows

Three Months Ended March 31,	2019	2018
(CDN 000s) (unaudited)	(\$)	(\$)
Cash from (used in) operating activities		
Net income	19,044	12,359
Adjustment for non-cash items:		
Depreciation and amortization	10,222	9,175
Stock-based compensation	3,824	2,534
Deferred income taxes	2,775	7,303
Unrealized foreign exchange loss and other	34	2,587
Funds flow from operations	35,899	33,958
Movements in non-cash working capital items:		
Increase in trade and other receivables	(9,254)	(8,897)
Decrease in prepaid expenses	279	481
Decrease in income taxes	3,525	65
Decrease in trade payables, accruals and stock-based compensation liability	(6,998)	(1,365)
Effects of exchange rate changes	(73)	234
Cash generated from operating activities	23,378	24,476
Income tax paid	(14,936)	(132)
Net cash from operating activities	8,442	24,344
Cash flows from (used in) financing activities		
Proceeds from issuance of common shares	2,013	228
Payment of dividends	(15,439)	(14,480)
Repurchase and cancellation of shares under Normal Course Issuer Bid	(2,022)	—
Repayment of lease liability	(671)	—
Net cash used in financing activities	(16,119)	(14,252)
Cash flows (used in) from investing activities		
Additions to property, plant and equipment	(9,749)	(4,811)
Development costs	(568)	(986)
Proceeds on disposal of investment and property, plant and equipment	110	20
Changes in non-cash working capital	2,150	339
Net cash used in investing activities	(8,057)	(5,438)
Effect of exchange rate on cash and cash equivalents	(4,173)	4,059
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	(19,907)	8,713
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	203,838	154,129
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	183,931	162,842

Operating Segments

The Company operates in three geographic segments: Canada, the United States, and International (Latin America, Offshore, the Eastern Hemisphere, and the Middle East). The following table represents a disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers along with the reportable segment for each category:

Three Months Ended March 31, 2019	Canada	United States	International	Total
(CDN 000s) (unaudited)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Revenue				
Drilling Data	8,092	29,176	5,985	43,253
Mud Management and Safety	4,683	17,217	1,774	23,674
Communications	2,292	3,229	436	5,957
Drilling Intelligence	2,490	3,152	331	5,973
Analytics and Other	956	1,691	639	3,286
Total Revenue	18,513	54,465	9,165	82,143
Rental services and local administration	5,709	19,090	5,306	30,105
Depreciation and amortization	4,555	4,774	893	10,222
Segment gross profit	8,249	30,601	2,966	41,816
Research and development				7,744
Corporate services				3,653
Stock-based compensation				3,824
Other expense				158
Income tax expense				7,393
Net Income				19,044
Capital expenditures	904	8,782	631	10,317
As at March 31, 2019				
Property plant and equipment	42,624	71,960	14,734	129,318
Goodwill	1,259	7,625	2,600	11,484
Intangible assets	18,978	—	—	18,978
Segment assets	109,912	294,585	51,536	456,033
Segment liabilities	39,725	25,285	4,990	70,000

Three Months Ended March 31, 2018	Canada	United States	International	Total
(CDN 000s) (unaudited)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Revenue				
Drilling Data	9,920	23,698	3,677	37,295
Mud Management and Safety	6,661	13,236	1,363	21,260
Communications	3,769	3,698	331	7,798
Drilling Intelligence	2,118	2,144	319	4,581
Analytics and Other	956	1,332	591	2,879
Total Revenue	23,424	44,108	6,281	73,813
Rental services and local administration	7,328	16,885	4,683	28,896
Depreciation and amortization	4,385	3,828	962	9,175
Segment gross profit	11,711	23,395	636	35,742
Research and development				6,359
Corporate services				3,805
Stock-based compensation				2,534
Other expense				2,533
Income tax expense				8,152
Net income				12,359
Capital expenditures	1,963	3,263	571	5,797
As at March 31, 2018				
Property plant and equipment	43,086	67,724	16,285	127,095
Goodwill	1,259	7,358	2,600	11,217
Intangible assets	22,210	79	—	22,289
Segment assets	123,253	243,962	46,716	413,931
Segment liabilities	44,253	9,399	4,771	58,423

Other Expense

Three Months Ended March 31,	2019	2018
(CDN 000s) (unaudited)	(\$)	(\$)
Foreign exchange loss	101	2,404
Net interest expense - lease liabilities	137	—
Interest income - financing lease	(185)	—
Other	105	129
Other expense	158	2,533

Payment of Withholding Tax

During the first quarter of 2019 the Company paid withholding tax owing to the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) of \$15,304 as part of the Bilateral Advanced Pricing Arrangement entered into with the CRA and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). The Company will recover this amount from the IRS when its previous years US tax returns are reassessed.

Events After the Reporting Period

On May 1, 2019, the Company announced a quarterly dividend of \$0.18 per share on the Company's common shares. The dividend will be paid on June 28, 2019 to shareholders of record at the close of business on June 14, 2019.

First Quarter Conference Call

Pason will be conducting a conference call for interested analysts, brokers, investors and media representatives to review its first quarter 2019 results at 9:00 am (Calgary time) on Thursday, May 2, 2019. The conference call dial-in number is 1-888-231-8191 or 1-647-427-7450. You can access the seven-day replay by dialing 1-855-859-2056 or 1-416-849-0833, using password 2799989.

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Additional information, including the Company's Annual Report and Annual Information Form for the year ended December 31, 2018, is available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com or on the Company's website at www.pason.com.

Shareholders are also invited to attend the Company's Annual General on Thursday, May 2, 2019, at 3:30 pm at the offices of Pason Systems Inc., 6120 Third Street SE, Calgary, Alberta.

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