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**Current Report** Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 7, 2020

# IES Holdings, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-13783 (Commission File Number)

76-0542208 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

5433 Westheimer Road, Suite 500, Houston, Texas 77056 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

|       | Registrant's teleph   | one number, including area code: (       | /13) 800-1500                                      |
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|       | Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the   | ne Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)       |  |
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|       | Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule  | 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17      | CFR 240.14d-2(b))                                  |
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| Seci  | urities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:  |  |  |
|       | Title of each class   | Trading<br>Symbol(s)                     | Name of each exchange<br>on which registered       |
|       | Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share  | IESC                                     | NASDAQ Global Market                               |
|       | Rights to Purchase Preferred Stock  | IESC                                     | NASDAQ Global Market                               |
|       | cate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging 933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Secu |  |  |
|       |   |  | Emerging growth company $\Box$                     |
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#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On January 7, 2020, IES Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") posted to its website, www.ies-co.com, under the Investor Relations section, a presentation with the title "IES Holdings, Inc. – Investor Presentation (January 7, 2020)." A copy of the presentation is furnished with this report as Exhibit 99.1. The presentation will remain on the Company's website for a period of at least thirty days.

On January 8, 2020, Gary S. Matthews, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, and Tracy A. McLauchlin, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, will participate in the 20th Annual CJS Securities "New Ideas for the New Year" Investor Conference in New York City.

The information set forth herein is furnished pursuant to Item 7.01–Regulation FD Disclosure and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of such section nor shall the information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing of the Company.

The presentation referred to above contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Exchange Act. Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of the Company to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. More detailed information about these factors is set forth in the presentation referred to above, which the Company has made available on its website. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any information or forward-looking statements in the presentation, including to reflect events or circumstances that may arise after the date of the presentation.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number

Description

99.1 <u>Investor presentation titled "IES Holdings, Inc. - Investor Presentation (January 7, 2020)", dated January 7, 2020.</u>

#### 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 hereunto duly authorized.

Date: January 7, 2020

#### IES HOLDINGS, INC.

/s/ Mary K. Newman

Mary K. Newman General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

# IES Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: IESC)

**Investor Presentation** 

January 7, 2020



#### **Disclosures**

#### Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements in this document may be deemed "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, all of which are based upon various estimates and assumptions that the Company believes to be reasonable as of the date hereof. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as "may," "will," "could," "should," "expect," "plan," "project," "intend," anticipate," "believe," "seek," "estimate," "predict," "potential," "pursue," "target," "continue," the negative of such terms or other comparable terminology. These statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause the Company's actual future outcomes to differ materially from those set forth in such statements. Such risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the ability of our controlling shareholder to take action not aligned with other shareholders; the possibility that certain tax benefits of our net operating losses may be restricted or reduced in an ownership change or a further change in the federal tax rate; the potential recognition of valuation allowances or further write-downs on net deferred tax assets; the inability to carry out plans and strategies as expected, including underperformance of our acquisitions or our inability to identify and complete acquisitions that meet our investment criteria in furtherance of our corporate strategy; competition in the industries in which we operate, both from third parties and former employees, which could result in the loss of one or more customers or lead to lower margins on new projects; fluctuations in operating activity due to downturns in levels of construction, seasonality and differing regional economic conditions; and our ability to successfully manage projects, as well as other risk factors discussed in this document, in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2019 and in the Company's other reports on file with the SEC.

Forward-looking statements are provided in this document pursuant to the safe harbor established under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and should be evaluated in the context of the estimates, assumptions, uncertainties, and risks described herein.

#### Non-GAAP Financial Measures and Other Adjustments

This document includes adjusted net income per share and backlog, and, in the non-GAAP reconciliation tables included herein, adjusted net income attributable to IES, adjusted EBITDA and adjusted net income before taxes, each of which is a financial measure not calculated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the U.S. ("GAAP"). Management believes that these measures provide useful information to our investors by, in the case of adjusted net income per share, adjusted net income attributable to IES, adjusted earnings per share attributable to IES, adjusted EBITDA and adjusted net income before taxes, distinguishing certain nonrecurring events such as litigation settlements or significant expenses associated with leadership changes, or noncash events, such as our valuation allowances release and write-down of our net deferred tax assets, or, in the case of backlog, providing a common measurement used in IES's industry, as described further below, and that these measures, when reconciled to the most directly comparable GAAP measures, help our investors to better identify underlying trends in the operations of our business and facilitate easier comparisons of our financial performance with prior and future periods and to our peers. Non-GAAP financial measures should not be considered in isolation from, or as a substitute for, financial information calculated in accordance with GAAP. Investors are encouraged to review the reconciliation of these non-GAAP measures to their most directly comparable GAAP financial measures, which has been provided in the financial tables included in this document. Remaining performance obligations represent the unrecognized revenue value of our contract commitments. While backlog is not a defined term under GAAP, it is a common measurement used in IES's industry and IES believes this non-GAAP measure enables it to more effectively forecast its future results and better identify future operating trends that may not otherwise be apparent. IES's remaining perform

For further details on the Company's financial results, please refer to the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on December 6, 2019, and any amendments thereto.

General information about IES Holdings, Inc. can be found at http://www.ies-co.com under "Investor Relations." The Company's annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K, as well as any amendments to those reports, are available free of charge through the Company's website as soon as reasonably practicable after they are filed with, or furnished to, the SEC.



# **COMPANY OVERVIEW**



#### IES Holdings, Inc. Overview

- \$1.1 billion revenue provider of electrical / communications contracting and other infrastructure services
- National and local market scale advantage
- Growth company with a track record of organic growth and accretive acquisitions
  - 17% Revenue CAGR since 2015
  - 23% Operating Income CAGR since 2015
- Focus on attractive end markets, including data centers and housing in desirable markets
- ♦ Strong cash flow and no debt
- Experienced operating team with deep customer relationships





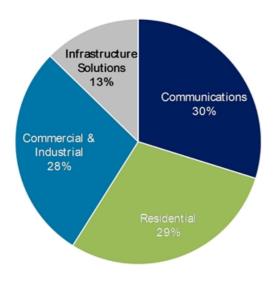




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## Balanced and Diverse Operations with National Footprint

#### FY2019 REVENUE (\$1.1 billion)



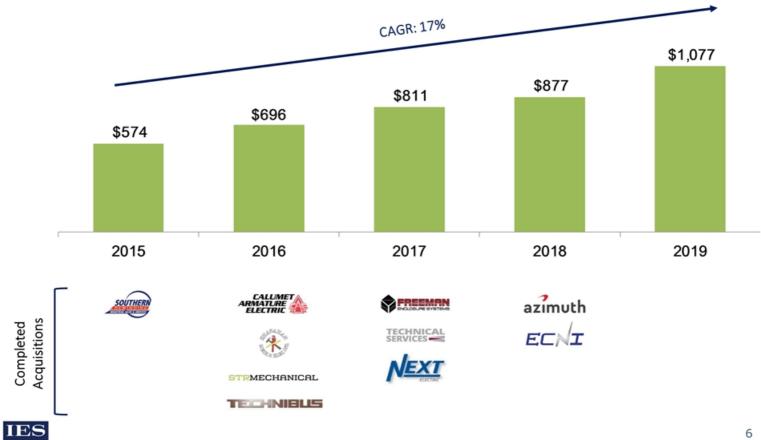


- ♦ 79 Locations
- ♦ ~5,500 Employees



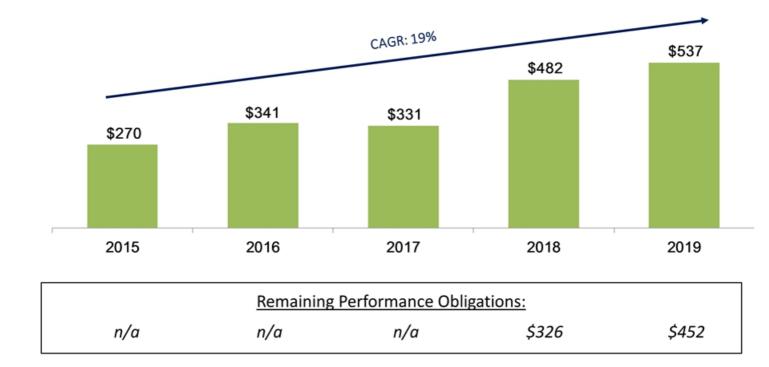
## Track Record of Organic Growth and Accretive Acquisitions

#### REVENUE (\$ in millions)



## Strong Backlog Growth

## BACKLOG AT FISCAL YEAR END (\$ in millions)





## Significantly Improved Profitability

## OPERATING INCOME (\$ in millions)





## **Continued Earnings Growth**

#### **EARNINGS PER SHARE**



- \* 2016 includes a tax benefit of \$109 million attributable to the release of our valuation allowance on certain of our net operating loss carryforwards and other deferred tax assets
- \*\* 2018 includes a charge of \$31.3 million to re-measure our net deferred tax assets in connection with the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act

#### **ADJUSTED EPS\***



\* Non-GAAP financial measure; see reconciliation table

## Generated \$110 Million in Cash From Operations Over the Past 5 Years

#### CASH FROM OPERATIONS (\$ in millions)





## Value Creation Strategy



Grow In Core Markets

- Capitalize on our scale and expertise, especially in data centers, housing and industrial
- Strong repeat business via best-in-class service



Improve Margins

- Margin opportunity from sourcing, labor management and improving bid processes
- Leverage overhead costs with added scale



Pursue Accretive Acquisitions

- Bolt-on acquisitions to expand geography and/or add products/services
- Acquisitions to leverage existing IES capabilities and end market expertise
- New platform acquisitions with attractive characteristics



Invest In Our People

- Decentralized culture drives entrepreneurial mindset
- Focus on hiring, training and retaining top talent
- Dedication to safety



Return Capital to Shareholders

- Repurchased 1.2 million shares since 2015 for \$15.9 million pursuant to our stock repurchase program
- 1.3 million shares remaining to be repurchased under current authorization



# **BUSINESS SEGMENTS**



## **Communications Segment**

# Nationwide provider of network technology services, including structured cabling and audio/visual services

- Best-in-class customer base, including many Fortune 100 companies
- National scale supported by branch model
- Financial resources to keep pace with rapidly growing markets



# REVENUE (\$ in millions) CAGR: 23% \$274 \$179 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019

# U.S. DATA CENTER CONSTRUCTION SPENDING



## **Residential Segment**

Electrical installation for single-family and multi-family residential construction as well as cable TV installation services

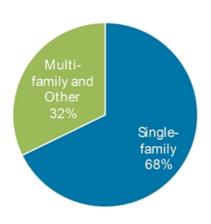
- Located in many of the largest and fastest growing population markets
- Strong customer relationships and track record of execution
- Ability to expand organically with minimal capital investment



#### **REVENUE**



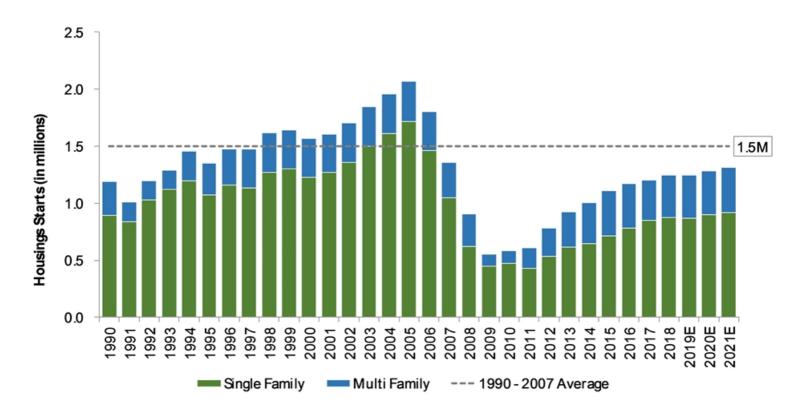
#### **END MARKETS IN FISCAL 2019**



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## Residential Supported By Long-Term Housing Fundamentals

#### **NEW HOUSING STARTS**



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Source: U.S. Census, National Association of Home Builders (NAHB); Company Estimates

## Infrastructure Solutions Segment

Provider of electrical and mechanical apparatus services and custom power solutions, including generator enclosures and bus duct

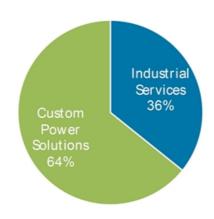
- Strategic service center locations with best-in-class execution
- Custom fabrication, engineering and manufacturing capabilities to meet our customers' high standards
- Financial resources to support backlog expansion
- Track record of acquisitions to expand products and services



#### **REVENUE**



#### **END MARKETS IN FISCAL 2019**



#### Infrastructure Solutions Products and Services

#### **Custom Power Solutions**

- Enclosures for custom diesel and gas generators
- Switchgear housings



- Custom sub-base and freestanding fuel supply tanks
- Metal enclosed bus systems (nonsegregated, segregated phase systems and isolated phase bus duct)





#### **Industrial Services**

Motor repair & rewinding



- Manufacture and rebuild of traction motors & armatures
- Magnet manufacturing & repair
- Power services for circuit breakers and switchgear





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## Commercial & Industrial Segment

# Provider of electrical and mechanical (HVAC) design, construction and maintenance services

- Regional market leadership
- National safety and quality programs
- Scale versus local competition
- Strong financial resources, including bonding capacity, create a competitive advantage



#### **REVENUE**



# U.S. NONRESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE



Source: FMI North American Engineering and Construction Outlook Third Quarter 2019 Report

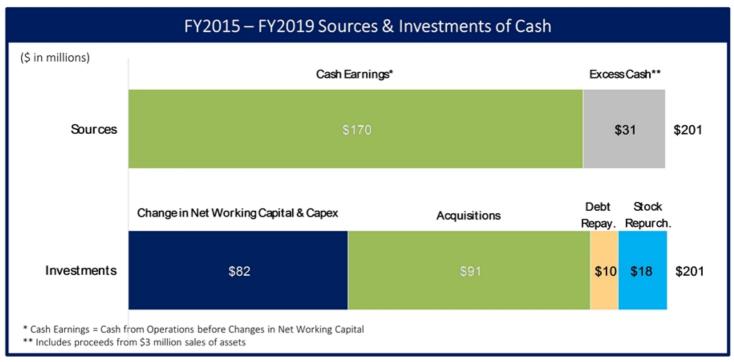


# **CAPITAL ALLOCATION**



## **Capital Allocation Strategy**

Our capital allocation strategy focuses on deploying the free cash flow generated by our diverse businesses into existing operations, accretive investments and returning capital to shareholders, while maintaining a conservative balance sheet





## **Acquisition History**

| Company  | Acquired  | Segment   | Description  | Location           |
|--|---|---|--|--------------------|
| MISCOR   | 2013  | Infrastructure Solutions  | Motor repair and services                                | Massillon, OH      |
| SOUTHERN   | 2015  | Infrastructure Solutions  | Motor repair and services                                | Columbus, GA       |
| CALUMET<br>ARMATURE<br>ELECTRIC  | 2015  | Infrastructure Solutions  | Manufacturer of transit armatures; Motor repair services | Riverdale, IL      |
| Shanahan Mechanical<br>& Electric                                      | 2015  | Commercial & Industrial   | Mechanical (HVAC) and electrical contractor              | Lin∞In,NE          |
| STRMECHANICAL 2016 Commercial & Industrial Mechanical (HVAC) services  |   | Mechanical (HVAC) services  | Charlotte, NC  |                    |
| TECHNIBUS 2016 Infrastructure Solutions Manufactures No Phase Bus Duct |   | Manufactures Non-Segregated, Segregated and Isolated Phase Bus Duct | Canton, OH   |                    |
| FREEMAN<br>ENCLOSURE SYSTEMS   | PREEMAN 2017 Infrastructure Solutions Fabrication of custom generator endosures |   | Cincinnati,OH  |                    |
| TECHNICAL SERVICES   | 2017  | Commercial & Industrial (STRM echanical)                            | Mechanical (HVAC) services                               | Chesapeake, VA     |
| NEXT   | 2017  | Commercial & Industrial   | Bectrical contractor                                     | Milwaukee, WI      |
| azimuth  | 2018  | Communications  | Structured cabling                                       | Portland, OR       |
| ECNI   | 2018  | Residential   | Residential electrical contracting                       | Salt Lake City, UT |



#### Conservative Balance Sheet

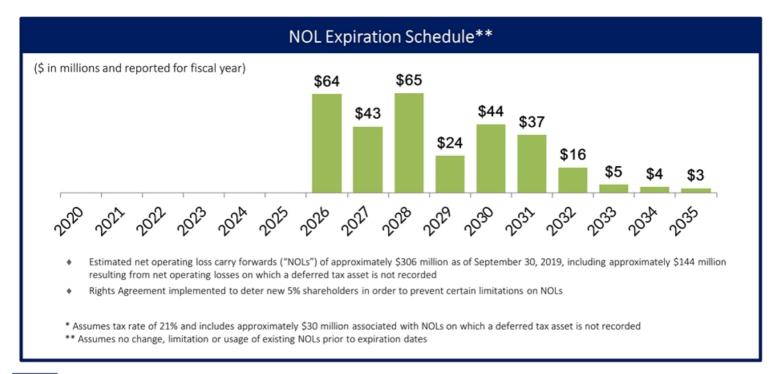
| (\$ in millions)     | September 30, |      |  |  |
|----------------------|---------------|------|--|--|
|                      | 2018          | 2019 |  |  |
| Cash                 | \$26          | \$19 |  |  |
| Debt Outstanding     | 30            | _    |  |  |
| Net Cash / (Debt)    | (4)           | 19   |  |  |
| Stockholders' Equity | 220           | 246  |  |  |

- Strong balance sheet:
  - Creates competitive advantage versus smaller, undercapitalized competitors
  - Provides flexibility to execute on acquisitions and other capital allocation opportunities
- Unused availability of \$94 million under credit facility at September 30, 2019



## Benefit of \$306 Million of NOLs as of September 30, 2019

## NOL Utilization Expected to Result in Cash Savings of ~\$64 million\*





# **KEY TAKEAWAYS**



## **IESC Key Takeaways**

- Growth company in attractive end markets
- 2 Experienced operating team with deep customer relationships
- 3 Strong balance sheet and high free cash flow generation
- Disciplined capital allocators
  - Proven acquisition track record
  - History of share buybacks
- 5 Focused value creation strategy

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# **APPENDIX**



## **Consolidated Income Statement**

| (in millions, except earnings per share)                  | Fiscal Year Ending September 30, |         |         |          |           |  |
|---|----------------------------------|---------|---------|----------|-----------|--|
|   | 2015                             | 2016    | 2017    | 2018     | 2019      |  |
| Revenue   | \$573.9                          | \$696.0 | \$810.7 | \$876.8  | \$1,077.0 |  |
| Income from operations                                    | 18.5                             | 25.0    | 20.3    | 26.0     | 41.9      |  |
| Interest expense & other                                  | 1.0                              | 1.2     | 1.5     | 1.6      | 1.7       |  |
| Income from operations before income taxes                | \$17.5                           | \$23.8  | \$18.8  | \$24.3   | \$40.1    |  |
| Provision (benefit) for income taxes                      | 0.7                              | (97.1)  | 5.2     | 38.2     | 6.7       |  |
| Loss from discontinued operations                         | (0.3)                            | -       | -       | _        | -         |  |
| Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest        |                                  | (0.1)   | (0.2)   | (0.4)    | (0.3)     |  |
| Net income attributable to IES Holdings, Inc.             | \$16.5                           | \$120.8 | \$13.4  | (\$14.2) | \$33.2    |  |
| Adjusted net income attributable to IESHoldings, Inc. (1) | \$16.4                           | \$22.8  | \$16.8  | \$24.6   | \$38.4    |  |
| Earnings per share attributable to IES                    |                                  |         |         |          |           |  |
| Holdings, Inc continuing operations                       | \$0.79                           | \$5.62  | \$0.62  | (\$0.67) | \$1.55    |  |
| Adjusted earnings per share attributable to IES           |                                  |         |         |          |           |  |
| Holdings, Inc. (1)  | \$0.76                           | \$1.06  | \$0.78  | \$1.16   | \$1.79    |  |
| Diluted shares used to calculate earnings per share       | 21.5                             | 21.5    | 21.5    | 21.2     | 21.3      |  |

<sup>(1)</sup> Adjusted net income attributable to IES Holdings, Inc. and Adjusted earnings per share attributable to IES Holdings, Inc. are non-GAAP financial measures; see reconciliation table



# Non-GAAP Reconciliation of Adjusted Net Income Attributable To IES Holdings, Inc.

| (in millions, except earnings per share)                   | Fiscal Year Ending September 30, |         |        |          |        |
|--|----------------------------------|---------|--------|----------|--------|
|  | 2015                             | 2016    | 2017   | 2018     | 2019   |
| Net income attributable to IESHoldings, Inc.               | \$16.5                           | \$120.8 | \$13.4 | (\$14.2) | \$33.2 |
| Loss from discontinued operations                          | 0.3                              | -       | -      | -        | -      |
| Provision (benefit) for income taxes                       | 0.7                              | (97.1)  | 5.2    | 38.2     | 6.7    |
| Adjusted net income before taxes                           | \$17.5                           | \$23.7  | \$18.6 | \$24.0   | \$39.9 |
| Current tax expense (1)                                    | (1.1)                            | (1.7)   | (1.8)  | (1.3)    | (2.3)  |
| Loss on sale of non-core assets                            | -                                | 8.0     | -      | -        | -      |
| Litigation settlement charge (2)                           | -                                | -       | _      | 1.9      | -      |
| Severance expense  |                                  |         |        |          | 8.0    |
| Adjusted net income attributable to IES Holdings, Inc. (3) | \$16.4                           | \$22.8  | \$16.8 | \$24.6   | \$38.4 |
| Adjusted earnings per share attributable to IES            |                                  |         |        |          |        |
| Holdings, Inc. (3)   | \$0.76                           | \$1.06  | \$0.78 | \$1.16   | \$1.79 |
| Diluted shares used to calculate earnings per share        | 21.5                             | 21.5    | 21.5   | 21.2     | 21.3   |

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents the tax expense for the current period which will be paid in cash, and not offset by the utilization of deferred tax assets

<sup>(3)</sup> Adjusted net income attributable to IES Holdings, Inc. and Adjusted earnings per share attributable to IES Holdings, Inc. are non-GAAP financial measures



<sup>(2)</sup> Charge related to impact of litigation settlement in our Commercial & Industrial segment

## **Summary Balance Sheet**

| (in millions)              | Fiscal Year Ending September 30, |         |         |         |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
|                            | 2016                             | 2017    | 2018    | 2019    |
| Cash                       | \$33.2                           | \$28.3  | \$26.2  | \$18.9  |
| Current Assets             | 176.5                            | 203.5   | 236.4   | 277.5   |
| Deferred Tax Assets        | 93.5                             | 86.2    | 46.6    | 40.9    |
| Non-Current Assets         | 91.1                             | 106.5   | 112.7   | 107.9   |
| Total Assets               | \$394.3                          | \$424.5 | \$422.0 | \$445.3 |
| Current Liabilities        | \$133.1                          | \$150.6 | \$164.4 | \$193.5 |
| Other Liabilities          | 6.8                              | 4.5     | 4.4     | 1.9     |
| Debt                       | 29.3                             | 29.4    | 29.6    | 0.3     |
| Total Liabilities          | \$169.1                          | \$184.5 | \$198.4 | \$195.7 |
| Noncontrolling Interest    | 1.8                              | 3.3     | 3.2     | 3.3     |
| Equity                     | 223.4                            | 236.7   | 220.4   | 246.2   |
| Total Liabilities & Equity | \$394.3                          | \$424.5 | \$422.0 | \$445.3 |

