

Linde Reports First-Quarter 2022 Results

First-Quarter Highlights

- Sales \$8.2 billion, up 13% versus prior-year quarter
- > Operating profit \$1.5 billion; adjusted operating profit \$1.9 billion, up 13%
- Operating profit margin 18.0%; adjusted operating profit margin 23.2%, up 130 basis points ex. cost pass-through
- > EPS \$2.30; adjusted EPS \$2.93, up 18%
- ➤ Increased full-year 2022 adjusted EPS guidance to \$11.65 \$11.90, represents 9% to 11% growth year-over-year

Woking, UK, April 28, 2022 – Linde plc (NYSE: LIN; FWB: LIN) today reported first-quarter 2022 income from continuing operations of \$1,174 million and diluted earnings per share of \$2.30, up 20% and 24% respectively. Excluding Linde AG purchase accounting impacts and other charges, adjusted income from continuing operations was \$1,500 million, up 14% versus prior year. Adjusted earnings per share was \$2.93, 18% above prior year and 6% higher sequentially.

Linde's sales for the first quarter were \$8,211 million, 13% above prior year. Compared to prior year, underlying sales increased 9%, including 6% price attainment and 3% higher volumes, mostly from the manufacturing, chemicals and energy end markets. Sequentially, underlying sales grew 2% driven by 3% higher pricing partially offset by seasonally lower volumes.

First-quarter operating profit was \$1,480 million. Adjusted operating profit of \$1,905 million was up 13% versus prior year led by higher price, strong volumes and continued productivity initiatives across all segments. Excluding the effects of cost pass-through, adjusted operating margins expanded 130 basis points versus prior year.

First-quarter operating cash flow of \$2,000 million more than covered capital expenditures of \$649 million resulting in free cash flow of \$1,351 million. During the quarter, the company returned \$2,301 million to shareholders through dividends and stock repurchases, net of issuances.

Commenting on the financial results and business outlook, Chief Executive Officer Sanjiv Lamba said, "Linde employees delivered another strong quarter of quality financial results with ROC reaching a new record of 18.9% and operating margins expanding 130 basis points excluding cost-pass through. In addition, EPS grew 18% to an all-time high of \$2.93. The business model continues to deliver in any environment, demonstrating resiliency during economic downturns and significant growth during the recovery."

Lamba continued, "Looking ahead, the geopolitical and macro environment has become more uncertain, but I have confidence the company will continue to deliver on commitments to shareholders."

For the second quarter of 2022, Linde expects adjusted diluted earnings per share in the range of \$2.90 to \$3.00, up 7% to 11% versus prior-year quarter. This guidance assumes flat currency sequentially and a headwind of 3% year-over-year.

For the full year 2022, the company expects adjusted diluted earnings per share to be in the range of \$11.65 to \$11.90, up 9% to 11% versus prior year or 11% to 13% excluding currency headwind. This guidance range excludes contribution from Russian earnings by the second half of 2022 as the company continues to scale back Russian operations and wind down engineering projects affected by sanctions. Full-year capital expenditures are expected to be in the range of \$3.0 billion to \$3.4 billion to support maintenance and growth requirements including the \$3.5 billion contractual sale of gas project backlog.

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First-Quarter 2022 Results by Segment

Americas sales of \$3,241 million grew 14% versus prior-year quarter and 3% sequentially. Compared with first quarter 2021, underlying sales increased 10% driven by 5% higher pricing and 5% higher volume, primarily in the manufacturing, chemicals and energy end markets. Sequentially, underlying sales grew 3%, with pricing up 2% and volumes growing 1%. Operating profit of \$904 million was 27.9% of sales, 10 basis points below prior year or 100 basis points higher when excluding the effects of cost pass-through.

APAC (Asia Pacific) sales of \$1,602 million were 12% above prior year and up 1% sequentially. Compared to prior year, underlying sales grew 10% driven by 4% price attainment and 6% volume growth, primarily in the electronics, chemicals and energy end markets plus project start-ups. Sequentially, higher pricing of 1% was offset by seasonally lower volumes. Operating profit of \$399 million was 24.9% of sales, 50 basis points above prior year or 140 basis points higher when excluding the effects of cost pass-through.

EMEA (Europe, Middle East & Africa) sales of \$2,148 million were up 19% versus prior year and grew 4% sequentially. Compared with first-quarter 2021, underlying sales grew 11%, led by higher pricing. Sequentially, underlying sales grew 2% with 5% pricing, partially offset by lower volumes. Operating profit of \$503 million was 23.4% of sales, 170 basis points below prior year or 170 basis points higher when excluding the effects of cost pass-through.

Linde Engineering sales were \$728 million, 8% above prior year, and operating profit was \$143 million or 19.6% of sales. Order intake for the quarter was \$645 million and third-party sale of equipment backlog was \$2.2 billion.

Earnings Call

A teleconference on Linde's first-quarter 2022 results is being held today at 09:00 am EDT.

Live conference call	US Toll-Free Dial-In Number: 888 204 4368
	Germany Toll-Free Dial-In Number: 0800 589 4609
	UK Toll-Free Dial-In Number: 0800 358 6377
	Access code: 5586070
Live webcast (listen-only)	https://investors.linde.com/events-presentations
	Short URL: https://t1p.de/i2ho

Materials to be used in the teleconference are also available on the website.

About Linde

Linde is a leading global industrial gases and engineering company with 2021 sales of \$31 billion (€26 billion). We live our mission of *making our world more productive* every day by providing high-quality solutions, technologies and services which are making our customers more successful and helping to sustain and protect our planet.

The company serves a variety of end markets including chemicals & energy, food & beverage, electronics, healthcare, manufacturing, metals and mining. Linde's industrial gases are used in countless applications, from life-saving oxygen for hospitals to high-purity & specialty gases for electronics manufacturing, hydrogen for clean fuels and much more. Linde also delivers state-of-the-art gas processing solutions to support customer expansion, efficiency improvements and emissions reductions.

For more information about the company and its products and services, please visit www.linde.com

Adjusted amounts, free cash flow and return on capital are non-GAAP measures. See the attachments for a summary of non-GAAP reconciliations and calculations for adjusted amounts.

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Attachments: Summary Non-GAAP Reconciliations, Statements of Income, Balance Sheets, Statements of Cash Flows, Segment Information and Appendix: Non-GAAP Measures and Reconciliations.

*Note: We are providing adjusted earnings per share ("EPS") guidance for 2022. This is a non-GAAP financial measure that represents diluted earnings per share from continuing operations (a GAAP measure) but excludes the impact of certain items that we believe are not representative of our underlying business performance, such as cost reduction and other charges, any impairment or other charges related to scaling back operations in Russia as actions are defined and executed and as sanctions are enacted that impact the Company's operations, the impact of potential divestitures or other potentially significant items. Given the uncertainty of timing and magnitude of such items, we cannot provide a reconciliation of the differences between the non-GAAP adjusted EPS guidance and the corresponding GAAP EPS measure without unreasonable effort

Conflict between Russia and Ukraine

In response to the Russian invasion of Ukraine, multiple jurisdictions, including Europe and the U.S., have imposed several tranches of economic sanctions on Russia.

In 2021, Linde's industrial gas business generated approximately 1% of consolidated Linde sales from Russia. Total assets in Russia represent approximately 1% of consolidated Linde assets. Sales and total assets in Ukraine are immaterial. As of March 31, 2022, Linde has approximately \$2 billion recorded in contract liabilities within the condensed consolidated balance sheet related to engineering projects in Russia.

Linde continues to closely monitor the situation in Ukraine and has taken steps to ensure the safety of its employees and the continuous delivery of critical medical oxygen. Linde is working with the relevant governments and authorities to ensure the company fully complies with international sanctions and is safely winding down affected projects in Russia. During the first quarter of 2022, engineering projects being executed for Russia that are currently or expected to be impacted by sanctions and thus being wound down were approximately \$0.35 billion of sales. Linde has suspended all business development for new projects and is scaling back its operations in Russia by ceasing to supply certain customers and starting the process to divest industrial assets to reduce its footprint in the country.

It is possible that Linde may incur impairment and other charges in future quarters as these actions are defined and executed and as further sanctions are enacted that impact the Company's operations in Russia, including industrial gases and engineering. Any charges related to such impairments or obligation to satisfy any residual contract liabilities may have an adverse effect on Linde's result of operations or cash flows.

Forward-looking Statements

This document contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements are identified by terms and phrases such as: anticipate, believe, intend, estimate, expect, continue, should, could, may, plan, project, predict, will, potential, forecast, and similar expressions. They are based on management's reasonable expectations and assumptions as of the date the statements are made but involve risks and uncertainties. These risks and uncertainties include, without limitation: the performance of stock markets generally; developments in worldwide and national economies and other international events and circumstances, including trade conflicts and tariffs; changes in foreign currencies and in interest rates; the cost and availability of electric power, natural gas and other raw materials; the ability to achieve price increases to offset cost increases; catastrophic events including natural disasters, epidemics, pandemics such as COVID-19 and acts of war and terrorism; the ability to attract, hire, and retain qualified personnel; the impact of changes in financial accounting standards; the impact of changes in pension plan liabilities; the impact of tax, environmental, healthcare and other legislation and government regulation in jurisdictions in which the company operates; the cost and outcomes of investigations, litigation and regulatory proceedings; the impact of potential unusual or non-recurring items; continued

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timely development and market acceptance of new products and applications; the impact of competitive products and pricing; future financial and operating performance of major customers and industries served; the impact of information technology system failures, network disruptions and breaches in data security; and the effectiveness and speed of integrating new acquisitions into the business. These risks and uncertainties may cause future results or circumstances to differ materially from adjusted projections, estimates or other forward-looking statements.

Linde plc assumes no obligation to update or provide revisions to any forward-looking statement in response to changing circumstances. The above listed risks and uncertainties are further described in Item 1A. Risk Factors in Linde plc's Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021 filed with the SEC on February 28, 2022 which should be reviewed carefully. Please consider Linde plc's forward-looking statements in light of those risks.

LINDE PLC AND SUBSIDIARIES SUMMARY NON-GAAP RECONCILIATIONS (UNAUDITED)

The following adjusted amounts are Non-GAAP measures and are intended to supplement investors' understanding of the company's financial statements by providing measures which investors, financial analysts and management use to help evaluate the company's operating performance. Items which the company does not believe to be indicative of ongoing business trends are excluded from these calculations so that investors can better evaluate and analyze historical and future business trends on a consistent basis. Definitions of these Non-GAAP measures may not be comparable to similar definitions used by other companies and are not a substitute for similar GAAP measures. See the "NON-GAAP MEASURES AND RECONCILIATIONS" starting on page 10 for additional details relating to the adjustments.

(Millions of dollars, except per share							Incom Conti			Diluted EPS from Continuing								
amounts)	Sales Operating Profit					Oper		_	Operations									
Quarter Ended March 31		2022		2021		2022		2021		2022		2022 2021		2021	2022		202	
Reported GAAP Amounts	\$	8,211	\$	7,243	\$	1,480	\$	1,213	\$	1,174	\$	979	\$	2.30	\$	1.86		
Cost reduction program and other charges		_		_		(4)		(8)		(1)		(28)				(0.05)		
Purchase accounting impacts - Linde AG (b)		_		_		429		483		327		361		0.63		0.68		
Total adjustments			-	_		425	-	475		326	_	333	_	0.63	•	0.63		
Adjusted amounts	\$	8,211	\$	7,243	\$	1,905	\$	1,688	\$	1,500	\$	1,312	\$	2.93	\$	2.49		

⁽a) To adjust for cost reduction program and other charges; 2022 includes severance of \$4 million and an other net benefit of \$8 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2022.

⁽b) To adjust for purchase accounting impacts related to the merger.

LINDE PLC AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

	 Quarter End	ed M	Iarch 31,
(Millions of dollars, except per share data)	2022		2021
Sales	\$ 8,211	\$	7,243
Cost of sales	4,798		4,054
Selling, general and administrative	802		787
Depreciation and amortization	1,112		1,166
Research and development	35		35
Cost reduction programs and other charges	(4)		(8
Other income (expense) - net	 12		4
Operating Profit	1,480		1,213
Interest expense - net	9		20
Net pension and OPEB cost (benefit), excluding service cost	(64)		(49
Income From Continuing Operations Before Income Taxes and Equity Investments	1,535		1,242
Income taxes	369		268
Income From Continuing Operations Before Equity Investments	1,166		974
Income from equity investments	44		43
Income From Continuing Operations (Including Noncontrolling Interests)	1,210		1,017
Add: income from discontinued operations, net of tax	_		1
Income (Including Noncontrolling Interests)	1,210		1,018
Less: noncontrolling interests from continuing operations	(36)		(38
Net Income – Linde plc	\$ 1,174	\$	980
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Income from continuing operations	\$ 1,174	\$	979
Income from discontinued operations	\$ _	\$	1
Per Share Data – Linde plc Shareholders			
Basic earnings per share from continuing operations	\$ 2.31	\$	1.87
Basic earnings per share from discontinued operations	_		_
Basic earnings per share	\$ 2.31	\$	1.87
Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations	\$ 2.30	\$	1.86
Diluted earnings per share from discontinued operations	_		_
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 2.30	\$	1.86
Cash dividends	\$ 1.17	\$	1.06
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding (000's):			
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding (000's): Basic shares outstanding (000's)	507,152		522,459

Note: See page 10 for a reconciliation to adjusted amounts which are Non-GAAP.

LINDE PLC AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (UNAUDITED)

(Millions of dollars, except per share data)	N	farch 31, 2022	De	ecember 31, 2021
Assets	·	2022	<u>.</u>	2021
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	4,464	\$	2,823
Accounts receivable - net		4,845		4,499
Contract assets		100		134
Inventories		1,766		1,733
Prepaid and other current assets		1,082		970
Total Current Assets		12,257		10,159
Property, plant and equipment - net		25,595		26,003
Goodwill		26,822		27,038
Other intangibles - net		13,506		13,802
Other long-term assets		4,587		4,603
Total Assets	\$	82,767	\$	81,605
Liabilities and equity			-	
Accounts payable	\$	3,387	\$	3,503
Short-term debt		2,549		1,163
Current portion of long-term debt		1,074		1,709
Contract liabilities		3,035		2,940
Other current liabilities		4,461		4,328
Total Current Liabilities		14,506	-	13,643
Long-term debt		12,833		11,335
Other long-term liabilities		11,038		11,186
Total Liabilities	\$	38,377	\$	36,164
Redeemable noncontrolling interests		13		13
Linde plc Shareholders' Equity				
Ordinary shares		1		1
Additional paid-in capital		39,972		40,180
Retained earnings		19,387		18,710
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		(4,938)		(5,048)
Less: Treasury shares, at cost		(11,459)		(9,808)
Total Linde plc shareholders' equity		42,963		44,035
Noncontrolling interests		1,414		1,393
Total Equity	\$	44,377	\$	45,428
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$	82,767	\$	81,605

LINDE PLC AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)

	Ç	uarter Ended N	March 31,
(Millions of dollars)		2022	2021
Operations			
Net income - Linde plc	\$	1,174 \$	980
Less: income from discontinued operations, net of tax and noncontrolling interests		_	(1)
Add: noncontrolling interests		36	38
Net income (including noncontrolling interests)		1,210	1,017
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Cost reduction programs and other charges, net of payments (a)		(34)	(76)
Depreciation and amortization		1,112	1,166
Accounts receivable		(340)	(178)
Contract assets and liabilities, net		192	191
Inventory		(35)	(60)
Payables and accruals		51	69
Pension contributions		(13)	(12)
Deferred income taxes and other		(143)	(8)
Net cash provided by operating activities		2,000	2,109
Investing			
Capital expenditures		(649)	(762)
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired		(43)	(10)
Divestitures and asset sales		27	21
Net cash provided by (used for) investing activities		(665)	(751)
Financing			
Debt increase (decrease) - net		2,546	681
Issuances of ordinary shares		10	17
Purchases of ordinary shares		(1,719)	(868)
Cash dividends - Linde plc shareholders		(592)	(553)
Noncontrolling interest transactions and other		(1)	(247)
Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities		244	(970)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		62	(46)
Change in cash and cash equivalents		1,641	342
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning-of-period		2,823	3,754
Cash and cash equivalents, end-of-period	\$	4,464 \$	4,096

⁽a) Cost reduction programs and other charges were net benefits of \$4 million and \$8 million for the quarters ended March 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. Related cash outflows were \$30 million and \$68 million for the quarters ended March 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

LINDE PLC AND SUBSIDIARIES SEGMENT INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)

		Quarter End	ed M	Iarch 31,
(Millions of dollars)	<u></u>	2022		2021
Sales	-		-	
Americas	\$	3,241	\$	2,840
EMEA		2,148		1,799
APAC		1,602		1,436
Engineering		728		674
Other		492		494
Total segment sales	\$	8,211	\$	7,243
Operating Profit				
Americas	\$	904	\$	795
EMEA		503		451
APAC		399		351
Engineering		143		109
Other		(44)		(18)
Segment operating profit	Ť	1,905	-	1,688
Cost reduction programs and other charges		4		8
Purchase accounting impacts - Linde AG		(429)		(483)
Total operating profit	\$	1,480	\$	1,213

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		2022				20	21		
(Millions of dollars, except per share data)		Q1		Q4		Q3		Q2	Q1
Adjusted Operating Profit and Operating Margin									
Reported operating profit	\$	1,480	\$	1,337	\$	1,292	\$	1,142 \$	1,213
Add: Cost reduction programs and other charges		(4)		51		26		204	(8)
Add: Purchase accounting impacts - Linde AG (c)		429		453		492		491	483
Total adjustments		425		504		518	-	695	475
Adjusted operating profit	\$	1,905	\$	1,841	\$	1,810	\$	1,837 \$	1,688
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Reported percentage change		22 %		30 %		33 %		93 %	65 %
Adjusted percentage change		13 %		14 %		19 %		39 %	25 %
Reported sales	\$	8,211	\$	8,298	\$	7,668	\$	7,584 \$	7,243
Reported operating margin		18.0 %		16.1 %		16.8 %		15.1 %	16.7 %
Adjusted operating margin		23.2 %		22.2 %		23.6 %		24.2 %	23.3 %
Adjusted Depreciation and amortization									
Reported depreciation and amortization	\$	1,112	\$	1,135	\$	1,163	\$	1,171 \$	1,166
Less: Purchase accounting impacts - Linde AG (c)	Ψ	(418)	Ψ	(437)	Ψ	(469)	Ψ	(479)	(478)
Adjusted depreciation and amortization	\$	694	\$		\$		\$	692 \$	688
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Adjusted Other Income (Expense) - net	\$	12	\$	(22)	¢	10	\$	(17) ¢	1
Reported Other Income (Expense) - net Add: Purchase accounting impacts - Linde AG (c)	Ф		Ф	` ′	\$		Ф	(17) \$	(5)
Adjusted Other Income (Expense) - net	\$	(11)	\$	(16)	\$	(23)	\$	(12) (5) \$	(5)
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Adjusted Net Pension and OPEB Cost (Benefit), Excluding Service Cost									
Reported net pension and OPEB cost (benefit), excluding service cost	\$	(64)	\$	(49)	\$	(45)	\$	(49) \$	(49)
Add: Pension settlement charges						(4)	_	<u> </u>	
Adjusted Net Pension and OPEB cost (benefit), excluding service costs	\$	(64)	\$	(49)	\$	(49)	\$	(49) \$	(49)
Adjusted Interest Expense Not									
Adjusted Interest Expense - Net Penested interest expense - net	\$	9	\$	31	\$	8	\$	18 \$	20
Reported interest expense - net	Ф		Ф		Ф		Ф		20
Add: Purchase accounting impacts - Linde AG (c)	Φ	10	\$	10	¢	10	¢	15	18
Adjusted interest expense - net	\$	19	Þ	41	\$	18	\$	33 \$	38

		2022				20)21			
(Millions of dollars, except per share data)		Q1		Q4		Q3		Q2		Q1
Adjusted Income Taxes (a)										
Reported income taxes	\$	369	\$	339	\$	321	\$	334	\$	268
Add: Purchase accounting impacts - Linde AG (c)		108		103		115		116		118
Add: Pension settlement charges		_		_		1		_		
Add: Cost reduction programs and other charges		(3)		_		3		6		20
Total adjustments		105		103		119		122		138
Adjusted income taxes	\$	474	\$	442	\$	440	\$	456	\$	406
Adjusted Effective Toy Date (a)										
Adjusted Effective Tax Rate (a)										
Reported income before income taxes and equity investments	\$	1,535	\$	1,355	\$	1,329	\$	1,173	\$	1,242
Add: Pension settlement charge		_		_		4		_		_
Add: Purchase accounting impacts - Linde AG (c)		419		443		482		476		465
Add: Cost reduction programs and other charges		(4)		51		26		204		(8)
Total adjustments		415		494		512		680		457
Adjusted income before income taxes and equity										
investments	\$	1,950	\$	1,849	\$	1,841	\$	1,853	\$	1,699
Denouted Income toyes	\$	369	\$	339	\$	321	\$	334	\$	268
Reported Income taxes	Ф	24.0%	Þ	25.0%	Þ	24.2%	Þ	28.5%	Þ	21.6%
Reported effective tax rate		24.070		23.070		24.270		28.370		21.070
Adjusted income taxes	\$	474	\$	442	\$	440	\$	456	\$	406
Adjusted effective tax rate		24.3%		23.9%		23.9%		24.6%		23.9%
Income from Equity Investments	Ф	4.4	Φ.	20	Ф		Ф	25	Φ.	40
Reported income from equity investments	\$	44	\$	38	\$	1	\$	37	\$	43
Add: Cost reduction programs and other charges (e)						35				10
Add: Purchase accounting impacts - Linde AG (c)		20		20		19		19		19
Total adjustments	Φ.	20	Ф	20	Ф	54	Ф	19	Φ.	19
Adjusted income from equity investments	\$	64	\$	58	\$	55	\$	56	\$	62
Adjusted Noncontrolling Interests from Continuing										
Operations										
Reported noncontrolling interests from continuing operations	\$	(36)	\$	(30)	\$	(31)	\$	(36)	\$	(38)
Add: Purchase accounting impacts - Linde AG (c)		(4)	•	(4)	,	(4)		(2)	,	(5)
Adjusted noncontrolling interests from continuing										
operations	\$	(40)	\$	(34)	\$	(35)	\$	(38)	\$	(43)
Adimeted Income from Confirming Occasion (Confirming Occasion)										
Adjusted Income from Continuing Operations (b) Reported income from continuing operations	\$	1,174	\$	1,024	\$	978	\$	840	\$	979
Add: Pension settlement charge	ψ	1,1/ T	φ	1,024	φ	3	ψ	O -1 0	φ	<i></i>
Add: Cost reduction programs and other charges		(1)		51		58		198		(28)
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Add: Purchase accounting impacts - Linde AG (c)		327		356		382		377		361
Total adjustments		326		407		443	_	575	_	333
Adjusted income from continuing operations	\$	1,500	\$	1,431	\$	1,421	\$	1,415	\$	1,312
		2022				20				
(Millions of dollars, except per share data)		Q1		Q4		Q3		Q2		Q1
Adjusted Diluted EPS from Continuing Operations (b)			•							
Reported diluted EPS from continuing operations	\$	2.30	\$	1.98	\$	1.88	\$	1.60	\$	1.86
Add: Pension settlement charge		_		_		0.01		_		_
Add: Cost reduction programs and other charges				0.10		0.11		0.38		(0.05)
Add: Purchase accounting impacts - Linde AG		0.63		0.69		0.73		0.72		0.68
Total adjustments	•	0.63	•	0.79	=	0.85	-	1.10		0.63
Adjusted diluted EPS from continuing operations	\$	2.93	\$	2.77	\$	2.73	\$	2.70	\$	2.49
Reported percentage change		24 %		37 %		42 %		84 %	, 0	74 (
Adjusted percentage change		18 %		20 %		27 %		42 %		32 9
Aujusted percentage change		10 70		20 70		2170)	42 70	D	32
	:	Second Qu	ıarte	er 2022		Full Yo	ear 2	2022		
Adjusted Diluted EPS from Continuing Operations Guidance (d)	L	ow End	H	ligh End	L	ow End	Н	ligh End		
2022 Adjusted Guidance	\$	2.90	\$	3.00	\$	11.65	\$	11.90	-	
Adjusted percentage changes versus 2021 adjusted diluted EPS		7 %		11 %		9 %)	11 %	Ó	
Add: Estimated currency headwind/(tailwind)		3 %		3 %		2 %)	2 %	ó	
Adjusted percentage change excluding currency		10 %		14 %		11 %)	13 %	Ó	
Adjusted EBITDA and % of Sales										
Income from continuing operations	\$	1,174	\$	1,024	\$	978	\$	840	\$	979
Add: Noncontrolling interests related to continuing	Ψ	36	Ψ	30	Ψ	31	Ψ	36	Ψ	38
onerations Add: Net pension and OPEB cost (benefit), excluding										
service cost		(64)		(49)		(45)		(49)		(49)
Add: Interest expense		9		31		8		18		20
Add: Income taxes		369		339		321		334		268
Add: Depreciation and amortization	_	1,112		1,135	_	1,163		1,171	_	1,166
EBITDA from continuing operations		2,636		2,510		2,456		2,350		2,422
Add: Cost reduction programs and other charges		(4)		51		61		204		(8)
Add: Purchase accounting impacts - Linde AG		31		36		102		31		24
Total adjustments	e.	27	Ф	2.507	Ф	103	Ф	235	Ф	2.429
Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations	\$	2,663	\$	2,597	\$	2,559	\$	2,585	\$	2,438
Reported sales	\$	8,211	\$	8,298	\$	7,668	\$	7,584	\$	7,243
% of sales										
EBITDA from continuing operations		32.1%		30.2%		32.0%		31.0%		33.4%
Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations		32.4%		31.3%		33.4%		34.1%		33.7%

- (a) The income tax expense (benefit) on the non-GAAP pre-tax adjustments was determined using the applicable tax rates for the jurisdictions that were utilized in calculating the GAAP income tax expense (benefit) and included both current and deferred income tax amounts.
- (b) Net of income taxes which are shown separately in "Adjusted Income Taxes and Effective Tax Rate".
- (c) The company believes that its non-GAAP measures excluding Purchase accounting impacts Linde AG are useful to investors because: (i) the business combination was a merger of equals in an all-stock merger transaction, with no cash consideration, (ii) the company is managed on a geographic basis and the results of certain geographies are more heavily impacted by purchase accounting than others, causing results that are not comparable at the reportable segment level, therefore, the impacts of purchasing accounting adjustments to each segment vary and are not comparable within the company and when compared to other companies in similar regions, (iii) business management is evaluated and variable compensation is determined based on results excluding purchase accounting impacts, and; (iv) it is important to investors and analysts to understand the purchase accounting impacts to the financial statements.

A summary of each of the adjustments made for Purchase accounting impacts - Linde AG are as follows:

Adjusted Operating Profit and Margin: The purchase accounting adjustments for the periods presented relate primarily to depreciation and amortization related to the fair value step up of fixed assets and intangible assets (primarily customer related) acquired in the merger and the allocation of fair value step-up for ongoing Linde AG asset disposals (reflected in Other Income/(Expense)).

Adjusted Interest Expense - Net: Relates to the amortization of the fair value of debt acquired in the merger.

Adjusted Income Taxes and Effective Tax Rate: Relates to the current and deferred income tax impact on the adjustments discussed above. The income tax expense (benefit) on the non-GAAP pre-tax adjustments was determined using the applicable tax rates for the jurisdictions that were utilized in calculating the GAAP income tax expense (benefit) and included both current and deferred income tax amounts.

Adjusted Income from Equity Investments: Represents the amortization of increased fair value on equity investments related to depreciable and amortizable assets.

Adjusted Noncontrolling Interests from Continuing Operations: Represents the noncontrolling interests' ownership portion of the adjustments described above determined on an entity by entity basis.

- (d) We are providing adjusted earnings per share ("EPS") guidance for 2022. This is a non-GAAP financial measure that represents diluted earnings per share from continuing operations (a GAAP measure) but excludes the impact of certain items that we believe are not representative of our underlying business performance, such as cost reduction and other charges, any impairment or other charges related to scaling back operations in Russia as actions are defined and executed and as sanctions are enacted that impact the Company's operations, the impact of potential divestitures or other potentially significant items. Given the uncertainty of timing and magnitude of such items, we cannot provide a reconciliation of the differences between the non-GAAP adjusted EPS guidance and the corresponding GAAP EPS measure without unreasonable effort.
- (e) Impairment charge related to a joint venture in the APAC segment.

	2022				
(Millions of dollars)	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
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<u>Free Cash Flow (FCF)</u> - Free cash flow is a measure used by investors, financial analysts and management to evaluate the ability of a company to pursue opportunities that enhance shareholder value. FCF equals cash flow from operations less capital expenditures.

Operating Cash Flow	\$ 2,000	\$	3,233 \$	2,556 \$	1,827 \$	2,109
Less: Capital Expenditures	(649)		(839)	(741)	(744)	(762)
Free Cash Flow	\$ 1,351	\$	2,394 \$	1,815 \$	1,083 \$	1,347
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<u>Net Debt</u> - Net debt is a financial liquidity metric used by investors, financial analysts and management to evaluate the ability of a company to repay its debt and is calculated as total debt (excluding purchase accounting impacts) less liquid assets.

Debt	\$ 16,456	\$ 14,207	\$ 16,727	\$ 15,492	\$ 15,750
Less: Cash and cash equivalents	 (4,464)	(2,823)	(4,700)	(3,137)	(4,096)
Net debt	11,992	11,384	12,027	12,355	11,654
Less: Purchase accounting impacts - Linde AG	 (50)	(61)	(72)	(84)	(98)
Adjusted net debt	11,942	11,323	11,955	12,271	11,556
Less: Net assets held for sale	_	_	(1)	(1)	(4)
Adjusted net debt less net assets held for sale	\$ 11,942	\$ 11,323	\$ 11,954	\$ 12,270	\$ 11,552

After-tax Return on Capital and Adjusted After-tax Return on Capital (ROC) - After-tax return on capital is a measure used by investors, financial analysts and management to evaluate the return on net assets employed in the business. ROC measures the after-tax operating profit that the company was able to generate with the investments made by all parties in the business (debt, noncontrolling interests and Linde plc shareholders' equity).

Reported income from continuing operations	\$	1,174	\$	1,024	\$	978	\$	840	\$	979
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Add: noncontrolling interests from continuing operations		36		30		31		36		38
Add: interest expense - net		9		31		8		18		20
Less: tax benefit on interest expense - net *		(2)		(8)		(2)		(5)		(5)
Reported NOPAT	\$	1,217	\$	1,077	\$	1,015	\$	889	\$	1,032
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Adjusted income from continuing operations	\$	1,500	\$	1,431	\$	1,421	\$	1,415	\$	1,312
Add: adjusted noncontrolling interests from continuing operations		40		34		35		38		43
Add: adjusted interest expense - net		19		41		18		33		38
Less: tax benefit on interest expense - net *		(5)		(10)		(5)		(8)		(10)
Adjusted NOPAT	\$	1,554	\$	1,496	\$	1,469	\$	1,478	\$	1,383
4-quarter trailing reported NOPAT	\$	4,198	\$	4,013	\$	3,765	\$	3,508	\$	3,115
4-quarter trailing adjusted NOPAT	\$	5,997	\$	5,826	\$	5,627	\$	5,389	\$	4,985

		2022	2021								
(Millions of dollars)	Q1			Q4		Q3		Q2		Q1	
Equity and redeemable noncontrolling interests:			-		•				-		
Redeemable noncontrolling interests	\$	13	\$	13	\$	13	\$	13	\$	13	
Linde plc shareholders' equity		42,963		44,035		44,323		45,777		46,210	
Noncontrolling interests		1,414		1,393		1,401		1,438		1,410	
Total equity and redeemable noncontrolling interests	\$	44,390	\$	45,441	\$	45,737	\$	47,228	\$	47,633	
Reported capital	\$	56,382	\$	56,825	\$	57,763	\$	59,582	\$	59,283	
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Total equity and redeemable noncontrolling interests	\$	44,390	\$	45,441	\$	45,737	\$	47,228	\$	47,633	
Add: Adjusted net debt less net assets held for sale		11,942		11,323		11,954		12,270		11,552	
Less: Linde AG Goodwill (a)		24,256		24,256		24,256		24,256		24,256	
Less: Linde AG Indefinite lived intangibles (a)		1,868		1,868		1,868		1,868		1,868	
Adjusted capital	\$	30,208	\$	30,640	\$	31,567	\$	33,374	\$	33,061	
(a) Represent opening balance sheet purchase accounting impacts of non-amortizing assets related to the Linde AG merger.											
Ending capital (see above)	\$	56,382	\$	56,825	\$	57,763	\$	59,582	\$	59,283	
5-quarter average ending capital	\$	57,967	\$	59,086	\$	59,960	\$	60,502	\$	60,584	
Ending adjusted capital (see above)	\$	30,208	\$	30,640	\$	31,567	\$	33,374	\$	33,061	
5-quarter average ending adjusted capital	\$	31,770	\$	32,875	\$	33,735	\$	34,261	\$	34,325	
After-tax ROC (4 quarter reported NOPAT / 5- quarter average ending capital)		7.2 %		6.8 %		6.3 %		5.8 %		5.1 %	
Adjusted after-tax ROC (4 quarter trailing											
adjusted NOPAT / 5-quarter average ending adjusted capital)		18.9 %		17.7 %	,)	16.7 %	, D	15.7 %	,)	14.5 %	

^{*}Tax benefit on interest expense - net is generally presented using the reported effective rate.