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FORM 10-Q

**QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the quarterly period ended March 30, 2024

OR

**TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Commission file number 001-40935

HELIOS TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registration as Specified in its Charter)

FLORIDA
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation or Organization)

7456 16th St E
SARASOTA, FLORIDA
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

59-2754337
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

34243
(Zip Code)

(941)362-1200
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock \$.001 Par Value	HLIO	The New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company" and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Accelerated filer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Non-accelerated filer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Smaller Reporting Company	<input type="checkbox"/>

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No

The registrant had 33,197,487 shares of common stock, par value \$.001, outstanding as of April 26, 2024.

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PART I: FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.
Helios Technologies, Inc.
Consolidated Balance Sheets
(in millions, except per share data)

	March 30, 2024 (unaudited)	December 30, 2023
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 37.3	\$ 32.4
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for credit losses of \$2.3 and \$2.1	126.5	114.8
Inventories, net	213.9	215.1
Income taxes receivable	9.6	11.3
Other current assets	22.0	23.1
Total current assets	409.3	396.7
Property, plant and equipment, net	224.4	227.9
Deferred income taxes	1.5	1.7
Goodwill	507.9	514.0
Other intangible assets, net	414.2	426.4
Other assets	26.3	23.7
Total assets	\$ 1,583.6	\$ 1,590.4
Liabilities and shareholders' equity		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 67.7	\$ 70.3
Accrued compensation and benefits	19.3	19.4
Other accrued expenses and current liabilities	26.3	27.0
Current portion of long-term non-revolving debt, net	23.2	23.2
Dividends payable	3.0	3.0
Income taxes payable	5.3	2.0
Total current liabilities	144.8	144.9
Revolving lines of credit	202.1	199.8
Long-term non-revolving debt, net	292.7	298.3
Deferred income taxes	53.0	57.1
Other noncurrent liabilities	34.4	35.7
Total liabilities	727.0	735.8
Commitments and contingencies		
Shareholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, par value \$0.001, 2.0 shares authorized, no shares issued or outstanding	—	—
Common stock, par value \$0.001, 100.0 shares authorized, 33.2 and 33.1 shares issued and outstanding	—	—
Capital in excess of par value	437.3	434.4
Retained earnings	481.8	475.6
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(62.5)	(55.4)
Total shareholders' equity	856.6	854.6
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 1,583.6	\$ 1,590.4

The accompanying Condensed Notes to the Consolidated, Unaudited Financial Statements are an integral part of these financial statements.

Helios Technologies, Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Operations (unaudited)
(in millions, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 30, 2024 (unaudited)	April 1, 2023 (unaudited)
Net sales	\$ 212.0	\$ 213.2
Cost of sales	144.8	142.2
Gross profit	67.2	71.0
Selling, engineering and administrative expenses	39.0	38.1
Amortization of intangible assets	7.9	8.1
Operating income	20.3	24.8
Interest expense, net	8.2	6.2
Foreign currency transaction loss, net	0.3	0.4
Other non-operating (income) expense, net	(0.2)	0.2
Income before income taxes	12.0	18.0
Income tax provision	2.8	4.1
Net income	\$ 9.2	\$ 13.9
Net income per share:		
Basic	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.43
Diluted	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.42
Weighted average shares outstanding:		
Basic	33.1	32.6
Diluted	33.3	32.7
Dividends declared per share	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.09

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Helios Technologies, Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive (Loss) Income (unaudited)
(in millions)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023
Net income	\$ 9.2	\$ 13.9
Other comprehensive income (loss)		
Foreign currency translation adjustments, net of tax	(8.3)	3.1
Unrealized gain (loss) on interest rate swaps, net of tax	1.2	(2.4)
Total other comprehensive (loss) income	(7.1)	0.7
Comprehensive income	\$ 2.1	\$ 14.6

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Helios Technologies, Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity (unaudited)
Three Months Ended
(in millions)

	Preferred shares	Preferred stock	Common shares	Common stock	Capital in excess of par value	Retained earnings	Accumulated other comprehensive loss	Total
Balance at December 30, 2023	—	\$ —	33.1	\$ —	\$ 434.4	\$ 475.6	\$ (55.4)	\$ 854.6
Shares issued, restricted stock			0.1					—
Shares issued, ESPP					0.5			0.5
Stock-based compensation					4.2			4.2
Cancellation of shares for payment of employee tax withholding					(1.8)			(1.8)
Dividends declared						(3.0)		(3.0)
Net income						9.2		9.2
Other comprehensive loss							(7.1)	(7.1)
Balance at March 30, 2024	<u>—</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>33.2</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 437.3</u>	<u>\$ 481.8</u>	<u>\$ (62.5)</u>	<u>\$ 856.6</u>
Balance at December 31, 2022	—	\$ —	32.6	\$ —	\$ 404.3	\$ 450.0	\$ (59.4)	\$ 794.9
Shares issued, ESPP					0.5			0.5
Stock-based compensation					3.4			3.4
Cancellation of shares for payment of employee tax withholding					(1.8)			(1.8)
Dividends declared						(3.0)		(3.0)
Net income						13.9		13.9
Other comprehensive income							0.7	0.7
Balance at April 1, 2023	<u>—</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>32.6</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 406.4</u>	<u>\$ 460.9</u>	<u>\$ (58.7)</u>	<u>\$ 808.6</u>

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Helios Technologies, Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (unaudited)
Three Months Ended
(in millions)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 30, 2024 (unaudited)	April 1, 2023 (unaudited)
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 9.2	\$ 13.9
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	15.7	15.2
Stock-based compensation expense	4.2	3.4
Amortization of debt issuance costs	0.1	0.1
Benefit for deferred income taxes	(0.9)	(1.1)
Forward contract gains, net	—	0.3
Other, net	0.3	0.1
(Increase) decrease in, net of acquisitions:		
Accounts receivable	(13.1)	(9.5)
Inventories	(0.7)	(6.5)
Income taxes receivable	1.6	1.6
Other current assets	0.6	(4.1)
Other assets	1.1	2.4
Increase (decrease) in, net of acquisitions:		
Accounts payable	(1.8)	(3.1)
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	(1.1)	(3.4)
Income taxes payable	3.3	4.3
Other noncurrent liabilities	(0.7)	(1.3)
Net cash provided by operating activities	17.8	12.3
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Business acquisitions, net of cash acquired	—	(84.7)
Capital expenditures	(5.5)	(9.1)
Cash settlement of forward contracts	—	0.3
Software development costs	(0.8)	(1.1)
Net cash used in investing activities	(6.3)	(94.6)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Borrowings on revolving credit facilities	21.8	95.0
Repayment of borrowings on revolving credit facilities	(17.3)	(12.5)
Repayment of borrowings on long-term non-revolving debt	(5.2)	(4.1)
Proceeds from stock issued	0.5	0.5
Dividends to shareholders	(3.0)	(3.0)
Payment of employee tax withholding on equity award vestings	(1.8)	(1.8)
Other financing activities	(0.4)	(0.3)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(5.4)	73.8
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(1.2)	1.1
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	4.9	(7.4)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	32.4	43.7
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 37.3	\$ 36.3

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HELIOS TECHNOLOGIES, INC.
CONDENSED NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED, UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Currencies in millions, except per share data)

1. COMPANY BACKGROUND

Helios Technologies, Inc. (“Helios,” the “Company”, “we”, “us” or “our”) and its wholly owned subsidiaries, is a global leader in highly engineered motion control and electronic controls technology for diverse end markets, including construction, material handling, agriculture, energy, recreational vehicles, marine and health and wellness. Helios sells its products to customers in over 90 countries around the world. The Company’s strategy for growth is to be the leading provider in niche markets, with premier products and solutions through innovative product development and acquisitions.

The Company operates in two business segments: Hydraulics and Electronics. There are two key technologies within the Hydraulics segment: motion control technology (MCT) and fluid conveyance technology (FCT). Our MCT products provide simultaneous control of acceleration, velocity and position. MCT includes our cartridge valve technology (CVT) where we pioneered a fundamentally different design platform employing a floating nose construction that results in a self-alignment characteristic. This design provides better performance and reliability advantages compared with most competitors’ product offerings. Our cartridge valves are offered in several size ranges and include both electrically actuated and hydro-mechanical products. They are designed to be able to operate reliably at higher pressures than most competitors, making them equally suitable for both industrial and mobile applications. Our FCT products transfer hydraulic fluid from one point to another. FCT includes our quick release couplings (QRC) products, which allow users to connect and disconnect quickly from any hydraulic circuit without leakage and ensure high-performance under high temperature and pressure using one or multiple couplers. The Electronics segment provides complete, fully-tailored display and control solutions for engines, engine-driven equipment, specialty vehicles, therapy baths and traditional and swim spas. This broad range of products is complemented by extensive application expertise and unparalleled depth of software, embedded programming, hardware and sustaining engineering teams.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission for reporting on Form 10-Q. Accordingly, certain information and footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”) for complete financial statements are not included herein. The financial statements are prepared on a consistent basis (including normal recurring adjustments) and should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes contained in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 30, 2023 (“Form 10-K”), filed by Helios with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 27, 2024. In management’s opinion, all adjustments necessary for a fair statement of the Company’s financial position are reflected in the interim periods presented. Operating results for the three months ended March 30, 2024, are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the fiscal year ended December 28, 2024.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Capitalized Software Development Costs

The Company sells certain products that contain embedded software that is integral to the functionality of the products. Internal and external costs incurred for developing this software are charged to expense until technological feasibility has been established, at which point the development costs are capitalized. Capitalized software development costs primarily include payroll, benefits and other headcount related expenses. Once the products are available for general release to customers, no additional costs are capitalized. Capitalized software development costs, net of accumulated amortization, were \$9.5 and \$9.0 at March 30, 2024, and December 30, 2023, respectively, and are included in Other assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Earnings Per Share

The following table presents the computation of basic and diluted earnings per common share (in millions, except per share data):

	Three Months Ended			
	March 30, 2024		April 1, 2023	
Net income	\$	9.2	\$	13.9
Weighted average shares outstanding - Basic		33.1		32.6
Net effect of dilutive securities - Stock based compensation		0.2		0.1
Weighted average shares outstanding - Diluted		33.3		32.7
Net income per share:				
Basic	\$	0.28	\$	0.43
Diluted	\$	0.28	\$	0.42

Recently Adopted Accounting Standard

In March 2020, and clarified through December 2022, the FASB issued ASU 2020-04, *Reference Rate Reform (Topic 848): Facilitation of the Effects of Reference Rate Reform on Financial Reporting*. This update provides optional expedients and exceptions for applying U.S. GAAP to contracts, hedging relationships and other transactions affected by reference rate reform. The guidance was effective immediately upon issuance in March 2020 and cannot be applied subsequent to December 31, 2024, except for certain optional expedients. The Company adopted the standard for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2023. In March 2023, the Company executed an amendment to the term loan and revolving credit facility to modify and replace reference to the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"). Additionally in March 2023, the company executed an amendment to the interest rate swap agreements to modify and replace reference to LIBOR. The company applied the accounting relief in accordance with ASC 848 as the relevant contract and hedge accounting relationship modifications were executed. The adoption of this standard did not have a material impact on our accounting policies or consolidated financial statements.

Recently Issued Accounting Standards

The Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update 2023-07 Segment Reporting (Topic 280) - Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures in November 2023. The amendments in this update improve financial reporting by requiring disclosure of incremental segment information on an annual and interim basis, primarily related to significant segment expenses. The amendments in this update are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, and interim periods within fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2024. Early adoption is permitted. The Company does not expect the additional segment disclosures to have a material impact on the consolidated financial statements and does not plan to early adopt the standard.

The Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update 2023-09 Income Taxes (Topic 740) - Improvements to Income Tax Disclosures. The amendments in this update focus on improving the transparency, effectiveness and comparability of income tax disclosures primarily related to the pretax income (or loss), income tax expense (or benefit), rate reconciliation and income taxes paid for public business entities. The amendments in this update are effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2024. Early adoption is permitted for annual financial statements that have not yet been issued or made available for issuance. The amendments in this update should be applied on a prospective basis. Retrospective application is permitted. The Company does not expect the additional income tax disclosures to have a material impact on the consolidated financial statements and does not plan to early adopt the standard.

3. BUSINESS ACQUISITIONS

On January 27, 2023, the Company completed the acquisition of Schultes Precision Manufacturing, Inc. ("Schultes"), an Illinois corporation. Schultes is a highly trusted specialist in manufacturing precision machined components and assemblies for customers requiring very tight tolerances, superior quality and exceptional value-added manufacturing processes. Currently serving the hydraulic, aerospace, communication, food services, medical device and dental industries, Schultes brings the manufacturing quality, reliability and responsiveness critical to its customers' success. The results of Schultes' operations are reported in the Company's Hydraulics segment and have been included in the Consolidated, Unaudited Financial Statements since the date of acquisition.

Initial cash consideration paid at closing for Schultes, net of cash acquired, totaled \$84.7. Cash consideration paid at closing was funded with additional borrowings on the Company's credit facility.

On May 26, 2023, the Company completed the acquisition of i3 Product Development, Inc. ("i3"), a Wisconsin corporation. i3 is a custom engineering services firm with expertise in electronics, mechanical, industrial, embedded and software engineering. i3's solutions are used across many sectors, including medical, off-highway, recreational and commercial marine, power sports, health and wellness, agriculture, consumer goods, industrial, sports and fitness. We anticipate that i3 will equip Helios with significant value-added professional services capabilities to provide customization to Helios platforms and to develop greenfield solutions. The results of i3's operations are reported in the Company's Electronics segment and have been included in the Consolidated, Unaudited Financial Statements since the date of acquisition.

Initial consideration paid at closing for i3, net of cash acquired, totaled \$44.0, consisting of 370,276 shares of the Company's common stock, issued in a private placement to the previous owners of i3, and a cash payment of \$25.4. Total consideration for the acquisition is subject to a post-closing adjustment in accordance with the terms of the purchase agreement. The cash consideration paid at closing was funded with additional borrowings on the Company's credit facility.

In connection with these acquisitions, the Company recorded \$37.7 of goodwill, \$48.0 of other identifiable intangible assets, \$34.2 of property, plant and equipment and \$8.8 of other net assets. The intangible assets include customer relationships of \$36.4 (15.7 year weighted average useful life), trade names and brands of \$7.6 (14.0 year weighted average useful life), technology of \$3.3 (5.0 year weighted average useful life) and sales order backlog of \$0.7 (less than one year weighted average useful life).

The purchase price was allocated to tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their estimated fair values. The fair value of identified intangible assets acquired was based on estimates and assumptions made by management at the time of the acquisitions. The purchase price allocation for i3 is preliminary, pending post-closing adjustments, final intangibles valuation and tax-related adjustments, and may be revised during the remainder of the measurement period (which will not exceed 12 months from the acquisition dates). Any such revisions or changes to the fair values of the tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed could be material.

Pro forma results of operations and the revenue and net income subsequent to the acquisition dates have not been presented because the effects of the acquisitions, individually and in the aggregate, were not material to the Company's financial results.

4. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The following tables provide information regarding the Company's assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis at March 30, 2024, and December 30, 2023.

	March 30, 2024			
	Total	Quoted Market Prices (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Assets				
Interest rate swap contracts	\$ 8.2	\$ —	\$ 8.2	\$ —
Forward foreign exchange contracts	—	—	—	—
Total	<u>\$ 8.2</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 8.2</u>	<u>\$ —</u>
Liabilities				
Forward foreign exchange contracts	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Contingent consideration	0.5	—	—	0.5
Total	<u>\$ 0.5</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 0.5</u>

	December 30, 2023			
	Total	Quoted Market Prices (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Assets				
Interest rate swap contracts	\$ 6.7	\$ —	\$ 6.7	\$ —
Forward foreign exchange contracts	—	—	—	—
Total	<u>\$ 6.7</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 6.7</u>	<u>\$ —</u>
Liabilities				
Forward foreign exchange contracts	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Contingent consideration	0.5	—	—	0.5
Total	<u>\$ 0.5</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 0.5</u>

There was no change in the estimated fair value of contingent consideration from December 30, 2023. The balance at March 30, 2024, was \$0.5.

5. INVENTORIES, NET

At March 30, 2024, and December 30, 2023, inventory consisted of the following:

	March 30, 2024		December 30, 2023	
Raw materials	\$	124.1	\$	126.8
Work in process		55.6		55.4
Finished goods		44.3		43.0
Provision for obsolete and slow-moving inventory		(10.1)		(10.1)
Total	<u>\$</u>	<u>213.9</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>215.1</u>

6. OPERATING LEASES

The Company leases machinery, equipment, vehicles, buildings and office space, throughout its locations, which are classified as operating leases. Remaining terms on these leases range from less than one year to nine years. For the three months ended March 30, 2024, and April 1, 2023, operating lease costs totaled \$1.9 and \$1.7, respectively.

Supplemental balance sheet information related to operating leases is as follows:

	March 30, 2024	December 30, 2023
Right-of-use assets	\$ 25.7	\$ 25.8
Lease liabilities:		
Current lease liabilities	\$ 5.1	\$ 4.0
Non-current lease liabilities	22.1	23.2
Total lease liabilities	<u>\$ 27.2</u>	<u>\$ 27.2</u>
Weighted average remaining lease term (in years):	4.6	
Weighted average discount rate:	4.6 %	

Supplemental cash flow information related to leases is as follows:

	Three Months Ended	
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities:		
Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$ 2.0	\$ 1.7
Non-cash impact of new leases and lease modifications	\$ 1.3	\$ 0.1

Maturities of lease liabilities are as follows:

2024 Remaining	\$ 5.5
2025	5.3
2026	5.0
2027	3.9
2028	3.5
2029	3.4
Thereafter	7.6
Total lease payments	34.2
Less: Imputed interest	(7.0)
Total lease obligations	27.2
Less: Current lease liabilities	(5.1)
Non-current lease liabilities	<u>\$ 22.1</u>

7. GOODWILL AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Goodwill

A summary of changes in goodwill by segment for the three months ended March 30, 2024, is as follows:

	Hydraulics	Electronics	Total
Balance at December 30, 2023	\$ 302.1	\$ 211.9	\$ 514.0
Currency translation	(6.0)	(0.1)	(6.1)
Balance at March 30, 2024	<u>\$ 296.1</u>	<u>\$ 211.8</u>	<u>\$ 507.9</u>

Acquired Intangible Assets

At March 30, 2024, and December 30, 2023, acquired intangible assets consisted of the following:

	Gross Carrying Amount	March 30, 2024 Accumulated Amortization	Net Carrying Amount	Gross Carrying Amount	December 30, 2023 Accumulated Amortization	Net Carrying Amount
Definite-lived intangibles:						
Trade names and brands	\$ 95.2	\$ (25.1)	\$ 70.1	\$ 95.8	\$ (23.9)	\$ 71.9
Non-compete agreements	2.0	(1.2)	0.8	2.0	(1.1)	0.9
Technology	54.2	(27.8)	26.4	54.7	(26.9)	27.8
Supply agreement	21.0	(15.4)	5.6	21.0	(14.9)	6.1
Customer relationships	387.1	(78.2)	308.9	391.8	(74.8)	317.0
Sales order backlog	1.4	(1.4)	—	1.4	(1.4)	—
Workforce	6.1	(3.7)	2.4	6.1	(3.4)	2.7
	<u>\$ 567.0</u>	<u>\$ (152.8)</u>	<u>\$ 414.2</u>	<u>\$ 572.8</u>	<u>\$ (146.4)</u>	<u>\$ 426.4</u>

Amortization expense on acquired intangible assets for the three months ended March 30, 2024, and April 1, 2023, was \$7.9 and \$8.1, respectively. Future estimated amortization expense is presented below.

Year:	
2024 Remaining	\$ 23.9
2025	32.0
2026	30.2
2027	26.9
2028	26.5
2029	24.5
Thereafter	250.2
Total	<u>\$ 414.2</u>

8. DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS & HEDGING ACTIVITIES

The Company addresses certain financial exposures through a controlled program of risk management that includes the use of derivative financial instruments and hedging activities.

The fair value of the Company's derivative financial instruments included in the Consolidated Balance Sheets is presented as follows:

	Balance Sheet Location	Asset Derivatives		Liability Derivatives	
		Fair Value ⁽¹⁾		Fair Value ⁽¹⁾	
		March 30, 2024	December 30, 2023	March 30, 2024	December 30, 2023
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments:					
Interest rate swap contracts	Other assets	\$ 8.2	\$ 6.7	Other non-current liabilities	\$ —
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments:					
Forward foreign exchange contracts	Other current assets	—	—	Other current liabilities	—
Forward foreign exchange contracts	Other assets	—	—	Other non-current liabilities	—
Total derivatives		<u>\$ 8.2</u>	<u>\$ 6.7</u>		<u>\$ —</u>

⁽¹⁾ See Note 4 for information regarding the inputs used in determining the fair value of derivative assets and liabilities.

The amount of gains and losses related to the Company's derivative financial instruments for the three months ended March 30, 2024, and April 1, 2023, are presented as follows:

	Amount of Gain or (Loss) Recognized in Other Comprehensive Income on Derivatives (Effective Portion)		Location of Gain or (Loss) Reclassified from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income into Earnings (Effective Portion)	Amount of Gain or (Loss) Reclassified from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income into Earnings (Effective Portion)	
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023		March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023
Derivatives in cash flow hedging relationships:					
Interest rate swap contracts	\$ 1.5	\$ (3.1)	Interest expense, net	\$ 1.8	\$ 1.8

Interest expense presented in the Consolidated Statements of Operations, in which the effects of cash flow hedges are recorded, totaled \$8.2 and \$6.2 for the three months ended March 30, 2024, and April 1, 2023, respectively.

	Amount of Gain or (Loss) Recognized in Earnings on Derivatives		Location of Gain or (Loss) Recognized in Earnings on Derivatives
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023	
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments:			
Forward foreign exchange contracts	\$ —	\$ (0.3)	Foreign currency transaction gain / loss, net

Interest Rate Swap Contracts

The Company has entered into interest rate swap transactions to hedge the variable interest rate payments on its credit facilities. In connection with the transactions, the Company pays interest based upon a fixed rate as agreed upon with the respective counterparties and receives variable rate interest payments. The interest rate swaps are designated as hedging instruments and are accounted for as cash flow hedges. The aggregate notional amount of the remaining swaps was \$220.0 as of March 30, 2024. The notional amount decreases periodically through the dates of expiration in October 2025 and April 2028. The contracts are settled with the respective counterparties on a net basis at each settlement date.

Forward Foreign Exchange Contracts

The Company had entered into forward contracts to economically hedge translational and transactional exposure associated with various business units whose local currency differs from the Company's reporting currency. The Company's forward contracts are not designated as hedging instruments for accounting purposes.

At March 30, 2024, the Company had zero forward foreign exchange contracts.

Net Investment Hedge

The Company utilizes foreign currency denominated debt to hedge currency exposure in foreign operations. The Company has designated €90.0 of borrowings on the revolving credit facility as a net investment hedge of a portion of the Company's European operations. The carrying value of the euro denominated debt totaled \$97.1 as of March 30, 2024, and is included in the Revolving lines of credit line item in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The gain on the net investment hedge recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income as part of the currency translation adjustment was \$1.6, net of tax, for the three months ended March 30, 2024.

9. CREDIT FACILITIES

Total non-revolving debt consists of the following:

	Maturity Date	March 30, 2024		December 30, 2023	
Long-term non-revolving debt:					
Term loans with PNC Bank	Oct 2025	\$	305.0	\$	310.0
Term loans with Citibank			11.4		12.1
	Various				
Total long-term non-revolving debt			316.4		322.1
Less: current portion of long-term non-revolving debt			23.2		23.2
Less: unamortized debt issuance costs			0.5		0.6
Total long-term non-revolving debt, net		\$	292.7	\$	298.3

Information on the Company's revolving credit facilities is as follows:

	Maturity Date	Balance		Available Credit					
		March 30, 2024	December 30, 2023	March 30, 2024	December 30, 2023				
Revolving line of credit with PNC Bank	Oct 2025	\$	202.1	\$	199.8	\$	196.3	\$	199.5
Revolving line of credit with Citibank	Jun 2026		3.3		3.5		0.6		0.6

Future maturities of total debt are as follows:

Year:		
2024 Remaining		\$ 21.5
2025		493.5
2026		6.8
Total		\$ 521.8

Term Loans and Line of Credit with PNC Bank

The Company has a Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated October 28, 2020 (the "Credit Agreement"), with PNC Bank, National Association, as administrative agent, and the lenders party thereto that includes a revolving line of credit and term loan credit facility.

In May 2023, the Company entered into an Incremental Facility Amendment (the "Incremental Facility Amendment" and, together with the Credit Agreement, the "Amended Credit Agreement") that amended the Credit Agreement.

Pursuant to the Incremental Facility Amendment, the Company incurred a new senior secured term loan A-2 (the "Term Loan A-2") in an aggregate principal amount of \$150.0. The issue price of the Term Loan A-2 was equal to 100% of the aggregate principal amount thereof. The Term Loan A-2 bears interest at a rate based on either (i) the secured overnight financing rate ("SOFR") (subject to a 0% floor) for the applicable interest period plus a 0.10% SOFR adjustment plus an applicable margin ranging between 1.50% and 2.75%, depending on the Company's leverage ratio or (ii) a variable rate equal to the highest of (x) the overnight bank funding rate plus 0.50%, (y) the prime rate and (z) daily simple SOFR, plus a 0.10% SOFR adjustment plus 1.00%, plus an applicable margin ranging between 0.50% and 1.75%, depending on the Company's leverage ratio. The Term Loan A-2 is guaranteed by each of the Company's domestic subsidiaries and is secured by substantially all of the assets of the Company and the guarantors, on a pari passu basis with the other facilities under the Amended Credit Agreement. The Term Loan A-2 matures on October 28, 2025, and is not subject to any mandatory repayments prior to such maturity date.

The net proceeds from the Term Loan A-2, together with cash on hand, were used to repay outstanding amounts under the Company's revolving credit facility. Under the Amended Credit Agreement, the Company continues to have access to an accordion feature with the ability to increase the revolver or incur additional term loans under the incremental facility of \$300.0 after giving effect to borrowings under the Term Loan A-2.

The revolving line of credit allows for borrowings up to an aggregate maximum principal amount of \$400.0. To hedge currency exposure in foreign operations, €90.0 of the borrowings on the line of credit are denominated in euros. The borrowings have been designated as a net investment hedge, see additional information in Note 8. Borrowings under the line of credit bear interest at defined rates plus an applicable margin based on the Company's leverage ratio.

The effective interest rate on the credit agreement at March 30, 2024, was 7.4%. Interest expense recognized on the credit agreement, excluding interest rate swap activity, during the three months ended March 30, 2024, and April 1, 2023, totaled \$9.9 and \$7.9, respectively. As of March 30, 2024, the Company was in compliance with all debt covenants related to the Amended Credit Agreement.

Term Loans and Line of Credit with Citibank

The Company has an uncommitted fixed asset facility agreement (the "Fixed Asset Facility"), short-term revolving facility agreement (the "Working Capital Facility") and term loan facility agreement (the "Shanghai Branch Term Loan Facility") with Citibank (China) Co., Ltd. Shanghai Branch, as lender.

Under the Fixed Asset Facility, the Company borrowed on a secured basis RMB 2.6. The proceeds of the loan were used for purchases of equipment. Outstanding borrowings under the Fixed Asset Facility accrued interest at a rate equal to the National Interbank Funding Center 1-year loan prime rate plus 1.5%. The loan matured in May 2023, at which time the remaining balance was paid in full.

Under the Working Capital Facility, the Company could borrow amounts on an unsecured revolving facility up to a total of RMB 16.0. Proceeds could only be used for expenditures related to production at the Company's facility located in Kunshan City, China. Outstanding borrowings under the Working Capital Facility accrued interest at a rate equal to the National Interbank Funding Center 1-year loan prime rate plus 0.5%. The loan matured in May 2023, at which time the remaining balance was paid in full.

Under the Shanghai Branch Term Loan Facility, the Company borrowed on a secured basis RMB 42.7. Outstanding borrowings under the Shanghai Branch Term Loan Facility accrue interest at a rate equal to the National Interbank Funding Center 1-year loan prime rate plus 1.5%, to be repaid on a specified schedule with the final payment due in October 2024.

The Company has a term loan facility agreement (the "Sydney Branch Term Loan Facility") with Citibank, N.A., Sydney Branch, as lender. Under the Sydney Branch Term Loan Facility, the Company borrowed on a secured basis AUD 7.5. The proceeds were used to repay other existing debt. Outstanding borrowings under the facility accrued interest at a rate equal to the Australian Bank Bill Swap ("ABBS") reference rate plus 2.0%, to be repaid throughout the term of the loan with a final payment due date in December 2024.

In June 2023, the Sydney Branch Term Loan Facility was amended. The Company borrowed on a secured basis AUD 15.0 and used a portion of the proceeds to repay the remaining balance of the original term loan. Outstanding borrowings under the amended Sydney Branch Term Loan Facility accrue interest at a rate equal to the ABBS reference rate plus 2.8%, to be repaid throughout the term of the loan with a final payment due date in June 2026.

Concurrent with the amendment to the Sydney Branch Term Loan Facility, the Company entered into a revolving line of credit agreement with Citibank, N.A., Sydney Branch, as lender (the "Sydney Branch RC Facility"). The Sydney Branch RC Facility allows for borrowings up to an aggregate maximum principal amount of AUD 6.0 and matures in June 2026, with no mandatory repayments prior to such maturity date. The facility accrues interest at a rate equal to the ABBS reference rate plus 2.3%.

As of March 30, 2024, the Company was in compliance with all debt covenants related to the term loans and line of credit with Citibank. Additionally, the secured loans with Citibank are secured by a parent guarantee.

10. INCOME TAXES

The provision for income taxes for the three months ended March 30, 2024 and April 1, 2023, was 23.2% and 22.8% of pretax income, respectively. These effective rates fluctuate relative to the levels of income and different tax rates in effect among the countries in which the Company sells products.

At March 30, 2024, the Company had an unrecognized tax benefit of \$6.3 including accrued interest. If recognized, \$0.2 of unrecognized tax benefit would reduce the effective tax rate in future periods. At April 1, 2023, the Company had an unrecognized tax benefit of \$8.4 including accrued interest. The Company recognizes interest and penalties related to income tax matters in income tax expense. Interest accrued as of March 30, 2024, is not considered material to the Company's Consolidated, Unaudited Financial Statements.

11. STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

Equity Incentive Plan

The Company's 2023 Equity Incentive Plan ("2023 Plan") provides for the grant of up to an aggregate of 1,000,000 shares of restricted stock, restricted share units, stock options, stock appreciation rights, dividend or dividend equivalent rights, stock awards and other awards valued in whole or in part by reference to or otherwise based on the Company's common stock, to officers, employees and directors of the Company. The 2023 Plan replaced the prior 2019 Equity Incentive Plan and was approved by the Company's shareholders at the 2023 Annual Meeting.

Restricted Stock Units

The Company grants restricted stock units ("RSUs") to employees in connection with a long-term incentive plan and from time to time for special recognition. Awards with time-based vesting requirements primarily vest ratably over a three-year period. Awards with performance-based vesting requirements cliff vest after a three-year performance cycle and only after the achievement of certain performance criteria over that cycle. The number of shares ultimately issued for the performance-based units may vary from 0% to 200% of their target amount based on the achievement of defined performance targets. Compensation expense recognized for RSUs granted to employees totaled \$3.9 and \$2.3, respectively, for the three months ended March 30, 2024, and April 1, 2023.

The Helios Technologies, Inc. Non-Employee Director Compensation Policy compensates Non-Employee Directors for their board service with cash awards and equity-based compensation through grants of RSUs, issued pursuant to the 2019 Plan or 2023 Plan, which vest over a one-year period. Directors were granted 6,183 and 3,939 RSUs during the three months ended March 30, 2024, and April 1, 2023, respectively. The Company recognized director stock compensation expense on the RSUs of \$0.3 and \$0.4 for the three months ended March 30, 2024, and April 1, 2023, respectively.

The following table summarizes RSU activity for the three months ended March 30, 2024:

	Number of Units (in thousands)	Weighted Average Grant-Date Fair Value per Share
Nonvested balance at December 30, 2023	303	\$ 63.29
Granted	288	41.97
Vested	(112)	60.77
Forfeited	(8)	61.38
Nonvested balance at March 30, 2024	<u>471</u>	\$ 50.92

Included in the nonvested balance at March 30, 2024, is 186,202 nonvested performance-based RSUs.

The Company had \$16.4 of total unrecognized compensation cost related to the RSU awards as of March 30, 2024. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 2.2 years.

Stock Options

The Company has granted stock options with market-based exercise conditions to its officers. As of March 30, 2024, there were 68,000 unvested options and no vested unexercised options. The exercise price per share is \$50.60, which is equal to the market price of Helios stock on the grant date. The options vest upon, the later of, the achievement of defined stock prices or two years from the grant date. The options include required service periods, which range from one to two years from the grant date. These options have a 10-year expiration.

The Company has also granted stock options with only time-based vesting conditions to its officers. As of March 30, 2024, there are no unvested options and 24,233 vested unexercised options. The exercise prices per share, which range from \$35.04 to \$55.03, are equal to the market price of Helios stock on the respective grant dates. The options vest ratably over a three-year period and have a 10-year expiration. The grant date fair value of the options was estimated using a Black Scholes valuation model.

At March 30, 2024, the Company had less than \$0.1 of unrecognized compensation cost related to the options, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 0.6 years. The Company recognized expense on the stock options of less than \$0.1 and \$0.5 for the three months ended March 30, 2024, and April 1, 2023, respectively.

Employee Stock Purchase Plans

The Company maintains an Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("ESPP") in which U.S. employees are eligible to participate. Employees who choose to participate are granted an opportunity to purchase common stock at 85 percent of market value on the first or last day of the quarterly purchase period, whichever is lower. Employees in the United Kingdom ("UK"), under a separate plan, are granted an opportunity to purchase the Company's common stock at market value, on the first or last day of the quarterly purchase period, whichever is lower, with the Company issuing one additional free share of common stock for each six shares purchased by the employee under the plan.

Employees purchased 12,793 shares at a weighted average price of \$38.06 and 11,437 shares at a weighted average price of \$46.31, under the ESPP and UK plans during the three months ended March 30, 2024, and April 1, 2023, respectively. The Company recognized \$0.1 and \$0.2 of compensation expense during the three months ended March 30, 2024, and April 1, 2023, respectively.

12. ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS

The following tables present changes in accumulated other comprehensive loss by component:

	Unrealized Gains and (Losses) on Derivative Instruments	Foreign Currency Items	Total
Balance at December 30, 2023	\$ 4.9	\$ (60.3)	\$ (55.4)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	0.1	(10.8)	(10.7)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax	1.4	—	1.4
Tax effect	(0.3)	2.5	2.2
Net current period other comprehensive income (loss)	1.2	(8.3)	(7.1)
Balance at March 30, 2024	<u>\$ 6.1</u>	<u>\$ (68.6)</u>	<u>\$ (62.5)</u>

	Unrealized Gains and (Losses) on Derivative Instruments	Foreign Currency Items	Total
Balance at December 31, 2022	\$ 8.5	\$ (67.9)	\$ (59.4)
Other comprehensive (loss) income before reclassifications	(4.5)	4.3	(0.2)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax	1.4	—	1.4
Tax effect	0.7	(1.2)	(0.5)
Net current period other comprehensive (loss) income	(2.4)	3.1	0.7
Balance at April 1, 2023	<u>\$ 6.1</u>	<u>\$ (64.8)</u>	<u>\$ (58.7)</u>

13. SEGMENT REPORTING

The Company has two reportable segments: Hydraulics and Electronics. These segments are organized primarily based on the similar nature of products offered for sale, the types of customers served and the methods of distribution and are consistent with how the segments are managed, how resources are allocated and how information is used by the chief operating decision maker.

The Hydraulics segment provides the global capital goods industries with hydraulic components and systems used to transmit power and control force, speed and motion. There are two categories based on Hydraulic system architecture: motion control technology (“MCT”) and fluid conveyance technology (“FCT”). MCT includes components used to control the flow and pressure of fluids in a system. FCT includes components used to convey fluids and fluid power through a system and are designed to grant maximum flexibility of design and reliability. MCT includes cartridge valve technology (“CVT”) and FCT includes quick release coupling solutions (“QRC”) products. CVT products provide functions important to a hydraulic system: to control rates and direction of fluid flow and to regulate and control pressures. QRC products allow users to connect and disconnect quickly from any hydraulic circuit without leakage and ensure high-performance under high temperature and pressure using one or multiple couplers. Engineered solutions that incorporate manifold solutions with CVT and QRC technologies are also provided to machine users, manufacturers or designers to fulfill complete system design requirements including electro-hydraulic, remote control, electronic control and programmable logic controller systems, as well as automation of existing equipment.

The Electronics segment provides complete, fully-tailored display and control solutions for engines, engine-driven equipment, specialty vehicles, therapy baths, cold plunge pools and traditional and swim spas. This broad range of products is complemented by extensive application expertise and unparalleled depth of software, embedded programming, hardware and sustaining engineering teams. Product categories include traditional mechanical and electronic gauge instrumentation, plug and go CAN-based instruments, robust environmentally sealed controllers, pumps and jets, hydraulic controllers, engineered panels and application specialists, process monitoring instrumentation, proprietary hardware and software development, printed circuit board assembly and wiring harness design and manufacturing and after-market support through global distribution.

The Company evaluates performance and allocates resources based primarily on segment operating income. Certain costs were not allocated to the business segments as they are not used in evaluating the results of, or in allocating resources to the Company's segments. These costs are presented in the Corporate and other line item. For the three months ended March 30, 2024, the unallocated costs totaled \$8.6 and included certain corporate costs not deemed to be allocable to either business segment of \$0.3, amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets of \$7.9 and other acquisition and integration-related costs of \$0.4. The accounting policies of the Company's operating segments are the same as those used to prepare the accompanying Consolidated, Unaudited Financial Statements.

The following table presents financial information by reportable segment:

	Three Months Ended	
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023
Net sales		
Hydraulics	\$ 142.4	\$ 147.7
Electronics	69.6	65.5
Total	<u>\$ 212.0</u>	<u>\$ 213.2</u>
Operating income		
Hydraulics	\$ 21.8	\$ 28.0
Electronics	7.1	7.5
Corporate and other	(8.6)	(10.7)
Total	<u>\$ 20.3</u>	<u>\$ 24.8</u>
Capital expenditures		
Hydraulics	\$ 3.2	\$ 6.9
Electronics	2.3	2.2
Total	<u>\$ 5.5</u>	<u>\$ 9.1</u>
	March 30, 2024	December 30, 2023
Total assets		
Hydraulics	\$ 967.7	\$ 976.6
Electronics	599.8	600.0
Corporate	16.1	13.8
Total	<u>\$ 1,583.6</u>	<u>\$ 1,590.4</u>

Geographic Region Information

Net sales are measured based on the geographic destination of sales to the Americas, Europe, the Middle East and Africa (“EMEA”) and Asia Pacific (“APAC”). Tangible long-lived assets are shown based on the physical location of the assets and primarily include net property, plant and equipment and exclude right-of-use assets. The following table presents financial information by region:

	Three Months Ended	
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023
Net sales		
Americas	\$ 113.9	\$ 113.0
EMEA	52.0	56.1
APAC	46.1	44.1
Total	<u>\$ 212.0</u>	<u>\$ 213.2</u>

	March 30, 2024	December 30, 2023
	Tangible long-lived assets	
Americas	\$ 144.2	\$ 145.6
EMEA	35.9	37.1
APAC	18.5	19.4
Total	<u>\$ 198.6</u>	<u>\$ 202.1</u>

14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company purchases from, and sells inventory to, entities partially owned or managed by directors of Helios. For the three months ended March 30, 2024, and April 1, 2023, sales to the entity totaled \$1.0 and \$0.7, respectively. At March 30, 2024, and December 30, 2023, amounts due from the entity totaled \$0.4 and \$0.4, respectively.

15. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Legal Proceedings

The Company is not a party to any legal proceedings other than routine litigation incidental to its business. In the opinion of management, the amount of ultimate liability with respect to these actions will not materially affect the results of operations, financial position or cash flows of the Company.

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

This report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The words "expects," "anticipates," "believes," "intends," "plans," "will" and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements. In addition, any statements that refer to expectations, projections or other characterizations of future events or circumstances are forward-looking statements. We undertake no obligation to publicly disclose any revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances occurring subsequent to filing this Form 10-Q with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, including, without limitation, those discussed in this report and those identified in Part I, Item 1A, "Risk Factors" included in our Form 10-K. In addition, new risks emerge from time to time, and it is not possible for management to predict all such risk factors or to assess the impact of such risk factors on our business. Accordingly, our future results may differ materially from historical results or from those discussed or implied by these forward-looking statements. Given these risks and uncertainties, the reader should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements.

OVERVIEW

We are a global leader in highly engineered motion control and electronic controls technology for diverse end markets, including construction, material handling, agriculture, industrial, mobile, energy, recreational vehicles, marine and health and wellness.

We operate under two business segments: Hydraulics and Electronics. The Hydraulics segment designs and manufactures hydraulic motion control and fluid conveyance technology products, including cartridge valves, manifolds, quick release couplings as well as engineers hydraulic solutions and in some cases complete systems. Our Hydraulics segment includes products sold under the Sun Hydraulics, Faster, Custom Fluidpower, Seungwon, NEM, Taimi, Daman and Schultes brands. The Electronics segment designs and manufactures customized electronic controls systems, displays, wire harnesses and software solutions for a variety of end markets including industrial and mobile, recreational and health and wellness. The Electronics segment includes products sold under the Enovation Controls, Murphy, Zero Off, HCT, Balboa Water Group and Joyonway brands.

Recent Acquisitions

In January 2023, we completed the acquisition of Schultes Precision Manufacturing, Inc. Schultes is a highly trusted specialist in manufacturing precision machined components and assemblies for customers requiring very tight tolerances, superior quality and exceptional value-added manufacturing processes. Currently serving the hydraulic, aerospace, communication, food services, medical device and dental industries, Schultes brings the manufacturing quality, reliability and responsiveness critical to its customers' success. Schultes provides additional manufacturing know-how and expands our business into new end markets with attractive secular tailwinds.

In May 2023, we acquired i3 Product Development, a custom design and engineering services firm, with over 55 engineers with expertise in electronics, mechanical, industrial, embedded and software engineering. We anticipate that i3 will equip Helios with significant value-added professional services capabilities to provide customization to Helios platforms and to develop greenfield solutions. i3 specializes in working to transform customers' ideas into industrial design solutions through rapid prototyping and creating 3D models in house. They have also built and patented a remote support platform that provides customers in the field support for their internet of things devices. Their solutions are used across many sectors, including medical, off-highway, recreational and commercial marine, power sports, health and wellness, agriculture, consumer goods, industrial, sports and fitness.

Restructuring Activities

Our previously announced restructuring activities within our Hydraulics segment related to the creation of our two new Regional Operational Centers of Excellence ("CoE") are substantially complete. The Hydraulic Manifold Solutions CoE, located in Mishawaka, Indiana, is now doing the manifold machining and integrated package assembly for Sun Hydraulics, Faster Inc., and Daman. The Hydraulic Valve and Coupling Solutions CoE, located in Sarasota, Florida, is manufacturing cartridge valve technology (CVT) and quick release couplings (QRC). There still remain some integration and optimization activities we expect to be completed in 2024.

We have also initiated some restructuring activities to better optimize our European regional operations. We are transitioning some manufacturing of manifolds and integrated package assembly to our Roncolo, Italy location. To create capacity in Roncolo, we are moving some turning and lathing operations from Roncolo to our Rivolta, Italy location. These activities include transferring equipment and operations between facilities. We expect the transition to largely take place throughout 2024.

Manufacturing and Operating Strategy Activities

During 2021, we augmented our strategy to transform our business from a holding company to a global integrated operating company. This strategy leverages the breadth of our global footprint and depth of our manufacturing capabilities. We created manufacturing roadmaps with several programs to continuously improve processes that will drive efficiency and improvements across the business. In support of our mission to "Think and Act Globally", we are driving "in the region, for the region" manufacturing to better align supply chain and manufacturing value streams with customers geographically to shorten lead times, reduce inventory, optimize costs, and mitigate global supply risks. We have made significant progress against our strategy as disclosed in 2023 related to the creation of our new Centers of Excellence, transferring some of the board assembly and wire harness production from our Tulsa location to our facility in Tijuana, adding capacity at our plants in Italy, India, Tijuana and Indiana, and constructing an automated warehouse at our Faster Italy location. We notably began a project to optimize our European operations and we expect the new project to take place throughout this fiscal year.

Global Economic and Geopolitical Conditions

We expect to see challenging macroeconomic conditions to continue, characterized by economic uncertainty and market disruption driven by inflationary pressures, political uncertainty, the ongoing Russia-Ukraine war and the Israeli-Hamas war. We do not have operations in these regions at this time and those conflicts have not and are not expected to have a material impact on our financial condition or results. In addition, we are continuously monitoring these economic and geopolitical conditions and remain focused on pricing discipline, cost savings initiatives and production efficiency as ways to mitigate the risks associated with the uncertainty.

Refer to Item 1A "Risk Factors" of our Form 10-K for additional discussion of risks related to global economic conditions.

Industry Conditions

The capital goods industries in general, and the Hydraulics and Electronics segments specifically, are subject to economic cycles. We utilize industry trend reports from various sources, as well as feedback from customers and distributors, to evaluate economic trends. We also rely on global government statistics such as Gross Domestic Product and Purchasing Managers Index to understand macroeconomic conditions.

Hydraulics

According to the National Fluid Power Association (the fluid power industry's trade association in the U.S.), the U.S. index of shipments of hydraulic products decreased 8% during the first three months of 2024 compared to the first three months of the prior year while the U.S. index of orders of hydraulic products declined 9% during the same period. Monthly shipments have been down year over year each month back to September 2023, with March declining 16%. Looking at the first three months of 2024 compared to the prior three months, shipments and orders are up 2% and 1% respectively. The three month average order volume has trended up through the first three months of 2024 compared to the second half of 2023. In Europe, the CEMA Business Barometer reported in March 2024 that the general business climate index for the European agricultural machinery industry continued to deteriorate. The CEMA Barometer report also indicated an expectation for turnover to decline over the next six months with the full year 2024 to be down in the single-digit range. The CECE (Committee for European Construction Equipment) recently reported that the business climate index related to Europe took a step back in March with the view of current business environment and future expectations being negative on average. The CECE reported that the rate of decline of incoming orders in Europe is getting smaller but that declines are expected to continue through 2024.

Electronics

The Federal Reserve's Industrial Production Index, which measures the real output of all relevant establishments located in the U.S., reports first quarter 2024 sales of semiconductors and other electronics components declined slightly from Q4 2023 but remain higher than sales levels seen in recent years in comparable periods. The Institute of Printed Circuits Association ("IPC") reported that total North American printed circuit board ("PCB") shipments were down 24% in March, 12% in February and 4% in January compared with the same months last year. PCB bookings in the first 3 months of 2024 were up compared to the prior year, with March being down only 2% while February was up 26%. The quarterly increase in order bookings was seen as a reversal of a downward trend and a positive sign for demand. The IPC also reported that North American electronics manufacturing services ("EMS") shipments were down 4% in March, but up 26% in February and 3% in January compared to the prior year. EMS bookings trended up in the quarter as well with February and March up 5% and 26%, respectively while January was down 12% year over year.

2024 First Quarter Results and Comparison of the Three Months Ended March 30, 2024, and April 1, 2023 (In millions, except per share data)

The following is a discussion of our first quarter of 2024 results of operations and liquidity and capital resources; comparisons are with the corresponding reporting period of 2023, unless otherwise noted.

The following table presents our consolidated results of operations:

	Three Months Ended		\$ Change	% Change
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023		
Net sales	\$ 212.0	\$ 213.2	\$ (1.2)	(0.6)%
Gross profit	\$ 67.2	\$ 71.0	\$ (3.8)	(5.4)%
<i>Gross profit %</i>	31.7 %	33.3 %		
Operating income	\$ 20.3	\$ 24.8	\$ (4.5)	(18.1)%
<i>Operating income %</i>	9.6 %	11.6 %		
Net income	\$ 9.2	\$ 13.9	\$ (4.7)	(33.8)%
Diluted net income per share	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.42	\$ (0.1)	(33.3)%

First quarter consolidated net sales declined \$1.2, 0.6% over the prior-year first quarter. We experienced organic net sales decline of \$5.1, 2.4%, which was offset partially by sales from acquisitions totaling \$3.9. Sales were impacted by reduced demand for products in our mobile, industrial and agricultural end markets, offset partially by an increase to the health and wellness and off-road vehicle end markets. Consolidated net sales were slightly up in the Americas and APAC regions and down in the EMEA region during the first quarter. Changes in foreign currency exchange rates had an unfavorable impact to our first quarter organic sales of \$0.3, 0.1%.

Supply chain and pricing did not have a material impact on our sales in the first quarter compared to the prior year period. Although inflation persists, we did see a more stable pricing environment this quarter compared to the prior year period.

First quarter gross profit decreased \$3.8, 5.4%, over the prior year first quarter driven by lower volume, higher material and labor costs and unfavorable foreign currency impacts of \$0.3. Gross margin declined by 160 basis points, impacted by lower fixed costs leverage on lower volume, a higher mix of revenue in lower margin products, and other cost impacts noted above.

First quarter operating income as a percentage of sales declined 200 basis points to 9.6%. In addition to the gross margin level changes, SEA expenses increased by \$0.9 mainly due to higher wages and the 2023 acquisitions.

Net interest expense increased by \$2.0 to \$8.2 in the first quarter of 2024. Average net debt increased to \$488.2 during the first quarter of 2024 compared with \$446.0 during the first quarter of 2023, due to higher interest rates in the current period and higher debt from borrowings to fund acquisitions.

The provision for income taxes for the first quarter of 2024 was 23.2% of pretax income compared to 22.8% for the prior-year first quarter. These effective rates fluctuate relative to the levels of income and different tax rates in effect among the countries in which we sell our products.

On December 20, 2022, the OECD published Pillar Two guidance on safe harbors and penalty relief (the "Safe Harbor Guidance"). The Safe Harbor Guidance includes a Transitional Country-by-Country Report ("CbCR") Safe Harbor, which would deem a MNE's top-up tax for a jurisdiction to be zero and would allow the MNE to avoid undertaking detailed GloBE calculations in respect of that jurisdiction during the Transition Period if it can demonstrate one of the three transitional tests.

The company continues to evaluate the impact of Pillar Two and application of safe harbors. The company does not expect it to have a material impact in 2024 to their effective tax rate.

SEGMENT RESULTS

Hydraulics

The following table presents the results of operations for the Hydraulics segment:

	Three Months Ended		\$ Change	% Change
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023		
Net sales	\$ 142.4	\$ 147.7	\$ (5.3)	(3.6)%
Gross profit	\$ 44.5	\$ 50.0	\$ (5.5)	(11.0)%
<i>Gross profit %</i>	31.3 %	33.9 %		
Operating income	\$ 21.8	\$ 28.0	\$ (6.2)	(22.1)%
<i>Operating income %</i>	15.3 %	19.0 %		

First quarter net sales for the Hydraulics segment decreased by \$5.3, 3.6%, compared with the prior year first quarter. We experienced organic net sales decline of \$7.2, 4.9%, from the prior year, which was partially offset by acquisition sales totaling \$1.9. Sales in the first quarter to the mobile, industrial and agriculture end markets were down compared to the prior year-period. These declines were partially offset by higher sales from the smaller niche markets. Changes in foreign currency exchange rates had an unfavorable impact of \$0.2, 0.1%.

The following table presents net sales based on the geographic region of the sale for the Hydraulics segment:

	Three Months Ended		\$ Change	% Change
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023		
Americas	\$ 55.8	\$ 57.9	\$ (2.1)	(3.6)%
EMEA	45.5	49.4	(3.9)	(7.9)%
APAC	41.1	40.4	0.7	1.7%
Total	<u>\$ 142.4</u>	<u>\$ 147.7</u>		

Regional sales performance in the first quarter compared to the prior year quarter was driven by:

Americas - excluding the impact of acquisitions, sales declined \$4.0, 6.9%, primarily from softer demand in the region

EMEA - excluding favorable changes in foreign currency rates of \$0.5, sales declined \$4.4, 8.9%, primarily from softer demand within the agriculture market

APAC - excluding unfavorable changes in foreign currency rates of \$0.7, sales increased \$1.4, 3.5%, primarily from increased demand in China

First quarter gross profit declined \$5.5, 11.0%, from lower volume while gross margin declined by 260 basis points, primarily from fixed cost absorption on lower volume and higher labor costs. Changes in foreign currency exchange rates had an unfavorable impact of \$0.1.

Operating income as a percentage of sales declined 370 basis points to 15.3% in the first quarter of 2024. SEA expenses went up by \$0.7, mainly due to higher wages and the 2023 acquisitions.

As previously noted in the third quarter of 2023, the Company experienced aggregate losses related to a fire and a weather-related incident at one of its manufacturing locations in Italy, which resulted in the shut-down of operations for a period of time and disruption in production as recovery efforts ensued. There are insurance claims open related to these incidents and the Company is working closely with the insurance carrier to assess the claims and evaluate potential recoveries. Losses from damage to the building, equipment and supplies are expected to be fully offset by probable insurance recoveries, which represents anticipated insurance proceeds not in excess of the associated losses, for which receipt has been deemed probable. Any recoveries in excess of losses incurred will be recognized when all contingencies related to the claim have been resolved. Management is hopeful these claims will be resolved in 2024.

Electronics

The following table presents the results of operations for the Electronics segment:

	Three Months Ended		\$ Change	% Change
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023		
Net sales	\$ 69.6	\$ 65.5	\$ 4.1	6.3%
Gross profit	\$ 22.7	\$ 21.0	\$ 1.7	8.1%
<i>Gross profit %</i>	32.6%	32.1%		
Operating income	\$ 7.1	\$ 7.5	\$ (0.4)	(5.3)%
<i>Operating income %</i>	10.2%	11.5%		

First quarter net sales for the Electronics segment increased \$4.1, 6.3%, compared with the prior year first quarter. We experienced organic net sales growth of \$2.1, 3.2%, with incremental acquisition sales of \$2.0. Compared to the prior year period, first quarter sales in the health and wellness and off-road vehicle markets increased, while sales to the industrial and marine end markets decreased. Changes in foreign currency exchange rates had an unfavorable impact of \$0.1, 0.2%.

The following table presents net sales based on the geographic region of the sale for the Electronics segment:

	Three Months Ended		\$ Change	% Change
	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023		
Americas	\$ 58.1	\$ 55.1	\$ 3.0	5.4 %
EMEA	6.5	6.7	(0.2)	(3.0)%
APAC	5.0	3.7	1.3	35.1 %
Total	<u>\$ 69.6</u>	<u>\$ 65.5</u>		

First quarter gross profit increased \$1.7, 8.1% compared to the prior year first quarter, primarily due to the higher sales volume. Gross margin increased by 50 basis points to 32.6% as the increased leverage of our fixed cost base on the higher sales and lower freight costs more than offset the impact of a higher mix of revenue in products with a lower margin profile.

SEA expenses increased by \$2.1, 15.6%, in the first quarter of 2024 compared to the prior year first quarter, primarily from increased wages and the 2023 acquisitions.

Corporate and Other

Certain costs are excluded from business segment results as they are not used in evaluating the results of, or in allocating resources to, our operating segments. For the first quarter of 2024, these costs totaled \$8.6 for: amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets of \$7.9, \$0.4 related to our acquisition and integration activities and \$0.3 for officer transition costs. Compared to the first quarter of 2023, these costs decreased by \$2.1, primarily from the net impact of other acquisition and integration activities and the roll off of certain officer transition costs.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Historically, our primary source of capital has been cash generated from operations. We also use borrowings on our credit facilities to fund acquisitions. During the first three months of 2024, cash provided by operating activities totaled \$17.8. At the end of the first quarter, we had \$37.3 of available cash and cash equivalents on hand and \$196.9 of available credit on our revolving credit facilities. We also have a \$300.0 accordion feature available on our credit facility, subject to certain pro forma compliance requirements, intended to support potential future acquisitions.

Our principal uses of cash are operating expenses, capital expenditures, servicing debt, acquisition-related payments and dividends to shareholders.

We believe that cash generated from operations and our borrowing availability under our credit facilities will be sufficient to satisfy our operating expenses for the foreseeable future. In the event that economic conditions were to severely worsen for a protracted period of time, we would have several options available to ensure liquidity in addition to increased borrowings. Capital expenditures could be postponed since they primarily pertain to long-term improvements in operations, operating expense reductions could be made, acquisition activity could be delayed and finally, the dividend to shareholders could be reduced or suspended.

Cash Flows

The following table summarizes our cash flows for the periods:

	Three Months Ended			\$ Change
	March 30, 2024		April 1, 2023	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 17.8	\$	12.3	\$ 5.5
Net cash used in investing activities	(6.3)		(94.6)	88.3
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(5.4)		73.8	(79.2)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(1.2)		1.1	(2.3)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4.9	\$	(7.4)	\$ 12.3

Cash on hand increased \$4.9 in the first quarter of 2024 to \$37.3 as of March 30, 2024. Changes in exchange rates during the three months ended March 30, 2024, negatively impacted cash and cash equivalents \$1.2. Cash balances on hand are a result of our cash management strategy, which focuses on maintaining sufficient cash to fund operations while reinvesting cash in the Company and paying down borrowings on our credit facilities.

Operating activities

Year-to-date cash from operations increased by \$5.5 to \$17.8. Cash earnings (calculated as net income plus adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities, excluding changes in net operating assets and liabilities) decreased by \$3.3 in the first three quarters of 2024 compared to the same period in 2023. Changes in net operating assets and liabilities improved cash flow by \$8.8, compared to the prior year period, primarily from favorable differences from the prior year in cash flows from inventories and other current assets, offset by an increase in accounts receivable and accrued expenses and other liabilities. Investments in inventory reduced cash by \$0.7 and \$6.5 in the first quarter of 2024 and 2023, respectively. Days of inventory on hand increased to 135 days as of March 30, 2024, compared with 126 days as of April 1, 2023. Changes in accounts receivable reduced cash by \$13.1 and \$9.5 in the first quarter of 2024 and 2023, respectively. Days sales outstanding decreased slightly to 54 days as of March 30, 2024, compared with 60 days as of April 1, 2023, as a result of initiatives to improve our collection patterns.

Investing activities

Cash used in investing activities totaled \$6.3 in the first quarter of 2024, compared to \$94.6 in the first quarter of the prior year. The large difference is a result of \$84.7 cash paid, net of cash acquired, for acquisitions in the first quarter of 2023.

Capital expenditures totaled \$5.5, 2.6% of sales for the first quarter of 2024, a decrease of \$3.6 over the prior year comparable period. Capital expenditures for 2024 are forecasted to be approximately 3%-4% of sales, for investments in machinery and equipment for capacity expansion projects, improvements to manufacturing technology and maintaining or replacing existing machine capabilities.

Financing activities

Net cash used in financing activities totaled \$5.4 during the first quarter of 2024, compared with cash provided of \$73.8 in the prior year period. In the first quarter of 2024, repayments, net of borrowings, totaled \$0.7. Cash paid for acquisitions in first quarter of 2023 was primarily financed with borrowings on our credit facility; borrowings, net of repayments, totaled \$78.4.

In May 2023, we entered into an incremental facility amendment to our credit agreement with PNC Bank, National Association, as administrative agent, and various lenders party thereto. With the amendment we incurred a new term loan with an aggregate principal amount of \$150.0 for which the proceeds were used to repay outstanding balances on our revolving credit facility. The new term loan is payable in full in October 2025 and is not subject to any required repayments prior to that date. As part of the Incremental Facility Amendment, we continue to have the ability to increase our revolving credit facility or incur a new term loan up to an additional borrowing limit of \$300.0.

During the first quarter of 2024, we declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.09 per share payable on April 19, 2024, to shareholders of record as of April 4, 2024. The declaration and payment of future dividends is subject to the sole discretion of the board of directors, and any determination as to the payment of future dividends will depend upon our profitability, financial condition, capital needs, future prospects and other factors deemed pertinent by the board of directors.

Off Balance Sheet Arrangements

We do not engage in any off-balance sheet financing arrangements. In particular, we do not have any material interest in variable interest entities, which include special purpose entities and structured finance entities.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

We currently apply judgment and estimates that may have a material effect on the eventual outcome of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses for impairment of long-lived assets, inventory, goodwill, accruals, income taxes and fair value measurements. Our critical accounting policies and estimates are included in our Form 10-K, and any changes made during the first three months of 2024, are disclosed in Note 2 to the Consolidated, Unaudited Financial Statements.

Item 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK.

See “Item 7A – Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk” in our Form 10-K. There were no material changes during the three months ended March 30, 2024.

Item 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

The Company’s management, with the participation of the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, after evaluating the effectiveness of the Company’s “disclosure controls and procedures” (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) as of the end of the period covered by this report, have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective and are designed to ensure that the information we are required to disclose is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the necessary time periods. Our disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in reports that we file or submit pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting identified in management’s evaluation pursuant to Rules 13a-15(d) or 15d-15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, during the period covered by this report that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II: OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

None.

Item 1A. RISK FACTORS.

In addition to the other information set forth in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, you should carefully consider the risk factors that affect our business and financial results that are discussed in Part I, Item 1A, "Risk Factors" of our Form 10-K. These factors could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition, liquidity, results of operations and capital position, and could cause our actual results to differ materially from our historical results or the results contemplated by the forward-looking statements contained in this report. There have been no material changes to such risk factors.

Item 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS.

None.

Item 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES.

None.

Item 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES.

Not applicable.

Item 5. OTHER INFORMATION.

Rule 10b5-1 Trading Plans

During the quarter ended March 30, 2024, none of the Company's directors or executive officers adopted, modified or terminated any contract, instruction or written plan for the purchase or sale of Company securities that was intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c) or any non-Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement.

Item 6. EXHIBITS.

Exhibits:

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description
31.1	CEO Certification pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2	CFO Certification pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.1	CEO Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350.
32.2	CFO Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350.
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document – the instance document does not appear in the Interactive Data File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document
101.SCH	XBRL Schema Document
101.CAL	XBRL Calculation Linkbase Document
101.DEF	XBRL Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB	XBRL Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE	XBRL Presentation Linkbase Document
104	The cover page from the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 30, 2024, has been formatted in Inline XBRL.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 9, 2024

HELIOS TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

By: /s/ Sean Bagan
Sean Bagan
Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

CERTIFICATION

I, Josef Matosevic, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 30, 2024, of Helios Technologies;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 9, 2024

/s/ Josef Matosevic
Josef Matosevic
President, Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION

I, Sean Bagan, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 30, 2024, of Helios Technologies;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 9, 2024

/s/ Sean Bagan
Sean Bagan
Chief Financial Officer
(Principle Financial and Accounting Officer)

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. § 1350

I, Josef Matosevic, the Chief Executive Officer of Helios Technologies (the "Company"), certify that (i) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the Company for the quarter ended March 30, 2024 (the "Report"), fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and (ii) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: May 9, 2024

/s/ Josef Matosevic
Josef Matosevic
President, Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. § 1350

I, Sean Bagan, the Chief Financial Officer of Helios Technologies (the "Company"), certify that (i) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the Company for the quarter ended March 30, 2024 (the "Report"), fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and (ii) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: May 9, 2024

/s/ Sean Bagan
Sean Bagan
Chief Financial Officer
(Principle Financial and Accounting Officer)
