# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

# Form 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934For the quarterly period ended:March 31, 2024

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Commission file number: 1-10026

# ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

216 Airport Drive, Rochester, New Hampshire

(Address of principal executive offices)

14-0462060

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

03867

(Zip Code)

# 603-330-5800

(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
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value per share	AIN	The New York Stock Exchange (NYSE)

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  $\boxtimes$  No  $\square$ 

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  $\boxtimes$  No  $\square$ 

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or 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	$\boxtimes$	Accelerated filer	
Non-accelerated filer		Smaller reporting company	
		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 31.2 million shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding as of April 15, 2024.

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# **ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

# ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (in thousands, except per share amounts) (unaudited)

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	Dividends declared per Class A share	\$ 0.26	6 \$	0.25

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements

# ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS) (in thousands) (unaudited)

		nths Ended ch 31,
	2024	2023
Net income	\$ 27,369	\$ 27,086
Other comprehensive income/(loss), before tax:		
Foreign currency translation	(11,831)	13,440
Amortization of pension liability adjustments:		
Prior service credit	(38)	(1,031)
Net actuarial loss	178	346
Payments and amortization related to interest rate swaps included in earnings	(4,038)	(3,223)
Derivative valuation adjustment	1,194	(662)
Income taxes related to items of other comprehensive income/(loss):		
Amortization of prior service credit	11	315
Amortization of net actuarial loss	(54)	(105)
Payments and amortization related to interest rate swaps included in earnings	1,022	815
Derivative valuation adjustment	(302)	168
Comprehensive income	13,511	37,149
Comprehensive income attributable to the noncontrolling interest	124	435
Comprehensive income attributable to the Company	\$ 13,387	\$ 36,714

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# ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands, except share and per share data) (unaudited)

	Ма	arch 31, 2024	Dece	mber 31, 202
ssets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	125,412	\$	173,42
Accounts receivable, net		305,495		287,78
Contract assets, net		179,223		182,28
Inventories		166,025		169,56
Income taxes prepaid and receivable		11,686		11,04
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		57,331		53,87
Total current assets		845,172		877,96
Property, plant and equipment, net		589,970		601,98
Intangibles, net		42,839		44,64
Goodwill		178,704		180,18
Deferred income taxes		24,153		22,94
Noncurrent receivables, net		—		4,39
Other assets		117,342		102,90
Total assets	\$	1,798,180	\$	1,835,01
iabilities and Shareholders' Equity				
Accounts payable	\$	80.778	\$	87,10
Accrued liabilities	Ψ	118,181	Ŷ	142,98
Current maturities of long-term debt		4,445		4,2
Income taxes payable		8,586		14,36
Total current liabilities		211,990		248,67
Long-term debt		434,689		452,66
Other noncurrent liabilities		151,121		139,38
Deferred taxes and other liabilities		26,815		26,96
Total liabilities		824,615		867,69
ommitments and Contingencies (Note 16)				
hareholders' Equity:				
Preferred stock, par value \$5.00 per share; authorized 2,000,000 shares; none issued		—		-
Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share; authorized 100,000,000 shares; 40,898,219 issued in 2024 and 40,856,910 i 2023	۱	41		4
Additional paid in capital		449,028		448,21
Retained earnings		1,030,111		1,010,94
Accumulated items of other comprehensive income:				
Translation adjustments		(137,017)		(124,90
Pension and postretirement liability adjustments		(16,964)		(17,34
Derivative valuation adjustment		6,955		9,07
Treasury stock (Class A), at cost; 9,661,845 shares in 2024 and 2023		(364,665)		(364,66
Total shareholders' equity		967,489		961,30
Noncontrolling interest		6,076		5,95
Total equity	-	973,565		967,32
	\$	1,798,180	\$	1,835,0

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements

# ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (in thousands) (unaudited)

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Changes in operating assets and liabilities that provided/(used) cash:	(47.004)	
	(17.001)	
Accounts receivable	(17,061)	(13,702)
Contract assets	2,982	(4,403)
Inventories	1,917	(12,360)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(6,525)	(2,191)
Income taxes prepaid and receivable	(721)	(693)
Accounts payable	7,730	5,214
Accrued liabilities	(22,739)	(23,137)
Income taxes payable	(5,466)	(10,996)
Noncurrent receivables	(178)	867
Other noncurrent liabilities	506	7
Other, net	(814)	2,042
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	 9,597	 (16,393)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(26,859)	(16,275)
Purchased software	(21)	_
Net cash used in investing activities	 (26,880)	 (16,275)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from borrowings	43,237	58,000
Principal payments on debt	(60,750)	(6,000)
Taxes paid in lieu of share issuance	(2,446)	(3,136)
Dividends paid	(8,110)	(7,778)
Net cash (used in)/provided by financing activities	 (28,069)	 41,086
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(2,656)	4,064
(Decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(48,008)	12,482
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	173,420	291,776
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 125,412	\$ 304,258

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements

## ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP. NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited)

# 1. Significant Accounting Policies

#### **Basis of Presentation**

In the opinion of management, the accompanying consolidated financial information reflects all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of Albany International Corp.'s ("Albany", the "Registrant", the "Company", "we", "us", or "our") financial position, results of operations and cash flows for the interim periods presented, but do not require all disclosures required by the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP"). All such adjustments are of a normal recurring nature, unless otherwise disclosed in this report. Certain amounts in prior year financial statements and notes thereto have been reclassified to conform to current year presentation. The information included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q should be read in conjunction with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023.

#### Estimates

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Due to the inherent uncertainty involved in making estimates, actual results reported in future periods may differ from those estimates. Estimates and assumptions are reviewed periodically, and the effects of any revisions are reflected in the consolidated financial statements in the period they are determined to be necessary.

#### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In November 2023, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2023-07, "Segment Reporting (Topic 280): Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures" ("ASU 2023-07"), which is intended to improve reportable segment disclosure requirements, primarily through enhanced disclosures about significant segment expenses. The guidance is 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 guidance is to be applied retrospectively to all prior periods presented in the financial statements. Upon transition, the segment expense categories and amounts disclosed in the prior periods should be based on the significant segment expense categories identified and disclosed in the period of adoption. We are currently evaluating the potential impact of adopting this new guidance on our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.

In December 2023, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2023-09, "Income Taxes (Topic 740): Improvements to Income Tax Disclosures" ("ASU 2023-09"), which modifies the rules on income tax disclosures to require entities to disclose (1) specific categories in the rate reconciliation, (2) the income or loss from continuing operations before income tax expense or benefit (separated between domestic and foreign) and (3) income tax expense or benefit from continuing operations (separated by federal, state and foreign). ASU 2023-09 also requires entities to disclose their income tax payments to international, federal, state and local jurisdictions, among other changes. The guidance is 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. ASU 2023-09 should be applied on a prospective basis, but retrospective application is permitted. We are currently evaluating the potential impact of adopting this new guidance on our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.

#### 2. Reportable Segments and Revenue Recognition

The Company is organized based on the nature of its products and is composed of two reportable segments, Machine Clothing ("MC") and Albany Engineered Composites ("AEC"), each overseen by a Segment President. These segments are reflective of how the Company's Chief Executive Officer, who is its Chief Operating Decisions Maker ("CODM"), reviews operating results for the purpose of allocating resources and assessing performance. The Company has not aggregated operating segments for purposes of identifying reportable segments.

Machine Clothing:

The Machine Clothing ("MC") segment supplies permeable and impermeable belts used in the manufacture of paper, paperboard, tissue and towel products, nonwovens, fiber cement and for several other industrial applications. Paper machine clothing products are customized, consumable products of technologically sophisticated design that utilize polymeric materials in a complex structure. We manufacture belts for each section of the paper machine and for every grade of paper. We sell our MC products directly to customer end-users in countries across the globe. MC's products, manufacturing processes, and distribution channels are substantially the same in each region of the world in which we operate.

On August 31, 2023, the Company completed the acquisition of Heimbach GmbH ("Heimbach"), a privately-held manufacturer of paper machine clothing and technical textiles. The financial results of the acquired company are included in the Machine Clothing reportable segment.

#### Albany Engineered Composites:

The Albany Engineered Composites ("AEC") segment provides highly engineered, advanced composite structures to customers in the commercial and defense aerospace industries. The segment includes Albany Safran Composites, LLC ("ASC"), in which our customer, the SAFRAN Group ("SAFRAN") owns a 10 percent noncontrolling interest. AEC, through ASC, is the exclusive supplier to the LEAP program of advanced composite fan blades and fan cases under a long-term supply contract, where revenue is determined by a cost-plus-fee agreement. The LEAP engine is used on the Airbus A320neo, Boeing 737 MAX, and COMAC 919 aircraft. AEC's largest aerospace customer is the SAFRAN Group and sales to SAFRAN (consisting primarily of fan blades and cases for CFM International's LEAP engine) accounted for approximately 16 percent of the Company's consolidated Net revenues in 2023.

AEC net sales to SAFRAN were \$50.1 million and \$45.3 million in the first three months of 2024 and 2023, respectively. The total of Accounts receivable, Contract assets and Noncurrent receivables due from SAFRAN amounted to \$89.6 million and \$93.8 million as of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively.

Other significant programs for AEC include the Sikorsky CH-53K, F-35, JASSM, and Boeing 787 programs. AEC also supplies vacuum waste tanks for the Boeing commercial programs, and specialty components for the Rolls Royce lift fan on the F-35, as well as the fan case for the GE9X engine. For the year ended December 31, 2023, approximately 39 percent of AEC revenues were related to U.S. government contracts or programs.

The following tables show data by reportable segment, reconciled to consolidated totals included in the financial statements:

	Three months ended	March 31,
(in thousands)	 2024	2023
Net revenues		
Machine Clothing	\$ 185,217 \$	153,222
Albany Engineered Composites	128,113	115,874
Consolidated revenues	\$ 313,330 \$	269,096
Operating income/(loss)		
Machine Clothing	\$ 48,110 \$	48,964
Albany Engineered Composites	9,188	9,418
Corporate expenses	(18,321)	(17,840)
Consolidated Operating income	\$ 38,977 \$	40,542
Reconciling items:		
Interest income	(1,123)	(1,102)
Interest expense	4,442	4,392
Other (income)/expense, net	(2,982)	(455)
Income before income taxes	\$ 38,640 \$	37,707

First quarter results include Heimbach, which was acquired August 31, 2023. Heimbach contributed \$37.9 million of net revenues and \$(2.9) million of operating loss for the three months ended March 31, 2024.

Corporate expenses include global information system costs of \$8.3 million and \$6.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

# **Revenue Recognition:**

Products and services provided under long-term contracts represent a significant portion of revenues in the Albany Engineered Composites segment and we account for these contracts over time, primarily using the percentage of completion (actual cost to estimated cost) method. That method requires significant judgment and estimation, which could be considerably different if the underlying circumstances were to change. When adjustments in estimated contract revenues or costs are required, any changes from prior estimates are included in earnings in the period the change occurs. Changes in the estimated profitability of long-term contracts could be caused by increases or decreases in the contract value, revisions to customer delivery requirements, updated labor or overhead rates, factors affecting the supply chain, changes in the evaluation of contract risks and opportunities, or other factors. Changes in the estimated profitability of long-term contracts decreased operating income by \$0.9 million during the first three months of 2024, compared to a decrease of \$0.7 million in the same period last year.

We disaggregate revenue earned from contracts with customers for each of our business segments and product groups based on the timing of revenue recognition, and groupings used for internal review purposes.

The following table disaggregates revenue for each product group by timing of revenue recognition for the three months ended March 31, 2024:

	Three months ended March 31, 2024					
(in thousands)	 n Time Revenue C ecognition	Over Time Revenue Recognition	Total			
Machine Clothing	\$ 184,235 \$	982 \$	185,217			
Albany Engineered Composites:						
ASC	_	49,739	49,739			
Other AEC	5,757	72,617	78,374			
Total Albany Engineered Composites	 5,757	122,356	128,113			
Total revenues	\$ 189,992 \$	123,338 \$	313,330			

The following table disaggregates revenue for each product group by timing of revenue recognition for the three months ended March 31, 2023:

		Three months ended March 31, 2023					
(in thousands)	Poin	t in Time Revenue Recognition	Over Time Revenue Recognition	Total			
Machine Clothing	\$	152,278 \$	S 944 \$	153,222			
Albany Engineered Composites:							
ASC		_	44,532	44,532			
Other AEC		5,793	65,549	71,342			
Total Albany Engineered Composites		5,793	110,081	115,874			
Total revenues	\$	158,071 \$	5 111,025 \$	269,096			



The following table disaggregates MC segment revenue by significant product groupings (paper machine clothing ("PMC") and engineered fabrics); and for PMC, the geographical region to which the paper machine clothing was sold:

	Three months ended	d March 31,
(in thousands)	 2024	2023
Americas PMC	\$ 83,501 \$	83,378
Eurasia PMC	76,190	51,737
Engineered Fabrics	25,526	18,107
Total Machine Clothing Net revenues	\$ 185,217 \$	153,222

We do not disclose the value of unsatisfied performance obligations for contracts with an original expected duration of one year or less. Contracts in the MC segment are generally for periods of less than a year and certain contracts in the AEC segment are relatively short duration firm-fixed-price orders. Remaining performance obligations on contracts that had an original duration of greater than one year totaled \$752 million and \$821 million as of March 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively, and related primarily to firm fixed price contracts in the AEC segment. Of the remaining performance obligations as of March 31, 2024, we expect to recognize as revenue approximately \$127 million during 2024, \$168 million during 2025, \$143 million during 2026, and the remainder thereafter.

## 3. Pensions and Other Postretirement Benefit Plans

The Company has defined benefit pension plans covering certain U.S. and non-U.S. employees. The Company also provides certain postretirement benefits to retired employees in the U.S. and Canada. The Company accrues the cost of providing these benefits during the active service period of the employees.

The composition of the net periodic benefit cost/(income) for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, was as follows:

	Pension plans			Other postretirement benefits	
(in thousands)	 2024	2023	2024	2023	
Components of net periodic benefit cost/(income):					
Service cost	\$ <b>497</b> \$	281 \$	12 \$	15	
Interest cost	1,532	1,063	354	468	
Expected return on assets	(1,358)	(971)	_	_	
Amortization of prior service cost/(income)	(7)	(8)	(31)	(1,023)	
Amortization of net actuarial loss	187	139	(9)	207	
Net periodic benefit cost/(credit)	\$ 851 \$	504 \$	326 \$	(333)	

The amount of net benefit cost/(credit) is determined at the beginning of each year and generally only varies from quarter to quarter when a significant event occurs, such as a curtailment or a settlement. There were no such events in the first three months of 2024 or 2023.

Service cost for defined benefit pension and postretirement plans are reported in the same line item as other compensation costs arising from services rendered by the pertinent employees during the period. Other components of net periodic benefit cost are included in the line item Other (income)/expense, net in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

#### 4. Restructuring

Restructuring costs in the first quarter of 2024 were related to reductions in workforce at various AEC locations, while restructuring charges for the first quarter of 2023 were not significant. There were no charges related to the impairment of assets for the periods presented.

The following table summarizes charges reported in the Consolidated Statements of Income under "Restructuring expenses, net":

	 Three months ended March 3			
(in thousands)	2024	2023		
Machine Clothing	\$ 21 \$	20		
Albany Engineered Composites	2,188	_		
Total	\$ 2,209 \$	20		

The table below presents the year-to-date changes in restructuring liabilities for 2024 and 2023, all of which are related to termination and other costs:

(in thousands)	Decembe	er 31, 2023	Restructuring charges accrued	Payments	Currency translation /other	March	31, 2024
Total termination and other costs	\$	— \$	2,209 \$	(221) \$		(1) \$	1,987
(in thousands)	Decembe	er 31, 2022	Restructuring charges accrued	Payments	Currency translation /other	March	31, 2023
Total termination and other costs	\$	— \$	20 \$	(20) \$		— \$	

# 5. Other (Income)/Expense, net

The components of Other (income)/expense, net are:

	Three months ended March 31		
(in thousands)		2024	2023
Currency transaction (gains)/losses	\$	(1,292) \$	60
Bank fees and amortization of debt issuance costs		43	59
Components of net periodic pension and postretirement cost other than service cost		668	(125)
Other		(2,401)	(449)
Total other (income)/expense, net	\$	(2,982) \$	(455)

Other (income)/expense, net, included foreign currency related transactions which resulted in gains of \$1.3 million in the first three months of 2024, as compared to losses of \$0.1 million in the same period last year. The stronger Mexican Peso and weaker Euro during the three months ended March 31, 2024 led to a net gain on foreign currency related transactions, as compared to the same period last year. Other (income)/expense, net, also included gains on changes in fair value of derivative instruments, gains on sales of fixed assets, and rental income.

#### 6. Income Taxes

The Company's effective income tax rate for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, is as follows:

	Three months ende	ed March 31,
	2024	2023
Effective income tax rate	29.2 %	28.2 %

Income tax expense for the quarter was computed in accordance with ASC 740-270, Income Taxes – Interim Reporting. Under this method, loss jurisdictions which cannot recognize a tax benefit with regard to their generated losses are excluded from the annual effective tax rate calculation and their taxes will be recorded discretely in each quarter.

Our 2024 estimated annual effective tax rate primarily reflects the 21% federal tax rate, the impact of taxation upon foreign operations, and forecasted permanent differences. Our actual effective tax rates were 29.2% and 28.2% for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. The effective tax rate for the three months ended March 31, 2024 included a \$2.4 million benefit related to the true-up for prior year estimated taxes treated as a discrete tax benefit and an additional increase of \$1.2 million in the valuation allowance treated as a discrete tax expense. The rate for the first quarter of 2024 was higher than the first quarter of 2023 mainly due to an unfavorable change in the jurisdictional mix of pre-tax earnings forecasted for 2024.

The Company is subject to audit in the U.S. and various foreign jurisdictions. Our open tax years for major jurisdictions generally range from 2013-2024. We believe appropriate provisions for all outstanding tax issues have been made for all jurisdictions and all open years. Audit outcomes and the timing of audit settlements are subject to significant uncertainty. It is reasonably possible that within the next 12 months, unrecognized tax benefits related to federal tax matters under audit may decrease by up to \$0.8 million based on current estimates.

#### 7. Earnings Per Share

The amounts used in computing earnings per share and the weighted average number of shares of potentially dilutive securities are as follows:

		ree months ende	ended March 31,	
(in thousands, except market price and earnings per share)		2024	2023	
Net income attributable to the Company	\$	27,291 \$	26,889	
Weighted average number of shares:				
Weighted average number of shares used in calculating basic net income per share		31,209	31,131	
Effect of dilutive stock-based compensation plans:				
Restricted stock units and multi-year awards		82	86	
Weighted average number of shares used in calculating diluted net income per share		31,291	31,217	
Net income attributable to the Company per share:				
Basic	\$	0.87 \$	0.86	
Diluted	\$	0.87 \$	0.86	

# 8. Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income ("AOCI")

The table below presents changes in the components of AOCI for the period from December 31, 2023 to March 31, 2024:

(in thousands)	Translation adjustments	Pension and postretirement liability adjustments	Derivative valuation adjustment	Total Other Comprehensive Income
December 31, 2023	\$ (124,901) \$	(17,346) \$	9,079 \$	(133,168)
Other comprehensive income/(loss) before reclassifications, net of tax	(12,116)	285	892	(10,939)
Interest (expense)/income related to swaps reclassified to the Consolidated Statements of Income, net of tax	_	_	(3,016)	(3,016)
Pension and postretirement liability adjustments reclassified to Consolidated Statements of Income, net of tax	_	97	_	97
Net current period other comprehensive income	(12,116)	382	(2,124)	(13,858)
March 31, 2024	\$ (137,017) \$	(16,964) \$	6,955 \$	(147,026)

The table below presents changes in the components of AOCI for the period from December 31, 2022 to March 31, 2023:

(in thousands)	Translation adjustments	Pension and postretirement liability adjustments	Derivative valuation adjustment	Total Other Comprehensive Income
December 31, 2022	\$ (146,851) \$	(15,783) \$	17,707 \$	(144,927)
Other comprehensive income/(loss) before reclassifications, net of tax	13,881	(441)	(494)	12,946
Interest (expense)/income related to swaps reclassified to the Consolidated Statements of Income, net of tax	_	_	(2,408)	(2,408)
Pension and postretirement liability adjustments reclassified to Consolidated Statements of Income, net of tax	_	(475)	_	(475)
Net current period other comprehensive income	13,881	(916)	(2,902)	10,063
March 31, 2023	\$ (132,970) \$	(16,699) \$	14,805 \$	(134,864)

The components of AOCI that are reclassified to the Consolidated Statements of Income relate to our pension and postretirement plans and interest rate swaps.

The table below presents the expense/(income) amounts reclassified from AOCI, and the line items of the Consolidated Statements of Income that were affected for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023:

	Т	hree months ender	d March 31,
(in thousands)		2024	2023
Pre-tax Derivative valuation reclassified from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income:			
Other (income)/expense, net related to interest rate swaps included in Income before taxes	\$	(4,038) \$	(3,223)
Income tax effect		1,022	815
Effect on net income due to items reclassified from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	\$	(3,016) \$	(2,408)
Pre-tax pension and postretirement liabilities reclassified from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income:			
Amortization of prior service credit	\$	(38) \$	(1,031)
Amortization of net actuarial loss		178	346
Total pre-tax amount reclassified (a)		140	(685)
Income tax effect		(43)	210
Effect on net income due to items reclassified from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	\$	<b>97</b> \$	(475)

(a) These accumulated other comprehensive income components are included in the computation of net periodic pension cost (see Note 3. Pensions and Other Postretirement Benefit Plans).

# 9. Noncontrolling Interests

Effective October 31, 2013, Safran S.A. (Safran) acquired a 10 percent equity interest in Albany Safran Composites, LLC ("ASC").

On August 31, 2023, the Company acquired all the outstanding shares of Heimbach, a privately held manufacturer of paper machine clothing with headquarters in Düren, Germany. In July 2021, Heimbach acquired 85% of Arcari, SRL ("Arcari"). Arcari is a manufacturer of textile and plastic industrial technical products and conveyor belts. On the date of the acquisition, the fair value of the noncontrolling interest in Arcari was \$0.5 million. For the three months ended March 31, 2024, the net income/(loss) attributable to Arcari's noncontrolling interest was less than \$0.1 million and the noncontrolling interest balance at March 31, 2024 was \$0.5 million.

The table below presents a reconciliation of income attributable to the noncontrolling interest and noncontrolling equity in the Company's subsidiaries:

ASC Noncontrolling Interest	nterest Three months ended Marci			
(in thousands, except percentages)		2024	2023	
Net income of Albany Safran Composites (ASC)	\$	1,014	\$	2,282
Less: Return attributable to the Company's preferred holding		308		308
Net income of ASC available for common ownership	\$	706	\$	1,974
Ownership percentage of noncontrolling shareholder		10 %		10 %
Net income attributable to the noncontrolling interest	\$	71	\$	197
Noncontrolling interest, beginning of year	\$	5,423	\$	4,494
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest		71		197
Changes in other comprehensive income attributable to the noncontrolling interest		57		238
ASC Noncontrolling interest, end of interim period	\$	5,551	\$	4,929
Arcari Noncontrolling interest, end of interim period	\$	525	\$	
Total Noncontrolling interest, end of interim period	\$	6,076	\$	4,929

#### 10. Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable, net includes Trade and other accounts receivable and Bank promissory notes, net of Allowance for expected credit losses. In connection with certain revenues in Asia, the Company accepts a bank promissory note as customer payment. The notes may be presented for payment at maturity, which is less than one year. As of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, Accounts receivable consisted of the following:

(in thousands)	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Trade and other accounts receivable	\$ 287,862 \$	272,351
Bank promissory notes	22,699	20,690
Allowance for expected credit losses	(5,066)	(5,260)
Accounts receivable, net	\$ 305,495 \$	287,781

The Company had Noncurrent receivables in the AEC segment that represent revenue earned, which had extended payment terms. In 2023, the payment terms were amended and the Noncurrent receivables are now included in Trade and other accounts receivable. As of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, Noncurrent receivables consisted of the following:

(in thousands)	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Noncurrent receivables	\$ — \$	4,414
Allowance for expected credit losses	_	(22)
Noncurrent receivables, net	\$ — \$	4,392

#### 11. Contract Assets and Liabilities

Contract assets include unbilled amounts typically resulting from revenues under contracts when the over time method of revenue recognition is utilized, and revenue recognized exceeds the amount billed to the customer. Contract assets are transferred to Accounts receivable, net when the entitlement to pay becomes unconditional and the customer is invoiced. Contract liabilities include advance payments and billings in excess of revenue recognized. Contract liabilities are included in Accrued liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Contract assets and Contract liabilities are reported on the Consolidated Balance Sheets in a net position on a contract-by-contract basis at the end of each reporting period.

As of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, Contract assets and Contract liabilities consisted of the following:

(in thousands)	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Contract assets	\$ 180,122 \$	183,189
Allowance for expected credit losses	(899)	(908)
Contract assets, net	\$ 179,223 \$	182,281
Contract liabilities	\$ 6,034 \$	7,127

Contract assets, net decreased \$3.1 million during the three months ended March 31, 2024. The decrease was primarily due to a decrease in unbilled revenue primarily related to commercial and defense programs, partially offset by an increase in unbilled revenue on space programs. There were no impairment losses related to our Contract assets during the three months ended March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023.

Contract liabilities decreased \$1.1 million during the three months ended March 31, 2024, primarily due to revenue recognized from satisfied performance obligations exceeding customer advance payments for commercial and defense programs. Revenue recognized for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023 that was included in the Contract liability balance at the beginning of the year was \$3.5 million and \$6.7 million, respectively.

#### 12. Inventories

Costs included in inventories are raw materials, labor, supplies and allocable depreciation and overhead. Raw material inventories are valued on an average cost basis. Other inventory cost elements are valued at cost, using the first-in, first-out method. The Company writes down the inventories for estimated obsolescence and to lower of cost or net realizable value based upon assumptions about future demand and market conditions. If actual demand or market conditions are less favorable than those projected by the Company, additional inventory write-downs may be required. Once established, the original cost of the inventory less the related write-down represents the new cost basis of such inventories.

As of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, Inventories consisted of the following:

(in thousands)	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Raw materials	\$ 77,391 \$	79,611
Work in process	63,764	67,743
Finished goods	24,870	22,213
Total inventories	\$ 166,025 \$	169,567

# 13. Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

The following table sets forth the gross carrying value, accumulated amortization and net values of intangible assets and goodwill as of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023:

		March	31, 2024	
(in thousands)	Amortization life in years	Gross carrying amount	Accumulated amortization	Net carrying amount
Finite-lived assets:				
AEC Trademarks and trade names	6-15	\$ 208 \$	(189) \$	19
AEC Technology	10-15	6,033	(2,824)	3,209
AEC Intellectual property	15	1,250	(360)	890
AEC Customer relationships	8-15	69,290	(44,721)	24,569
Heimbach Developed technology	9	8,789	(572)	8,217
Total Finite-lived intangible assets		\$ 85,570 \$	(48,666) \$	36,904
Indefinite-lived intangible assets:				
Heimbach Trade name		\$ 5,935 \$	— \$	5,935
MC Goodwill		65,785	—	65,785
AEC Goodwill		112,919	—	112,919
Total Indefinite-lived intangible assets:		\$ 184,639 \$	— \$	184,639

	December 31, 2023							
(in thousands)	Amortization life in years		Gross carrying amount	Accumulated amortization	Net carrying amount			
Finite-lived assets:								
AEC Trademarks and trade names	6-15	\$	208 \$	(186) \$	22			
AEC Technology	10-15		6,161	(2,735)	3,426			
AEC Intellectual property	15		1,250	(339)	911			
AEC Customer relationships	8-15		69,360	(43,875)	25,485			
Heimbach Developed technology	9		9,042	(310)	8,732			
Total Finite-lived assets		\$	86,021 \$	(47,445) \$	38,576			
Indefinite-lived intangible assets:								
Heimbach Trade name		\$	6,070 \$	— \$	6,070			
MC Goodwill			66,873	—	66,873			
AEC Goodwill			113,308	—	113,308			
Total Indefinite-lived intangible assets:		\$	186,251 \$	— \$	186,251			



The changes in intangible assets, net and goodwill from December 31, 2023 to March 31, 2024, were as follows:

(in thousands)	Dec	ember 31, 2023	Other 2023 Changes Amortization		Amortization	Currency Translation	March 31, 2024
Finite-lived intangible assets:							
AEC Trademarks and trade names	\$	22 \$		— \$	(3) \$	— \$	19
AEC Technology		3,426		—	(142)	(75)	3,209
AEC Intellectual property		911		—	(21)	_	890
AEC Customer relationships		25,485		—	(870)	(46)	24,569
Heimbach Developed technology		8,732		—	(262)	(253)	8,217
Total Finite-lived intangible assets	\$	38,576 \$		— \$	(1,298) \$	(374) \$	36,904
Indefinite-lived intangible assets:							
Heimbach Trade name	\$	6,070 \$		— \$	— \$	(135) \$	5,935
MC Goodwill		66,873		—	_	(1,088)	65,785
AEC Goodwill		113,308		_	_	(389)	112,919
Total Indefinite-lived assets:	\$	186,251 \$		— \$	— \$	(1,612) \$	184,639

#### 14. Financial Instruments

Debt principally consists of a revolving credit agreement and foreign bank debt assumed in the acquisition of Heimbach.

The following table represents the Company's outstanding debt:

(in thousands, except interest rates)	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Borrowings under the Amended Credit Agreement(1)	\$ 429,000 \$	446,000
Foreign bank debt	10,134	10,885
Total bank debt	439,134	456,885
Less: Current maturities of long-term debt	4,445	4,218
Long-term debt	\$ 434,689 \$	452,667

(1) the credit facility matures in August 2028. At the end of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the interest rate in effect was 3.34% and 3.49%, respectively, including the effect of interest rate hedging transactions, as described below.

# Amended Credit Agreement

On August 16, 2023, we entered into a \$800 million unsecured committed Five-Year Revolving Credit Facility Agreement (the "Amended Credit Agreement"). The applicable interest rate for borrowings under the Amended Credit Agreement is based on Term SOFR plus a spread, which is based on our leverage ratio (as defined in the Amended Credit Agreement) at the time of a borrowing as follows:

Leverage Ratio	Commitment Fee	ABR Spread	Term Benchmark/ Daily Simple SOFR Spread
<1.00:1.00	0.275%	0.500%	1.500%
≥ 1.00:1.00 and < 2.00:1.00	0.300%	0.625%	1.625%
≥ 2.00:1.00 and < 3.00:1.00	0.325%	0.750%	1.750%
≥ 3.00:1.00	0.350%	1.000%	2.000%

As of March 31, 2024, the applicable interest rate for borrowings under the Amended Credit Agreement was based on one-month term SOFR plus the spread, which was 1.625%.

As of March 31, 2024, there was \$429 million of borrowings outstanding under the Amended Credit Agreement and we had borrowings available of \$371 million, based on our maximum leverage ratio and our Consolidated EBITDA (as defined in the Amended Credit Agreement).

The Amended Credit Agreement contains customary terms including affirmative covenants, negative covenants and events of default. Under the Amended Credit Agreement, we are required to maintain a leverage ratio (as defined in the Credit Agreement) of not greater than 3.75 to 1.00, or 4.25 to 1.00 after a significant acquisition. We are also required to maintain a minimum interest coverage ratio (as defined in the Credit Agreement) of greater than 3.00 to 1.00.

As of March 31, 2024, our leverage ratio was 1.17 to 1.00 (as defined in the Amended Credit Agreement) and our interest coverage ratio was 14.38 to 1.00. If our leverage ratio exceeds 3.50 to 1.00, then we are restricted in paying dividends to a maximum amount of \$40 million in a calendar year. As of March 31, 2024, we were in compliance with all applicable covenants. We anticipate continued compliance in each of the next four guarters while continuing to monitor future compliance based on current and future economic conditions.

The borrowings are guaranteed by certain of the Company's subsidiaries, including all significant U.S. subsidiaries (subject to certain exceptions), as defined in the Amended Credit Agreement. Our ability to borrow additional amounts under the Amended Credit Agreement is conditional upon the absence of any defaults, as well as the absence of any material adverse change (as defined in the Amended Credit Agreement).

#### Interest Rate Swaps

In 2021, we entered into interest rate swap agreements for the period of October 17, 2022 through October 27, 2024. These transactions had the effect of fixing the LIBOR portion of the effective interest rate (before addition of the spread) on \$350 million of indebtedness. We amended the swap agreements on June 29, 2023 replacing the LIBOR (in preparation for the cessation of LIBOR) with SOFR and adjusting the spread.

We pay a fixed blended rate of 0.8828% through October 27, 2024 on \$350 million and the counterparties pay a floating rate based on the one-month term SOFR at each monthly calculation date, which on March 18, 2024 was 5.33%. As of March 31, 2024, the all-in rate on the \$350M of debt was 2.51%. Upon the expiration of the interest rate swap on October 27, 2024, our interest cost will increase significantly. Beginning in October 2024, our interest cost will be calculated using a floating rate based on the one-month term SOFR.

The interest rate swaps are accounted for as a hedge of future cash flows, as further described in Note 15, *Fair-Value Measurements*. No cash collateral was received or pledged in relation to the swap agreements.

#### Foreign Bank Debt

On August 31, 2023, the Company acquired Heimbach. The Company assumed Heimbach's bank debt in the amount of \$32.7 million. The bank debt is held by several European financial institutions, with maturity dates ranging from June 30, 2024 to June 30, 2031. At March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the foreign debt was \$10.1 million and \$10.9 million, respectively, of which \$4.4 million and \$4.2 million, respectively, was classified as Current maturities on long-term debt.

#### 15. Fair-Value Measurements

Fair value is defined as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The Company uses a three-level fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs used to measure fair value. This hierarchy requires the Company to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. The three levels of inputs used to measure fair value are as follows:

- Level 1 Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 Observable inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1, such as quoted prices in markets that are not active or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data.
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities. This includes certain pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies and similar techniques that use significant unobservable inputs.

We had no Level 3 financial assets or liabilities at March 31, 2024 or at December 31, 2023, other than certain pension assets as indicated in our December 31, 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

The following table presents the fair-value hierarchy for our Level 1 and Level 2 financial and non-financial assets and liabilities, which are measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

	March	31, :	2024	Decembe	er 31	2023
	 Quoted prices in active markets		Significant other observable inputs	Quoted prices in active markets		Significant other observable inputs
(in thousands)	(Level 1)		(Level 2)	(Level 1)		(Level 2)
Fair Value						
Assets:						
Cash equivalents	\$ 19,892	\$	_	\$ 27,157	\$	—
Foreign currency option contracts	—		1,533			1,725
Foreign currency forward contracts	_		269	_		199
Other Assets:						
Common stock of unaffiliated foreign public company (a)	759		_	682		_
Interest rate swaps	_		9,404			12,214
Liabilities						
Foreign currency forward contracts	_		(160)			_

(a) Original cost basis \$0.5 million.

Cash equivalents include short-term securities that are considered to be highly liquid and easily tradable. These securities are valued using inputs observable in active markets for identical securities.

The interest rate swaps are accounted for as hedges of future cash flows. The fair value of our interest rate swaps is derived from a discounted cash flow analysis based on the terms of the contract and the interest rate curve, and is included in Other assets and/or Other noncurrent liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Amounts determined to be due within one year are reclassified to Other current assets and/or Accrued liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Unrealized gains and losses on the interest rate swaps flow through the caption Derivative valuation adjustment in the Shareholders' equity section of the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Amounts accumulated in Other comprehensive income are reclassified as interest expense/(income), net when the related interest payments (that is, the hedged forecasted transactions), affect earnings. Interest expense/(income) related to payments under the active swap agreements totaled \$(4.0) million for the three months ended March 31, 2024, and \$(3.2) million for the three months ended March 31, 2023.

We operate our business in many regions of the world, and currency rate movements can have a significant effect on operating results. Foreign currency instruments are entered into periodically and consist of foreign currency option contracts and forward contracts that are valued using quoted prices in active markets obtained from independent pricing sources. These instruments are measured using market foreign exchange prices and are recorded in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as Other current assets and Accounts payable, as applicable. Changes in fair value of these instruments are recorded as gains or losses within Other (income)/expense, net.

When exercised, the foreign currency instruments are net-settled with the same financial institution that bought or sold them. For all positions, whether options or forward contracts, there is a risk from the possible inability of the financial institution to meet the terms of the contracts and the risk of unfavorable changes in interest and currency rates, which may reduce the value of the instruments. We seek to mitigate risk by evaluating the creditworthiness of counterparties and by monitoring the currency exchange and interest rate markets while reviewing the hedging risks and contracts to ensure compliance with our internal guidelines and policies.

(Gains)/losses related to changes in fair value of derivative instruments that were recognized in Other (income)/expense, net in the Consolidated Statements of Income were as follows:

	Th	ree months ended	l March 31,
(in thousands)		2024	2023
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments:			
Foreign currency options (gains)/losses	\$	(118) \$	16

# 16. Commitments and Contingencies

## **Asbestos Litigation**

Albany International Corp. is a defendant in suits brought in various courts in the United States by plaintiffs who allege that they have suffered personal injury as a result of exposure to asbestos-containing paper machine clothing synthetic dryer fabrics marketed during the period from 1967 to 1976 and used in certain paper mills. We were defending 3,613 claims as of March 31, 2024.

The following table sets forth the number of claims filed, the number of claims settled, dismissed or otherwise resolved, and the aggregate settlement amount during the periods presented:

(in thousands, except number of claims)	Opening Number of Claims	Claims Dismissed, Settled, or Resolved	New Claims	Closing Number of Claims	Amounts Paid to Settle or Resolve
For the period ended December 31, 2023	3,598	19	27	3,606 \$	74
For the period ended March 31, 2024	3,606	4	11	3,613 \$	9

We anticipate that additional claims will be filed against the Company and related companies in the future but are unable to predict the number and timing of such future claims. Due to the fact that information sufficient to meaningfully estimate a range of possible loss of a particular claim is typically not available until late in the discovery process, we do not believe a meaningful estimate can be made regarding the range of possible loss with respect to pending or future claims and therefore are unable to estimate a range of reasonably possible loss in excess of amounts already accrued for pending or future claims.

While we believe we have meritorious defenses to these claims, we have settled certain claims for amounts we consider reasonable given the facts and circumstances of each case. Our insurance carrier has defended each case and funded settlements under a standard reservation of rights. As of March 31, 2024, we had resolved, by means of settlement or dismissal, 38,045 claims at a total cost of \$10.7 million. Of this amount, almost 100% was paid by our insurance carrier, who has confirmed that we have approximately \$140 million of remaining coverage under primary and excess policies that should be available with respect to current and future asbestos claims.

The Company's subsidiary, Brandon Drying Fabrics, Inc. ("Brandon"), is also a separate defendant in many of the asbestos cases in which Albany is named as a defendant, despite never having manufactured any fabrics containing asbestos. While Brandon was defending against 7,676 claims as of March 31, 2024, only twelve claims have been filed against Brandon since January 1, 2012, and only \$15,000 in settlement costs have been incurred since 2001. Brandon was acquired by the Company in 1999 and has its own insurance policies covering periods prior to 1999. Since 2004, Brandon's insurance carriers have covered 100% of indemnification and defense costs, subject to policy limits and a standard reservation of rights.

In some of these asbestos cases, the Company is named both as a direct defendant and as the "successor in interest" to Mount Vernon Mills ("Mount Vernon"). We acquired certain assets from Mount Vernon in 1993. Certain plaintiffs allege injury caused by asbestos-containing products alleged to have been sold by Mount Vernon many years prior to this acquisition. Mount Vernon is contractually obligated to indemnify the Company against any liability arising out of such products. We deny any liability for products sold by Mount Vernon prior to the acquisition of the Mount Vernon assets. Pursuant to its contractual indemnification obligations, Mount Vernon has assumed the defense of these claims. On this basis, we have successfully moved for dismissal in a number of actions.

We currently do not anticipate, based on currently available information, that the ultimate resolution of the aforementioned proceedings will have a material adverse effect on the financial position, results of operations, or cash flows of the Company. Although we cannot predict the number and timing of future claims, based on the foregoing factors, the trends in claims filed against us, and available insurance, we also do not currently anticipate that potential future claims will have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

# 17. Changes in Shareholders' Equity

The following table summarizes changes in Shareholders' Equity for the period December 31, 2023 to March 31, 2024:

	Class A Common S	-	Additional paid-	Accumulated items of Retained other comprehensive		Troseury Stock			Total
(in thousands)	Shares	Amount	in capital	earnings	income	Shares	Amount	Noncontrolling Interest Sh	areholders' Equity
December 31, 2023	40,856 \$	41 \$	448,218 \$	1,010,942 \$	(133,168)	9,662 \$	(364,665)	\$ 5,952 \$	967,320
Net income	_	_	_	27,291	_	_	_	78	27,369
Compensation and benefits paid or payable in shares	42	_	810	_	_	_	_	_	810
Dividends declared on Class A Common Stock, \$0.26 per share	_	_	_	(8,122)	_	_	_	_	(8,122)
Cumulative translation adjustments	_	_	_	_	(12,116)	_	_	46	(12,070)
Pension and postretirement liability adjustments	_	_	_	_	382	_	_	_	382
Derivative valuation adjustment	_	_	_	_	(2,124)	_	_	_	(2,124)
March 31, 2024	40,898 \$	41 \$	449,028 \$	1,030,111 \$	(147,026)	9,662 \$	(364,665)	\$ 6,076 \$	973,565

The following table summarizes changes in Shareholders' Equity for the period December 31, 2022 to March 31, 2023:

	Class A Common S		Class A Treasury Stock						Total
(in thousands)	Shares	Amount	Additional paid- in capital	Retained earnings	Accumulated items of other comprehensive income	Shares	Amount	Noncontrolling Interest	Shareholders' Equity
December 31, 2022	40,785 \$	41 \$	441,540 \$	931,318	\$ (144,927)	9,675 \$	(364,923)	\$ 4,494 \$	867,543
Net income	_	_	-	26,889		_	_	197	27,086
Compensation and benefits paid or payable in shares	58	_	378	_	_	_	_	_	378
Dividends declared on Class A Common Stock, \$0.25 per share	_	_	_	(7,792)	_	_	_	_	(7,792)
Cumulative translation adjustments	_	-	_	-	13,881	-	_	238	14,119
Pension and postretirement liability adjustments	_	_	_	_	(916)	_	_	_	(916)
Derivative valuation adjustment	_	_	_	_	(2,902)	_	_	_	(2,902)
March 31, 2023	40,842 \$	41 \$	441,917 \$	950,415	\$ (134,864)	9,675 \$	(364,923)	\$ 4,929 \$	897,515

#### 18. Business Combination

On August 31, 2023, the Company acquired all the outstanding shares of Heimbach, a privately-held manufacturer of paper machine clothing with headquarters in Düren, Germany. For the three months ended March 31, 2024, there were no material adjustments to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed.

# 19. Subsequent Events

On April 19, 2024, we announced a plan to discontinue manufacturing at our Chungju, South Korea operation, and to transfer production to other international manufacturing facilities owned by the Company. This action will enable the Company to align forming fabric capacity with the local market demand and the needs of customers. The company remains committed to the local papermaking industry and will continue to provide customers with strong expertise in Product Application, Sales and Marketing Service through the current Sales, Service & Application teams located in South Korea. The Company estimates the cash outflows associated with this restructuring to be approximately \$6 million, which will include employee-related costs, asset write-offs, and equipment transfer costs.

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

Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") is intended to help the reader understand the results of operations and financial condition of the Company. MD&A is provided as a supplement to, and should be read in conjunction with, our Consolidated Financial Statements and the accompanying Notes.

#### **Forward-looking Statements**

This quarterly report and the documents incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in this quarterly report contain statements concerning our future results and performance and other matters that are "forward-looking" statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). The words "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "estimate," "project," "forecast," "look for," "will," "should," "guidance," "guide" and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements, which generally are not historical in nature. Because forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties, (including, without limitation, those set forth in the Company's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K or prior Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q) actual results may differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements.

There are a number of risks, uncertainties, and other important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements, including, but not limited to:

- Conditions in the industries in which our Machine Clothing and Albany Engineered Composites segments compete, along with the general risks associated with macroeconomic conditions, including higher interest rates, inflationary pressures, or the effects of another pandemic, for an extended period of time;
- Across the entire Company, increasing labor, raw material, energy, and logistics costs due to supply chain constraints and inflationary pressures. These challenges have only increased as a result of the ongoing Russia-Ukraine war and the conflict in the Middle East;
- Harm caused by changes in our relationships or contracts with suppliers and customers;
- In the Machine Clothing segment, greater than anticipated declines in the demand for publication grades of paper, or lower than anticipated growth in other paper grades;
- In the Albany Engineered Composites segment, longer-than-expected timeframe for the aerospace industry to utilize existing inventories, unanticipated reductions in demand, delays, technical difficulties, and cancellations in aerospace programs that are expected to generate revenue and drive long-term growth;
- Inability of our Machine Clothing or Albany Engineered Composite segments to create additional production capacity in a timely
  manner or the occurrence of other manufacturing or supply difficulties (including as a result of geopolitical crises, natural disaster,
  public health crises and epidemics/pandemics, regulatory or otherwise);
- Changes in geopolitical conditions impacting countries where the Company does or intends to do business;
- · Failure to achieve or maintain anticipated profitable growth;
- Failure to achieve our strategic initiatives and other goals, including, but not limited to, our sustainability goals;
- In the Albany Engineered Composites segment, the estimates and expectations based on aircraft production rates provided by Airbus, Boeing and others;
- In the Albany Engineered Composites segment, risks and uncertainties associated with the successful implementation and ramp up of significant new programs, including the ability to manufacture the products to the detailed specifications required and recover start-up costs and other investments in the programs;
- Adverse impacts from inflation, an economic slowdown or recession and by disruption in capital and credit markets that might impede our access to credit, increase our borrowing costs and impair the financial soundness of our customers and suppliers;



- · Risks and uncertainties associated with the successful integration of our Heimbach Group acquisition;
- · Expectations regarding our ability to attract, motivate, and retain the workforce necessary to execute our business strategy;
- · Adverse impacts from fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates;
- · Harm caused by large customer purchase reductions, payment defaults or contract non-renewal;
- In the Albany Engineered Composites segment, our contracts with government entities involve future funding and compliance risks;
- · Costly and disruptive legal disputes and settlements;
- · Future levels of indebtedness and capital expenditures;
- · Adverse impacts from changes in tax legislation or challenges to our tax positions;
- · Cybersecurity incidents or significant computer system compromises or data breaches;
- · Significant problems with information systems or networks;
- Failure to adequately integrate Heimbach into our business systems and processes within the expected timeframe or, failure to or delayed realization of anticipated benefits of the acquisition could adversely impact the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations; and
- Other risks and uncertainties detailed in this report and other periodic reports.

Further information concerning important factors that could cause actual events or results to be materially different from the forward-looking statements can be found in "Business Environment Overview and Trends" sections of this quarterly report, as well as in Item 1A-"Risk Factors" section of our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K. Although we believe the expectations reflected in our other forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, it is not possible to foresee or identify all factors that could have a material and negative impact on our future performance. The forward-looking statements included or incorporated by reference in this report are made on the basis of our assumptions and analyses, as of the time the statements are made, in light of our experience and perception of historical conditions, expected future developments, and other factors believed to be appropriate under the circumstances.

Except as otherwise required by the federal securities laws, we disclaim any obligations or undertaking to publicly release any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statement contained or incorporated by reference in this report to reflect any change in our expectations with regard thereto or any change in events, conditions, or circumstances on which any such statement is based.

#### **Business Environment Overview and Trends**

Please refer to the Business Environment Overview and Trends in the Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023. The Annual Report on Form 10-K, along with the Company's other filings, can be found on the Securities and Exchange Commission's website, www.sec.gov, as well as on the Company's website: www.albint.com.

# **Consolidated Results of Operations**

#### Net revenues

The following table summarizes our Net revenues by business segment:

	Three months ended March 31,					
(in thousands, except percentages)		2024	2023	% Change		
Machine Clothing	\$	185,217 \$	153,222	20.9 %		
Albany Engineered Composites		128,113	115,874	10.6 %		
Total	\$	313,330 \$	269,096	16.4 %		

The following tables provide a comparison of 2024 Net revenues, excluding currency translation effects, to 2023 Net revenues:

(in thousands, except percentages)	Net revenues as eported, Q1 2024	Ò	Decrease)/ increase due to changes in urrency translation rates	sai 2	2024 revenues on me basis as Q1 2023 currency anslation rates	Net revenues as reported, Q1 2023	% Change compared to Q1 2023, excluding currency rate effects
Machine Clothing	\$ 185,217	\$	(598)	\$	185,815 \$	5 153,222	21.3 %
Albany Engineered Composites	128,113		221		127,892	115,874	10.4 %
Total	\$ 313,330	\$	(377)	\$	313,707 \$	269,096	16.6 %

Net revenues increased 16.4% compared to the same period in 2023, driven by \$37.9 million of Net revenues from the Heimbach acquisition and higher Net revenues in AEC, partially offset by lower organic Net revenues at MC.

MC's Net revenues increased 20.9% compared to the first quarter of 2023, driven by Heimbach Net revenues of \$37.9 million. This was partially offset by \$5.3 million of lower Net revenues in the rest of the segment, driven primarily by weakness in publication globally, and in all grades in Europe. This decrease was partially offset with increases in revenues in North America. Changes in currency translation rates had the effect of decreasing Net revenues \$0.6 million.

AEC's Net revenues increased 10.6%, primarily driven by growth on commercial and space programs, partially offset by lower revenues on defense programs. Changes in currency translation rates had the effect of increasing Net revenues \$0.2 million.

# **Gross Profit**

The following table summarizes Gross profit by business segment:

	Three months ended March 31,		
(in thousands, except percentages)	2024		2023
Machine Clothing	\$ 84,655	\$	77,855
Albany Engineered Composites	24,031		21,463
Total	\$ 108,686	\$	99,318
% of Net revenues	34.7 %	6	36.9 %

The increase in 2024 Gross profit, as compared to the same period last year, was driven by higher sales in both segments. Gross profit as a percentage of revenues was as follows:

- MC's gross profit margin decreased from 50.8% in 2023 to 45.7% in 2024. This margin decrease was primarily attributable to lower gross margin at Heimbach. Excluding Heimbach, MC's gross profit margin increased to 52.1% in 2024.
- AEC's gross profit margin remained largely in line with the prior year, increasing from 18.5% in 2023 to 18.8% in 2024, driven by a favorable shift in program revenue mix. Changes in the estimated profitability of long-term contracts decreased operating income by \$0.9 million in 2024, as compared to a decrease of \$0.7 million during the same period last year.



# Selling, General, and Administrative ("SG&A")

The following table summarizes SG&A expenses by business segment:

	Three months ended March 31		
(in thousands, except percentages)	 2024		2023
Machine Clothing	\$ 29,004	\$	23,073
Albany Engineered Composites	7,510		7,566
Corporate expenses	18,321		17,840
Total	\$ 54,835	\$	48,479
% of Net revenues	17.5 %	)	18.0 %

Consolidated SG&A expenses increased 13.1% as compared to 2023, however, as a percentage of Net revenues it decreased from 18.0% in 2023 to 17.5% in 2024.

- MC SG&A expenses increased \$5.9 million as compared to 2023, of which \$9.2 million of the increase related to Heimbach. Excluding Heimbach, MC's SG&A decreased \$3.3 million, driven primarily by changes in currency translation rates, which reduced expenses by \$2.8 million, as well as lower consulting fees and incentive compensation costs.
- In AEC, SG&A expenses remained largely in line with the prior year.
- Corporate SG&A expenses increased \$0.5 million, principally due to acquisition and integration related expenses.

#### Technical and Research

The following table summarizes technical and research expenses by business segment:

	Three months ended March 31,		
(in thousands, except percentages)	2024		2023
Machine Clothing	\$ 7,520	\$	5,798
Albany Engineered Composites	5,145		4,479
Total	\$ 12,665	\$	10,277
% of Net revenues	4.0 %	6	3.8 %

Consolidated Technical and research expenses increased 23.2% as compared to 2023, and as a percentage of Net revenues increased from 3.8% in 2023 to 4.0% in 2024.

- MC Technical and research expenses increased \$1.7 million as compared to 2023, of which \$1.6 million was due to the addition of Heimbach.
- AEC Technical and research expenses increased \$0.7 million as compared to 2023, due to increases in research material and labor costs.

#### **Restructuring Expense, net**

In addition to the items discussed above affecting Gross profit, SG&A and Technical and research expenses, Operating income was affected by restructuring expense, net, of \$2.2 million in the three months ended March 31, 2024, compared to an insignificant amount in the same period of 2023.

The following table summarizes restructuring expenses by business segment:

	Three months ended March 31,		
(in thousands)	 2024		2023
Machine Clothing	\$ 21	\$	20
Albany Engineered Composites	2,188		_
Consolidated total	\$ 2,209	\$	20
% of Net revenues	0.7 9	%	0.0 %

Restructuring costs in the first quarter of 2024 were primarily related to reductions in workforce at various AEC locations, while restructuring charges for the first quarter of 2023 were not significant. There were no charges related to the impairment of assets for the periods presented.

#### **Operating Income**

The following table summarizes operating income/(loss) by business segment:

	Three months ended March		
(in thousands)	 2024		2023
Machine Clothing	\$ 48,110	\$	48,964
Albany Engineered Composites	9,188		9,418
Corporate expenses	(18,321)		(17,840)
Total	\$ 38,977	\$	40,542
% of Net revenues	12.4 %	6	15.1 %

Changes in operating income were primarily attributable to the drivers noted above.

# **Other Earnings Items**

	Three months ended March 31		
(in thousands)	 2024	2023	
Interest expense, net	\$ 3,319 \$	3,290	
Other (income)/expense, net	(2,982)	(455)	
Income tax expense	11,271	10,621	
Net income attributable to the noncontrolling interest	78	197	

#### Interest Expense/(Income), net

Interest expense/(income), net, was largely in line with the prior year. See the Working Capital, Liquidity and Capital Structure section for further discussion of borrowings and interest rates.

#### Other (Income)/Expense, net

Other (income)/expense, net, included foreign currency related transactions which resulted in income of \$1.3 million in the three months ended March 31, 2024, as compared to losses of \$0.1 million in the same period last year. Other (income)/expense, net, also included gains on changes in fair value of derivative instruments, gains on sales of fixed assets, and rental income.

# Effective Income Tax Rate

	Three months ende	ed March 31,
-	2024	2023
Effective income tax rate	29.2 %	28.2 %

The Company has operations that constitute a taxable presence in 22 countries outside of the United States. The majority of these countries had income tax rates that were above the United States federal tax rate of 21 percent during the periods reported. The jurisdictional location of earnings is a significant component of our effective tax rate each year. The rate impact of this component is influenced by the specific location of non-U.S. earnings and the level of our total earnings. From period to period, the jurisdictional mix of earnings can vary as a result of operating fluctuations in the normal course of business, as well as the extent and location of other income and expense items, such as pension settlement and restructuring charges.

The tax rate is affected by recurring items, such as the income tax rate in the U.S. and non-U.S. jurisdictions and the mix of pre-tax income earned in those jurisdictions. The tax rate is also affected by U.S. tax costs on foreign pre-tax earnings, and by discrete items that may occur in any given year but are not consistent from year to year. The Company's effective tax rate for the first quarter of 2024 was 29.2%, higher compared to 28.2% for the same period in 2023, mainly due to an unfavorable change in the jurisdictional mix of earnings forecasted for 2024. For more information, see Note 6, *Income Taxes*, in the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.



The Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development has issued Pillar Two model rules introducing a new global minimum tax of 15 percent intended to be effective on January 1, 2024. While the U.S. has not yet adopted the Pillar Two rules, various other governments around the world are enacting legislation. As currently designed, Pillar Two will ultimately apply to our worldwide operations. Although we do not expect these rules to materially increase our global tax costs in 2024, there remains uncertainty as to the final Pillar Two model rules. We will continue to monitor U.S. and global legislative action related to Pillar Two for potential impacts.

On January 17, 2024, the House Ways and Means Committee announced a draft legislation called "The Tax Relief for American Families and Workers Act of 2024". This act would restore 100% bonus depreciation for property placed in service after December 31, 2022 and before January 1, 2026; and retroactively restore the ability to deduct domestic research and experimentation costs that were required to be capitalized beginning in 2022 under Section 174. On January 31, 2024, the United States House of Representatives voted to approve this bill, which is now with the United States Senate. We will continue to monitor the status of this legislation and assess the potential impact, if passed.

# **Segment Results of Operations**

#### **Machine Clothing Segment**

The MC segment accounted for 59% of our consolidated revenues during the first three months of 2024. A summary of selected financial results for MC is as follows:

## **Review of Operations**

	Three months ended March 31,		
(in thousands, except percentages)	 2024	2023	
Net revenues	\$ 185,217 \$	153,222	
Gross profit	84,655	77,855	
% of Net revenues	45.7 %	50.8 %	
SG&A expenses	29,004	23,073	
Technical and research expenses	7,520	5,798	
Operating income	48,110	48,964	

#### **Net Revenues**

Net revenues increased by 20.9%, driven by Heimbach Net revenues of \$37.9 million. This was partially offset by \$5.3 million of lower Net revenues in the rest of the segment, driven primarily by weakness in publication globally, and in all grades in Europe. This decrease was partially offset with increases in North America. Changes in currency translation rates had the effect of decreasing Net revenues \$0.6 million.

# **Gross Profit**

Gross profit increased by \$6.8 million as compared to the prior year, driven by the higher sales noted above; however, gross profit margin decreased from 50.8% in 2023 to 45.7% in 2024. This margin decrease was primarily driven by lower gross margins at Heimbach. Excluding Heimbach, MC's gross profit margins increased to 52.1% in 2024 as a result of higher revenues in North America.

#### **Operating Income**

Operating income decreased year-over-year, due to higher SG&A and Technical and research expenses from the Heimbach acquisition in addition to Heimbach's lower gross profit margins. The addition of Heimbach increased SG&A expenses by \$9.2 million and increased Technical and research expenses by \$1.6 million. Excluding Heimbach, SG&A decreased \$3.3 million, driven primarily by changes in currency translation rates, which reduced expenses \$2.8 million, as well as lower consulting fees and incentive compensation costs.



# Albany Engineered Composites ("AEC") Segment

The AEC segment accounted for 41% of our consolidated revenues during the first three months of 2024. A summary of selected financial results for AEC is as follows:

#### **Review of Operations**

	Tł	Three months ended March 31		
(in thousands, except percentages)		2024	2023	
Net revenues	\$	128,113 \$	115,874	
Gross profit		24,031	21,463	
% of Net revenues		18.8 %	18.5 %	
SG&A expenses		7,510	7,566	
Technical and research expenses		5,145	4,479	
Operating income		9,188	9,418	

#### **Net Revenues**

For the three months ended March 31, 2024, Net revenues increased 10.6% as compared to the prior year, driven by growth on commercial and space programs of approximately \$17.0 million, partially offset by lower revenues on defense programs. Changes in currency translation rates had the effect of increasing Net revenues \$0.2 million.

AEC has contracts with certain customers, including its contract for the LEAP program, where revenue is determined by a cost-plus-fee agreement. Revenue earned under these arrangements accounted for approximately 40 percent of segment revenue for the first three months of 2024 and 2023.

In addition, AEC has long-term contracts in which the selling price is fixed. In accounting for those contracts, we estimate the profit margin expected at the completion of the contract and recognize a pro-rata share of that profit during the course of the contract using a cost-to-cost approach. Changes in estimated contract profitability will affect revenue and gross profit when the change occurs, which could have a significant favorable or unfavorable effect on revenue and gross profit in any reporting period. For contracts with anticipated losses, a provision for the entire amount of the estimated remaining loss is charged against income in the period in which the loss becomes known. Contract losses are determined considering all direct and indirect contract costs, exclusive of any selling, general or administrative cost allocations, which are treated as period expenses. Expected losses on projects include losses on contract options that are probable of exercise, excluding profitable options that often follow.

#### **Gross Profit**

For the three months ended March 31, 2024, Gross profit increased \$2.6 million as compared to the same period last year, and gross profit margin remained largely in line with the prior year, increasing from 18.5% in 2023 to 18.8% in 2024. The increase in profit margin was driven primarily by a favorable shift in program revenue mix to commercial programs.

# **Operating Income**

For the three months ended March 31, 2024, Operating income decreased \$0.2 million, principally due to a \$0.7 million increase in Technical and research expenses, as well as restructuring expenses of \$2.2 million, as described above.

Changes in the estimated profitability of long-term contracts decreased operating income by \$0.9 million in 2024, as compared to a decrease of \$0.7 million during the same period last year.



# Working Capital, Liquidity and Capital Structure

# **Cash Flow Summary**

	Three months ende	d March 31,
(in thousands)	 2024	2023
Net income	\$ 27,369 \$	27,086
Depreciation and amortization	22,304	17,367
Changes in working capital (a)	(27,171)	(48,388)
Changes in other noncurrent liabilities and deferred taxes	(169)	(880)
Other operating items	(12,736)	(11,578)
Net cash provided by operating activities	9,597	(16,393)
Net cash used in investing activities	(26,880)	(16,275)
Net cash used in financing activities	(28,069)	41,086
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(2,656)	4,064
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(48,008)	12,482
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	173,420	291,776
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 125,412 \$	304,258

Includes Accounts receivable, Contract assets, Inventories, Accounts payable, and Accrued liabilities.

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$9.6 million in 2024, compared to net cash used in activities of \$16.4 million in the same period last year. The increase was driven by improved levels of working capital at both segments and lower tax payments during the current period.

Net cash used in investing activities primarily include capital expenditures totaling \$26.9 million and \$16.3 million for the first three months of 2024 and 2023, respectively, including investments in new aerospace programs and to improve productivity in our MC segment.

Net cash used in financing activities during 2024 was \$28.1 million as compared to net cash provided by financing activities of \$41.1 million in 2023. The change was primarily due to lower borrowings that were more than offset by a significant increase in principal payments on debt during the current period.

#### Liquidity and Capital Structure

We finance our business activities principally with cash generated from operations and borrowings, largely through our revolving credit agreement as discussed below. Our subsidiaries outside of the United States may also maintain working capital lines with local banks.

Under our \$800 million unsecured committed Amended Credit Agreement, \$429.0 million of borrowings were outstanding as of March 31, 2024. In addition, we have borrowings outstanding at our newly acquired Heimbach subsidiary of \$10.1 million, of which \$4.4 million was considered current.

As of March 31, 2024, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$125.4 million and available borrowings under our Amended Credit Agreement of \$371.0 million, for a total liquidity of approximately \$496.4 million. We believe cash flows from operations and the availability of funds under our Amended Credit Agreement will be adequate to fund our operations and business needs over the next twelve months. For more information on credit agreements, see *Note 14. Financial Instruments* in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

As of March 31, 2024, \$109.0 million of our total cash and cash equivalents were held by non-U.S. subsidiaries. The accumulated undistributed earnings of the Company's foreign operations not targeted for repatriation to the U.S. were in excess of \$155.0 million, as of March 31, 2024 and are intended to remain indefinitely invested in foreign operations. Our cash planning strategy includes repatriating current earnings in excess of working capital requirements from certain countries in which our subsidiaries operate. While we have been successful in such endeavor to date, there can be no assurance that we will be able to cost effectively repatriate funds in the future. Repatriating such cash from certain jurisdictions, which is currently considered to be indefinitely reinvested in foreign operations, may also result in additional taxes.

We have also returned cash to shareholders through dividends and share repurchases. During the first three months of 2024, we paid \$8.1 million in dividends and had no share repurchases.



# **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

The Company is party to certain off-balance sheet arrangements, including certain guarantees. The Company provides financial assurance, such as payment guarantee and letters of credit and surety bonds, primarily to support workers' compensation programs and customs clearance, of less than \$12 million. There were no material changes in the Company's off-balance sheet arrangements during 2024.

#### Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

We have market risk with respect to foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates. The market risk is the potential loss arising from adverse changes in these rates as discussed below.

# Foreign Currency Exchange Rate Risk

We have manufacturing plants and sales transactions worldwide and therefore are subject to foreign currency risk. This risk is composed of both potential losses from the translation of foreign currency financial statements and the remeasurement of foreign currency transactions. To manage this risk, we periodically enter into forward exchange contracts either to hedge the net assets of a foreign investment or to provide an economic hedge against future cash flows. The total net assets of non-U.S. operations and long-term intercompany loans denominated in nonfunctional currencies subject to potential loss amount to approximately \$718.9 million. The potential loss in fair value resulting from a hypothetical 10% adverse change in quoted foreign currency exchange rates amounts to \$71.9 million. Furthermore, related to foreign currency transactions, we have exposure to various nonfunctional currency balances totaling \$154.9 million. This amount includes, on an absolute basis, exposures to assets and liabilities held in currencies other than our local entities' functional currency balances are revalued, and the corresponding adjustment is recorded in the income statement. A hypothetical change of 10% in currency rates could result in an adjustment to the income statement of approximately \$5.6 million. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

#### Interest Rate Risk

We are exposed to interest rate fluctuations with respect to our variable rate debt, depending on general economic conditions.

On March 31, 2024, we had the following variable rate debt:

(in thousands, except interest rates)	 
Current Maturities of Long-Term Debt	
Foreign Bank Debt	\$ 40
Long-term debt	
Credit agreement with borrowings outstanding, net of fixed rate portion, at an end of period interest rate of 7.05% in 2024, due in 2028	\$ 79,000
Foreign Bank Debt	39
Total	\$ 79,079

Assuming borrowings were outstanding for an entire year, an increase of one percentage point in weighted average interest rates would increase interest expense by \$0.8 million. To manage interest rate risk, we may periodically enter into interest rate swap agreements to effectively fix the interest rates on variable debt to a specific rate for a period of time. Our current interest rate swap agreements expire in October 2024, which will result in a significant increase in our interest cost, which will be calculated using a floating rate based on the one-month term SOFR at that time, which was 5.33% as of March 31, 2024. (See *Note 14. Financial Instruments* in the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 1, which is incorporated herein by reference).

# Item 4. Controls and Procedures

#### a) Disclosure controls and procedures.

The principal executive officer and principal financial officer, based on their evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, have concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective for ensuring that information required to be disclosed in the reports that it files or submits under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Commission's rules and forms. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in filed or submitted reports is accumulated

and communicated to the Company's management, including its principal executive officer and principal financial officer as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

(b) Changes in internal control over financial reporting.

There was no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) during the last fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

#### PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

#### Item 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The information set forth above under *Note 16. Commitments and Contingencies* in Item 1, Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 1A. Risk Factors

There have been no material changes from the risk factors previously disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023.

#### Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

We made no share purchases during the first quarter of 2024.

On October 25, 2021, the Company's Board of Directors authorized the Company to repurchase shares of up to \$200 million through open market purchases, privately negotiated transactions or otherwise, and to determine the prices, times and amounts. The program does not obligate the Company to acquire any particular amount of common stock, and it may be suspended or terminated at any time at the Company's discretion. The share repurchase program does not have an expiration date. The timing and amount of any share repurchases will be based on the Company's liquidity, general business and market conditions, debt covenant restrictions and other factors, including alternative investment opportunities and capital structure. In total, the Company has repurchased 1,308,003 shares for a total cost of \$109.4M, of which 1,022,717 shares were repurchased in 2022 for \$85.1 million and 285,286 shares were repurchased in 2021 for \$24.3 million. We currently remain authorized to repurchase shares of up to \$90.6 million.

#### Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None.

#### Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not Applicable.

# Item 5. Other Information

#### Securities Trading Plans of Directors and Executive Officers

During the three months ended March 31, 2024, none of our directors or executive officers adopted or terminated any contract, instruction or written plan for the purchase or sale of Albany International Corp. 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

Exhibit No.	Description
10(n)(viii)	Form of 2024 Annual Performance Bonus Award Agreement
10(m)(xxi)	Form of 2024 Multi-Year Performance Bonus Agreement
10(I)(xvi)	Form of 2024 Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement
10(I)(xvii)	Form of 2024 Non-Employee Director Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement
31.1	Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) of the Exchange Act.
31.2	Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) of the Exchange Act.
32.1	Certification pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (Subsections (a) and (b) of Section 1350, Chapter 63 of Title 18, United States Code).
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 Taxonomy Extension Schema Document.
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document.
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document.
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document.
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document.
104	Cover page formatted as Inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101

# 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.

# ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP. (Registrant)

Date: April 29, 2024

By /s/ Robert D. Starr

Robert D. Starr Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

# EXHIBIT (31.1) CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-14 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Gunnar Kleveland, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this report on Form 10-Q of Albany International Corp.;
- 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(s) 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(s) 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: April 29, 2024

By /s/ Gunnar Kleveland

Gunnar Kleveland President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

# EXHIBIT (31.2) CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-14 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Robert D. Starr, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this report on Form 10-Q of Albany International Corp.;
- 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(s) 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(s) 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: April 29, 2024

By /s/ Robert D. Starr

Robert D. Starr Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

# EXHIBIT (32.1) CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Albany International Corp. (the Company) on Form 10-Q for the period ending March 31, 2024, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the Report), Gunnar Kleveland, President and Chief Executive Officer, and Robert D. Starr, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: April 29, 2024

/s/ Gunnar Kleveland

Gunnar Kleveland President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

/s/ Robert D. Starr

Robert D. Starr Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)