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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 1934

For the fiscal quarter ended June 27, 1998 Commission file number 1-6770

MUELLER INDUSTRIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation or organization)

25-0790410

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

6799 GREAT OAKS ROAD  
MEMPHIS, TN 38138-2572

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (901) 753-3200  
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, \$ 0.01 Par Value	New York Stock Exchange

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by a 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 /X/ No / /

The number of shares of the Registrant's common stock outstanding as of  
July 15, 1998 was 35,613,294.

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MUELLER INDUSTRIES, INC.

FORM 10-Q

For the Period Ended June 27, 1998

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## PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## Item 1. Financial Statements

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MUELLER INDUSTRIES, INC.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share data)

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	For the Quarter Ended		For the Six-Months Ended	
	June 27, 1998	June 28, 1997	June 27, 1998	June 28, 1997
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Net sales	\$225,867	\$215,437	\$452,519	\$416,803
Cost of goods sold	173,518	172,685	348,975	328,469
Gross profit	52,349	42,752	103,544	88,334
Depreciation and amortization	5,689	4,984	11,273	9,816
Selling, general, and administrative expense	18,412	15,234	36,254	30,730
Operating income	28,248	22,534	56,017	47,788
Interest expense	(1,191)	(1,118)	(2,543)	(2,296)
Environmental reserves	-	-	(600)	(2,000)
Other income, net	1,981	2,166	4,704	3,196
Income before income taxes	29,038	23,582	57,578	46,688
Current income tax expense	(7,709)	(6,929)	(16,242)	(13,657)
Deferred income tax expense	(1,619)	(314)	(2,361)	(934)
Total income tax expense	(9,328)	(7,243)	(18,603)	(14,591)
Net income	\$ 19,710	\$ 16,339	\$ 38,975	\$ 32,097
Weighted average shares for basic earnings per share	35,225	35,011	35,163	34,979
Effect of dilutive stock options	4,487	4,147	4,466	4,248
Adjusted weighted average shares for diluted earnings per share	39,712	39,158	39,629	39,227
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.47	\$ 1.11	\$ 0.92
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.98	\$ 0.82

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	June 27, 1998	December 27, 1997
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Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 87,914	\$ 69,978
Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$3,488 in 1998 and \$3,680 in 1997	136,106	128,902
Inventories:		
Raw material and supplies	16,871	19,960
Work-in-process	24,293	20,283
Finished goods	54,910	57,531
Gold	2,327	407
Total inventories	98,401	98,181
Current deferred income taxes	4,510	5,023
Other current assets	8,691	6,967
Total current assets	335,622	309,051
Property, plant and equipment, net	284,688	260,364
Deferred income taxes	5,831	7,837
Other assets	29,089	33,524
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Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Current liabilities:		
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 18,027	\$ 18,980
Accounts payable	32,687	30,530
Accrued wages and other employee costs	20,215	21,095
Other current liabilities	38,390	29,952
Total current liabilities	109,319	100,557

Long-term debt	45,172	53,113
Pension and postretirement liabilities	14,523	14,222
Environmental reserves	9,919	10,368
Deferred income taxes	1,882	2,040
Other noncurrent liabilities	13,410	11,745
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Total liabilities	194,225	192,045
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Minority interest in subsidiaries	390	691
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock-shares authorized 4,985,000; none outstanding	-	-
Series A junior participating preferred stock-\$1.00 par value; shares authorized 15,000; none outstanding	-	-
Common stock - \$.01 par value; shares authorized 100,000,000; issued 40,000,000; outstanding 35,613,294 in 1998 and 35,017,416 in 1997	400	200
Additional paid-in capital, common	255,040	253,928
Retained earnings (Since January 1, 1991)	236,728	197,753
Cumulative translation adjustment	(4,589)	(3,232)
Treasury common stock, at cost	(26,964)	(30,609)
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Total stockholders' equity	460,615	418,040
Commitments and contingencies (Note 2)	-	-
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(In thousands)  
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	For the Six-Months Ended	
	June 27, 1998	June 28, 1997
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Cash flows from operating activities		
Net income	\$ 38,975	\$ 32,097
Reconciliation of net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	11,273	9,816
Minority interest in subsidiaries	(301)	244
Deferred income taxes	2,361	934
Gain on disposal of properties	(1,517)	(452)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Receivables	(7,772)	(27,149)
Inventories	(650)	(10,228)
Other assets	(4,463)	(14,732)
Current liabilities	3,115	6,848
Other liabilities	310	109
Other, net	(75)	(276)
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Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	41,256	(2,789)
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Cash flows from investing activities		
Businesses acquired	-	(37,743)
Capital expenditures	(23,812)	(16,468)
Proceeds from sales of properties	1,619	1,344
Escrowed IRB proceeds	6,082	-
Note receivable	(4,484)	-
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Net cash used in investing activities	(20,595)	(52,867)
	-----	-----
Cash flows from financing activities		
Repayments of long-term debt	(8,894)	(5,442)
Proceeds from stock options exercised including related tax benefits	6,357	581
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Net cash used in financing activities	(2,537)	(4,861)
	-----	-----

Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	(188)	-
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Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	17,936	(60,517)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	69,978	96,956
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Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	\$ 87,914	\$ 36,439
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MUELLER INDUSTRIES, INC.  
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
(Unaudited)

General

Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles have been condensed or omitted. Results of operations for the interim periods presented are not necessarily indicative of results which may be expected for any other interim period or for the year as a whole. This quarterly report on Form 10-Q should be read in conjunction with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, including the annual financial statements incorporated therein by reference.

The accompanying unaudited interim financial statements include all adjustments which are, in the opinion of management, necessary to a fair statement of the results for the interim periods presented.

Note 1 - Earnings Per Common Share

Basic per share amounts have been computed based on the average number of common shares outstanding. Diluted per share amounts reflect the increase in average common shares outstanding that would result from the assumed exercise of outstanding stock options, computed using the treasury stock method.

Note 2 - Commitments and Contingencies

The Company is subject to normal environmental standards imposed by federal, state, local, and foreign environmental laws and regulations. Based upon information currently available, management believes that the outcome of pending environmental matters will not materially affect the overall financial position and results of operations of the Company.

In addition, the Company is involved in certain litigation as either plaintiff or defendant as a result of claims that arise in the ordinary course of business which management believes will not have a material effect on the Company's financial condition.

Note 3 - Comprehensive Income

During 1997, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 130, Reporting Comprehensive Income (SFAS No. 130). The Company adopted this Statement as of the beginning of 1998. SFAS No. 130 established new rules for the reporting and display of comprehensive income and its components; however, the adoption of this Statement had no impact on the Company's net income or stockholders' equity. SFAS No. 130 requires foreign currency translation adjustments, which prior to adoption were reported separately in stockholders' equity, to be included in other comprehensive income.

Total comprehensive income was \$18,963,000 and \$16,773,000 for the quarters ending June 27, 1998, and June 28, 1997, respectively and was \$37,618,000 and \$32,270,000 for the six-month periods ending June 27, 1998 and June 28, 1997, respectively.

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Note 4 - Stockholders' Equity

During the second quarter of 1998, the Company's Board of Directors declared a two-for-one stock split to be effected in the form of a 100 percent stock dividend. The record date was May 12, 1998. Presentations of share data herein, including earnings per share, have been adjusted to reflect the split for all periods presented (except for Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders).

Note 5 - Acquisitions

During the first half of 1997, the Company acquired the assets and certain liabilities of Precision Tube Company, Inc., the assets of Wednesbury Tube Company, and Desnoyers S.A. These acquisitions were accounted for using the purchase method. Therefore, the results of operations of the acquired businesses are included in the consolidated financial statements of the Company from the date of acquisition.

The following condensed pro forma consolidated results of operations are presented as if the acquisitions had occurred at the beginning of 1997. This information combines the historical results of operations of the Company and the acquired businesses after the effects of estimated purchase accounting adjustments. The pro forma information does not purport to be indicative of the results that would have been obtained if the operations had actually been combined during the period presented.

	For the Six-Months Ended	
	June 28, 1997	
Net sales	\$	478,286
Net income		28,056
Basic earnings per share		0.80
Diluted earnings per share		0.72

The final assessment of fair values of the assets and reserves associated with the Desnoyers S.A. acquisition was completed during the second quarter of 1998. The determination of final fair values resulted in adjustments consisting of changes from initially recorded values. These adjustments increased property, plant and equipment, and other current liabilities of approximately \$12.4 million and \$8.6 million respectively, and decreased other assets of approximately \$3.8 million.

#### Note 6 - Stock Option Exercise

On June 15, 1998, the Company loaned \$4.5 million, on a full recourse basis, to an officer. Proceeds of \$1.4 million were used by the officer to exercise options on the Company's stock. That portion of the loan has been classified as a reduction of additional paid-in capital, while the remaining balance of the loan is included in other assets in the Company's consolidated financial statements. The entire loan is secured by common stock of the Company.

The tax benefit associated with the exercise of these options reduced taxes payable, classified as other current liabilities, by \$3.8 million. Such benefits are reflected as additions to additional paid-in capital.

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#### Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

##### General Overview

The Company's principal business is the manufacture and sale of copper tube, brass rod, copper and plastic fittings, forgings, valves, and other products made of copper, brass, bronze, plastic and aluminum. New housing starts and commercial construction are important determinants of the Company's sales to the air-conditioning, refrigeration, and plumbing markets because the principal end use of a significant portion of the Company's products is in the construction of single and multi-family housing and commercial buildings. The Company's product is sold to wholesalers in the plumbing, air-conditioning and refrigeration markets and to OEMs in these and other markets. Mueller's plants are located throughout the United States and in Canada, France and Great Britain. The Company also owns a short line railroad in Utah and natural resource properties in the Western U.S.

Profitability of certain of the Company's product lines depends upon the "spreads" between the cost of material and the selling prices of its completed products. The open market prices for copper cathode and scrap, for example, influence the selling price of copper tubing, a principal product manufactured by the Company. The Company attempts to minimize the negative effects of fluctuations in material costs by passing these costs through to its customers. "Spreads" fluctuate based upon competitive market conditions.

During 1997, the Company acquired two European copper tube manufacturers. Wednesbury Tube is located in Bilston, England, and Desnoyers S.A. is located near Paris, France. These acquisitions give the Company a major manufacturing and sales presence in Europe.

The Company uses the LIFO method to value the copper component of certain of its copper tube and fittings inventories in the United States. The market price of copper also indirectly affects the carrying value (FIFO

basis) of the Company's brass and other metal inventories.

#### Results of Operations

Net income was \$19.7 million, or 50 cents per diluted share, for the second quarter of 1998, which compares with net income of \$16.3 million, or 42 cents per diluted share, for the same period of 1997. Year-to-date, net income was \$39.0 million, or 98 cents per diluted share, which compares to net income of \$32.1 million, or 82 cents per diluted share, for 1997.

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During the second quarter of 1998, the Company's net sales were \$225.9 million, which compares to net sales of \$215.4 million, or a 4.9 percent increase over the same period of 1997. Net sales were \$452.5 million in the first half of 1998 versus \$416.8 million in 1997. During the second quarter of 1998, the Company's manufacturing businesses shipped 159.2 million pounds of product compared to 132.7 million pounds in the same quarter of 1997. The Company's manufacturing businesses shipped 315.3 million pounds of product in the first half of 1998, or 22.4 percent more than the same period of 1997. Pounds shipped grew by a larger percent than net sales because the average price of copper was lower in 1998 than in 1997. Second quarter and first half operating income increased primarily due to: (i) productivity improvements at the Company's North American manufacturing operations; (ii) higher sales volumes particularly at brass rod and plastics; and (iii) spread improvements primarily in domestic copper tube. Mueller's European operations, which were acquired during 1997, operated approximately at break-even for the second quarter and first half of 1998. Selling, general, and administrative expense increased primarily due to acquired businesses.

Interest expense for the second quarter of 1998 totaled \$1.2 million compared to \$1.1 million in the same quarter of 1997. For the first six-months of 1998, interest expense was \$2.5 million compared to \$2.3 million for the same period of 1997. Total interest in the first half of 1998 increased due to the increase in long-term debt following the issuance of Industrial Development Revenue Bonds in the third quarter of 1997, partially offset by scheduled reductions in other long-term debt. During the first half of 1998, the Company capitalized \$0.3 million of interest related to capital improvement programs compared to none in 1997.

The effective tax rate of 32.1 percent in the second quarter and 32.3 percent in the first six-months of 1998 reflect the benefits of a lower federal provision relating to the recognition of net operating loss carry forwards and a lower state provision associated with incentive IRB financings.

#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

Cash provided by operating activities during the first half of 1998 totaled \$41.3 million which is primarily attributable to net income and depreciation. During the first half of 1998, the Company used \$20.6 million in investing activities, consisting primarily of \$23.8 million in capital expenditures offset by \$6.1 million proceeds from escrowed IRB funds. Cash used in investing activities was funded with existing cash balances, cash from operations, plus escrowed IRB proceeds.

The Company has a \$100.0 million unsecured line-of-credit agreement (the Credit Facility) which expires in May 2001, but which may be extended for successive one year periods by agreement of the parties. Borrowings under the Credit Facility bear interest, at the Company's option, at (i) prime rate less .50 percent, (ii) LIBOR plus .27 percent, or (iii) Federal Funds Rate plus .65 percent. There are no outstanding borrowings under the Credit Facility. At June 27, 1998, funds available under the Credit Facility were reduced by \$3.8 million for outstanding letters of credit. At June 27, 1998, the Company's total debt was \$63.2 million or 12.1 percent of its total capitalization.

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The Company's financing obligations contain various covenants which require, among other things, the maintenance of minimum levels of working capital, tangible net worth, and debt service coverage ratios. The Company

is in compliance with all debt covenants.

Management believes that cash provided by operations and currently available cash of \$87.9 million will be adequate to meet the Company's normal future capital expenditure and operational needs. Additionally, certain capital improvements are being funded with escrowed IRB proceeds. The Company's current ratio remains strong at 3.1 to 1.

The Company has approved a \$25.3 million capital improvement project at its Fulton copper tube mill to improve the utilization of scrap metal and enhance the mill's refining processes. This project is also expected to improve yield and productivity and increase casting capacity. Moreover, the project, when completed in early 1999, will allow the Fulton tube mill to use more scrap copper when market conditions warrant.

Another important ongoing program is the modernization of the Company's copper fittings plant in Covington, Tennessee. Modernization of this facility, which produces a broad range of low-volume copper fittings, is estimated to require approximately \$7.3 million in capital improvements and will be completed in 1999. This project, when completed, will also increase output and improve efficiency.

Mueller also has programs underway to make near-term improvements at its European operations. Further, the Company is also considering various long-term capital investments for these businesses which will further improve their cost structure and productivity.

## Part II. OTHER INFORMATION

### Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

On May 7, 1998, the Company held its Annual Meeting of Stockholders at which four proposals were voted upon: (i) election of directors; (ii) increase the number of authorized shares of common stock from 50,000,000 to 100,000,000; (iii) adoption of the Company's 1998 Stock Option Plan; and (iv) the appointment of auditors.

The following persons were duly elected to serve, subject to the Company's Bylaws, as Directors of the Company until the next Annual Meeting, or until election and qualification of their successors:

	Votes in Favor	Votes Withheld
Robert B. Hodes	14,893,054	101,522
Harvey L. Karp	14,863,696	130,880
Allan Mactier	14,909,822	84,754
William D. O'Hagan	14,893,028	101,548
Robert J. Pasquarelli	14,911,114	83,462

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The proposal to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock to 100,000,000 was approved by 14,463,461 vote in favor, 500,372 votes against, with 30,743 votes abstaining. The proposal to approve the adoption of the Company's 1998 Stock Option Plan was approved by 12,343,092 vote in favor, 2,574,114 votes against, with 77,370 votes abstaining. The proposal to approve the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company's auditors was ratified by 14,959,992 votes in favor, 14,131 votes against, and 20,453 votes abstaining.

There were no broker non-votes pertaining to these proposals.

### Item 6. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K

#### (a) Exhibits

19.1 Mueller Industries, Inc.'s Quarterly Report to Stockholders for the quarter ended June 27, 1998. Such report is being furnished for the information of the Securities and Exchange Commission only and is not to be deemed filed as part of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

(b) During the quarter ended June 27, 1998, the Registrant filed no Current Reports on Form 8-K.

Items 1, 2, 3 and 5 are not applicable and have been omitted.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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, on July 23, 1998.

MUELLER INDUSTRIES, INC.

/S/ EARL W. BUNKERS  
Earl W. Bunkers, Executive Vice  
President and Chief Financial Officer

/S/ KENT A. MCKEE  
Kent A. McKee  
Vice President Business  
Development/Investor Relations

/S/ RICHARD W. CORMAN  
Richard W. Corman  
Director of Corporate Accounting

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibits	Description
19.1	Quarterly Report to Stockholders
27.1	Financial Data Schedule for the period ended June 27, 1998 (EDGAR filing only)
27.2	Restated Financial Data Schedule for the period ended March 28, 1998 (EDGAR filing only)
27.3	Restated Financial Data Schedule for the period ended December 27, 1997 (EDGAR filing only)
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27.6	Restated Financial Data Schedule for the period ended March 29, 1997 (EDGAR filing only)
27.7	Restated Financial Data Schedule for the period ended December 28, 1996 (EDGAR filing only)
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27.9	Restated Financial Data Schedule for the period ended December 31, 1994 (EDGAR filing only)

TO OUR STOCKHOLDERS, CUSTOMERS, AND EMPLOYEES

Mueller's net earnings increased 21 percent in the second quarter of 1998 over the same quarter of 1997. Gross profit, net earnings, and pounds of product produced and shipped all reached record levels. Earnings for the second quarter were \$19.7 million, or 50 cents per diluted share, compared to \$16.3 million, or 42 cents per diluted share, for the second quarter of 1997.

Net sales for the second quarter of 1998 totaled \$225.9 million, compared with \$215.4 million for the same quarter of 1997. This increase in net sales was especially gratifying since the price of copper declined by 32 percent compared with the same period in 1997. The selling price of many of Mueller's products tends to fluctuate based on the price of copper.

Mueller's manufacturing operations performed well during the second quarter. The Fulton copper tube mill operated near full capacity and the same was true of our Port Huron brass rod mill. Our plastic and copper fittings businesses showed continued strength and margins were good. Business was also brisk at our other manufacturing operations.

The bulk of Mueller's earnings increase was achieved in the U.S. marketplace. We are taking important steps to rationalize our European manufacturing operations, and in due course we expect to obtain increasing benefits in efficiency and profitability.

We remain optimistic about our business for the balance of 1998. Long-term mortgage rates in the United States are currently under 7 percent. Consumer confidence remains high and inflation is at a low level. Moreover, most leading economic indicators continue strong. We believe these favorable factors signal a positive business outlook for the Company going forward.

In April, Mueller declared a two-for-one split of our common stock. The stock commenced trading on a post-split basis on May 28, 1998. Accordingly, all per share amounts in this report have been adjusted to reflect the split.

Our Annual Stockholders' meeting was held in Memphis on May 7, 1998. At the meeting, our stockholders reelected all Board members, approved an increase in the number of authorized shares of common stock to 100,000,000 from 50,000,000, approved the adoption of a 1998 stock option plan, and approved the reappointment of our independent auditors.

Sincerely,

/S/HARVEY L. KARP  
Harvey L. Karp  
Chairman of the Board

/S/WILLIAM D. O'HAGAN  
William D. O'Hagan  
President and Chief Executive Officer

July 16, 1998

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Historical Analysis (1994-1998) of Quarterly  
Earnings Before Tax and Earnings Per Share

Mueller's earnings have grown substantially over the past four years. In the second quarter of 1998, our Company earned \$29.0 million before tax, compared with \$9.1 million for the same quarter of 1994, an increase of 219 percent. Diluted earnings per share have risen 257 percent, from \$0.14 to \$0.50.

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Second Quarter Diluted Earnings Per Share

1994	\$0.14
1995	0.28
1996	0.36
1997	0.42
1998	0.50

A similar progression is evident in each of the quarters from 1994 to the present:

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Earnings Before Tax (millions)

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1994	\$ 6.7	\$ 9.1	\$ 12.0	\$ 13.0	\$ 40.8
1995	14.7	15.6	17.0	17.2	64.5
1996	19.3	20.1	23.4	25.6	88.4
1997	23.1	23.6	25.8	28.3	100.8
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Diluted Earnings Per Share (restated to reflect two-for-one stock split  
effective May 28, 1998)

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1997	0.40	0.42	0.46	0.50	1.78
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