UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

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

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): November 5, 2018 (November 5, 2018)

Avis Budget Group, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	001-10308 (Commission File Number)	06-0918165 (IRS Employer Identification Number)
6 Sylvan Way		
Parsippany, NJ		07054
(Address of Principal Execut	tive Offices)	(Zip Code)
Registrant's telep	hone number, including area co	de (973) 496-4700
	N/A	
(Former name	or former address if changed si	nce last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company o

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. o

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On November 5, 2018, we reported our third quarter 2018 results. Our third quarter 2018 results are discussed in detail in the press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1, which is incorporated herein by reference.

The information in this item, including Exhibit 99.1, is being furnished, not filed. Accordingly, the information in this item will not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement filed by Avis Budget Group, Inc., under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless specifically identified therein as being incorporated therein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibit is furnished as part of this report:

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated November 5, 2018.

SIGNATURE

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

AVIS BUDGET GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ David T. Calabria

David T. Calabria

Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer

Date: November 5, 2018

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 <u>Press Release dated November 5, 2018.</u>



AVIS BUDGET GROUP REPORTS THIRD QUARTER 2018 RESULTS

PARSIPPANY, N.J., November 5, 2018 - Avis Budget Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: CAR) today reported results for its third quarter ended September 30, 2018.

- Revenues grew to a record \$2.8 billion in the third quarter on both higher volume and increased underlying pricing in the Americas
- Americas per-unit fleet costs reduced by 10%
- Net income of \$213 million and earnings per diluted share of \$2.68
- Adjusted Net Income increased 2% to \$265 million and Adjusted earnings per diluted share of \$3.33 were 7% higher
- Adjusted EBITDA was \$476 million with Americas delivering a record quarter
- Company reaffirms its full-year projected 2018 Adjusted EBITDA

"Our Americas segment delivered record profits and a 50 basis point margin improvement in the third quarter driven by increased volume, higher underlying pricing and substantially lower per-unit fleet costs, partially offset by a challenging European environment this summer," said Larry De Shon, Avis Budget Group President and Chief Executive Officer. "As we enter the fourth quarter, industry fleet levels in the Americas are tight, leading to the best pricing environment we've seen in some time. As a result, we currently anticipate Americas Revenue per Day to increase for the fourth quarter and initial expectations for 2019 are looking good, helped by our new revenue management system, improving ancillary revenues and the absence of the impact of loyalty accounting."

\$ millions	2018	2017	% change
Revenues	2,778	2,752	1%
Net Income	213	245	(13%)
Adjusted EBITDA	476	482	(1%)

Revenue growth in the quarter was driven by a 3% increase in overall volume and higher Americas underlying pricing under our historical T&M per day metric, partially offset by \$31 million, or 1% impact from exchange rate effects. The Company also delivered 7% improvement in overall per-unit fleet costs in the quarter excluding exchange rate effects.

For the quarter, net income was \$213 million, or \$2.68 per diluted share. Adjusted EBITDA was \$476 million with Adjusted net income improving 2% to \$265 million, or \$3.33 per diluted share, a 7% increase.

Business Segment Discussion

Americas

\$ millions	2018	2017	% change
Revenues	1,844	1,839	0%
Adjusted EBITDA	313	303	3%

Revenues during the quarter were essentially in-line with the prior year, with 1% higher rental volumes being offset by a \$9 million negative effect from currency exchange rate movements. Revenue per Day was unchanged primarily due to the change in loyalty accounting, but pricing under our historical T&M per day metric increased 1%. Adjusted EBITDA increased 3% to a record \$313 million in the quarter with the benefit of volume growth and 10% lower per-unit fleet costs being partially offset by increased vehicle interest expense, higher gasoline expense and lower utilization related to record number of vehicle recalls.

International

\$ millions	2018	2017	% change
Revenues	934	913	2%
Adjusted EBITDA	178	194	(8%)

Revenue growth in the quarter was driven by 7% higher volume, despite the challenging European Leisure environment this summer, partially offset by 2% lower Revenue per Day excluding exchange rate effects and a \$22 million, or 2% impact from currency exchange movements. Adjusted EBITDA was \$178 million for the quarter with the benefit of revenue growth being offset by a 3% increase in per-unit fleet costs excluding exchange rate effects, higher airport concession fees, increased marketing and a \$5 million impact from currency.

Balance Sheet

The Company's corporate debt was approximately \$3.6 billion at the end of the third quarter and cash and cash equivalents totaled \$605 million, compared to \$3.6 billion of corporate debt and \$611 million of cash and cash equivalents at December 31, 2017.

Other Items

The Company repurchased 1.8 million shares of its common shares in the third quarter, or 2% of its shares outstanding, at a cost of \$61 million and have repurchased 3.5 million shares year-to-date at a cost of \$129 million. Weighted average diluted shares outstanding (as used to calculate Adjusted diluted earnings per share) were 81.0 million year-to-date compared to 85.5 million the prior year, a 5% year-over-year reduction.

In October, the Company completed an offering of €350 million aggregate principal amount of 4.75% senior notes due 2026. The Company used the proceeds from the notes offering, together with cash on hand, to redeem all \$400 million of its outstanding 5.125% senior notes due 2022. As a consequence, the Company now has no corporate debt maturities until 2023.

Outlook

Our full-year 2018 outlook includes non-GAAP financial measures and excludes the effect of future changes in currency exchange rates. The Company believes that it is impracticable to provide a reconciliation to the most comparable GAAP measures due to the forward-looking nature of these forecasted Adjusted earnings metrics and the degree of uncertainty associated with forecasting the reconciling items and amounts. The Company further believes that providing estimates of the amounts that would be required to reconcile the forecasted adjusted measures to forecasted GAAP measures would imply a degree of precision that would be confusing or misleading to investors. The after-tax effect of reconciling items could be significant to the Company's future quarterly or annual results.

The Company today updated its estimated full-year 2018 results as follows:

\$ millions *	2018 Estimates
Revenues	\$9,100 - \$9,200
Adjusted EBITDA	\$760 - \$800
Adjusted pretax income	\$370 - \$410
Adjusted net income	\$265 - \$300
Adjusted diluted earnings per share	\$3.30 - \$3.70
Adjusted free cash flow	\$325 - \$375

^{*} Excluding Adjusted diluted earnings per share.

Additional Guidance Details:

Americas

% change	vs prior year
Rental days	1.5% - 2.0%
Revenue per Day	0.0% - 0.5%
Per-Unit Fleet Costs per Month	(5.5%) - (6.5%)

Revenue per day and per-unit fleet costs exclude the effect of changes in currency exchange rates. Revenue per day also reflects the effect of the newly adopted revenue recognition standard pertaining to customer loyalty programs.

International

% change	vs prior year
Rental days	6.0% - 7.0%
Revenue per Day	(2.0%) - (3.0%)
Per-Unit Fleet Costs per Month	1.0% - 2.0%

Revenue per day and per-unit fleet costs exclude the effect of changes in currency exchange rates.

Investor Conference Call

Avis Budget Group will host a conference call to discuss third quarter results and its outlook on November 6, 2018, at 8:30 a.m. (ET). Investors may access the call at ir.avisbudgetgroup.com or by dialing (630) 395-0021 and providing the participant passcode 2995545. The supporting presentation will also be available at ir.avisbudgetgroup.com. Investors are encouraged to dial in approximately 10 minutes prior to the call. A web replay will be available at ir.avisbudgetgroup.com following the call. A telephone replay will be available from 11:00 a.m. (ET) on November 6 until 10:00 p.m. (ET) on December 6 at (402) 220-0222.

About Avis Budget Group

Avis Budget Group, Inc. is a leading global provider of mobility solutions, both through its Avis and Budget brands, which have more than 11,000 rental locations in approximately 180 countries around the world, and through its Zipcar brand, which is the world's leading car sharing network, with more than one million members. Avis Budget Group operates most of its car rental offices in North America, Europe and Australasia directly, and operates primarily through licensees in other parts of the world. Avis Budget Group has approximately 31,000 employees and is headquartered in Parsippany, N.J. More information is available at www.avisbudgetgroup.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements in this press release constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of the Company to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Statements preceded by, followed by or that otherwise include the words "believes," "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "projects," "estimates," "plans," "may increase," "forecast" and similar expressions or future or conditional verbs such as "will," "should," "would," "may" and "could" are based upon then current assumptions and expectations and are generally forward-looking in nature and not historical facts. Any statements that refer to outlook, expectations or other characterizations of future events, circumstances or results, including all statements related to our outlook, future results, future fleet costs, acquisition synergies, cost-saving initiatives and future share repurchases are also forward-looking statements.

Various risks that could cause future results to differ from those expressed by the forward-looking statements included in this press release include, but are not limited to, the Company's ability to promptly and effectively integrate acquired businesses, any change in economic conditions generally, particularly during our peak season or in key market segments, the high level of competition in the vehicle rental industry, a change in our fleet costs as a result of a change in the cost of new vehicles, manufacturer recalls and/or the value of used vehicles, disruption in the supply of new vehicles, disposition of vehicles not covered by manufacturer repurchase programs, the financial condition of the manufacturers that supply our rental vehicles, which could effect their ability to perform their obligations under our repurchase and/or quaranteed depreciation arrangements, any change in travel demand, including changes in airline passenger traffic, any occurrence or threat of terrorism, a significant increase in interest rates or borrowing costs, our ability to obtain financing for our global operations, including the funding of our vehicle fleet via the asset-backed securities market, any changes to the cost or supply of fuel, any fluctuations related to the markto-market of derivatives which hedge our exposure to exchange rates, interest rates and fuel costs, our ability to meet the financial and other covenants contained in the agreements governing our indebtedness, risks associated with litigation, governmental or regulatory inquiries or investigations involving the Company, changes in tax or other regulations, changes to our share repurchase plans, risks related to acquisitions, and our ability to accurately estimate our future results and implement our strategy for cost savings and growth. Other unknown or unpredictable factors could also have material adverse effects on the Company's performance or achievements. In light of these risks, uncertainties, assumptions and factors, the forward-looking events discussed in this press release may not occur. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date stated, or if no date is stated, as of the date of this press release. Important assumptions and other important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements are specified in Avis Budget Group's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 included under headings such as

"Forward-Looking Statements," "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," and in other filings and furnishings made by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") from time to time. The Company undertakes no obligation to release publicly any revisions to any forward-looking statements, to report events or to report the occurrence of unanticipated events.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

This release includes financial measures such as Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted free cash flow, as well as metrics that exclude certain items that are not considered generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") measures as defined under SEC rules. Important information regarding such measures is contained on Table 1, Table 4, Table 5 and Appendix I of this release. The Company and its management believe that these non-GAAP measures are useful to investors in measuring the comparable results of the Company period-over-period. The GAAP measures most directly comparable to Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted free cash flow, Adjusted pretax income (loss), Adjusted net income (loss) and Adjusted diluted earnings (loss) per share are net income (loss), net cash provided by operating activities, income(loss) before income taxes, net income (loss) and diluted earnings (loss) per share, respectively. Foreign currency translation effects on the Company's results are quantified by translating the current period's non-U.S.-dollar-denominated results using the currency exchange rates of the prior period of comparison plus any related gains and losses on currency hedges. Per-unit fleet costs, which represent vehicle depreciation, lease charges and gain or loss on vehicle sales, divided by average rental fleet, is calculated on a per-month basis.

Share Repurchase Program

The Company's share repurchases may occur through open market purchases or trading plans pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The amount and timing of specific repurchases are subject to market conditions, applicable legal requirements and other factors. The repurchase program may be suspended, modified or discontinued at any time without prior notice. The repurchase program has no set expiration or termination date.

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Tables Follow

Avis Budget Group, Inc. SUMMARY DATA SHEET (In millions, except per share data)

	 Three N	Month:	s Ended Septe	mber 30,	Nine Me	onths	Ended Septe	inded September 30,	
	 2018		2017	% Change	2018		2017	% Change	
Income Statement and Other Items									
Revenues	\$ 2,778	\$	2,752	1%	\$ 7,074	\$	6,829	4%	
Income before income taxes	355		364	(2%)	264		210	26%	
Net income	213		245	(13%)	152		141	8%	
Earnings per share - Diluted	2.68		2.91	(8%)	1.88		1.65	14%	
Adjusted Earnings Metrics (non-GAAP) (A)									
Adjusted EBITDA	476		482	(1%)	639		595	7%	
Adjusted pretax income	384		387	(1%)	356		304	17%	
Adjusted net income	265		260	2%	251		204	23%	
Adjusted earnings per share - diluted	3.33		3.10	7%	3.10		2.39	30%	

		of			
	•	ember 30, 2018	De	cember 31, 2017	
Balance Sheet Items					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	605	\$	611	
Vehicles, net		12,163		10,626	
Debt under vehicle programs		10,922		9,221	
Corporate debt		3,561		3,599	
Stockholders' equity		521		573	

Segment Results

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ended September 30,					
		2018		2017	% Change	2018		2017		% Change
Revenues										
Americas	\$	1,844	\$	1,839	0%	\$	4,782	\$	4,718	1%
International		934		913	2%		2,292		2,111	9%
Corporate and Other		_			n/m				_	n/m
Total Company	\$	2,778	\$	2,752	1%	\$	7,074	\$	6,829	4%
Adjusted EBITDA										
Americas	\$	313	\$	303	3%	\$	435	\$	379	15%
International		178		194	(8%)		252		260	(3%)
Corporate and Other		(15)		(15)	n/m		(48)		(44)	n/m
Total Company	\$	476	\$	482	(1%)	\$	639	\$	595	7%

n/m Not meaningful.

(A) See Table 5 for reconciliations of non-GAAP measures and Appendix I for definitions.

Avis Budget Group, Inc. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (In millions, except per share data)

	Three	e Months En	ded Se	Nine Months Ended September 30,					
		2018		2017		2018	2017		
Revenues	\$	2,778	\$	2,752	\$	7,074	\$	6,829	
Expenses									
Operating		1,294		1,256		3,561		3,413	
Vehicle depreciation and lease charges, net		587		616		1,693		1,717	
Selling, general and administrative		336		320		953		875	
Vehicle interest, net		85		78		237		215	
Non-vehicle related depreciation and amortization		62		66		190		194	
Interest expense related to corporate debt, net:									
Interest expense		44		45		139		142	
Early extinguishment of debt		_		_		5		3	
Transaction-related costs, net		11		_		18		8	
Restructuring and other related charges		4		7		14		52	
Total expenses		2,423		2,388		6,810		6,619	
Income before income taxes		355		364		264		210	
Provision for income taxes		142		119		112		69	
Net income	\$	213	\$	245	\$	152	\$	141	
Earnings per share									
Basic	\$	2.71	\$	2.96	\$	1.90	\$	1.68	
Diluted	\$	2.68	\$	2.91	\$	1.88	\$	1.65	
Weighted avenue above autotandian									
Weighted average shares outstanding		70.0		02.6		00.4		04.4	
Basic		78.8		82.6		80.1		84.1	
Diluted		79.5		84.0		81.0		85.5	

Avis Budget Group, Inc. SEGMENT DRIVER ANALYSIS

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ended September 30,					
	2018		2017	% Change		2018		2017	% Change	
Americas										
Rental Days (000's)	30,413		30,256	1%		84,085		82,574	2%	
Revenue per Day excluding exchange rate effects (A)	\$ 60.94	\$	60.78	0%	\$	56.94	\$	57.13	0%	
Average Rental Fleet	457,066		451,817	1%		436,074		430,877	1%	
Vehicle Utilization	72.3%		72.8%	(50) bps		70.6%		70.2%	40 bps	
Per-Unit Fleet Costs per Month excluding exchange rate effects (A)	\$ 295	\$	328	(10%)	\$	313	\$	336	(7%)	
International										
Rental Days (000's)	18,216		17,061	7%		44,105		41,213	7%	
Revenue per Day excluding exchange rate effects (A)	\$ 52.54	\$	53.52	(2%)	\$	50.19	\$	51.23	(2%)	
Average Rental Fleet	265,939		247,743	7%		224,524		209,671	7%	
Vehicle Utilization	74.5%		74.9%	(40) bps		72.0%		72.0%	0 bps	
Per-Unit Fleet Costs per Month excluding exchange rate effects (A)	\$ 236	\$	230	3%	\$	222	\$	220	1%	
Total										
Rental Days (000's)	48,629		47,317	3%		128,190		123,787	4%	
Revenue per Day excluding exchange rate effects (A)	\$ 57.79	\$	58.16	(1%)	\$	54.62	\$	55.17	(1%)	
Average Rental Fleet	723,005		699,560	3%		660,598		640,548	3%	
Vehicle Utilization	73.1%		73.5%	(40) bps		71.1%		70.8%	30 bps	
Per-Unit Fleet Costs per Month excluding exchange rate effects (A)	\$ 273	\$	294	(7%)	\$	282	\$	298	(5%)	

Rental days, revenue per day and vehicle utilization are calculated based on the actual rental of the vehicle during a 24-hour period. Our calculation of rental days and revenue per day may not be comparable to the calculation of similarly-titled statistics by other companies. Refer to Table 6 for segment driver calculations and Appendix I for driver definitions.

(A) The following metrics include changes in currency exchange rates:

	 Т	 Months En otember 30		Nine Months Ended September 30,						
	 2018	 2017	% Change		2018		2017	% Change		
Americas										
Revenue per Day	\$ 60.64	\$ 60.78	0%	\$	56.87	\$	57.13	0%		
Per-Unit Fleet Costs per Month	\$ 294	\$ 328	(10%)	\$	313	\$	336	(7%)		
International										
Revenue per Day	\$ 51.28	\$ 53.52	(4%)	\$	51.96	\$	51.23	1%		
Per-Unit Fleet Costs per Month	\$ 231	\$ 230	0%	\$	231	\$	220	5%		
Total										
Revenue per Day	\$ 57.13	\$ 58.16	(2%)	\$	55.18	\$	55.17	0%		
Per-Unit Fleet Costs per Month	\$ 271	\$ 294	(8%)	\$	285	\$	298	(4%)		

Avis Budget Group, Inc. CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED SCHEDULES OF CASH FLOWS AND ADJUSTED FREE CASH FLOWS (In millions)

CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED SCHEDULE OF CASH FLOWS

	onths Ended ober 30, 2018
Operating Activities	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 2,095
Investing Activities	
Net cash used in investing activities exclusive of vehicle programs	(256)
Net cash used in investing activities of vehicle programs	 (3,421)
Net cash used in investing activities	(3,677)
Financing Activities	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities exclusive of vehicle programs	(171)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities of vehicle programs	 1,625
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	 1,454
Effect of changes in exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents, program and restricted cash	(5)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents, program and restricted cash	 (133)
Cash and cash equivalents, program and restricted cash, beginning of period	 901
Cash and cash equivalents, program and restricted cash, end of period (A)	\$ 768

(A) Consists of cash and cash equivalents of \$605 million, program cash of \$151 million and restricted cash of \$12 million as of September 30, 2018.

CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF ADJUSTED FREE CASH FLOWS (B)

	 e Months Ended tember 30, 2018
Income before income taxes	\$ 264
Add-back of non-vehicle related depreciation and amortization	190
Add-back of debt extinguishment costs	5
Add-back of transaction-related costs	18
Add-back of non-operational charges related to shareholder activist activity	9
Working capital and other	(3)
Capital expenditures	(157)
Tax payments, net of refunds	(34)
Vehicle programs and related (C)	(3)
Adjusted Free Cash Flow	 289
Acquisition and related payments, net of acquired cash (D)	(97)
Borrowings, net of debt repayments	(22)
Transaction-related payments	(7)
Non-operational payments related to shareholder activist activity	(9)
Repurchases of common stock	(143)
Change in program cash	(132)
Change in restricted cash	6
Foreign exchange effects, financing costs and other	(18)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents, program and restricted cash (per above)	\$ (133)

⁽B) See Appendix I for a description of Adjusted Free Cash Flow.

⁽C) Includes vehicle-backed borrowings (repayments) that are incremental to amounts required to fund incremental (reduced) vehicle and vehicle-related assets.

⁽D) Includes equity method investment of \$37 million in our licensee in Greece, and excludes \$4 million of vehicles purchased as part of a domestic licensee, which was financed through incremental vehicle-backed borrowings.

RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES TO ADJUSTED FREE CASH FLOW

	onths Ended nber 30, 2018
Net cash provided by operating activities (per above)	\$ 2,095
Investing activities of vehicle programs	(3,421)
Financing activities of vehicle programs	1,625
Capital expenditures	(157)
Proceeds received on asset sales	9
Change in program cash	132
Change in restricted cash	(6)
Acquisition-related payments	(4)
Non-operational payments related to shareholder activist activity	9
Transaction-related payments	7
Adjusted Free Cash Flow (per above)	\$ 289

Avis Budget Group, Inc. DEFINITIONS AND RECONCILIATIONS OF NON-GAAP MEASURES (In millions, except per share data)

The accompanying press release includes certain non-GAAP (generally accepted accounting principles) financial measures as defined under SEC rules. To the extent not provided in the press release or accompanying tables, we have provided the reasons we present these non-GAAP financial measures and a description of what they represent in Appendix I. For each non-GAAP financial measure a reconciliation to the most comparable GAAP financial measure is calculated and presented below.

Reconciliations of net income, income before income taxes and diluted earnings per share to Adjusted EBITDA and our Adjusted earnings metrics are as follows:

	Th	ree Months En	ded Septem	ber 30,
Reconciliation of net income to Adjusted EBITDA:		2018		2017
Net income	\$	213	\$	245
Provision for income taxes		142		119
Income before income taxes		355		364
Add certain items:				
Acquisition-related amortization expense		14		16
Transaction-related costs, net		11		_
Restructuring and other related charges		4		7
Adjusted pretax income		384		387
Add: Non-vehicle related depreciation and amortization (excluding acquisition-related amortization expense)		48		50
Interest expense related to corporate debt, net (excluding early extinguishment of debt)		44		45
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	476	\$	482
Reconciliation of net income to adjusted net income:				
Net income	\$	213	\$	245
Add certain items, net of tax:				
Acquisition-related amortization expense		11		10
Transaction-related costs, net		8		_
Restructuring and other related charges		3		5
Income tax provision from the Tax Act (A)		30		_
Adjusted net income	\$	265	\$	260
Earnings per share - Diluted	\$	2.68	\$	2.91
Adjusted diluted earnings per share	\$	3.33	\$	3.10

⁽A) As a result of the Tax Act, the adjustment of incremental tax expense related to cumulative foreign earnings initially recorded in the fourth quarter of 2017.

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 2018		2017
\$ 152	\$	141
112		69
264		210
46		45
18		8
14		52
9		_
5		3
 		(14)
356		304
144		149
139		142
\$ 639	\$	595
\$ 152	\$	141
33		30
14		6
11		33
7		_
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_		(8)
 30		_
\$ 251	\$	204
\$ 1.88	\$	1.65
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⁽A) Reported within selling, general and administrative expenses in our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Shares used to calculate Adjusted diluted earnings per share

⁽B) Reported within operating expenses in our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

⁽C) As a result of the Tax Act, the adjustment of incremental tax expense related to cumulative foreign earnings initially recorded in the fourth quarter of 2017.

Avis Budget Group, Inc. SEGMENT DRIVER CALCULATIONS (\$ in millions, except as noted)

		Three Mo	nths	s Ended Septemb	er 30.	2018		Three Mo	nths	Ended Septembe	er 30,	2017
		Americas		International		Total	_	Americas		International	,	Total
Revenue per Day (RPD)					_		_					
Revenue	\$	1,844	\$	934	\$	2,778	\$	1,839	\$	913	\$	2,752
Currency exchange rate effects	•	9	Ψ	22	Ψ	31	Ψ		Ψ		Ψ	
Revenue excluding exchange rate effects	\$	1,853	\$	956	\$	2,809	\$	1,839	\$	913	\$	2,752
Rental days (000's)	•	30,413	Ψ	18,216	Ψ	48,629	Ψ	30,256	Ψ	17,061	Ψ	47,317
RPD excluding exchange rate effects		<u> </u>	_	·		<u> </u>		· ·		<u> </u>		
(in \$'s)	\$	60.94	\$	52.54	\$	57.79	\$	60.78	\$	53.52	\$	58.16
Vehicle Utilization												
Rental days (000's)		30,413		18,216		48,629		30,256		17,061		47,317
Average rental fleet		457,066		265,939		723,005		451,817		247,743		699,560
Number of days in period		92	_	92		92	_	92	_	92		92
Available rental days (000's)		42,050		24,466		66,516		41,567		22,792		64,359
Vehicle utilization (A)		72.3%		74.5%		73.1%		72.8%		74.9%		73.5%
Per-Unit Fleet Costs												
Vehicle depreciation and lease charges, net	\$	403	\$	184	\$	587	\$	445	\$	171	\$	616
Currency exchange rate effects		1		5		6						
	\$	404	\$	189	\$	593	\$	445	\$	171	\$	616
Average rental fleet		457,066		265,939		723,005		451,817		247,743		699,560
Per-unit fleet costs (in \$'s)	\$	886	\$	709	\$	820	\$	984	\$	690	\$	882
Number of months in period		3		3		3		3		3		3
Per-unit fleet costs per month excluding exchange rate effects (in \$'s)	\$	295	\$	236	\$	273	\$	328	\$	230	\$	294
		Nine Mo	ntho	Ended Contombo	r 20	2019		Nino Mo	atha	Ended Contembe	20 ·	2017
			nths	Ended Septembe	er 30,				nths	Ended Septembe	er 30, :	
Revenue per Day (RPD)		Nine Moi	nths	Ended Septembe	er 30,	2018 Total	_	Nine Mo	nths	Ended Septembe	er 30, :	2017 Total
Revenue per Day (RPD)		Americas	_	International	_	Total	\$	Americas	_	International		Total
Revenue	\$	Americas 4,782	nths \$	International 2,292	er 30,	Total 7,074	\$		nths 		er 30, 2	
	\$	4,782 6	\$	2,292 (79)	\$	7,074 (73)		Americas	\$	2,111	\$	Total 6,829 —
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Currency exchange rate effects are calculated by translating the current-year results at the prior-period average exchange rate.

⁽A) Calculated as rental days divided by available rental days.

Avis Budget Group, Inc. DEFINITIONS OF NON-GAAP MEASURES AND DRIVERS

Adjusted EBITDA

The accompanying press release presents Adjusted EBITDA, which represents income (loss) from continuing operations before non-vehicle related depreciation and amortization, any impairment charges, restructuring and other related charges, early extinguishment of debt costs, non-vehicle related interest, transaction-related costs, net charges for unprecedented personal-injury legal matters, non-operational charges related to shareholder activist activity and income taxes. Net charges for unprecedented personal-injury legal matters are recorded within operating expenses in our consolidated statement of operations. We have revised our definition of Adjusted EBITDA to exclude non-operational charges related to shareholder activist activity. Non-operational charges related to shareholder activity include third party advisory, legal and other professional service fees and are recorded within selling, general and administrative expenses in our consolidated statement of operations. We did not revise prior years' Adjusted EBITDA amounts because there were no costs similar in nature to these costs. Adjusted EBITDA includes stock-based compensation expense and deferred financing fee amortization totaling \$12 million and \$7 million in third quarter 2018 and 2017, respectively, and totaling \$32 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

We and our management believe that Adjusted EBITDA is useful to investors as a supplemental measure in evaluating the aggregate performance of our operating businesses and in comparing our results from period to period. Adjusted EBITDA is the measure that is used by our management, including our chief operating decision maker, to perform such evaluation. Adjusted EBITDA is also a component in the determination of management's compensation. Adjusted EBITDA should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for net income or other income statement data prepared in accordance with GAAP and our presentation of Adjusted EBITDA may not be comparable to similarly-titled measures used by other companies. A reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA from net loss recognized under GAAP is provided on Table 5.

Adjusted Earnings Metrics

The accompanying press release and tables present Adjusted pretax income (loss), Adjusted net income (loss) and Adjusted diluted earnings (loss) per share, which exclude certain items. We and our management believe that these measures referred to above are useful to investors as supplemental measures in evaluating the aggregate performance of the Company. We exclude restructuring and other related charges, transaction-related costs, costs related to early extinguishment of debt and other certain items as such items are not representative of the results of operations of our business less a provision for income taxes derived utilizing applicable statutory tax rates for each item. A reconciliation of our Adjusted Earnings Metrics from the appropriate measures recognized under GAAP is provided on Table 5.

Adjusted Free Cash Flow

Represents Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities adjusted to reflect the cash inflows and outflows relating to capital expenditures, the investing and financing activities of our vehicle programs, asset sales, if any, and to exclude debt extinguishment costs, transaction-related costs and non-operational charges related to shareholder activist activity. We have revised our definition of Adjusted Free Cash Flow to exclude non-operational charges related to shareholder activity. We did not revise prior years' Adjusted Free Cash Flow amounts because there were no costs similar in nature to these costs. We believe that Adjusted Free Cash Flow is useful to management and investors in measuring the cash generated that is available to be used to repurchase stock, repay debt obligations, pay dividends and invest in future growth through new business development activities or acquisitions. Adjusted Free Cash Flow should not be construed as a substitute in measuring operating results or liquidity, and our presentation of Adjusted Free Cash Flow may not be comparable to similarly-titled measures used by other companies. A reconciliation of Adjusted Free Cash Flow to the appropriate measure recognized under GAAP is provided on Table 4.

Available Rental Days

Defined as Average Rental Fleet times the numbers of days in a given period.

Average Rental Fleet

Represents the average number of vehicles in our fleet during a given period of time.

Currency Exchange Rate Effects

Represents the difference between current-period results as reported and current-period results translated at the prior-period average exchange rate.

Per-Unit Fleet Costs

Represents vehicle depreciation, lease charges and gain or loss on vehicles sales, divided by Average Rental Fleet.

Rental Days

Represents the total number of days (or portion thereof) a vehicle was rented during a 24-hour period.

Revenue per Day

Represents revenues divided by Rental Days.

Vehicle Utilization

Represents Rental Days divided by Available Rental Days.