Bayer Group Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(DM million) Note	1998	1997*
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	3,414	3,015
Operating result	6,151	6,018
Income taxes currently payable	(1,687)	(1,941)
Depreciation and amortization	3,001	3,050
Change in long-term provisions	(655)	(622)
Gains (losses) on retirements of noncurrent assets	(208)	(25)
Gross cash provided by operating activities	6,602	6,480
Increase in inventories	(735)	(43)
Increase in trade accounts receivable	(265)	(623)
Increase in trade accounts payable	99	419
Changes in other working capital	(185)	474
Net cash provided by operating activities [36]	5,516	6,707
Cash outflows for additions to property, plant and equipment	(5,232)	(4,615)
Cash inflows from sales of property, plant and equipment	993	276
Cash outflows for additions to investments	(33)	(337)
Cash outflows for acquisitions	(2,825)	(748)
Interest and dividends received	484	445
Cash inflows from marketable securities	386	332
Net cash used in investing activities [37]	(6,227)	(4,647)
Capital contributions	0	226
Bayer AG dividend and		
dividend payments to minority stockholders	(1,393)	(1,240)
Issuances of debt	3,319	2,398
Retirements of debt	(1,608)	(2,488)
Interest paid	(674)	(669)
Net cash used in financing activities [38]	(356)	(1,773)
Change in cash and cash equivalents due to business activities	(1,067)	287
Change in cash and cash equivalents	, ,	
due to changes in companies consolidated	(36)	67
Change in cash and cash equivalents		
due to exchange rate movements	4	45
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year [39]	2,315	3,414
Marketable securities and other instruments	1,051	1,388
Liquid assets as per balance sheets	3,366	4,802
* 1997 figures restated		