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AMERICAN STANDARD INC. COMPUTATION OF THE RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES (Dollars in Millions)

	1996 	For the Years ended December 31,			
		1997 	1998 	1999 	2000
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	\$71.1	\$347.0	\$189.8	\$451.5	\$509.4
Equity in net (income) loss of associated companies net of dividends received	11.8	(2.9)	(3.6)	(5.1)	(8.7)
Amortization of capitalized interest	1.3	1.4	1.6	1.8	1.9
Interest expense	198.2	192.2	188.4	192.1	198.7
Rental expense factor	27.3	25.0	26.5	33.9	49.4
Earnings available for fixed charges	·	\$562.7 =====	·	\$674.2 =====	\$750.7 =====
Interest expense	\$198.2	\$192.2	\$188.4	\$192.1	\$198.7
Capitalized interest	3.9	3.8	4.5	3.3	2.0
Rental expense factor	27.3 	25.0	26.5	33.9	49.4
Fixed charges	·	·	•	\$229.3 =====	•
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges (a)	1.3	2.5	1.8	2.9	3.0