

MARTIN MIDSTREAM PARTNERS LP

Form 10-Q

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**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 1934**

**For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2008**

**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  
000-50056**

**MARTIN MIDSTREAM PARTNERS L.P.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**05-0527861**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**4200 Stone Road  
Kilgore, Texas 75662**

(Address of principal executive offices, zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(903) 983-6200**

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  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer  Non-accelerated filer  Smaller reporting company

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicated by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes  No

The number of the registrant's Common Units outstanding at May 7, 2008 was 12,837,480. The number of the registrant's subordinated units outstanding at May 7, 2008 was 1,701,346.

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**MARTIN MIDSTREAM PARTNERS L.P.**  
**CONSOLIDATED AND CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS**  
(Dollars in thousands)

|   | <b>March 31,<br/>2008<br/>(Unaudited)</b> | <b>December<br/>31,<br/>2007<br/>(Audited)</b> |
|---|---|--|
| <b>Assets</b>   |   |  |
| Cash  | \$ 6,918                                  | \$ 4,113                                       |
| Accounts and other receivables, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$298 and \$211 | 96,493                                    | 88,039   |
| Product exchange receivables  | 10,244                                    | 10,912   |
| Inventories   | 51,051                                    | 51,798   |
| Due from affiliates   | 3,908                                     | 2,325  |
| Other current assets  | 1,743                                     | 819  |
| Total current assets  | 170,357                                   | 158,006  |
| Property, plant and equipment, at cost  | 478,265                                   | 441,117  |
| Accumulated depreciation  | (103,025)                                 | (98,080)                                       |
| Property, plant and equipment, net  | 375,240                                   | 343,037  |
| Goodwill  | 37,405                                    | 37,405   |
| Investment in unconsolidated entities   | 75,664                                    | 75,690   |
| Other assets, net   | 8,937                                     | 9,439  |
|   | \$ 667,603                                | \$ 623,577                                     |
| <b>Liabilities and Partners Capital</b>   |   |  |
| Current installments of long-term debt  | \$ 1                                      | \$ 21  |
| Trade and other accounts payable  | 123,927                                   | 104,598  |
| Product exchange payables   | 21,875                                    | 24,554   |
| Due to affiliates   | 7,037                                     | 7,543  |
| Income taxes payable  | 587                                       | 602  |
| Other accrued liabilities   | 12,533                                    | 9,254  |
| Total current liabilities   | 165,960                                   | 146,572  |
| Long-term debt  | 255,000                                   | 225,000  |
| Deferred income taxes   | 8,735                                     | 8,815  |
| Other long-term obligations   | 9,914                                     | 7,342  |

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|---|------------|------------|
| Total liabilities                             | 439,609    | 387,729    |
| Partners' capital                             | 239,748    | 242,610    |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) | (11,754)   | (6,762)    |
| Total partners' capital                       | 227,994    | 235,848    |
| Commitments and contingencies                 | \$ 667,603 | \$ 623,577 |

See accompanying notes to consolidated and condensed financial statements.

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**MARTIN MIDSTREAM PARTNERS L.P.**  
**CONSOLIDATED AND CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**  
**(Unaudited)**  
**(Dollars in thousands, except per unit amounts)**

|   | <b>Three Months Ended</b> |             |
|---|---------------------------|-------------|
|   | <b>March 31,</b>          |             |
|   | <b>2008</b>               | <b>2007</b> |
| Revenues:                                     |                           |             |
| Terminalling and storage                      | \$ 7,920                  | \$ 6,951    |
| Marine transportation                         | 16,403                    | 13,884      |
| Product sales:                                |                           |             |
| Natural gas services                          | 207,092                   | 101,788     |
| Sulfur services                               | 70,225                    | 29,380      |
| Terminalling and storage                      | 11,376                    | 3,793       |
|   | 288,693                   | 134,961     |
| Total revenues                                | 313,016                   | 155,796     |
| Costs and expenses:                           |                           |             |
| Cost of products sold:                        |                           |             |
| Natural gas services                          | 202,850                   | 96,772      |
| Sulfur services                               | 56,340                    | 21,801      |
| Terminalling and storage                      | 9,921                     | 3,015       |
|   | 269,111                   | 121,588     |
| Expenses:                                     |                           |             |
| Operating expenses                            | 24,217                    | 18,993      |
| Selling, general and administrative           | 3,479                     | 2,721       |
| Depreciation and amortization                 | 7,340                     | 4,894       |
| Total costs and expenses                      | 304,147                   | 148,196     |
| Other operating income                        | 139                       |             |
| Operating income                              | 9,008                     | 7,600       |
| Other income (expense):                       |                           |             |
| Equity in earnings of unconsolidated entities | 3,510                     | 2,050       |
| Interest expense                              | (4,743)                   | (3,577)     |
| Other, net                                    | 181                       | 79          |
| Total other income (expense)                  | (1,052)                   | (1,448)     |
| Net income before taxes                       | 7,956                     | 6,152       |

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| Income tax benefit (expense)   | 61         | (349)      |
| Net income   | \$ 8,017   | \$ 5,803   |
| General partner's interest in net income                                   | \$ 651     | \$ 275     |
| Limited partners' interest in net income                                   | \$ 7,366   | \$ 5,528   |
| Net income per limited partner unit - basic and diluted                    | \$ 0.51    | \$ 0.42    |
| Weighted average limited partner units - basic                             | 14,532,826 | 13,152,826 |
| Weighted average limited partner units - diluted                           | 14,535,491 | 13,155,125 |
| See accompanying notes to consolidated and condensed financial statements. |            |            |

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**MARTIN MIDSTREAM PARTNERS L.P.**  
**CONSOLIDATED AND CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CAPITAL**  
**(Unaudited)**  
**(Dollars in thousands)**

|  | <b>Partners Capital</b> |               | <b>Subordinated</b> |               | <b>Partner<br/>Amount</b> | <b>Accumulated<br/>Other<br/>Comprehensive<br/>Income<br/>(Loss)<br/>Amount</b> |                | <b>Total</b> |
|--|-------------------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------------------|---|----------------|--------------|
|  | <b>Common<br/>Units</b> | <b>Amount</b> | <b>Units</b>        | <b>Amount</b> |                           | <b>General</b>  | <b>Partner</b> |              |
| Balances<br>January 1, 2007                | 10,603,808              | \$ 201,387    | 2,552,018           | \$ (6,237)    | \$ 3,253                  | \$  | 122            | \$ 198,525   |
| Net income                                 |                         | 4,608         |                     | 920           | 275                       |   |                | 5,803        |
| Cash distributions                         |                         | (6,574)       |                     | (1,582)       | (311)                     |   |                | (8,467)      |
| Unit-based<br>compensation                 |                         | 11            |                     |               |                           |   |                | 11           |
| Adjustment in fair<br>value of derivatives |                         |               |                     |               |                           |   | (1,111)        | (1,111)      |
| Balances<br>March 31, 2007                 | 10,603,808              | \$ 199,432    | 2,552,018           | \$ (6,899)    | \$ 3,217                  | \$  | (989)          | \$ 194,761   |
| Balances<br>January 1, 2008                | 12,837,480              | \$ 244,520    | 1,701,346           | \$ (6,022)    | \$ 4,112                  | \$  | (6,762)        | \$ 235,848   |
| Net income                                 |                         | 6,141         |                     | 1,225         | 651                       |   |                | 8,017        |
| Cash distributions                         |                         | (8,986)       |                     | (1,191)       | (719)                     |   |                | (10,896)     |
| Unit-based<br>compensation                 |                         | 17            |                     |               |                           |   |                | 17           |
| Adjustment in fair<br>value of derivatives |                         |               |                     |               |                           |   | (4,992)        | (4,992)      |
| Balances<br>March 31, 2008                 | 12,837,480              | \$ 241,692    | 1,701,346           | \$ (5,988)    | \$ 4,044                  | \$  | (11,754)       | \$ 227,994   |

See accompanying notes to consolidated and condensed financial statements.





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**MARTIN MIDSTREAM PARTNERS L.P.**  
**CONSOLIDATED AND CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**  
**(Unaudited)**  
**(Dollars in thousands)**

|   | <b>Three Months Ended</b> |             |
|---|---------------------------|-------------|
|   | <b>March 31,</b>          |             |
|   | <b>2008</b>               | <b>2007</b> |
| Net income  | \$ 8,017                  | \$ 5,803    |
| Changes in fair values of commodity cash flow hedges    | 213                       | (164)       |
| Cash flow hedging losses reclassified to earnings       | (665)                     | (432)       |
| Changes in fair value of interest rate cash flow hedges | (4,540)                   | (515)       |
| <br>  |                           |             |
| Comprehensive income                                    | \$ 3,025                  | \$ 4,692    |

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**MARTIN MIDSTREAM PARTNERS L.P.**  
**CONSOLIDATED AND CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
**(Unaudited)**  
**(Dollars in thousands)**

|   | <b>Three Months Ended</b> |             |
|---|---------------------------|-------------|
|   | <b>March 31,</b>          |             |
|   | <b>2008</b>               | <b>2007</b> |
| Cash flows from operating activities:   |                           |             |
| Net income  | \$ 8,017                  | \$ 5,803    |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:             |                           |             |
| Depreciation and amortization   | 7,340                     | 4,894       |
| Amortization of deferred debt issuance costs  | 279                       | 270         |
| Deferred taxes  | (80)                      |             |
| Gain on disposition or sale of property, plant and equipment                                  | (140)                     |             |
| Equity in earnings of unconsolidated entities   | (3,510)                   | (2,050)     |
| Distributions from unconsolidated entities  |                           | 200         |
| Distributions in-kind from equity investments   | 2,580                     | 1,853       |
| Non-cash derivatives loss   | 1,888                     | 593         |
| Other   | 17                        | 11          |
| Change in current assets and liabilities, excluding effects of acquisitions and dispositions: |                           |             |
| Accounts and other receivables  | (8,454)                   | (1,964)     |
| Product exchange receivables  | 668                       | 5,094       |
| Inventories   | 747                       | 6,850       |
| Due from affiliates   | (1,583)                   | 230         |
| Other current assets  | (1,159)                   | 26          |
| Trade and other accounts payable  | 19,329                    | 1,789       |
| Product exchange payables   | (2,679)                   | (8,719)     |
| Due to affiliates   | (506)                     | (2,515)     |
| Income taxes payable  | (15)                      | 190         |
| Other accrued liabilities   | (809)                     | (770)       |
| Change in other non-current assets and liabilities  | 14                        | 126         |
| Net cash provided by operating activities   | 21,944                    | 11,911      |
| Cash flows from investing activities:   |                           |             |
| Payments for property, plant and equipment  | (33,600)                  | (15,764)    |
| Acquisitions, net of cash acquired  | (5,983)                   |             |
| Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment   | 404                       |             |
| Return of investments from unconsolidated entities  | 450                       | 1,125       |
| Distributions from (contributions to) unconsolidated entities for operations                  | 506                       | (3,883)     |
| Net cash used in investing activities   | (38,223)                  | (18,522)    |
| Cash flows from financing activities:   |                           |             |

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|---|----------|----------|
| Payments of long-term debt                | (58,120) | (25,119) |
| Proceeds from long-term debt              | 88,100   | 41,100   |
| Cash distributions paid                   | (10,896) | (8,467)  |
| Net cash provided by financing activities | 19,084   | 7,514    |
| Net increase in cash                      | 2,805    | 903      |
| Cash at beginning of period               | 4,113    | 3,675    |
| Cash at end of period                     | \$ 6,918 | \$ 4,578 |

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**NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED AND CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**March 31, 2008**  
**(Unaudited)**

**(1) General**

Martin Midstream Partners L.P. (the Partnership) is a publicly traded limited partnership with a diverse set of operations focused primarily in the United States Gulf Coast region. Its four primary business lines include: terminalling and storage services for petroleum products and by-products, natural gas services, marine transportation services for petroleum products and by-products, and sulfur and sulfur based products processing, manufacturing, marketing and distribution.

The Partnership's unaudited consolidated and condensed financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Form 10-Q and U.S. generally accepted accounting principles for interim financial reporting. Accordingly, these financial statements have been condensed and do not include all of the information and footnotes required by generally accepted accounting principles for annual audited financial statements of the type contained in the Partnership's annual reports on Form 10-K. In the opinion of the management of the Partnership's general partner, all adjustments and elimination of significant intercompany balances necessary for a fair presentation of the Partnership's results of operations, financial position and cash flows for the periods shown have been made. All such adjustments are of a normal recurring nature. Results for such interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations for the full year. These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Partnership's audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Partnership's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) on March 5, 2008.

**(a) Use of Estimates**

Management has made a number of estimates and assumptions relating to the reporting of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities to prepare these consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**(b) Unit Grants**

The Partnership issued 1,000 restricted common units to each of its three independent, non-employee directors under its long-term incentive plan in January 2006. These units vest in 25% increments on the anniversary of the grant date each year and will be fully vested in January 2010.

The Partnership issued 1,000 restricted common units to each of its three independent, non-employee directors under its long-term incentive plan in May 2007. These units vest in 25% increments beginning in January 2008 and will be fully vested in January 2011.

The Partnership accounts for the transaction under *Emerging Issues Task Force 96-18 Accounting for Equity Instruments That are Issued to other than Employees For Acquiring, or in Conjunction with Selling, Goods or Services*. The cost resulting from the share-based payment transactions was \$17 and \$11 for the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. The Partnership's general partner contributed cash of \$2 in January 2006 and \$3 in May 2007 to the Partnership in conjunction with the issuance of these restricted units in order to maintain its 2% general partner interest in the Partnership.

**(c) Incentive Distribution Rights**

The Partnership's general partner, Martin Midstream GP LLC, holds a 2% general partner interest and certain incentive distribution rights in the Partnership. Incentive distribution rights represent the right to

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receive an increasing percentage of cash distributions after the minimum quarterly distribution, any cumulative arrearages on common units, and certain target distribution levels have been achieved. The Partnership is required to distribute all of its available cash from operating surplus, as defined in the partnership agreement. The target distribution levels entitle the general partner to receive 15% of quarterly cash distributions in excess of \$0.55 per unit until all unitholders have received \$0.625 per unit, 25% of quarterly cash distributions in excess of \$0.625 per unit until all unitholders have received \$0.75 per unit, and 50% of quarterly cash distributions in excess of \$0.75 per unit. For the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007 the general partner received \$501 and \$163, respectively, in incentive distributions.

**(d) Net Income per Unit**

Except as discussed in the following paragraph, basic and diluted net income per limited partner unit is determined by dividing net income after deducting the amount allocated to the general partner interest (including its incentive distribution in excess of its 2% interest) by the weighted average number of outstanding limited partner units during the period. Subject to applicability of *Emerging Issues Task Force Issue No. 03-06 ( EITF 03-06 )*, *Participating Securities and the Two-Class Method under FASB Statement No. 128*, as discussed below, Partnership income is first allocated to the general partner based on the amount of incentive distributions. The remainder is then allocated between the limited partners and general partner based on percentage ownership in the Partnership.

EITF 03-06 addresses the computation of earnings per share by entities that have issued securities other than common stock that contractually entitle the holder to participate in dividends and earnings of the entity when, and if, it declares dividends on its common stock. Essentially, EITF 03-06 provides that in any accounting period where the Partnership's aggregate net income exceeds the Partnership's aggregate distribution for such period, the Partnership is required to present earnings per unit as if all of the earnings for the periods were distributed, regardless of the pro forma nature of this allocation and whether those earnings would actually be distributed during a particular period from an economic or practical perspective. In accounting periods where aggregate net income does not exceed the Partnership's aggregate distributions for such period, EITF 03-06 does not have any impact on the Partnership's earnings per unit calculation. EITF 03-06 does not impact the Partnership's overall net income or other financial results because the Partnership does not have undistributed earnings in any period presented.

In March 2008, the FASB's Emerging Issues Task Force ( EITF ) issued EITF No. 07-4 Application of the Two-Class Method under FASB Statement No. 128, Earnings per Share, to Master Limited Partnerships. This pronouncement provides that incentive distribution rights (IDRs) in a typical master limited partnership are participating securities under Statement 128, but earnings in excess of partnership's available cash should not be allocated to the IDR holders for purposes of calculating earnings-per-share using the two class method when available cash represents a specified threshold that limits participation. The standard only applies when payments to IDR holders are accounted for as equity distributions. The standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008, and applied retrospectively to all periods presented. The Partnership does not expect the adoption of EITF 07-4 to have a material effect on the consolidated financial statements because the Partnership's earnings have not historically exceeded distributions.

The weighted average units outstanding for basic net income per unit were 14,532,826 and 13,152,826 for the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. For diluted net income per unit, the weighted average units outstanding were increased by 2,665 and 2,299 for the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively, due to the dilutive effect of restricted units granted under the Partnership's long-term incentive plan.

**(e) Income taxes**

With respect to our taxable subsidiary (Woodlawn Pipeline Co., Inc.), income taxes are accounted for under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets



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and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax basis. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date.

***(f) Reclassification***

The Partnership made a reclassification to the consolidated balance sheet for the year ended December 31, 2007 to properly classify current and long-term derivative liabilities. This reclassification had no impact on the total liabilities reported in consolidated balance sheet for the year ended December 31, 2007.

**(2) New Accounting Pronouncements**

In September 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ( SFAS ) No. 157, Fair Value Measurements, which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in U.S. GAAP, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. SFAS No. 157 applies under other accounting pronouncements that require or permit fair value measurements and was effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. In February 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position ( FSP ) FAS 157-2, which delayed the effective date of SFAS No. 157 for nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities, except for items that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statement on a recurring basis, to fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2008. On January 1, 2008, the Partnership adopted the portion of SFAS No. 157 that was not delayed, and since the Partnership's existing fair value measurements are consistent with the guidance of the Statement, the partial adoption of SFAS No. 157 did not have a material impact on the Partnership's consolidated financial statements. The adoption of the deferred portion of SFAS No. 157 on January 1, 2009 is not expected to have a material impact on the Partnership's consolidated financial statements. See Note 3 for expanded disclosures about fair value measurements.

In February 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standard (SFAS) No. 159, The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities, including an amendment of FASB Statement No. 115 (SFAS No. 159). SFAS No. 159 permits the Partnership to choose, at specified election dates, to measure eligible items at fair value (the fair value option). The Partnership would report unrealized gains and losses on items for which the fair value option has been elected in earnings at each subsequent reporting period. This accounting standard is effective as of the beginning of the first fiscal year that begins after November 15, 2007 but is not required to be applied. The Partnership currently has no plans to apply SFAS No. 159.

In December 2007, the FASB revised SFAS No. 141, Business Combinations, to establish revised principles and requirements for how entities will recognize and measure assets and liabilities acquired in a business combination. SFAS No. 141 is effective for business combinations completed on or after the beginning of the first annual reporting period beginning on or after December 15, 2008. The Partnership will apply the guidance of SFAS No. 141 to business combinations completed on or after January 1, 2009.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 160, Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements, an amendment of ARB No. 51. SFAS No. 160 establishes accounting and reporting standards for the noncontrolling interest in a subsidiary and for the deconsolidation of a subsidiary. SFAS No. 160 is effective on or after the beginning of the first annual reporting period beginning on or after December 15, 2008. The Partnership is currently evaluating the impact of adopting SFAS No. 160 on January 1, 2009.

In March 2008, the FASB issued SFAS No. 161, Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, an amendment of SFAS No. 133. SFAS No. 161 requires enhanced disclosures about an entity's derivative and hedging activities. SFAS No. 161 is effective for fiscal years and interim periods





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beginning after November 15, 2008. The Partnership is evaluating the additional disclosures required by SFAS No. 161 beginning January 1, 2009.

**(3) Fair Value Measurements**

During the first quarter of 2008, the Partnership adopted Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statement No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements* (FAS 157). FAS 157 established a framework for measuring fair value and expanded disclosures about fair value measurements. The adoption of FAS 157 had no impact on the Partnership's financial position or results of operations.

FAS 157 applies to all assets and liabilities that are being measured and reported on a fair value basis. This statement enables the reader of the financial statements to assess the inputs used to develop those measurements by establishing a hierarchy for ranking the quality and reliability of the information used to determine fair values. The statement requires that each asset and liability carried at fair value be classified into one of the following categories:

Level 1: Quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2: Observable market based inputs or unobservable inputs that are corroborated by market data.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs that are not corroborated by market data.

The Partnership's derivative instruments which consist of commodity and interest rate swaps are required to be measured at fair value on a recurring basis. The fair value of the Partnership's derivative instruments are determined based on inputs that are readily available in public markets or can be derived from information available in publicly quoted markets. Refer to Notes 7 and 8 for further information on the Partnership's derivative instruments and hedging activities.

As prescribed by the FAS 157 levels listed above, the Partnership considers the Partnership's derivative assets and liabilities as Level 2. The net fair value of the Partnership's assets and liabilities measured on a recurring basis was a liability of \$16,722 and \$ 9,843 at March 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, respectively.

**(4) Acquisitions**

**(a) Stanolind Assets**

In January 2008, The Partnership acquired 7.8 acres of land, a deep water dock and two sulfuric acid tanks at its Stanolind terminal in Beaumont, Texas from Martin Resource Management Corporation ( Martin Resource Management ) for \$5,983 which was allocated to property, plant and equipment. The Partnership entered into a lease agreement with Martin Resource Management for use of the sulfuric acid tanks.

**(b) Asphalt Terminal**

In October 2007, the Partnership acquired the asphalt assets of Monarch Oil, Inc. and related companies ( Monarch Oil ) for \$3,927 which was allocated to property, plant and equipment. The results of Monarch Oil's operations have been included in the consolidated financial statements beginning October 2, 2007. The assets are located in Omaha, Nebraska. The Partnership entered into an agreement with Martin Resource Management, whereby Martin Resource Management will operate the facilities through a terminalling service agreement based upon throughput rates and will bear all additional expenses to operate the facility.

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**(c) Lubricants Terminal**

In June 2007, the Partnership acquired all of the operating assets of Mega Lubricants Inc. ( Mega Lubricants ) located in Channelview, Texas. The results of Mega Lubricant s operations have been included in the consolidated financial statements beginning June 13, 2007. The excess of the fair value over the carrying value of the assets was allocated to all identifiable assets. After recording all identifiable assets at their fair values, the remaining \$1,020 was recorded as goodwill. The goodwill was a result of Mega Lubricant s strategically located assets combined with the Partnership s access to capital and existing infrastructure. This will enhance the Partnership s ability to offer additional lubricant blending and truck loading and unloading services to customers. In accordance with FAS 142, the goodwill will not be amortized but tested for impairment. The terminal is located on 5.6 acres of land, and consists of 38 tanks with a storage capacity of approximately 15,000 Bbls, pump and piping infrastructure for lubricant blending and truck loading and unloading operations, 34,000 square feet of warehouse space and an administrative office.

The purchase price of \$4,738, including two three-year non-competition agreements totaling \$530 and goodwill of \$1,020, was allocated as follows:

|                                    |                 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Current assets                     | \$ 446          |
| Property, plant and equipment, net | 3,042           |
| Goodwill                           | 1,020           |
| Other assets                       | 530             |
| Other liabilities                  | (300)           |
| <b>Total</b>                       | <b>\$ 4,738</b> |

In connection with the acquisition, the Partnership borrowed approximately \$4,600 under its credit facility.

**(d) Woodlawn Pipeline Co., Inc.**

On May 2, 2007, the Partnership, through its subsidiary Prism Gas Systems I, L.P. ( Prism Gas ), acquired 100% of the outstanding stock of Woodlawn Pipeline Co., Inc. ( Woodlawn ). The results of Woodlawn s operations have been included in the consolidated financial statements beginning May 2, 2007. The excess of the fair value over the carrying value of the assets was allocated to all identifiable assets. After recording all identifiable assets at their fair values, the remaining \$8,785 was recorded as goodwill. The goodwill was a result of Woodlawn s strategically located assets combined with the Partnership s access to capital and existing infrastructure. This will enhance the Partnership s ability to offer additional gathering services to customers through internal growth projects including natural gas processing, fractionation and pipeline expansions as well as new pipeline construction. In accordance with FAS 142, the goodwill will not be amortized but tested for impairment.

Woodlawn is a natural gas gathering and processing company which owns integrated gathering and processing assets in East Texas. Woodlawn s system consists of approximately 135 miles of natural gas gathering pipe, approximately 36 miles of condensate transport pipe and a 30 Mcf/day processing plant. Prism Gas also acquired a nine-mile pipeline, from a Woodlawn related party, that delivers residue gas from Woodlawn to the Texas Eastern Transmission pipeline system.

The selling parties in this transaction were Lantern Resources, L.P., David P. Deison, and Peak Gas Gathering L.P. The final purchase price, after final adjustments for working capital, was \$32,606 and was funded by borrowings under the Partnership s credit facility.

The purchase price of \$32,606, including four two-year non-competition agreements and other intangibles reflected as other assets, was allocated as follows:



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|                                    |                  |
|------------------------------------|------------------|
| Current assets                     | \$ 4,297         |
| Property, plant and equipment, net | 29,101           |
| Goodwill                           | 8,785            |
| Other assets                       | 3,339            |
| Current liabilities                | (3,889)          |
| Deferred income taxes              | (8,964)          |
| Other long-term obligations        | (63)             |
| <b>Total</b>                       | <b>\$ 32,606</b> |

The identifiable intangible assets of \$3,339 are subject to amortization over a weighted-average useful life of approximately ten years. The intangible assets include four non-competition agreements totaling \$40, customer contracts associated with the gathering and processing assets of \$3,002, and a transportation contract associated with the residue gas pipeline of \$297.

In connection with the acquisition, the Partnership borrowed approximately \$33,000 under its credit facility.

**(5) Inventories**

Components of inventories at March 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007 were as follows:

|                       | <b>March 31,<br/>2008</b> | <b>December<br/>31,<br/>2007</b> |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Natural gas liquids   | \$ 15,967                 | \$ 31,283                        |
| Sulfur                | 17,215                    | 7,490                            |
| Sulfur Based Products | 9,542                     | 6,626                            |
| Lubricants            | 5,779                     | 5,345                            |
| Other                 | 2,548                     | 1,054                            |
|                       | <b>\$ 51,051</b>          | <b>\$ 51,798</b>                 |

**(6) Investment in Unconsolidated Partnerships and Joint Ventures**

The Partnership, through its Prism Gas subsidiary, owns 50% of the ownership interests in Waskom Gas Processing Company ( Waskom ), Matagorda Offshore Gathering System ( Matagorda ), Panther Interstate Pipeline Energy LLC ( PIPE ) and a 20% ownership interest in a partnership which owns the lease rights to Bosque County Pipeline ( BCP ). Each of these interests is accounted for under the equity method of accounting.

In accounting for the acquisition of the interests in Waskom, Matagorda and PIPE, the carrying amount of these investments exceeded the underlying net assets by approximately \$46,176. The difference was attributable to property and equipment of \$11,872 and equity method goodwill of \$34,304. The excess investment relating to property and equipment is being amortized over an average life of 20 years, which approximates the useful life of the underlying assets. Such amortization amounted to \$148 for the three months March 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively, and has been recorded as a reduction of equity in earnings of unconsolidated equity method investees. The remaining unamortized excess investment relating to property and equipment was \$10,537 and \$10,685 at March 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, respectively. The equity-method goodwill is not amortized in accordance with SFAS 142; however, it is analyzed for impairment annually. No impairment was recognized in the first three months of 2008 or the year ended

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As a partner in Waskom, the Partnership receives distributions in kind of natural gas liquids ( NGLs ) that are retained according to Waskom s contracts with certain producers. The NGLs are valued at prevailing market prices. In addition, cash distributions are received and cash contributions are made to fund operating and capital requirements of Waskom.

Activity related to these investment accounts is as follows:

|   | <b>Waskom</b> | <b>PIPE</b>  | <b>Matagorda</b> | <b>BCP</b> | <b>Total</b>  |
|---|---------------|--------------|------------------|------------|---------------|
| Investment in unconsolidated entities,<br>December 31, 2007                     | \$ 70,237     | \$ 1,582     | \$ 3,693         | \$ 178     | \$ 75,690     |
| Distributions in kind   | (2,580)       |              |                  |            | (2,580)       |
| Distributions from (contributions to)<br>unconsolidated entities for operations | (506)         |              |                  |            | (506)         |
| Cash distributions  | (300)         | (105)        | (45)             |            | (450)         |
| Equity in earnings:   |               |              |                  |            |               |
| Equity in earnings (losses) from<br>operations                                  | 3,640         | 12           | 47               | (41)       | 3,658         |
| Amortization of excess investment   | (137)         | (4)          | (7)              |            | (148)         |
| <br>Investment in unconsolidated entities,<br>March 31, 2008                    | <br>\$ 70,354 | <br>\$ 1,485 | <br>\$ 3,688     | <br>\$ 137 | <br>\$ 75,664 |
|   | <b>Waskom</b> | <b>PIPE</b>  | <b>Matagorda</b> | <b>BCP</b> | <b>Total</b>  |
| Investment in unconsolidated entities,<br>December 31, 2006                     | \$ 64,937     | \$ 1,718     | \$ 3,786         | \$ 210     | \$ 70,651     |
| Distributions in kind   | (1,853)       |              |                  |            | (1,853)       |
| Distributions from (contributions to)<br>unconsolidated entities for operations | 3,883         |              |                  |            | 3,883         |
| Cash distributions  | (1,125)       | (200)        |                  |            | (1,325)       |
| Equity in earnings:   |               |              |                  |            |               |
| Equity in earnings from operations  | 1,864         | 293          | 74               | (33)       | 2,198         |
| Amortization of excess investment   | (137)         | (4)          | (7)              |            | (148)         |
| <br>Investment in unconsolidated entities,<br>March 31, 2007                    | <br>\$ 67,569 | <br>\$ 1,807 | <br>\$ 3,853     | <br>\$ 177 | <br>\$ 73,406 |

Select financial information for significant unconsolidated equity method investees is as follows:

| <b>As of March 31</b> | <b>Three Months Ended<br/>March 31</b> |
|-----------------------|--|
|-----------------------|--|

|             | <b>Total<br/>Assets</b> | <b>Partners<br/>Capital</b> | <b>Revenues</b> | <b>Net<br/>Income</b> |
|-------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| <b>2008</b> |                         |                             |                 |                       |
| Waskom      | \$ 67,666               | \$ 57,658                   | \$ 26,733       | \$ 7,280              |

**As of December 31**

|             |           |           |           |          |
|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| <b>2007</b> |           |           |           |          |
| Waskom      | \$ 66,772 | \$ 57,149 | \$ 14,799 | \$ 3,729 |

**(7) Commodity Cash Flow Hedges**

The Partnership is exposed to market risks associated with commodity prices, counterparty credit and interest rates. The Partnership has established a hedging policy and monitors and manages the commodity market risk associated with its commodity risk exposure. In addition, the Partnership is focusing on utilizing counterparties for these transactions whose financial condition is appropriate for the credit risk involved in each specific transaction.

The Partnership uses derivatives to manage the risk of commodity price fluctuations. Additionally,



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the Partnership manages interest rate exposure by targeting a ratio of fixed and floating interest rates it deems prudent and using hedges to attain that ratio.

In accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133 ( SFAS No. 133 ), *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*, all derivatives and hedging instruments are included on the balance sheet as an asset or a liability measured at fair value and changes in fair value are recognized currently in earnings unless specific hedge accounting criteria are met. If a derivative qualifies for hedge accounting, changes in the fair value can be offset against the change in the fair value of the hedged item through earnings or recognized in other comprehensive income until such time as the hedged item is recognized in earnings. The Partnership has adopted a hedging policy that allows it to use hedge accounting for financial transactions that are designated as hedges.

Derivative instruments not designated as hedges are being marked to market with all market value adjustments being recorded in the consolidated statements of operations. As of March 31, 2008, the Partnership has designated a portion of its derivative instruments as qualifying cash flow hedges. Fair value changes for these hedges have been recorded in other comprehensive income as a component of equity.

The components of gain (loss) on derivatives qualifying for hedge accounting and those that do not qualify for hedge accounting are included in the revenue of the hedged item in the Consolidated Statements of Operations as follows:

|   | <b>Three Months<br/>Ended March 31</b> |             |
|---|--|-------------|
|   | <b>2008</b>                            | <b>2007</b> |
| Change in fair value of derivatives that do not qualify for hedge accounting and settlements of maturing hedges | \$ (2,181)                             | \$ (283)    |
| Ineffective portion of derivatives qualifying for hedge accounting  | 121                                    | 124         |
| Change in fair value of derivatives in the Consolidated Statement of Operations                                 | \$ (2,060)                             | \$ (159)    |

The fair value of derivative assets and liabilities are as follows:

|  | <b>March 31,<br/>2008</b> | <b>December<br/>31,<br/>2007</b> |
|--|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Fair value of derivative assets - current        | \$ 105                    | \$ 235                           |
| Fair value of derivative assets - long term      | (4,100)                   | (3,261)                          |
| Fair value of derivative liabilities - current   | (2,740)                   | (2,140)                          |
| Fair value of derivative liabilities - long term | \$ (6,735)                | \$ (5,166)                       |
| Net fair value of derivatives                    | \$ (6,735)                | \$ (5,166)                       |

Set forth below is the summarized notional amount and terms of all instruments held for price risk management purposes at March 31, 2008 (all gas quantities are expressed in British Thermal Units, crude oil and NGLs are expressed in barrels). As of March 31, 2008, the remaining term of the contracts extend no later than December 2011, with no single contract longer than one year. The Partnership's counterparties to the derivative contracts include Shell Energy North America (US) L.P., Morgan Stanley Capital Group Inc., Wachovia Bank and Wells Fargo Bank. For the period ended March 31, 2008, changes in the fair value of the Partnership's derivative contracts were recorded in both

earnings and in other comprehensive income as a component of equity since the Partnership has designated a portion of its derivative instruments as hedges as of March 31, 2008.

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| Transaction Type                    | March 31, 2008         |   |                               | Fair Value |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|---|-------------------------------|------------|
|                                     | Total Volume Per Month | Pricing Terms   | Remaining Terms of Contracts  |            |
| <b>Mark to Market Derivatives::</b> |                        |   |                               |            |
| Natural Gas swap                    | 30,000 MMBTU           | Fixed price of \$8.12 settled against Houston Ship Channel first of the month | April 2008 to December 2008   | (500)      |
| Crude Oil Swap                      | 3,000 BBL              | Fixed price of \$70.75 settled against WTI NYMEX average monthly closings     | April 2008 to December 2008   | (770)      |
| Crude Oil Swap                      | 3,000 BBL              | Fixed price of \$69.08 settled against WTI NYMEX average monthly closings     | January 2009 to December 2009 | (900)      |
| Crude Oil Swap                      | 3,000 BBL              | Fixed price of \$70.90 settled against WTI NYMEX average monthly closings     | January 2009 to December 2009 | (839)      |
| Total swaps not designated          | as cash flow hedges    |   |                               | \$ (3,009) |
| <b>Cash Flow Hedges:</b>            |                        |   |                               |            |
| Crude Oil Swap                      | 5,000 BBL              | Fixed price of \$66.20 settled against WTI NYMEX average monthly closings     | April 2008 to December 2008   | (1,482)    |

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|                       |              |  |                               |       |
|-----------------------|--------------|--|-------------------------------|-------|
| Ethane Swap           | 5,000 BBL    | Fixed price of \$27.30 settled against Mt. Belvieu Purity Ethane average monthly postings  | April 2008 to December 2008   | (481) |
| Natural Gasoline Swap | 3,000 BBL    | Fixed price of \$87.31 (Jan-Mar) and \$85.10 (Apr-June) settled against Mt. Belvieu Non-TET natural gasoline average monthly postings. | April 2008 to June 2008       | (61)  |
| Natural Gasoline Swap | 3,000 BBL    | Fixed price of \$86.52 settled against Mt. Belvieu Non-TET natural gasoline average monthly postings.                                  | July 2008 to September 2008   | (38)  |
| Natural Gasoline Swap | 3,000 BBL    | Fixed price of \$85.79 settled against Mt. Belvieu Non-TET natural gasoline average monthly postings.                                  | October 2008 to December 2008 | (39)  |
| Natural Gas swap      | 30,000 MMBTU | Fixed price of \$9.025 settled against Inside Ferc Columbia Gulf daily average   | January 2009 to December 2009 | (220) |
| Crude Oil Swap        | 1,000 BBL    | Fixed price of \$70.45 settled against WTI NYMEX average monthly closings  | January 2009 to December 2009 | (285) |
| Natural Gasoline Swap | 2,000 BBL    | Fixed price of \$86.42 settled against Mt. Belvieu Non-TET natural gasoline average monthly  | January 2009 to December 2009 | (24)  |

|  |           |   |                               |            |
|--|-----------|---|-------------------------------|------------|
|  |           | postings.   |                               |            |
| Crude Oil Swap                             | 2,000 BBL | Fixed price of \$69.15 settled against WTI NYMEX average monthly closings | January 2010 to December 2010 | (519)      |
| Crude Oil Swap                             | 3,000 BBL | Fixed price of \$72.25 settled against WTI NYMEX average monthly closings | January 2010 to December 2010 | (682)      |
| Crude Oil Swap                             | 2,000 BBL | Fixed price of \$99.15 settled against WTI NYMEX average monthly closings | January 2011 to December 2011 | 105        |
| Total swaps designated as cash flow hedges |           |   |                               | \$ (3,726) |
| Total net fair value of derivatives        |           |   |                               | \$ (6,735) |

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On all transactions where the Partnership is exposed to counterparty risk, the Partnership analyzes the counterparty's financial condition prior to entering into an agreement, and has established a maximum credit limit threshold pursuant to its hedging policy, and monitors the appropriateness of these limits on an ongoing basis. The Partnership has incurred no losses associated with the counterparty non-performance on derivative contracts.

As a result of the Prism Gas acquisition, the Partnership is exposed to the impact of market fluctuations in the prices of natural gas, NGLs and condensate as a result of gathering, processing and sales activities. Prism Gas gathering and processing revenues are earned under various contractual arrangements with gas producers. Gathering revenues are generated through a combination of fixed-fee and index-related arrangements. Processing revenues are generated primarily through contracts which provide for processing on percent-of-liquids (POL) and percent-of-proceeds (POP) basis. Prism Gas has entered into hedging transactions through 2011 to protect a portion of its commodity exposure from these contracts. These hedging arrangements are in the form of swaps for crude oil, natural gas, ethane, and natural gasoline.

Based on estimated volumes, as of March 31, 2008, Prism Gas had hedged approximately 69%, 44%, 14% and 6% of its commodity risk by volume for 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively. The Partnership anticipates entering into additional commodity derivatives on an ongoing basis to manage its risks associated with these market fluctuations, and will consider using various commodity derivatives, including forward contracts, swaps, collars, futures and options, although there is no assurance that the Partnership will be able to do so or that the terms thereof will be similar to the Partnership's existing hedging arrangements.

**Hedging Arrangements in Place**  
**As of March 31, 2008**

| <b>Year</b> | <b>Commodity Hedged</b>       | <b>Volume</b>         | <b>Type of Derivative</b>          | <b>Basis Reference</b>   |
|-------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2008        | Condensate & Natural Gasoline | 5,000<br>BBL/Month    | Crude Oil Swap (\$66.20)           | NYMEX                    |
| 2008        | Natural Gas                   | 30,000<br>MMBTU/Month | Natural Gas Swap (\$8.12)          | Houston Ship<br>Channel  |
| 2008        | Ethane                        | 5,000<br>BBL/Month    | Ethane Swap (\$27.30)              | Mt. Belvieu              |
| 2008        | Natural Gasoline              | 3,000<br>BBL/Month    | Crude Oil Swap (\$70.75)           | NYMEX                    |
| 2008        | Natural Gasoline              | 3,000<br>BBL/Month    | Natural Gasoline Swap<br>(\$87.31) | Mt. Belvieu<br>(Non-TET) |
| 2008        | Natural Gasoline              | 3,000<br>BBL/Month    | Natural Gasoline Swap<br>(\$86.52) | Mt. Belvieu<br>(Non-TET) |
| 2008        | Natural Gasoline              | 3,000<br>BBL/Month    | Natural Gasoline Swap<br>(\$85.79) | Mt. Belvieu<br>(Non-TET) |
| 2008        | Natural Gasoline              | 3,000<br>BBL/Month    | Natural Gasoline Swap<br>(\$85.10) | Mt. Belvieu<br>(Non-TET) |
| 2009        | Natural Gas                   | 30,000<br>MMBTU/Month | Natural Gas Swap (9.025)           | Columbia Gulf            |
| 2009        | Condensate & Natural Gasoline | 3,000<br>BBL/Month    | Crude Oil Swap (\$69.08)           | NYMEX                    |
| 2009        | Natural Gasoline              | 3,000<br>BBL/Month    | Crude Oil Swap (\$70.90)           | NYMEX                    |

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|      |                  |                    |                                    |                          |
|------|------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2009 | Condensate       | 1,000<br>BBL/Month | Crude Oil Swap (\$70.45)           | NYMEX                    |
| 2009 | Natural Gasoline | 2,000<br>BBL/Month | Natural Gasoline Swap<br>(\$86.42) | Mt. Belvieu<br>(Non-TET) |
| 2010 | Condensate       | 2,000<br>BBL/Month | Crude Oil Swap (\$69.15)           | NYMEX                    |
| 2010 | Natural Gasoline | 3,000<br>BBL/Month | Crude Oil Swap (\$72.25)           | NYMEX                    |
| 2011 | Natural Gasoline | 2,000<br>BBL/Month | Crude Oil Swap (\$99.15)           | NYMEX                    |

The Partnership's principal customers with respect to Prism Gas' natural gas gathering and processing are large, natural gas marketing servicers, oil and gas producers and industrial end-users. In addition, substantially all of the Partnership's natural gas and NGL sales are made at market-based prices. The Partnership's standard gas and NGL sales contracts contain adequate assurance provisions which allows for the suspension of deliveries, cancellation of agreements or discontinuance of deliveries to the buyer unless the buyer provides security for payment in a form satisfactory to the Partnership.

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**Impact of Cash Flow Hedges****Crude Oil**

For the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, net gains and losses on swap hedge contracts decreased crude revenue by \$1,092 and increased crude revenue by \$143, respectively. As of March 31, 2008 an unrealized derivative fair value loss of \$2,319, related to cash flow hedges of crude oil price risk, was recorded in other comprehensive income (loss). Fair value losses of \$938, \$285 and \$1,201 are expected to be reclassified into earnings in 2008, 2009 and 2010, respectively. A fair value gain of \$105 is expected to be reclassified into earnings in 2011. The actual reclassification to earnings will be based on mark-to-market prices at the contract settlement date, along with the realization of the gain or loss on the related physical volume, which is not reflected above.

**Natural Gas**

For the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, net losses on swap hedge contracts decreased gas revenue by \$699 and \$373, respectively. As of March 31, 2008 an unrealized derivative fair value loss of \$220, related to cash flow hedges of natural gas price risk, was recorded in other comprehensive income (loss). This fair value loss is expected to be reclassified into earnings in 2009. The actual reclassification to earnings will be based on mark-to-market prices at the contract settlement date, along with the realization of the gain or loss on the related physical volume, which is not reflected above.

**NGLs**

For the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, net gains and losses on swap hedge contracts decreased liquids revenue by \$269 and increased liquids revenue by \$71, respectively. As of March 31, 2008, an unrealized derivative fair value loss of \$633 related to cash flow hedges of NGLs price risk was recorded in other comprehensive income (loss). Fair value losses of \$609 and \$24 are expected to be reclassified into earnings in 2008 and 2009, respectively. The actual reclassification to earnings will be based on mark-to-market prices at the contract settlement date, along with the realization of the gain or loss on the related physical volume, which is not reflected above.

**(8) Interest Rate Cash Flow Hedge**

The Partnership has entered into several cash flow hedge agreements with an aggregate notional amount of \$195,000 to hedge its exposure to increases in the benchmark interest rate underlying its variable rate revolving and term loan credit facilities. The Partnership designated these swap agreements as cash flow hedges. Under these swap agreements, the Partnership pays a fixed rate of interest and receives a floating rate based on a three-month U.S. Dollar LIBOR rate. Because these swaps are designated as a cash flow hedge, the changes in fair value, to the extent the swap is effective, are recognized in other comprehensive income until the hedged interest costs are recognized in earnings. At the inception of these

hedges, these swaps were identical to the hypothetical swap as of the trade date, and will continue to be identical as long as the accrual periods and rate resetting dates for the debt and these swaps remain equal. This condition results in a 100% effective swap for the following hedges:

| <b>Date of Hedge</b> | <b>Notional Amount</b> | <b>Fixed Rate</b> | <b>Maturity Date</b> |
|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| January 2008         | \$ 25,000              | 3.400%            | January 2010         |
| September 2007       | \$ 25,000              | 4.605%            | September 2010       |
| November 2006        | \$ 40,000              | 4.820%            | December 2009        |
| March 2006           | \$ 75,000              | 5.250%            | November 2010        |

In November 2006, the Partnership entered into an interest rate swap that swaps \$30,000 of floating rate to fixed rate. The fixed rate cost is 4.765% plus the Partnership's applicable LIBOR borrowing spread. This interest rate swap matures in March 2010. The underlying debt related to this swap was paid prior to December 31, 2006; therefore,



hedge accounting was not utilized. The swap has been recorded at fair value at March 31, 2008 with an offset to current operations.

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The Partnership recognized increases in interest expense of \$773 and \$67 for the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively, related to the difference between the fixed rate and the floating rate of interest on the interest rate swap and net cash settlement of interest rate hedges

The fair value of derivative assets and liabilities are as follows:

|  | <b>March 31,<br/>2008</b> | <b>December<br/>31,<br/>2007</b> |
|--|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Fair value of derivative liabilities - current   | \$ (4,491)                | \$ (1,241)                       |
| Fair value of derivative liabilities - long term | (5,496)                   | (3,436)                          |
| Net fair value of derivatives                    | \$ (9,987)                | \$ (4,677)                       |

**(9) Related Party Transactions**

Included in the consolidated and condensed financial statements are various related party transactions and balances primarily with Martin Resource Management and affiliates. Related party transactions include sales and purchases of products and services between the Partnership and these related entities as well as payroll and associated costs and allocation of overhead.

The impact of these related party transactions is reflected in the consolidated and condensed financial statements as follows:

|                          | <b>Three Months Ended March<br/>31,</b> |             |
|--------------------------|---|-------------|
|                          | <b>2008</b>                             | <b>2007</b> |
| Revenues:                |   |             |
| Terminalling and storage | \$ 3,778                                | \$ 2,585    |
| Marine transportation    | 6,224                                   | 6,554       |
| Product sales:           |   |             |
| Natural gas services     | 1,199                                   |             |
| Sulfur services          | 4,511                                   | 8           |
| Terminalling and storage | 18                                      | 3           |
|                          | 5,728                                   | 11          |
|                          | \$ 15,730                               | \$ 9,150    |
| Costs and expenses:      |   |             |
| Cost of products sold:   |   |             |
| Natural gas services     | \$ 20,403                               | \$ 12,210   |
| Sulfur services          | 3,318                                   | 3,978       |
| Terminalling and storage | 278                                     |             |
|                          | \$ 23,999                               | \$ 16,188   |

Expenses:

|                          |          |          |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|
| Operating expenses       |          |          |
| Marine transportation    | \$ 7,224 | \$ 4,162 |
| Natural gas services     | 383      | 385      |
| Sulfur services          | 165      | 277      |
| Terminalling and storage | 2,271    | 1,037    |

|  |           |          |
|--|-----------|----------|
|  | \$ 10,043 | \$ 5,861 |
|--|-----------|----------|

Selling, general and administrative:

|  |        |        |
|--|--------|--------|
| Natural gas services                               | \$ 200 | \$ 167 |
| Sulfur services                                    | 440    | 387    |
| Terminalling and storage                           |        | 14     |
| Indirect overhead allocation, net of reimbursement | 674    | 326    |

|  |          |        |
|--|----------|--------|
|  | \$ 1,314 | \$ 894 |
|--|----------|--------|

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**(10) Business Segments**

The Partnership has four reportable segments: terminalling and storage, natural gas services, marine transportation and sulfur services. The Partnership's reportable segments are strategic business units that offer different products and services. The operating income of these segments is reviewed by the chief operating decision maker to assess performance and make business decisions.

The accounting policies of the operating segments are the same as those described in Note 2 in the Partnership's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007 filed with the SEC on March 5, 2008. The Partnership evaluates the performance of its reportable segments based on operating income. There is no allocation of administrative expenses or interest expense.

|  | Operating<br>Revenues | Intersegment<br>Eliminations | Operating<br>Revenues<br>after<br>Eliminations | Depreciation<br>and<br>Amortization | Operating<br>Income<br>(loss)<br>after<br>eliminations | Capital<br>Expenditures |
|--|-----------------------|------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| Three months ended<br>March 31, 2008               |                       |                              |  |                                     |  |                         |
| Terminalling and<br>storage                        | \$ 20,362             | \$ (1,066)                   | \$ 19,296                                      | \$ 2,141                            | \$ 1,176   | \$ 4,451                |
| Natural gas services                               | 207,092               |                              | 207,092  | 977                                 | 41   | 1,169                   |
| Marine transportation                              | 16,981                | (578)                        | 16,403   | 2,794                               | 792  | 26,126                  |
| Sulfur services                                    | 70,241                | (16)                         | 70,225   | 1,428                               | 8,326  | 1,854                   |
| Indirect selling,<br>general and<br>administrative |                       |                              |  |                                     | (1,327)  |                         |
| <b>Total</b>                                       | <b>\$ 314,676</b>     | <b>\$ (1,660)</b>            | <b>\$ 313,016</b>                              | <b>\$ 7,340</b>                     | <b>\$ 9,008</b>  | <b>\$ 33,600</b>        |
| Three months ended<br>March 31, 2007               |                       |                              |  |                                     |  |                         |
| Terminalling and<br>storage                        | \$ 10,841             | \$ (97)                      | \$ 10,744                                      | \$ 1,340                            | \$ 2,977   | \$ 5,006                |
| Natural gas services                               | 101,788               |                              | 101,788  | 431                                 | 1,944  | 704                     |
| Marine transportation                              | 14,876                | (992)                        | 13,884   | 1,939                               | 1,018  | 5,103                   |
| Sulfur services                                    | 29,530                | (150)                        | 29,380   | 1,184                               | 2,417  | 4,951                   |
| Indirect selling,<br>general and<br>administrative |                       |                              |  |                                     | (756)  |                         |
| <b>Total</b>                                       | <b>\$ 157,035</b>     | <b>\$ (1,239)</b>            | <b>\$ 155,796</b>                              | <b>\$ 4,894</b>                     | <b>\$ 7,600</b>  | <b>\$ 15,764</b>        |

The following table reconciles operating income to net income:

|   | <b>Three Months Ended<br/>March 31</b> |             |
|---|--|-------------|
|   | <b>2008</b>                            | <b>2007</b> |
| Operating income                              | \$ 9,008                               | \$ 7,600    |
| Equity in earnings of unconsolidated entities | 3,510                                  | 2,050       |
| Interest expense                              | (4,743)                                | (3,577)     |
| Other, net                                    | 181                                    | 79          |
| Income taxes                                  | 61                                     | (349)       |
| <br>  |  |             |
| Net income                                    | \$ 8,017                               | \$ 5,803    |

Total assets by segment are as follows:

|                          | <b>March 31,</b> | <b>December</b>           |
|--------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
|                          | <b>2008</b>      | <b>31,</b><br><b>2007</b> |
| Total assets:            |                  |                           |
| Terminalling and storage | \$ 138,936       | \$ 126,575                |
| Natural gas services     | 254,642          | 268,230                   |
| Marine transportation    | 130,797          | 107,081                   |
| Sulfur services          | 143,228          | 121,691                   |
| <br>                     |                  |                           |
| Total assets             | \$ 667,603       | \$ 623,577                |

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**(11) Public Equity Offerings**

In May 2007, the Partnership completed a public offering of 1,380,000 common units at a price of \$42.25 per common unit, before the payment of underwriters' discounts, commissions and offering expenses (per unit value is in dollars, not thousands). Total proceeds from the sale of the 1,380,000 common units, net of underwriters' discounts, commissions and offering expenses were \$55,933. The Partnership's general partner contributed \$1,190 in cash to the Partnership in conjunction with the issuance in order to maintain its 2% general partner interest in the Partnership. The net proceeds were used to pay down revolving debt under the Partnership's credit facility and to provide working capital.

A summary of the proceeds received from these transactions and the use of the proceeds received therefrom is as follows (all amounts are in thousands):

**Proceeds received:**

|                              |           |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Sale of common units         | \$ 58,305 |
| General partner contribution | 1,190     |
| Total proceeds received      | \$ 59,495 |

**Use of Proceeds:**

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Underwriter's fees                                | \$ 2,107  |
| Professional fees and other costs                 | 265       |
| Repayment of debt under revolving credit facility | 55,850    |
| Working capital                                   | 1,273     |
| Total use of proceeds                             | \$ 59,495 |

**(12) Long-term Debt**

At March 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, long-term debt consisted of the following:

|  | <b>March 31,<br/>2008</b> | <b>December<br/>31,<br/>2007</b> |
|--|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| **\$195,000 Revolving loan facility at variable interest rate (6.13%* weighted average at March 31, 2008), due November 2010 secured by substantially all of our assets, including, without limitation, inventory, accounts receivable, vessels, equipment, fixed assets and the interests in our operating subsidiaries and equity method investees | \$ 125,000                | \$ 95,000                        |
| ***\$130,000 Term loan facility at variable interest rate (6.99%* at March 31, 2008), due November 2010, secured by substantially all of our assets, including, without limitation, inventory, accounts receivable, vessels, equipment, fixed assets and the interests in our operating subsidiaries   | 130,000                   | 130,000                          |
| Other secured debt maturing in 2008, 7.25%   | 1                         | 21                               |

|   |            |            |
|---|------------|------------|
| Total long-term debt                        | 255,001    | 225,021    |
| Less current installments                   | 1          | 21         |
| Long-term debt, net of current installments | \$ 255,000 | \$ 225,000 |

\* Interest rate fluctuates based on the LIBOR rate plus an applicable margin set on the date of each advance. The margin above LIBOR is set every three months. Indebtedness under the credit facility bears interest at

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either LIBOR plus an applicable margin or the base prime rate plus an applicable margin. The applicable margin for revolving loans that are LIBOR loans ranges from 1.50% to 3.00% and the applicable margin for revolving loans that are base prime rate loans ranges from 0.50% to 2.00%. The applicable margin for term loans that are LIBOR loans ranges from 2.00% to 3.00% and the applicable margin for term loans that are base prime rate loans ranges from 1.00% to 2.00%. The applicable margin for existing borrowings is 2.00%. Effective April 1, 2008, the applicable margin for



existing borrowings will remain 2.00%. As a result of our leverage ratio test as of March 31, 2008, effective July 1, 2008, the applicable margin for existing borrowings will increase to 2.50%. The Partnership incurs a commitment fee on the unused portions of the credit facility.

\*\* Effective January, 2008, the Partnership entered into a cash flow hedge that swaps \$25,000 of floating rate to fixed rate. The fixed rate cost is 3.400% plus the Partnership's applicable LIBOR borrowing spread. The cash flow hedge matures in January, 2010.

\*\* Effective September, 2007, the Partnership entered into a cash flow hedge that swaps \$25,000 of floating rate to fixed rate. The

fixed rate cost is 4.605% plus the Partnership's applicable LIBOR borrowing spread. The cash flow hedge matures in September, 2010.

\*\* Effective November, 2006, the Partnership entered into a cash flow hedge that swaps \$40,000 of floating rate to fixed rate. The fixed rate cost is 4.82% plus the Partnership's applicable LIBOR borrowing spread. The cash flow hedge matures in December, 2009.

\*\*\* The \$130,000 term loan has \$105,000 hedged. Effective March, 2006, the Partnership entered into a cash flow hedge that swaps \$75,000 of floating rate to fixed rate. The fixed rate cost is 5.25% plus the Partnership's applicable LIBOR borrowing spread. The cash flow hedge

matures in  
November, 2010.  
Effective  
November 2006,  
the Partnership  
entered into an  
additional  
interest rate swap  
that swaps  
\$30,000 of  
floating rate to  
fixed rate. The  
fixed rate cost is  
4.765% plus the  
Partnership's  
applicable  
LIBOR  
borrowing  
spread. This cash  
flow hedge  
matures in  
March, 2010.

On August 18, 2006, the Partnership purchased certain terminalling assets and assumed associated long term debt of \$113 with a fixed rate cost of 7.25%.

On November 10, 2005, the Partnership entered into a new \$225,000 multi-bank credit facility comprised of a \$130,000 term loan facility and a \$95,000 revolving credit facility, which includes a \$20,000 letter of credit sub-limit. This credit facility also includes procedures for additional financial institutions to become revolving lenders, or for any existing revolving lender to increase its revolving commitment, subject to a maximum of \$100,000 for all such increases in revolving commitments of new or existing revolving lenders. Effective June 30, 2006, the Partnership increased its revolving credit facility \$25,000 resulting in a committed \$120,000 revolving credit facility. Effective December 28, 2007, the Partnership increased its revolving credit facility \$75,000 resulting in a committed \$195,000 revolving credit facility. The revolving credit facility is used for ongoing working capital needs and general partnership purposes, and to finance permitted investments, acquisitions and capital expenditures. Under the amended and restated credit facility, as of March 31, 2008, the Partnership had \$125,000 outstanding under the revolving credit facility and \$130,000 outstanding under the term loan facility. As of March 31, 2008, the Partnership had \$69,880 available under its revolving credit facility.

On July 14, 2005, the Partnership issued a \$120 irrevocable letter of credit to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to provide financial assurance for its used oil handling program.

The Partnership's obligations under the credit facility are secured by substantially all of the Partnership's assets, including, without limitation, inventory, accounts receivable, vessels, equipment, fixed assets and the interests in its operating subsidiaries and equity method investees. The Partnership may prepay all amounts outstanding under this facility at any time without penalty.

In addition, the credit facility contains various covenants, which, among other things, limit the

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Partnership's ability to: (i) incur indebtedness; (ii) grant certain liens; (iii) merge or consolidate unless it is the survivor; (iv) sell all or substantially all of its assets; (v) make certain acquisitions; (vi) make certain investments; (vii) make certain capital expenditures; (viii) make distributions other than from available cash; (ix) create obligations for some lease payments; (x) engage in transactions with affiliates; (xi) engage in other types of business; and (xii) allow its joint ventures to incur indebtedness or grant certain liens.

The credit facility also contains covenants, which, among other things, require the Partnership to maintain specified ratios of: (i) minimum net worth (as defined in the credit facility) of \$75,000 plus 50% of net proceeds from equity issuances after November 10, 2005; (ii) EBITDA (as defined in the credit facility) to interest expense of not less than 3.0 to 1.0 at the end of each fiscal quarter; (iii) total funded debt to EBITDA of not more than (x) 5.5 to 1.0 for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2005, (y) 5.25 to 1.00 for the fiscal quarters ending December 31, 2005 through September 30, 2006, and (z) 4.75 to 1.00 for each fiscal quarter thereafter; and (iv) total secured funded debt to EBITDA of not more than (x) 5.50 to 1.00 for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2005, (y) 5.25 to 1.00 for the fiscal quarters ending December 31, 2005 through September 20, 2006, and (z) 4.00 to 1.00 for each fiscal quarter thereafter. The Partnership was in compliance with the debt covenants contained in the credit facility for the year ended December 31, 2007 and as of March 31, 2008.

On November 10 of each year, commencing with November 10, 2006, the Partnership must prepay the term loans under the credit facility with 75% of Excess Cash Flow (as defined in the credit facility), unless its ratio of total funded debt to EBITDA is less than 3.00 to 1.00. There were no prepayments made or required under the term loan through March 31, 2008. If the Partnership receives greater than \$15,000 from the incurrence of indebtedness other than under the credit facility, it must prepay indebtedness under the credit facility with all such proceeds in excess of \$15,000. Any such prepayments are first applied to the term loans under the credit facility. The Partnership must prepay revolving loans under the credit facility with the net cash proceeds from any issuance of its equity. The Partnership must also prepay indebtedness under the credit facility with the proceeds of certain asset dispositions. Other than these mandatory prepayments, the credit facility requires interest only payments on a quarterly basis until maturity. All outstanding principal and unpaid interest must be paid by November 10, 2010. The credit facility contains customary events of default, including, without limitation, payment defaults, cross-defaults to other material indebtedness, bankruptcy-related defaults, change of control defaults and litigation-related defaults.

Draws made under the Partnership's credit facility are normally made to fund acquisitions and for working capital requirements. During the current fiscal year, draws on the Partnership's credit facility have ranged from a low of \$225,000 to a high of \$279,200. As of March 31, 2008, the Partnership had \$69,880 available for working capital, internal expansion and acquisition activities under the Partnership's credit facility.

In connection with the Partnership's Stanolind asset acquisition on January 22, 2008, the Partnership borrowed approximately \$6,000 under its revolving credit facility.

In connection with the Partnership's Monarch acquisition on October 2, 2007, the Partnership borrowed approximately \$3,900 under its revolving credit facility.

In connection with the Partnership's Mega Lubricants acquisition on June 13, 2007, the Partnership borrowed approximately \$4,600 under its revolving credit facility.

In connection with the Partnership's Woodlawn acquisition on May 2, 2007, the Partnership borrowed approximately \$33,000 under its revolving credit facility.

The Partnership paid cash interest in the amount of \$4,333 and \$3,603 for the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. Capitalized interest was \$452 and \$539 for the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

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**(13) Income Taxes**

The operations of a partnership are generally not subject to income taxes, except as discussed below, because its income is taxed directly to its partners. Effective January 1, 2007, the Partnership is subject to the Texas margin tax as described below. Our subsidiary, Woodlawn, is subject to income taxes due to its corporate structure. Woodlawn was not acquired until May 2, 2007 and accordingly, had no effect on the financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2007. A current federal income tax benefit of \$164 and state income tax expense of \$6 related to the operation of the subsidiary was recorded for the three months ended March 31, 2008. In connection with the Woodlawn acquisition, the Partnership also established deferred income taxes of \$8,964 associated with book and tax basis differences of the acquired assets and liabilities. The basis differences are primarily related to property, plant and equipment. A deferred tax benefit related to these basis differences of \$80 was recorded for the three months ended March 31, 2008, and a deferred tax liability of \$8,735 and \$8,815 related to the basis differences existing at March 31, 2008 and at December 31, 2007, respectively.

The final liquidation of the Prism Gas corporate entity was completed on November 15, 2006. Additional federal and state income taxes of \$214 resulting from the liquidation were recorded in income tax expense for the three months ended March 31, 2007.

On May 18, 2006, the Texas Governor signed into law a Texas margin tax (H.B. No. 3) which restructures the state business tax by replacing the taxable capital and earned surplus components of the current franchise tax with a new taxable margin component. Since the tax base on the Texas margin tax is derived from an income-based measure, the margin tax is construed as an income tax and, therefore, the provisions of SFAS 109 regarding the recognition of deferred taxes apply to the new margin tax. In accordance with SFAS 109, the effect on deferred tax assets of a change in tax law should be included in tax expense attributable to continuing operations in the period that includes the enactment date. Therefore, the Partnership has calculated its deferred tax assets and liabilities for Texas based on the new margin tax. The cumulative effect of the change was immaterial. The impact of the change in deferred tax assets does not have a material impact on tax expense. State income taxes attributable to the Texas margin tax of \$183 and \$135 were recorded in current income tax expense for the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

In June 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued FASB Interpretation No. 48 (FIN 48),

Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes . FIN 48 is an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109, Accounting for Income Taxes . FIN 48 prescribes a comprehensive model for recognizing, measuring, presenting and disclosing in the financial statements uncertain tax positions taken or expected to be taken. The Partnership adopted FIN 48 effective January 1, 2007. There was no impact to the Partnership's financial statements as a result of adopting FIN 48, nor is there any impact in the current financial statements.

The components of income tax expense (benefit) from operations recorded for the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007 are as follows:

|                 | <b>Three Months Ended</b> |               |
|-----------------|---------------------------|---------------|
|                 | <b>2008</b>               | <b>2007</b>   |
| <b>Current:</b> |                           |               |
| Federal         | \$ (164)                  | \$ 169        |
| State           | 183                       | 180           |
|                 | <b>\$ 19</b>              | <b>\$ 349</b> |

**Deferred:**

|         |         |        |
|---------|---------|--------|
| Federal | \$ (80) | \$     |
|         | \$ (61) | \$ 349 |

**(14) CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

In connection with the Partnership's filing of a shelf registration statement on Form S-3 with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the Registration Statement), Martin Operating Partnership L.P. (the

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Operating Partnership ), the Partnership's wholly-owned subsidiary, may issue unconditional guarantees of senior or subordinated debt securities of the Partnership in the event that the Partnership issues such securities from time to time under the registration statement. If issued, the guarantees will be full, irrevocable and unconditional. In addition, the Operating Partnership may also issue senior or subordinated debt securities under the Registration Statement which, if issued, will be fully, irrevocably and unconditionally guaranteed by the Partnership. The Partnership does not provide separate financial statements of the Operating Partnership because the Partnership has no independent assets or operations, the guarantees are full and unconditional and the other subsidiary of the Partnership is minor. There are no significant restrictions on the ability of the Partnership or the Operating Partnership to obtain funds from any of their respective subsidiaries by dividend or loan.

**(15) COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

From time to time, the Partnership is subject to various claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, the ultimate disposition of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on the Partnership.

In addition to the foregoing, as a result of a routine inspection by the U.S. Coast Guard of the Partnership's tug Martin Explorer at the Freeport Sulfur Dock Terminal in Tampa, Florida, the Partnership has been informed that an investigation has been commenced concerning a possible violation of the Act to Prevent Pollution from Ships, 33 USC 1901, et. seq., and the MARPOL Protocol 73/78. In connection with this matter, two of the Partnership's employees were served with grand jury subpoenas during the fourth quarter of 2007. The Partnership is cooperating with the investigation and, as of the date of this report, no formal charges, fines and/or penalties have been asserted against the Partnership.

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

References in this quarterly report to Martin Resource Management refers to Martin Resource Management Corporation and its subsidiaries, unless the context otherwise requires. You should read the following discussion of our financial condition and results of operations in conjunction with the consolidated and condensed financial statements and the notes thereto included elsewhere in this quarterly report.

**Forward-Looking Statements**

This quarterly report on Form 10-Q includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Statements included in this quarterly report that are not historical facts (including any statements concerning plans and objectives of management for future operations or economic performance, or assumptions or forecasts related thereto), including, without limitation, the information set forth in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, are forward-looking statements. These statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology including forecast, may, believe, will, expect, anticipate, estimate, continue, and similar words. These statements discuss future expectations, contain projections of results of operations or of financial condition or state other forward-looking information. We and our representatives may from time to time make other oral or written statements that are also forward-looking statements.

These forward-looking statements are made based upon management's current plans, expectations, estimates, assumptions and beliefs concerning future events impacting us and therefore involve a number of risks and uncertainties. We caution that forward-looking statements are not guarantees and that actual results could differ materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements.

Because these forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, actual results could differ materially from those expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements for a number of important reasons, including those discussed under Item 1A. Risk Factors of our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) on March 5, 2008.

**Overview**

We are a publicly traded limited partnership with a diverse set of operations focused primarily in the United States Gulf Coast region. Our four primary business lines include:

Terminalling and storage services for petroleum and by-products;

Natural gas services;

Marine transportation services for petroleum products and by-products; and

Sulfur and sulfur-based products gathering, processing, marketing, manufacturing and distribution.

The petroleum products and by-products we collect, transport, store and market are produced primarily by major and independent oil and gas companies who often turn to third parties, such as us, for the transportation and disposition of these products. In addition to these major and independent oil and gas companies, our primary customers include independent refiners, large chemical companies, fertilizer manufacturers and other wholesale purchasers of these products. We operate primarily in the Gulf Coast region of the United States. This region is a major hub for petroleum refining, natural gas gathering and processing and support services for the exploration and production industry.

We were formed in 2002 by Martin Resource Management, a privately-held company whose initial predecessor was incorporated in 1951 as a supplier of products and services to drilling rig contractors. Since then, Martin Resource Management has expanded its operations through acquisitions and internal expansion initiatives as its management identified and capitalized on the needs of producers and purchasers of hydrocarbon products and by-products and other bulk liquids. Martin Resource Management owns an approximate 34.9% limited partnership interest in us. Furthermore, it owns and controls our general partner, which owns a 2.0% general partner interest and incentive distribution rights in us.



Martin Resource Management has operated our business for several years. Martin Resource Management began operating our natural gas services business in the 1950s and our sulfur business in the 1960s. It began our marine transportation business in the late 1980s. It entered into our fertilizer and

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terminalling and storage businesses in the early 1990s. In recent years, Martin Resource Management has increased the size of our asset base through expansions and strategic acquisitions.

**Critical Accounting Policies**

Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based on the historical consolidated and condensed financial statements included elsewhere herein. We prepared these financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. The preparation of these financial statements required us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the dates of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. We based our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances. Our results may differ from these estimates. Currently, we believe that our accounting policies do not require us to make estimates using assumptions about matters that are highly uncertain. However, we have described below the critical accounting policies that we believe could impact our consolidated and condensed financial statements most significantly.

You should also read Note 1, *General* in Notes to Consolidated and Condensed Financial Statements contained in this quarterly report and the *Significant Accounting Policies* note in the consolidated financial statements included in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007 filed with the SEC on March 5, 2008 in conjunction with this Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations. Some of the more significant estimates in these financial statements include the amount of the allowance for doubtful accounts receivable and the determination of the fair value of our reporting units under SFAS No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets* ( SFAS 142 ).

***Derivatives***

In accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133 ( SFAS No. 133 ), *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*, all derivatives and hedging instruments are included on the balance sheet as an asset or liability measured at fair value and changes in fair value are recognized currently in earnings unless specific hedge accounting criteria are met. If a derivative qualifies for hedge accounting, changes in the fair value can be offset against the change in the fair value of the hedged item through earnings or recognized in other comprehensive income until such time as the hedged item is recognized in earnings. Our hedging policy allows us to use hedge accounting for financial transactions that are designated as hedges. Derivative instruments not designated as hedges or hedges that become ineffective are being marked to market with all market value adjustments being recorded in the consolidated statements of operations. As of March 31, 2008, we have designated a portion of our derivative instruments as qualifying cash flow hedges. Fair value changes for these hedges have been recorded in other comprehensive income as a component of equity.

***Product Exchanges***

The Partnership enters into product exchange agreements with third parties whereby the Partnership agrees to exchange natural gas liquids ( NGLs ) and sulfur with third parties. The Partnership records the balance of exchange products due to other companies under these agreements at quoted market product prices and the balance of exchange products due from other companies at the lower of cost or market. Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out ( FIFO ) method.

***Revenue Recognition***

Revenue for our four operating segments is recognized as follows:

*Terminalling and storage* Revenue is recognized for storage contracts based on the contracted monthly tank fixed fee. For throughput contracts, revenue is recognized based on the volume moved through the Partnership's terminals at the contracted rate. When lubricants and drilling fluids are sold by truck, revenue is recognized upon delivering product to the customers as title to the product transfers when the customer physically receives the product.

*Natural gas services* Natural gas gathering and processing revenues are recognized when title passes or service is performed. NGL distribution revenue is recognized when product is delivered by truck to our NGL customers, which occurs when the customer physically receives the product. When product is sold in

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storage, or by pipeline, the Partnership recognizes NGL distribution revenue when the customer receives the product from either the storage facility or pipeline.

*Marine transportation* Revenue is recognized for contracted trips upon completion of the particular trip. For time charters, revenue is recognized based on a per day rate.

*Sulfur services* Revenues are recognized when the products are delivered, which occurs when the customer has taken title and has assumed the risks and rewards of ownership based on specific contract terms at either the shipping or delivery point.

***Equity Method Investments***

We use the equity method of accounting for investments in unconsolidated entities where the ability to exercise significant influence over such entities exists. Investments in unconsolidated entities consist of capital contributions and advances plus our share of accumulated earnings as of the entities' latest fiscal year-ends, less capital withdrawals and distributions. Investments in excess of the underlying net assets of equity method investees, specifically identifiable to property, plant and equipment, are amortized over the useful life of the related assets. Excess investment representing equity method goodwill is not amortized but is evaluated for impairment, annually. Under the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ( SFAS ) No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets*, this goodwill is not subject to amortization and is accounted for as a component of the investment. Equity method investments are subject to impairment under the provisions of Accounting Principles Board ( APB ) Opinion No. 18, *The Equity Method of Accounting for Investments in Common Stock*. No portion of the net income from these entities is included in our operating income.

We own an unconsolidated 50% of the ownership interests in Waskom Gas Processing Company ( Waskom ), Matagorda Offshore Gathering System ( Matagorda ), Panther Interstate Pipeline Energy LLC ( PIPE ) and a 20% ownership interest in a partnership which owns the lease rights to Bosque County Pipeline ( BCP ). Each of these interests is accounted for under the equity method of accounting.

***Goodwill***

Goodwill is subject to a fair-value based impairment test on an annual basis. We are required to identify our reporting units and determine the carrying value of each reporting unit by assigning the assets and liabilities, including the existing goodwill and intangible assets. We are required to determine the fair value of each reporting unit and compare it to the carrying amount of the reporting unit. To the extent the carrying amount of a reporting unit exceeds the fair value of the reporting unit, we would be required to perform the second step of the impairment test, as this is an indication that the reporting unit goodwill may be impaired.

All four of our reporting units , terminalling, marine transportation, natural gas services and sulfur services, contain goodwill.

We determined fair value in each reporting unit based on a multiple of current annual cash flows. This multiple was derived from our experience with actual acquisitions and dispositions and our valuation of recent potential acquisitions and dispositions.

***Environmental Liabilities***

We have historically not experienced circumstances requiring us to account for environmental remediation obligations. If such circumstances arise, we would estimate remediation obligations utilizing a remediation feasibility study and any other related environmental studies that we may elect to perform. We would record changes to our estimated environmental liability as circumstances change or events occur, such as the issuance of revised orders by governmental bodies or court or other judicial orders and our evaluation of the likelihood and amount of the related eventual liability.

***Allowance for Doubtful Accounts***

In evaluating the collectability of our accounts receivable, we assess a number of factors, including a specific customer's ability to meet its financial obligations to us, the length of time the receivable has been past

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due and historical collection experience. Based on these assessments, we record specific and general reserves for bad debts to reduce the related receivables to the amount we ultimately expect to collect from customers.

***Asset Retirement Obligation***

We recognize and measure our asset and conditional asset retirement obligations and the associated asset retirement cost upon acquisition of the related asset and based upon the estimate of the cost to settle the obligation at its anticipated future date. The obligation is accreted to its estimated future value and the asset retirement cost is depreciated over the estimated life of the asset.

**Our Relationship with Martin Resource Management**

Martin Resource Management is engaged in the following principal business activities:

providing land transportation of various liquids using a fleet of trucks and road vehicles and road trailers;

distributing fuel oil, asphalt, sulfuric acid, marine fuel and other liquids;

providing marine bunkering and other shore-based marine services in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas;

operating a small crude oil gathering business in Stephens, Arkansas;

operating a lube oil processing facility in Smackover, Arkansas;

operating an underground NGL storage facility in Arcadia, Louisiana;

developing an underground natural gas storage facility in Arcadia, Louisiana;

supplying employees and services for the operation of our business;

operating, for its account and our account, the docks, roads, loading and unloading facilities and other common use facilities or access routes at our Stanolind terminal;

operating, solely for our account, an NGL truck loading and unloading and pipeline distribution terminal in Mont Belvieu, Texas; and

operating, solely for our account, the asphalt facilities in Omaha, Nebraska.

We are and will continue to be closely affiliated with Martin Resource Management as a result of the following relationships.

***Ownership***

Martin Resource Management owns an approximate 34.9% limited partnership interest and a 2% general partnership interest in us and all of our incentive distribution rights.

***Management***

Martin Resource Management directs our business operations through its ownership and control of our general partner. We benefit from our relationship with Martin Resource Management through access to a significant pool of management expertise and established relationships throughout the energy industry. We do not have employees. Martin Resource Management employees are responsible for conducting our business and operating our assets on our behalf.

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We are a party to an omnibus agreement with Martin Resource Management. The omnibus agreement requires us to reimburse Martin Resource Management for all direct expenses it incurs or payments it makes on our behalf or in connection with the operation of our business. We reimbursed Martin Resource Management for \$17.2 million of direct costs and expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to \$12.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007. There is no monetary limitation on the amount we are required to reimburse Martin Resource Management for direct expenses.

In addition to the direct expenses, under the omnibus agreement, the reimbursement amount that we are required to pay to Martin Resource Management with respect to indirect general and administrative and corporate overhead expenses was capped at \$2.0 million. This cap expired on November 1, 2007. Effective January 1, 2008, the Conflicts Committee of our general partner approved a reimbursement amount for indirect expenses of \$2.7 million for the year ending December 31, 2008. We reimbursed Martin Resource Management for \$0.7 and \$0.3 million of indirect expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007. These indirect expenses covered the centralized corporate functions Martin Resource Management provides for us, such as accounting, treasury, clerical billing, information technology, administration of insurance, general office expenses and employee benefit plans and other general corporate overhead functions we share with Martin Resource Management retained businesses. The omnibus agreement also contains significant non-compete provisions and indemnity obligations. Martin Resource Management also licenses certain of its trademarks and trade names to us under the omnibus agreement.

In addition to the omnibus agreement, we and Martin Resource Management have entered into various other agreements that are not the result of arm's-length negotiations and consequently may not be as favorable to us as they might have been if we had negotiated them with unaffiliated third parties. The agreements include, but are not limited to, a motor carrier agreement, a terminal services agreement, a marine transportation agreement, a product storage agreement, a product supply agreement, a throughput agreement, and a Purchaser Use Easement, Ingress-Egress Easement and Utility Facilities Easement. Pursuant to the terms of the omnibus agreement, we are prohibited from entering into certain material agreements with Martin Resource Management without the approval of the conflicts committee of our general partner's board of directors.

For a more comprehensive discussion concerning the omnibus agreement and the other agreements that we have entered into with Martin Resource Management, please refer to Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions - Agreements set forth in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007 filed with the SEC on March 5, 2008.

***Commercial***

We have been and anticipate that we will continue to be both a significant customer and supplier of products and services offered by Martin Resource Management. Our motor carrier agreement with Martin Resource Management provides us with access to Martin Resource Management's fleet of road vehicles and road trailers to provide land transportation in the areas served by Martin Resource Management. Our ability to utilize Martin Resource Management's land transportation operations is currently a key component of our integrated distribution network.

We also use the underground storage facilities owned by Martin Resource Management in our natural gas services operations. We lease an underground storage facility from Martin Resource Management in Arcadia, Louisiana with a storage capacity of 2.0 million barrels. Our use of this storage facility gives us greater flexibility in our operations by allowing us to store a sufficient supply of product during times of decreased demand for use when demand increases.

In the aggregate, our purchases of land transportation services, NGL storage services, sulfuric acid and lube oil product purchases and sulfur services payroll reimbursements from Martin Resource Management accounted for approximately 9% and 13% of our total cost of products sold during the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. We also purchase marine fuel from Martin Resource Management, which we account for as an operating expense.

Correspondingly, Martin Resource Management is one of our significant customers. It primarily uses our terminalling, marine transportation and NGL distribution services for its operations. We provide

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terminalling and storage services under a terminal services agreement. We provide marine transportation services to Martin Resource Management under a charter agreement on a spot-contract basis at applicable market rates. Our sales to Martin Resource Management accounted for approximately 5% and 6% of our total revenues for the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. We provide terminalling and storage and marine transportation services to Midstream Fuel and Midstream Fuel provides terminal services to us to handle lubricants, greases and drilling fluids.

For a more comprehensive discussion concerning the agreements that we have entered into with Martin Resource Management, please refer to Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions Agreements set forth in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007 filed with the SEC on March 5, 2008.

**Approval and Review of Related Party Transactions**

If we contemplate entering into a transaction, other than a routine or in the ordinary course of business transaction, in which a related person will have a direct or indirect material interest, the proposed transaction is submitted for consideration to the board of directors of our general partner or to our management, as appropriate. If the board of directors is involved in the approval process, it determines whether to refer the matter to the Conflicts Committee of our general partner's board of directors, as constituted under our limited partnership agreement. If a matter is referred to the Conflicts Committee, it obtains information regarding the proposed transaction from management and determines whether to engage independent legal counsel or an independent financial advisor to advise the members of the committee regarding the transaction. If the Conflicts Committee retains such counsel or financial advisor, it considers such advice and, in the case of a financial advisor, such advisor's opinion as to whether the transaction is fair and reasonable to us and to our unitholders.

**Results of Operations**

The results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007 have been derived from the consolidated and condensed financial statements of the Partnership.

We evaluate segment performance on the basis of operating income, which is derived by subtracting cost of products sold, operating expenses, selling, general and administrative expenses, and depreciation and amortization expense from revenues. The following table sets forth our operating revenues and operating income by segment for the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007. The results of operations for the first three months of the year are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations which might be expected for the entire year.

Effective October 1, 2007, we made changes to the way we report our segments. During the fourth quarter of 2007, we effected a significant internal reorganization of the sulfur and fertilizer businesses and implemented a new financial reporting system which grouped and reported financial results differently to management for sulfur and sulfur-based fertilizer products formerly reported in separate segments in our financial statements. Based on the changes in our financial reporting structure, the previously reported financial information for the sulfur and fertilizer segments have been combined into one segment known as the Sulfur Services segment. The prior-period segment data previously reported in the sulfur and fertilizer segments have been combined and restated in the new reporting segment to conform to the current period's presentation.

|  | Operating<br>Revenues | Revenues<br>Intersegment<br>Eliminations | Operating<br>Revenues<br>after<br>Eliminations | Operating<br>Income<br>(loss) | Operating<br>Income<br>Intersegment<br>Eliminations | Operating<br>Income<br>(loss)<br>after<br>Eliminations |
|--|-----------------------|--|--|-------------------------------|---|--|
|  | (In thousands)        |  |  |                               |   |  |
| <b>Three months ended<br/>March 31, 2008</b> |                       |  |  |                               |   |  |
| Terminalling and storage                     | \$ 20,362             | \$ (1,066)                               | \$ 19,296                                      | \$ 2,109                      | \$ (933)  | \$ 1,176   |
| Natural gas services                         | 207,092               |  | 207,092  | (183)                         | 224   | 41   |

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|   |            |            |            |          |       |          |
|---|------------|------------|------------|----------|-------|----------|
| Marine transportation                           | 16,981     | (578)      | 16,403     | 1,300    | (508) | 792      |
| Sulfur services                                 | 70,241     | (16)       | 70,225     | 7,109    | 1,217 | 8,326    |
| Indirect selling, general<br>and administrative |            |            |            | (1,327)  |       | (1,327)  |
| Total   | \$ 314,676 | \$ (1,660) | \$ 313,016 | \$ 9,008 | \$    | \$ 9,008 |

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|  | <b>Operating</b>      | <b>Revenues</b>     | <b>Operating</b>    | <b>Revenues</b> | <b>Operating</b> | <b>Operating</b>    | <b>Operating</b> |
|--|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|
|  | <b>Revenues</b>       | <b>Intersegment</b> | <b>Revenues</b>     | <b>after</b>    | <b>Operating</b> | <b>Income</b>       | <b>Income</b>    |
|  | <b>Revenues</b>       | <b>Eliminations</b> | <b>Eliminations</b> | <b>Income</b>   | <b>(loss)</b>    | <b>Eliminations</b> | <b>(loss)</b>    |
|  | <b>(In thousands)</b> |                     |                     |                 |                  |                     |                  |
| <b>Three months ended</b>                    |                       |                     |                     |                 |                  |                     |                  |
| <b>March 31, 2007</b>                        |                       |                     |                     |                 |                  |                     |                  |
| Terminalling and storage                     | \$ 10,841             | \$ (97)             | \$ 10,744           | \$ 2,887        | \$ 90            | \$ 2,977            |                  |
| Natural gas services                         | 101,788               |                     | 101,788             | 1,944           |                  | 1,944               |                  |
| Marine transportation                        | 14,876                | (992)               | 13,884              | 2,004           | (986)            | 1,018               |                  |
| Sulfur services                              | 29,530                | (150)               | 29,380              | 1,521           | 896              | 2,417               |                  |
| Indirect selling, general and administrative |                       |                     |                     | (756)           |                  | (756)               |                  |
| <b>Total</b>                                 | <b>\$ 157,035</b>     | <b>\$ (1,239)</b>   | <b>\$ 155,796</b>   | <b>\$ 7,600</b> | <b>\$</b>        | <b>\$ 7,600</b>     |                  |

Our results of operations are discussed on a comparative basis below. There are certain items of income and expense which we do not allocate on a segment basis. These items, including equity in earnings (loss) of unconsolidated entities, interest expense, and indirect selling, general and administrative expenses, are discussed after the comparative discussion of our results within each segment.

**Three Months Ended March 31, 2008 Compared to the Three Months Ended March 31, 2007**

Our total revenues before eliminations were \$314.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to \$157.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007, an increase of \$157.7 million, or 100%. Our operating income before eliminations was \$9.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to \$7.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007, an increase of \$1.4 million, or 18%.

The results of operations are described in greater detail on a segment basis below.

**Terminalling and Storage Segment**

The following table summarizes our results of operations in our terminalling and storage segment.

|  | <b>Three Months Ended</b> |               |
|--|---------------------------|---------------|
|  | <b>March 31,</b>          |               |
|  | <b>2008</b>               | <b>2007</b>   |
|  | <b>(In thousands)</b>     |               |
| Revenues:                                    |                           |               |
| Services                                     | \$ 8,932                  | \$ 6,951      |
| Products                                     | 11,430                    | 3,890         |
| <b>Total revenues</b>                        | <b>20,362</b>             | <b>10,841</b> |
| Cost of products sold                        | 9,921                     | 3,165         |
| Operating expenses                           | 6,170                     | 3,420         |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 21                        | 29            |
| Depreciation and amortization                | 2,141                     | 1,340         |



2,109 2,887

Other operating income

Operating income \$ 2,109 \$ 2,887

*Revenues.* Our terminalling and storage revenues increased \$9.5 million, or 88%, for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2007. Service revenue accounted for \$2.0 million of this increase due to recent acquisitions and new capital projects being placed into service during the last twelve months. Product revenue increased \$7.5 million, or 194%, primarily due to our acquisition of the operating assets of Mega Lubricants Inc. ( Mega Lubricants ) in June 2007 and an increase in product cost that was able to be passed along to our customers.

*Cost of products sold.* Our cost of products sold increased \$6.8 million, or 213%, for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2007. This increase was due to our Mega Lubricants acquisition and an increase in product cost.

*Operating expenses.* Operating expenses increased \$2.7 million, or 80%, for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2007. The increase was due primarily to recent

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acquisitions and new capital projects being placed into services during the last twelve months and increased salaries and related burden, product handling costs and repairs and maintenance related to increased activity at our existing terminals.

*Selling, general and administrative expenses.* Selling, general and administrative expenses were approximately the same for both three month periods ended March 31, 2008 and 2007.

*Depreciation and amortization.* Depreciation and amortization increased \$0.8 million, or 60%, for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2007. The increase was primarily a result of recent acquisitions and other capital expenditures.

In summary, our terminalling operating income decreased \$0.8 million, or 27%, as result of an increase in depreciation expense for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2007.

**Natural Gas Services Segment**

The following table summarizes our results of operations in our natural gas services segment.

|   | <b>Three Months Ended March<br/>31,</b> |                 |
|---|---|-----------------|
|   | <b>2008</b>                             | <b>2007</b>     |
|   | <b>(In thousands)</b>                   |                 |
| Revenues:   |   |                 |
| NGLs  | \$ 194,609                              | \$ 98,232       |
| Natural gas   | 13,812                                  | 3,145           |
| Non-cash mark to market adjustment of commodity derivatives | (1,117)                                 | (496)           |
| Gain (loss) on cash settlements of commodity derivatives    | (944)                                   | 337             |
| Other operating fees  | 732                                     | 570             |
| <b>Total revenues</b>                                       | <b>207,092</b>                          | <b>101,788</b>  |
| Cost of products sold:                                      |   |                 |
| NGLs  | 189,147                                 | 93,887          |
| Natural gas   | 13,927                                  | 2,885           |
| <b>Total cost of products sold</b>                          | <b>203,074</b>                          | <b>96,772</b>   |
| Operating expenses  | 1,999                                   | 1,323           |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses                | 1,226                                   | 1,318           |
| Depreciation and amortization                               | 977                                     | 431             |
|   | (184)                                   | 1,944           |
| <b>Other operating income</b>                               | <b>1</b>                                | <b>0</b>        |
| <b>Operating income (loss)</b>                              | <b>\$ (183)</b>                         | <b>\$ 1,944</b> |
| NGLs Volumes (Bbls)   | 2,787                                   | 2,130           |
| Natural Gas Volumes (Mmbtu)                                 | 1,797                                   | 483             |

Information above does not include activities relating to Waskom, PIPE, Matagorda and BCP investments

|   |    |        |    |       |
|---|----|--------|----|-------|
| Equity in Earnings of Unconsolidated Entities | \$ | 3,510  | \$ | 2,050 |
| Waskom:                                       |    |        |    |       |
| Plant Inlet Volumes (Mmcf/d)                  |    | 258    |    | 188   |
| Frac Volumes (Bbls/d)                         |    | 10,044 |    | 7,324 |

*Revenues.* Our natural gas services revenues increased \$105.3 million, or 104% for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2007 due to higher commodity prices, in addition to increased natural gas and NGL volumes.

For the three months ended March 31, 2008, NGL revenues increased \$96.4 million, or 98% and natural gas revenues increased \$10.7 million, or 339%. NGL sales volumes for the three months of 2008

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increased 31% and natural gas volumes increased 272% compared to the same period of 2007. Our NGL average sales price per barrel for the three months ended March 31, 2008 increased \$23.70 or 51% and our natural gas average sales price per Mmbtu increased \$1.18, or 18% compared to the same period of 2007. The increase in NGL volumes is primarily due to increased industrial demand, offset by a decrease in demand from propane volumes experienced during the first quarter of 2008 as compared to the first quarter of 2007. The increase in natural gas volumes is primarily due to the acquisition of Woodlawn Pipeline Co., Inc. ( Woodlawn ), which was completed in the second quarter of 2007.

Our natural gas services segment utilizes derivative instruments to manage the risk of fluctuations in market prices for its anticipated sales of natural gas, condensate and NGLs. This activity is referred to as price risk management. For the three months ended March 31, 2008, 57% of our total natural gas volumes and 72% of our total NGL volumes were hedged as compared to 46% and 53%, for the same period in 2007. The impact of price risk management and marketing activities decreased total natural gas and NGL revenues \$2.1 million for the first quarter of 2008 compared to a decrease of \$0.2 million in the same period of 2007. Of the \$2.1 million decrease, \$1.1 was attributable to a non-cash mark to market adjustments made against our derivative contracts and \$0.9 million is related to a loss recognized on cash settlements of our derivative contracts.

*Costs of product sold.* Our cost of products sold increased \$106.3 million, or 110%, for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the same period of 2007. Of the increase, \$95.3 million relates to NGLs and \$11.0 million relates to natural gas. The percentage increase in NGL cost of products sold is greater than our percentage increase in NGL revenues as our NGL margins decreased \$0.08 per barrel, or 4%. This is primarily due to decreased demand in higher margin propane volumes due to warmer weather conditions experienced during the first quarter of 2008, offset by increased demand for lower margin industrial NGLs. The percentage increase relating to natural gas cost of products sold is greater than the percentage increase in natural gas revenues which caused our Mmbtu margins to decrease by 112%. In addition, the terms of Woodlawn's producer contracts compared to our historical producer contracts combined with operational issues lead to a volume loss on the Woodlawn system. Contributing factors to these operational issues are being identified and corrected as part of an ongoing project expected to be complete by third quarter of 2008.

*Operating expenses.* Operating expenses increased \$0.7 million, or 51%, for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the same period of 2007. This increase is primarily due to the Woodlawn acquisition.

*Selling, general and administrative expenses.* Selling, general and administrative expenses remained relatively constant for the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007.

*Depreciation and amortization.* Depreciation and amortization increased \$0.6 million, or 127%, for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the same period of 2007. This increase was primarily a result of the Woodlawn acquisition.

In summary, our natural gas services operating income decreased \$2.1 million, or 110%, for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the same period of 2007.

*Equity in earnings of unconsolidated entities.* Equity in earnings of unconsolidated entities was \$3.5 million and \$2.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively, an increase of 71%. This increase is primarily a result of completing the expansions to the Waskom plant and the Waskom fractionator in the first half of 2007, resulting in our inlet volumes and fractionation volumes increasing 37%.

**Marine Transportation Segment**

The following table summarizes our results of operations in our marine transportation segment.

|  | <b>Three Months Ended<br/>March 31,</b> |             |
|--|---|-------------|
|  | <b>2008</b>                             | <b>2007</b> |
|  | <b>(In thousands)</b>                   |             |
| Revenues                                     | \$ 16,981                               | \$ 14,876   |
| Operating expenses                           | 12,775                                  | 10,867      |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 251                                     | 66          |

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|                               |          |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Depreciation and amortization | 2,794    | 1,939    |
|                               | 1,161    | 2,004    |
| Other operating income        | 139      |          |
| Operating income              | \$ 1,300 | \$ 2,004 |

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*Revenues.* Our marine transportation revenues increased \$2.1 million, or 14%, for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2007. Our inland marine operations generated an additional \$1.7 million in revenue from expansion of our fleet and increased contract rates. Our offshore revenues increased \$0.3 million.

*Operating expenses.* Operating expenses increased \$1.9 million, or 18%, for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2007. We experienced increases in operating costs from fuel expense, repairs and maintenance and crew wages and the related salary burden.

*Selling, general, and administrative expenses.* Selling, general and administrative increased \$0.2 million, for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2007.

*Depreciation and Amortization.* Depreciation and amortization increased \$0.9 million, or 44%, for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2007. This increase was primarily a result of capital expenditures made in the last twelve months.

In summary, our marine transportation operating income decreased \$0.7 million, or 35%, for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2007.

**Sulfur Services Segment**

The following table summarizes our results of operations in our sulfur segment.

|  | <b>Three Months Ended<br/>March 31</b> |             |
|--|--|-------------|
|  | <b>2008</b>                            | <b>2007</b> |
|  | <b>(In thousands)</b>                  |             |
| Revenues                                     | \$ 70,241                              | \$ 29,530   |
| Cost of products sold                        | 57,217                                 | 22,013      |
| Operating expenses                           | 3,832                                  | 4,260       |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 655                                    | 551         |
| Depreciation and amortization                | 1,428                                  | 1,184       |
| Operating income                             | \$ 7,109                               | \$ 1,522    |
| Sulfur Services Volumes (long tons)          | 357.3                                  | 365.6       |

*Revenues.* Our sulfur services revenues increased \$40.1 million, or 138%, for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2007. This increase was primarily a result of a 143% increase in our average sales price. The sales price increase was due primarily to increased market prices for our sulfur products, primarily driven by higher costs of sulfur and raw materials for sulfur-based products.

*Cost of products sold.* Our cost of products sold increased \$35.2 million, or 160%, for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2007. Our margin per ton increased 77% which was driven by a strong international demand in the prilled sulfur markets and being able to spread our margin to our sulfur-based product customers.

*Operating expenses.* Our operating expenses decreased \$0.4 million, or 10%, for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2007. This decrease was a result of marine transportation costs related to a reduction in outside towing expense incurred for leased vessels.

*Selling, general, and administrative expenses.* Our selling, general, and administrative expenses increased \$0.1 million, or 19%, for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2007.

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*Depreciation and amortization.* Depreciation and amortization increased \$0.2 million, or 21%, for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2007. This is attributable to our sulfuric acid facility coming online in the fourth quarter of 2007.

In summary, our sulfur services operating income increased \$5.6 million, or 367%, for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2007.

**Statement of Operations Items as a Percentage of Revenues**

Our cost of products sold, operating expenses, selling, general and administrative expenses, and depreciation and amortization as a percentage of revenues for the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007 are as follows:

|  | <b>Three Months Ended<br/>March 31,</b> |             |
|--|---|-------------|
|  | <b>2008</b>                             | <b>2007</b> |
| Revenues                                     | 100%                                    | 100%        |
| Cost of products sold                        | 86%                                     | 78%         |
| Operating expenses                           | 8%                                      | 12%         |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 1%                                      | 2%          |
| Depreciation and amortization                | 2%                                      | 3%          |

**Equity in Earnings of Unconsolidated Entities**

For the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007 equity in earnings of unconsolidated entities relates to our unconsolidated interests in Waskom, Matagorda, PIPE and BCP.

Equity in earnings of unconsolidated entities was \$3.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to \$2.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007, a increase of \$1.4 million. This increase is related to the earnings of Waskom, Matagorda, PIPE and BCP.

**Interest Expense**

Our interest expense for all operations was \$4.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the \$3.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007, an increase of \$1.1 million, or 31%. This increase was primarily due to an increase in average debt outstanding and a mark to market charge on interest rate swaps of \$0.8 million which was offset by a decrease in interest rates in the three months of 2008 compared to the same period in 2007.

**Indirect Selling, General and Administrative Expenses**

Indirect selling, general and administrative expenses were \$1.3 million and \$0.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

Martin Resource Management allocated to us a portion of its indirect selling, general and administrative expenses for services such as accounting, treasury, clerical billing, information technology, administration of insurance, engineering, general office expense and employee benefit plans and other general corporate overhead functions we share with Martin Resource Management retained businesses. This allocation is based on the percentage of time spent by Martin Resource Management personnel that provide such centralized services. Generally accepted accounting principles also permit other methods for allocation these expenses, such as basing the allocation on the percentage of revenues contributed by a segment. The allocation of these expenses between Martin Resource Management and us is subject to a number of judgments and estimates, regardless of the method used. We can provide no assurances that our method of allocation, in the past or in the future, is or will be the most accurate or appropriate method of allocation these expenses. Other methods could result in a higher allocation of selling, general and administrative expense to us, which would reduce our net income. Under the omnibus agreement, the reimbursement amount with respect to indirect general and administrative and corporate overhead expenses was capped at \$2.0 million. This cap expired on November 1, 2007. Effective January 1, 2008, the Conflicts Committee of our general partner approved a reimbursement amount for indirect expenses of \$2.7 million for the year ending December 31, 2008. Martin

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Resource Management allocated indirect selling, general and administrative expenses of \$0.7 million and \$0.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

**Liquidity and Capital Resources**

*Cash Flows and Capital Expenditures*

For the three months ended March 31, 2008, cash increased \$2.8 million as a result of \$21.9 million provided by operating activities, \$38.2 million used in investing activities and \$19.1 million provided by financing activities. For the three months ended March 31, 2007, cash increased \$0.9 million as a result of \$11.9 million provided by operating activities, \$18.5 million used in investing activities and \$7.5 million provided by financing activities.

For the three months ended March 31, 2008 our investing activities of \$38.2 million consisted primarily of capital expenditures, acquisitions, proceeds from sale of property, and investments in and returns of investments from unconsolidated partnerships. For the three months ended March 31, 2007 our investing activities of \$18.5 million consisted primarily of capital expenditures, acquisitions and investments in and returns of investments from unconsolidated partnerships.

Generally, our capital expenditure requirements have consisted, and we expect that our capital requirements will continue to consist, of:

maintenance capital expenditures, which are capital expenditures made to replace assets to maintain our existing operations and to extend the useful lives of our assets; and

expansion capital expenditures, which are capital expenditures made to grow our business, to expand and upgrade our existing terminalling, marine transportation, storage and manufacturing facilities, and to construct new terminalling facilities, plants, storage facilities and new marine transportation assets.

For the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, our capital expenditures for property, plant and equipment were \$39.6 million and \$15.8 million, respectively.

As to each period:

For the three months ended March 31, 2008, we spent \$37.3 million for expansion and \$2.3 million for maintenance. Our expansion capital expenditures were made in connection with the asset acquisition of the Stanolind assets from Martin Resource Management, marine vessel purchases and conversions and construction projects associated with our terminalling business. Our maintenance capital expenditures were primarily made in our marine transportation segment to extend the useful lives of our marine assets and in our terminal segment for terminal facilities where less than \$0.1 million in maintenance capital expenditures was spent in connection with restoration of assets destroyed in Hurricane Rita and Katrina.

For the three months ended March 31, 2007, we spent \$14.8 million for expansion and \$1.0 million for maintenance. Our expansion capital expenditures were made in connection with projects related to upgrading a number our marine transportation assets, construction projects associated with our existing terminalling facilities, and the sulfuric acid plant construction project at our facility in Plainview, Texas. Our maintenance capital expenditures were primarily made in our marine transportation segment for routine dry dockings of our vessels pursuant to the United States Coast Guard requirements and in our terminal segment for terminal facilities where \$0.1 million in maintenance capital expenditures was spent in connection with restoration of assets destroyed in Hurricanes Rita and Katrina.

For the three months ended March 31, 2008, our financing activities consisted of cash distributions paid to common and subordinated unit holders of \$10.9 million, payments of long term debt to financial lenders of \$58.1 million, and borrowings of long-term debt under our credit facility of \$88.1 million.



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For the three months ended March 31, 2007, our financing activities consisted of cash distributions paid to common and subordinated unit holders of \$8.5 million, payments of long term debt to financial lenders of \$25.1 million, and borrowings of long-term debt under our credit facility of \$41.1 million

We made investments in unconsolidated entities of \$0.5 million and \$3.9 million during the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. The net investment in unconsolidated entities includes \$0.8 million and \$4.1 million of expansion capital expenditures in the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

***Capital Resources***

Historically, we have generally satisfied our working capital requirements and funded our capital expenditures with cash generated from operations and borrowings. We expect our primary sources of funds for short-term liquidity needs will be cash flows from operations and borrowings under our credit facility.

As of March 31, 2008, we had \$255.0 million of outstanding indebtedness, consisting of outstanding borrowings of \$125.0 million under our revolving credit facility and \$130.0 million under our term loan facility.

On January 22, 2008, we financed the Stanolind asset acquisition through approximately \$6.0 million in borrowings under our revolving credit facility.

On October 2, 2007, we financed the Monarch acquisition through approximately \$3.9 million in borrowings under our revolving credit facility.

On June 13, 2007, we financed the Mega Lubricants acquisition through approximately \$4.6 million in borrowings under our revolving credit facility.

On May 2, 2007, we financed the Woodlawn acquisition through approximately \$33.0 million in borrowings under our revolving credit facility.

In May 2007, the Partnership completed a follow-on public offering of 1,380,000 common units, resulting in proceeds of \$56.0 million, after payment of underwriters' discounts, commissions, and offering expenses. Our general partner contributed \$1.2 million in cash to us in conjunction with the offering in order to maintain its 2% general partner interest in us. The net proceeds were used to pay down revolving debt under the Partnership's credit facility and to provide working capital.

We believe that cash generated from operations, and our borrowing capacity under our credit facility, will be sufficient to meet our working capital requirements, anticipated capital expenditures and scheduled debt payments in 2008. However, our ability to satisfy our working capital requirements, to fund planned capital expenditures and to satisfy our debt service obligations will depend upon our future operating performance, which is subject to certain risks. Please read Item 1A. Risk Factors - Risks Related to Our Business in our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007 filed with the SEC on March 5, 2008 for a discussion of such risks.

*Total Contractual Cash Obligations.* A summary of our total contractual cash obligations as of March 31, 2008 is as follows (dollars in thousands):

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| Type of Obligation                        | Total<br>Obligation | Payment due by period |                   |                 | Due<br>Thereafter |
|---|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
|   |                     | Less than One<br>Year | 1-3<br>Years      | 3-5<br>Years    |                   |
| Long-Term Debt                            |                     |                       |                   |                 |                   |
| Revolving credit facility                 | \$ 125,000          | \$                    | \$ 125,000        | \$              | \$                |
| Term loan facility                        | 130,000             |                       | 130,000           |                 |                   |
| Other                                     | 1                   | 1                     |                   |                 |                   |
| Non-competition agreements                | 700                 | 250                   | 250               | 100             | 100               |
| Operating leases                          | 27,594              | 3,843                 | 9,418             | 5,152           | 9,181             |
| Interest expense(1)                       |                     |                       |                   |                 |                   |
| Revolving Credit Facility                 | 20,086              | 7,668                 | 12,418            |                 |                   |
| Term loan facility                        | 23,790              | 9,082                 | 14,708            |                 |                   |
| Other                                     |                     |                       |                   |                 |                   |
| <b>Total contractual cash obligations</b> | <b>\$ 327,171</b>   | <b>\$ 20,844</b>      | <b>\$ 291,794</b> | <b>\$ 5,252</b> | <b>\$ 9,281</b>   |

(1) Interest commitments are estimated using our current interest rates for the respective credit agreements over their remaining terms.

*Letter of Credit* At March 31, 2008, we had an outstanding irrevocable letter of credit in the amount of \$0.1 million which was issued under our revolving credit facility. This letter of credit was issued to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to provide financial assurance for our used oil handling program.

*Off Balance Sheet Arrangements.* We do not have any off-balance sheet financing arrangements.

**Description of Our Credit Facility**

On November 10, 2005, we entered into a new \$225.0 million multi-bank credit facility comprised of a \$130.0 million term loan facility and a \$95.0 million revolving credit facility, which includes a \$20.0 million letter of credit sub-limit. Our credit facility also includes procedures for additional financial institutions to become revolving lenders, or for any existing revolving lender to increase its revolving commitment, subject to a maximum of \$100.0 million for all such increases in revolving commitments of new or existing revolving lenders. Effective June 30, 2006, we increased our revolving credit facility \$25.0 million resulting in a committed \$120.0 million revolving credit facility. Effective December 28, 2007, the Partnership increased its revolving credit facility \$75.0 million resulting in a committed \$195.0 million revolving credit facility. The revolving credit facility is used for ongoing working capital needs and general partnership purposes, and to finance permitted investments, acquisitions and capital expenditures. Under the amended and restated credit facility, as of March 31, 2008, we had \$125.0 million outstanding under the revolving credit facility and \$130.0 million outstanding under the term loan facility. As of March 31, 2008, we had \$69.9 million available under our revolving credit facility.

On July 14, 2005, we issued a \$0.1 million irrevocable letter of credit to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to provide financial assurance for its used oil handling program.

Draws made under our credit facility are normally made to fund acquisitions and for working capital requirements. During the current fiscal year, draws on our credit facilities have ranged from a low of \$225.0 million to a high of \$279.2 million. As of March 31, 2008, we had \$69.9 million available for working capital, internal expansion and acquisition activities under the Partnership's credit facility.

Our obligations under the credit facility are secured by substantially all of our assets, including, without limitation, inventory, accounts receivable, marine vessels, equipment, fixed assets and the interests in our operating subsidiaries and equity method investees. We may prepay all amounts outstanding under this facility at any time without penalty.

Indebtedness under the credit facility bears interest at either LIBOR plus an applicable margin or the base prime rate plus an applicable margin. The applicable margin for revolving loans that are LIBOR loans ranges from 1.50% to 3.00% and the applicable margin for revolving loans that are base prime rate loans ranges from 0.50% to 2.00%. The applicable margin for term loans that are LIBOR loans ranges from 2.00% to 3.00% and the applicable margin for term loans that are base prime rate loans ranges from 1.00% to 2.00%. The

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applicable margin for existing borrowings is 2.00%. Effective April 1, 2008, the applicable margin for existing borrowings will remain 2.00%. As a result of our leverage ratio test, effective July 1, 2008, the applicable margin for existing borrowings will increase to 2.50%. We incur a commitment fee on the unused portions of the credit facility.

Effective January 2008, we entered into an interest rate swap that swaps \$25.0 million of floating rate to fixed rate. The fixed rate cost is 3.400% plus our applicable LIBOR borrowing spread. This interest rate swap which matures in January, 2010 is accounted for using hedge accounting.

Effective September 2007, we entered into an interest rate swap that swaps \$25.0 million of floating rate to fixed rate. The fixed rate cost is 4.605% plus our applicable LIBOR borrowing spread. This interest rate swap which matures in September, 2010 is accounted for using hedge accounting.

Effective November 2006, we entered into an interest rate swap that swaps \$40.0 million of floating rate to fixed rate. The fixed rate cost is 4.82% plus our applicable LIBOR borrowing spread. This interest rate swap which matures in December, 2009 is accounted for using hedge accounting.

Effective November 2006, we entered into an interest rate swap that swaps \$30.0 million of floating rate to fixed rate. The fixed rate cost is 4.765% plus our applicable LIBOR borrowing spread. This interest rate swap, which matures in March, 2010, is not accounted for using hedge accounting.

Effective March 2006, we entered into an interest rate swap that swaps \$75.0 million of floating rate to fixed rate. The fixed rate cost is 5.25% plus our applicable LIBOR borrowing spread. This interest rate swap which matures in November, 2010 is accounted for using hedge accounting.

In addition, the credit facility contains various covenants, which, among other things, limit our ability to: (i) incur indebtedness; (ii) grant certain liens; (iii) merge or consolidate unless we are the survivor; (iv) sell all or substantially all of our assets; (v) make certain acquisitions; (vi) make certain investments; (vii) make certain capital expenditures; (viii) make distributions other than from available cash; (ix) create obligations for some lease payments; (x) engage in transactions with affiliates; (xi) engage in other types of business; and (xii) our joint ventures to incur indebtedness or grant certain liens.

The credit facility also contains covenants, which, among other things, require us to maintain specified ratios of: (i) minimum net worth (as defined in the credit facility) of \$75.0 million plus 50% of net proceeds from equity issuances after November 10, 2005; (ii) EBITDA (as defined in the credit facility) to interest expense of not less than 3.0 to 1.0 at the end of each fiscal quarter; (iii) total funded debt to EBITDA of not more than (x) 5.5 to 1.0 for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2005, (y) 5.25 to 1.00 for the fiscal quarters ending December 31, 2005 through September 30, 2006, and (z) 4.75 to 1.00 for each fiscal quarter thereafter; and (iv) total secured funded debt to EBITDA of not more than (x) 5.50 to 1.00 for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2005, (y) 5.25 to 1.00 for the fiscal quarters ending December 31, 2005 through September 20, 2006, and (z) 4.00 to 1.00 for each fiscal quarter thereafter. We are in compliance with the debt covenants contained in the credit facility.

On November 10 of each year, commencing with November 10, 2006, we must prepay the term loans under the credit facility with 75% of Excess Cash Flow (as defined in the credit facility), unless its ratio of total funded debt to EBITDA is less than 3.00 to 1.00. No prepayments under the term loan were required to be made through March 31, 2008. If we receive greater than \$15.0 million from the incurrence of indebtedness other than under the credit facility, we must prepay indebtedness under the credit facility with all such proceeds in excess of \$15.0 million. Any such prepayments are first applied to the term loans under the credit facility. We must prepay revolving loans under the credit facility with the net cash proceeds from any issuance of its equity. We must also prepay indebtedness under the credit facility with the proceeds of certain asset dispositions. Other than these mandatory prepayments, the credit facility requires interest only payments on a quarterly basis until maturity. All outstanding principal and unpaid interest must be paid by November 10, 2010. The credit facility contains customary events of default, including, without limitation, payment defaults, cross-defaults to other material indebtedness, bankruptcy-related defaults, change of control defaults and litigation-related defaults.

As of May 6, 2008, our outstanding indebtedness includes \$267.5 million under our credit facility.

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**Seasonality**

A substantial portion of our revenues are dependent on sales prices of products, particularly NGLs and fertilizers, which fluctuate in part based on winter and spring weather conditions. The demand for NGLs is strongest during the winter heating season. The demand for fertilizers is strongest during the early spring planting season. However, our terminalling and storage and marine transportation businesses and the molten sulfur business are typically not impacted by seasonal fluctuations. We expect to derive a majority of our net income from our terminalling and storage, marine transportation and sulfur businesses. Therefore, we do not expect that our overall net income will be impacted by seasonality factors. However, extraordinary weather events, such as hurricanes, have in the past, and could in the future, impact our terminalling and storage and marine transportation businesses. For example, Hurricanes Katrina and Rita in the third quarter of 2005 adversely impacted operating expenses and the four hurricanes that impacted the Gulf of Mexico and Florida in the third quarter of 2004 adversely impacted our terminalling and storage and marine transportation business s revenues.

**Impact of Inflation**

Inflation in the United States has been relatively low in recent years and did not have a material impact on our results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007. However, inflation remains a factor in the United States economy and could increase our cost to acquire or replace property, plant and equipment as well as our labor and supply costs. We cannot assure you that we will be able to pass along increased costs to our customers.

Increasing energy prices could adversely affect our results of operations. Diesel fuel, natural gas, chemicals and other supplies are recorded in operating expenses. An increase in price of these products would increase our operating expenses which could adversely affect net income. We cannot assure you that we will be able to pass along increased operating expenses to our customers.

**Environmental Matters**

Our operations are subject to environmental laws and regulations adopted by various governmental authorities in the jurisdictions in which these operations are conducted. We incurred no material environmental costs, liabilities or expenditures to mitigate or eliminate environmental contamination during the three months ended March 31, 2008 or 2007.

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*Commodity Price Risk.* We are exposed to market risks associated with commodity prices, counterparty credit and interest rates. Historically, we have not engaged in commodity contract trading or hedging activities. Under our hedging policy, we monitor and manage the commodity market risk associated with the commodity risk exposure of Prism Gas. In addition, we are focusing on utilizing counterparties for these transactions whose financial condition is appropriate for the credit risk involved in each specific transaction.

We use derivatives to manage the risk of commodity price fluctuations. Our counterparties to the commodity derivative contracts include Shell Energy North America (US) L.P., Morgan Stanley Capital Group Inc., Wachovia Bank and Wells Fargo Bank.

On all transactions where we are exposed to counterparty risk, we analyze the counterparty's financial condition prior to entering into an agreement, and have established a maximum credit limit threshold pursuant to our hedging policy and monitor the appropriateness of these limits on an ongoing basis.

As a result of the Prism Gas acquisition, we are exposed to the impact of market fluctuations in the prices of natural gas, NGLs and condensate as a result of gathering, processing and sales activities. Prism Gas gathering and processing revenues are earned under various contractual arrangements with gas producers. Gathering revenues are generated through a combination of fixed-fee and index-related arrangements. Processing revenues are generated primarily through contracts which provide for processing on percent-of-liquids (POL) and percent-of-proceeds (POP) basis. Prism Gas has entered into hedging transactions through 2011 to protect a portion of its commodity exposure from these contracts. These hedging arrangements are in the form of swaps for crude oil, natural gas and ethane.

Based on estimated volumes, as of March 31, 2008, Prism Gas had hedged approximately 69%, 44%, 14% and 6% of its commodity risk by volume for 2008, 2009, 2010, and 2011, respectively. The Partnership anticipates entering into additional commodity derivatives on an ongoing basis to manage its risks associated with these market fluctuations, and will consider using various commodity derivatives, including forward contracts, swaps, collars, futures and options, although there is no assurance that the Partnership will be able to do so or that the terms thereof will be similar to the Partnership's existing hedging arrangements.

**Hedging Arrangements in Place  
As of March 31, 2008**

| <b>Year</b> | <b>Commodity Hedged</b>       | <b>Volume</b>         | <b>Type of Derivative</b>          | <b>Basis Reference</b>   |
|-------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2008        | Condensate & Natural Gasoline | 5,000<br>BBL/Month    | Crude Oil Swap (\$66.20)           | NYMEX                    |
| 2008        | Natural Gas                   | 30,000<br>MMBTU/Month | Natural Gas Swap (\$8.12)          | Houston Ship<br>Channel  |
| 2008        | Ethane                        | 5,000<br>BBL/Month    | Ethane Swap (\$27.30)              | Mt. Belvieu              |
| 2008        | Natural Gasoline              | 3,000<br>BBL/Month    | Crude Oil Swap (\$70.75)           | NYMEX                    |
| 2008        | Natural Gasoline              | 3,000<br>BBL/Month    | Natural Gasoline Swap<br>(\$87.31) | Mt. Belvieu<br>(Non-TET) |
| 2008        | Natural Gasoline              | 3,000<br>BBL/Month    | Natural Gasoline Swap<br>(\$86.52) | Mt. Belvieu<br>(Non-TET) |
| 2008        | Natural Gasoline              | 3,000<br>BBL/Month    | Natural Gasoline Swap<br>(\$85.79) | Mt. Belvieu<br>(Non-TET) |
| 2008        | Natural Gasoline              | 3,000<br>BBL/Month    | Natural Gasoline Swap<br>(\$85.10) | Mt. Belvieu<br>(Non-TET) |
| 2009        | Natural Gas                   | 30,000<br>MMBTU/Month | Natural Gas Swap (9.025)           | Columbia Gulf            |
| 2009        | Condensate & Natural Gasoline | 3,000<br>BBL/Month    | Crude Oil Swap (\$69.08)           | NYMEX                    |

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|      |                  |                    |                                    |                          |
|------|------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2009 | Natural Gasoline | 3,000<br>BBL/Month | Crude Oil Swap (\$70.90)           | NYMEX                    |
| 2009 | Condensate       | 1,000<br>BBL/Month | Crude Oil Swap (\$70.45)           | NYMEX                    |
| 2009 | Natural Gasoline | 2,000<br>BBL/Month | Natural Gasoline Swap<br>(\$86.42) | Mt. Belvieu<br>(Non-TET) |
| 2010 | Condensate       | 2,000<br>BBL/Month | Crude Oil Swap (\$69.15)           | NYMEX                    |
| 2010 | Natural Gasoline | 3,000<br>BBL/Month | Crude Oil Swap (\$72.25)           | NYMEX                    |
| 2011 | Natural Gasoline | 2,000<br>BBL/Month | Crude Oil Swap (\$99.15)           | NYMEX                    |

The Partnership's principal customers with respect to Prism Gas' natural gas gathering and processing are large, natural gas marketing services, oil and gas producers and industrial end-users. In addition, substantially all of the Partnership's natural gas and NGL sales are made at market-based prices. The Partnership's standard gas and NGL sales contracts contain adequate assurance provisions which allows for the suspension of deliveries, cancellation of agreements or discontinuance of deliveries to the buyer unless the buyer provides security for payment in a form satisfactory to the Partnership.

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*Interest Rate Risk.* We are exposed to changes in interest rates as a result of our credit facility, which had a weighted-average interest rate of 6.57% as of March 31, 2008. We had a total of \$255.0 million of indebtedness outstanding under our credit facility as of the date hereof of which \$60.0 million was unhedged floating rate debt. Based on the amount of unhedged floating rate debt owed by us on March 31, 2008, the impact of a 1% increase in interest rates on this amount of debt would result in an increase in interest expense and a corresponding decrease in net income of approximately \$0.6 million annually.

**Item 4. Controls and Procedures**

*Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures.* In accordance with Rules 13a-15 and 15d-15 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), we, under the supervision and with the participation of the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer of our general partner, carried out an evaluation of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) of the Exchange Act) as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer of our general partner concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of the end of the period covered by this report, to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed in our reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms.

In response to the material weakness disclosed in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007 filed with the SEC on March 5, 2008, we have implemented new internal control procedures to improve the effectiveness of our review of identified reconciling items on product exchange reconciliations. These remedial actions include additional review by our internal accounting staff and enhanced documentation related to such review.

Except as described above, there were no other changes in our internal controls over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) that occurred during our most recent fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal controls over financial reporting.



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**PART II OTHER INFORMATION**

**Item 1. Legal Proceedings**

From time to time, we are subject to certain legal proceedings claims and disputes that arise in the ordinary course of our business. Although we cannot predict the outcomes of these legal proceedings, we do not believe these actions, in the aggregate, will have a material adverse impact on our financial position, results of operations or liquidity.

In addition to the foregoing, as a result of an inspection by the U.S. Coast Guard of our tug Martin Explorer at the Freeport Sulfur Dock Terminal in Tampa, Florida, we have been informed that an investigation has been commenced concerning a possible violation of the Act to Prevent Pollution from Ships, 33 USC 1901, et. seq., and the MARPOL Protocol 73/78. In connection with this matter, two employees of Martin Resource Management who provide services to us were served with grand jury subpoenas during the fourth quarter of 2007. We are cooperating with the investigation and, as of the date of this report, no formal charges, fines and/or penalties have been asserted against us.

**Item 1A. Risk Factors**

There have been no material changes in our risk factors from those disclosed in Item 1A. Risk Factors of our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007 filed with the SEC on March 5, 2008. Please see Item 1A. Risk Factors of our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007 filed with the SEC on March 5, 2008.

**Item 5. Other Information.**

On May 2, 2008, Martin Midstream Partners L.P. (the Partnership) received a copy of a petition filed in the District Court of Gregg County, Texas by Scott D. Martin (the Plaintiff) against Ruben S. Martin, III (the Defendant) with respect to certain matters relating to Martin Resource Management Corporation (Martin Resource Management), the parent company of Martin Midstream GP, LLC (Martin Midstream GP), the Partnership's general partner. The Plaintiff and the Defendant are directors and executive officers of both Martin Resource Management and Martin Midstream GP. The lawsuit alleges that the Defendant breached a settlement agreement with the Plaintiff concerning certain Martin Resource Management matters and that the Defendant breached fiduciary duties allegedly owed to the Plaintiff in connection with their respective ownership and other positions with Martin Resource Management. The Partnership is not a party to the lawsuit and the lawsuit does not assert any claims (i) against the Partnership, (ii) concerning the Partnership's governance or operations or (iii) against the Defendant with respect to his service as an officer or director of Martin Midstream GP. The lawsuit is not expected to affect the financial condition or operation of the Partnership or Martin Midstream GP.

**Item 6. Exhibits**

The information required by this Item 6 is set forth in the Index to Exhibits accompanying this quarterly report and is incorporated herein by reference.

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**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.

Martin Midstream Partners L.P.

By: Martin Midstream GP LLC  
Its General Partner

Date: May 7, 2008

By: /s/ Ruben S. Martin

Ruben S. Martin  
*President and Chief Executive Officer*

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**INDEX TO EXHIBITS**

| <b>Exhibit Number</b> | <b>Exhibit Name</b>   |
|-----------------------|---|
| 3.1                   | Certificate of Limited Partnership of Martin Midstream Partners L.P. (the Partnership ), dated September 21, 2002 (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Partnership s Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Reg. No. 333-91706), filed July 1, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference).              |
| 3.2                   | First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Partnership, dated November 6, 2002 (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Partnership s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed November 19, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference).   |
| 3.3                   | Amendment No. 1 to First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Partnership, dated November 1, 2007 (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Partnership s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed November 2, 2007, and incorporated herein by reference).                               |
| 3.4                   | Amendment No. 2 to First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Partnership, dated effective January 1, 2007 (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Partnership s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed April 7, 2008, and incorporated herein by reference).                         |
| 3.5                   | Certificate of Limited Partnership of Martin Operating Partnership L.P. (the Operating Partnership ), dated September 21, 2002 (filed as Exhibit 3.3 to the Partnership s Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Reg. No. 333-91706), filed July 1, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference). |
| 3.6                   | Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Operating Partnership, dated November 6, 2002 (filed as Exhibit 3.2 to the Partnership s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed November 19, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference).   |
| 3.7                   | Certificate of Formation of Martin Midstream GP LLC (the General Partner ), dated September 21, 2002 (filed as Exhibit 3.5 to the Partnership s Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Reg. No. 333-91706), filed July 1, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference).                           |
| 3.8                   | Limited Liability Company Agreement of the General Partner, dated September 21, 2002 (filed as Exhibit 3.6 to the Partnership s Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Reg. No. 33-91706), filed July 1, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference).  |
| 3.9                   | Certificate of Formation of Martin Operating GP LLC (the Operating General Partner ), dated September 21, 2002 (filed as Exhibit 3.7 to the Partnership s Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Reg. No. 333-91706), filed July 1, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference).                 |
| 3.10                  | Limited Liability Company Agreement of the Operating General Partner, dated September 21, 2002 (filed as Exhibit 3.8 to the Partnership s Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Reg. No. 333-91706), filed July 1, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference).                                 |
| 4.1                   | Specimen Unit Certificate for Common Units (contained in Exhibit 3.2).  |
| 4.2                   | Specimen Unit Certificate for Subordinated Units (filed as Exhibit 4.2 to Amendment No. 4 to the Partnership s Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Reg. No. 333-91706), filed October 25, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference).  |

- 31.1\* Certifications of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 31.2\* Certifications of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.1\* Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C., Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. Pursuant to SEC Release 34-47551, this Exhibit is furnished to the SEC and shall not be deemed to be filed.
- 32.2\* Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C., Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. Pursuant to SEC Release 34-47551, this Exhibit is furnished to the SEC and shall not be deemed to be filed.
- 99.1\* Balance Sheets as of March 31, 2008 (unaudited) and December 31, 2007 (audited) of the General Partner.

\* Filed or  
furnished  
herewith