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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# Form 10-Q

(Mark One)

X QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2013

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 001-33147

# **Constellation Energy Partners LLC**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State of organization)

11-3742489 (I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

1801 Main Street, Suite 1300

Houston, Texas (Address of Principal Executive Offices) 77002 (Zip Code)

**Telephone Number: (832) 308-3700** 

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 x No "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes x 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, a accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer " Accelerated filer "

Non-accelerated filer " (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes " No x

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the registrant s classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Common Units outstanding on May 15, 2013: 23,740,728 units.

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#### PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### **Item 1. Financial Statements**

## CONSTELLATION ENERGY PARTNERS LLC and SUBSIDIARIES

## **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

## (Unaudited)

	March 31, 2	013 Decer (In 000 s)	mber 31, 2012
ASSETS		(111 000 5)	
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 9,67	'8 \$	1,959
Accounts receivable	4,44	.9	5,615
Prepaid expenses	1,14	.6	1,309
Risk management assets (see Note 4)	11,55	5	17,965
Current assets from discontinued operations			1,886
·			
Total current assets	26,82	8	28,734
Oil and natural gas properties (See Note 6)	20,02		20,70
Oil and natural gas properties, equipment and facilities	595,02	4	594,020
Material and supplies	89		771
Less accumulated depreciation, depletion, amortization, and impairments	(479,35		(474,669)
2000 accumulated acpression, depression, and respectively	(.,,,,,,,	0)	(17.1,007)
Net oil and natural gas properties	116,56	1	120,122
Other assets	110,50	4	120,122
Debt issue costs (net of accumulated amortization of \$8,379 at March 31, 2013 and \$7,775 at			
December 31, 2012)	56	<b>3</b> 4	1,168
Risk management assets (see Note 4)	6,61		7,431
Other non-current assets	4,29		3,194
Long-term assets from discontinued operations	4,29	/	67,373
Long-term assets from discontinued operations			07,373
Total assets	\$ 154,86	55 \$	228,022
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LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$ 5	\$1	480
Accrued liabilities	6,14		7,174
Royalty payable	1.19		1,418
Risk management liabilities (see Note 4)	12	6	523
Debt	34,00	00	50,000
Current liabilities from discontinued operations	,		1,578
•			
Total current liabilities	41,52	2	61,173
Other liabilities	,-		, , , , ,
Asset retirement obligation	7,81	3	7,665
Risk management liabilities (see Note 4)	42		637
Other non-current liabilities	1,95		589
Debt			34,000
Other long-term liabilities from discontinued operations			7,692
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Total other liabilities	10,193	50,583
Total liabilities Commitments and contingencies (See Note 8)	51,715	111,756
Members equity		
Class A units, 484,505 and 483,418 units authorized, issued and outstanding, respectively	2,064	2,326
Class B units, 24,124,378 and 24,124,378 units authorized, respectively, and 23,740,728 and		
23,687,507 issued and outstanding, respectively	101,086	113,940
Total members equity	103,150	116,266
Total liabilities and members equity	\$ 154,865	\$ 228,022

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

# CONSTELLATION ENERGY PARTNERS LLC and SUBSIDIARIES

# **Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss)**

# (Unaudited)

		Three months ended March 31,	
	20		
Revenues	(1	n 000 s except unit data)	
Natural gas sales	\$	1,392 \$ 18,6	504
Oil and liquids sales	φ		010
on and riquids sales		2,0	110
Total revenues		5,100 20,6	514
Expenses:			
Operating expenses:			
Lease operating expenses		4,236 5,1	
Cost of sales			385
Production taxes			402
General and administrative		4,404 3,8	336
(Gain) / Loss on sale of assets		(6)	4
Depreciation, depletion and amortization		4,798 2,3	387
Asset impairments		1	107
Accretion expense		123 1	114
Total operating expenses		14,462 12,4	106
Other expenses (income)			
Interest expense			519
Other expense (income)		(68)	(97)
Total other expenses / (income)		1,284 1,5	522
Total expenses		15,746 13,9	928
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$ (1	10,646) \$ 6,6	586
Discontinued operations			301)
Net income (loss)	\$ (2	13,332) \$ 5,8	885
Change in fair value of commodity hedges			23
Cash settlement of commodity hedges			718)
Other comprehensive income (loss)		(6	595)
comprehensive involve (costs)		(0	,,,,
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$ (	13,332) \$ 5,1	190
Earnings (loss) per unit (see Note 2)			
Earnings (loss) from continuing operations per unit Basic	\$	(0.44) \$ 0.	.27
Earnings (loss) from discontinued operations per unit Basic	\$		.03)
Net Earnings (loss) per unit Basic	\$		.24
Units outstanding Basic	24,25	50,661 24,186,7	/24

Earnings (loss) from continuing operations per unit Diluted Earnings (loss) from discontinued operations per unit Diluted	\$ \$	(0.44) (0.11)	\$ \$	0.27 (0.03)
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Net Earnings (loss) per unit Diluted	\$	(0.55)	\$	0.24
Units outstanding Diluted	24.	,250,661	24,	186,724
Distributions declared and paid per unit	\$	0.00	\$	0.00

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

# CONSTELLATION ENERGY PARTNERS LLC and SUBSIDIARIES

## **Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

# (Unaudited)

	Three mon Marcl	
	2013	2012
Cash flows from operating activities:	(In 00	00 S)
Net income (loss)	\$ (13,332)	\$ 5,885
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to cash provided by operating activities	ψ (13,332)	Ψ 3,003
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	4,798	2,387
Asset impairments (see Note 6)	,,,,,	107
Amortization of debt issuance costs	646	323
Accretion expense	123	114
Equity (earnings) losses in affiliate	(68)	(97)
(Gain) Loss from disposition of property and equipment	(6)	4
Bad debt expense		26
(Gain) Loss from mark-to-market activities	6,621	(6,694)
Unit-based compensation programs	401	280
Discontinued operations	2,686	801
Changes in Assets and Liabilities:		
Change in net risk management assets and liabilities		
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	1,168	767
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses	163	140
(Increase) decrease in other assets	(1,149)	(593)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	(429)	260
Increase (decrease) in accrued liabilities	(2,060)	(3,400)
Increase (decrease) in royalty payable	(220)	(49)
Increase (decrease) in other liabilities	1,113	140
Net cash provided by (used in) continuing operations	455	401
Net cash provided by (used in) discontinued operations	1,062	961
Net cash provided by operating activities	1,517	1,362
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Cash paid for acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(130)	
Development of oil and natural gas properties	(2,353)	(2,722)
Proceeds from sale of assets	58,892	1,438
Distributions from equity affiliate	20	60
Net cash provided by (used in) continuing operations	56,429	(1,224)
Net cash (used in) discontinued operations		(7)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	56,429	(1,231)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Members distributions		
Proceeds from issuance of debt	194	
Repayment of debt	(50,194)	
Units tendered by employees for tax withholdings	(185)	(183)

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Debt issue costs	(42)	(3)
Net cash (used in) continuing operations	(50,227)	(186)
Net cash (used in) discontinued operations		
Net cash (used in) financing activities	(50,227)	(186)
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	7,719	(55)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	1,959	17,176
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 9,678	\$ 17,121
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:		
Change in accrued capital expenditures	\$ (1,321)	\$ 1,748
Cash received during the period for interest	\$	\$
Cash paid during the period for interest	\$ (678)	\$ (1,116)

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

## CONSTELLATION ENERGY PARTNERS LLC and SUBSIDIARIES

# Consolidated Statements of Changes in Members Equity

(Unaudited)

	Class	s A	Class	В	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Total Members
	Units	Amount	Units	Amount	(Loss)	Equity
			( In 000 s, exc	ept unit amoui	nts)	
Balance, December 31, 2012	483,418	\$ 2,326	23,687,507	\$ 113,940	\$	\$ 116,266
Distributions						
Units tendered by employees for tax withholding	(2,853)	(4)	(139,810)	(181)		(185)
Unit-based compensation programs	3,940	8	193,031	393		401
Net income (loss)		(266)		(13,066)		(13,332)
Balance, March 31, 2013	484,505	\$ 2,064	23,740,728	\$ 101,086	\$	\$ 103,150

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

#### CONSTELLATION ENERGY PARTNERS LLC AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

#### 1. ORGANIZATION AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The consolidated financial statements as of March 31, 2013, and for the three month periods ended March 31, 2013, and March 31, 2012, are unaudited, but in the opinion of management include all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) necessary for a fair statement of the results for the interim periods. Certain information and note disclosures normally included in annual financial statements prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ( GAAP ) have been condensed or omitted under Securities and Exchange Commission ( SEC ) rules and regulations. The results reported in these unaudited consolidated financial statements should not necessarily be taken as indicative of results that may be expected for the entire year.

The financial information included herein should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, which was filed on March 11, 2013. Certain amounts in the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto have been reclassified to conform to the 2013 financial statement presentation and to reflect our discontinued operations.

Constellation Energy Partners LLC ( CEP , we , us , our or the Company ) was organized as a limited liability company on February 7, 2005, us the laws of the State of Delaware. We completed our initial public offering on November 20, 2006, and currently trade on the NYSE MKT LLC ( NYSE MKT ) under the symbol CEP . Through subsidiaries, both PostRock Energy Corporation (NASDAQ: PSTR) ( PostRock ) and Exelon Corporation (NYSE: EXC) ( Exelon ), own a portion of our outstanding units. As of March 31, 2013, Constellation Energy Partners Management, LLC ( CEPM ), a subsidiary of PostRock, owns all of our Class A units and 5,918,894 of our Class B common units. Constellation Energy Partners Holdings, LLC ( CEPH ), a subsidiary of Exelon, owns all of our Class C management incentive interests and all of our Class D interests.

We are currently focused on the development and acquisition of oil and natural gas properties in the Cherokee Basin in Kansas and Oklahoma, the Woodford Shale in Oklahoma, and the Central Kansas Uplift in Kansas.

Accounting policies used by us conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The accompanying financial statements include the accounts of us and our wholly-owned subsidiaries. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. We operate our oil and natural gas properties as one business segment: the exploration, development and production of oil and natural gas. Our management evaluates performance based on one business segment as there are not different economic environments within the operation of our oil and natural gas properties.

#### Going Concern

Our accompanying financial statements have been prepared assuming we will continue as a going concern. Our reserve-based credit facility matures on March 31, 2014. As of March 31, 2013, all of our outstanding debt of \$34.0 million is reflected as a current liability on our balance sheet. Our ability to continue as a going concern will be dependent upon our ability to refinance our reserve-based credit facility prior to its maturity date. We are working with a group of lenders to refinance our reserve-based credit facility and believe that we will be able to do so, but there is no assurance that we can or will be able to refinance our reserve-based credit facility on terms reasonably acceptable to us or at all. Since there can be no assurance that we will be successful in our efforts to refinance our reserve-based credit facility, this raises substantial doubt as to our ability to continue as a going concern. The condensed consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Our significant accounting policies are consistent with those discussed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.

Earnings per Unit

Basic earnings per unit ( EPU ) are computed by dividing net income attributable to unitholders by the weighted average number of units outstanding during each period. At March 31, 2013, we had 484,505 Class A units and 23,740,728 Class B common units outstanding. Of the Class B common units, 395,448 units are restricted unvested common units granted and outstanding.

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The following table presents earnings per common unit amounts:

	Income	Weighted Average Units Outstanding (In 000 s except unit data)		r Unit nount
For the three months ended March 31, 2013				
Basic EPU:				
Income (loss) from continuing operations allocable to unitholders	\$ (10,646)	24,250,661	\$	(0.44)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations allocable to unitholders	\$ (2,686)		\$	(0.11)
Income (loss) allocable to unitholders	\$ (13,332)	24,250,661	\$	(0.55)
Diluted EPU:	, ( - ) )	,,	Ċ	()
Income (loss) from continuing operations allocable to unitholders Income (loss) from discontinued operations allocable to	\$ (10,646)	24,250,661	\$	(0.44)
unitholders	\$ (2,686)		\$	(0.11)
Income (loss) allocable to unitholders	\$ (13,332)	24,250,661 Weighted Average		(0.55)
	Income	Units Outstanding (In 000 s except unit data)	Aı	nount
For the three months ended March 31, 2012		(=== + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +		
Basic EPU:				
Income (loss) from continuing operations allocable to unitholders	\$ 6,686	24,186,724	\$	0.27
Income (loss) from discontinued operations allocable to unitholders	\$ (801)		\$	(0.03)
Income (loss) allocable to unitholders	\$ 5,885	24,186,724	\$	0.24
Diluted EPU:				
Income (loss) from continuing operations allocable to unitholders	\$ 6,686	24,186,724	\$	0.27
Income (loss) from discontinued operations allocable to unitholders	\$ (801)		\$	(0.03)

## Cash

All highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less are considered cash. Checks-in-transit are included in our consolidated balance sheets as accounts payable or as a reduction of cash, depending on the type of bank account the checks were drawn on. Our checks-in-transit reported in accounts payable were \$0.2 million at March 31, 2013, and \$0.5 million at December 31, 2012 and our checks-in-transit reported as a reduction of cash were \$1.3 million at March 31, 2013, and none at December 31, 2012.

We have established an escrow account for \$0.6 million related to a vendor dispute, which is included in other non-current assets in our consolidated balance sheets at March 31, 2013, and December 31, 2012. This amount will remain in the escrow account until the dispute has been resolved. We also have an escrow account for approximately \$1.2 million related to the sale of our Robinson s Bend Field in the Black Warrior Basin of Alabama, which is included in other non-current assets in our consolidated balance sheets at March 31, 2013. These funds will be held in escrow for a period of twenty-four months pending certain closing conditions.

#### 3. RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS AND ACCOUNTING CHANGES

In December 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued ASU No. 2011-11, *Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities*, which requires additional disclosures for financial and derivative instruments that are either (1) offset in accordance with either Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 210-20-45 or ASC 815-10-45 or (2) subject to an enforceable master netting arrangement or similar agreement, regardless of whether they are offset in accordance with either ASC 210-20-45 or ASC 815-10-45. The guidance is effective beginning on or after January 1, 2013, and will primarily impact the disclosures associated with our commodity and interest rate derivatives. Implementation of this guidance did not have any material impact on our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In June 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-05, *Comprehensive Income (Topic 220)* that requires entities to present net income and other comprehensive income in either a single continuous statement or in two separate, but consecutive, statements of net income and other comprehensive income. The option to present items of other comprehensive income in the statement of changes in equity was eliminated. In December 2011, the FASB issued new authoritative accounting guidance which effectively deferred the requirement to present the reclassification adjustments on the face of the financial statements. The amended guidance was effective for us in the first quarter of 2012 and implementation of this guidance did not have a material impact on our financial statements or our disclosures.

In May 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-04, Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820): Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs, and the IASB issued IFRS 13, Fair Value Measurement (together, the new guidance). The new guidance results in a consistent definition of fair value and common requirements for measurement of and disclosure about fair value between U.S. GAAP and IFRS. The new guidance changes some fair value measurement principles and disclosure requirements and was effective for interim and annual periods beginning on or after December 15, 2011. The amended guidance was effective for us in the first quarter of 2012 and implementation of this guidance did not have a material impact on our financial statements or our disclosures.

#### 4. DERIVATIVE AND FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

#### Mark-to-Market Activities

As of March 31, 2013, we have hedged a portion of our expected natural gas and oil sales from currently producing wells through December 2016 and entered into hedging arrangements in the form of interest rate swaps to reduce the impact of volatility stemming from changes in the London interbank offered rate ( LIBOR ) on \$30.0 million of our outstanding debt for various maturities extending through September 2014. All of our derivatives were accounted for as mark-to-market activities as of March 31, 2013.

For the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, we recognized mark-to-market losses of approximately \$9.3 million and mark-to-market gains of approximately \$6.6 million, respectively, in connection with our commodity derivatives. For the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, we recognized a mark-to-market gain of approximately \$2.7 million and a mark-to-market gain of \$0.1 million, respectively, in connection with our interest rate derivatives. At March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the fair value of our derivatives accounted for as mark-to-market activities amounted to a net asset of approximately \$17.6 million and \$24.2 million, respectively.

#### Fair Value Measurements

We measure fair value of our financial and non-financial assets and liabilities on a recurring basis. Accounting standards define fair value, establish a framework for measuring fair value and require certain disclosures about fair value measurements for assets and liabilities measured on a recurring basis. All of our derivative instruments are recorded at fair value in our financial statements. Fair value is the exit price that we would receive to sell an asset or pay to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

The following hierarchy prioritizes the inputs used to measure fair value. The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

Level 1 Quoted prices available in active markets for identical assets or liabilities as of the reporting date.

Level 2 Pricing inputs other than quoted prices in active markets included in Level 1 which are either directly or indirectly observable as of the reporting date. Level 2 consists primarily of non-exchange traded commodity and interest rate derivatives.

Level 3 Pricing inputs include significant inputs that are generally less observable from objective sources. We classify assets and liabilities within the fair value hierarchy based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement of each individual asset and liability taken as a whole. The income valuation approach, which involves discounting estimated cash flows, is primarily used to determine recurring fair value measurements of our derivative instruments classified as Level 2. Our commodity derivatives are valued using the terms of the individual derivative contracts with our counterparties, expected future levels of oil and natural gas prices, and an appropriate discount rate. Our interest rate derivatives are valued using the terms of the individual derivative contracts with our counterparties, expected future levels of the LIBOR interest

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rates, and an appropriate discount rate. We prioritize the use of the highest level inputs available in determining fair value such that fair value measurements are determined using the highest and best use as determined by market participants and the assumptions that they would use in determining fair value.

Our assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement requires judgment and may affect the classification of assets and liabilities within the fair value hierarchy. Because of the long-term nature of certain assets and liabilities measured at fair value as well as differences in the availability of market prices and market liquidity over their terms, inputs for some assets and liabilities may fall into any one of the three levels in the fair value hierarchy. While we are required to classify these assets and liabilities in the lowest level in the hierarchy for which inputs are significant to the fair value measurement, a portion of that measurement may be determined using inputs from a higher level in the hierarchy.

The following tables set forth by level within the fair value hierarchy our assets and liabilities that were measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012.

		ty and Interest Derivatives		Ne	tting and Cash	Tota	al Net Fair
At March 31, 2013	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3		llateral*		Value
			(In 0	00 s)			
Risk management assets	\$	\$ 21,349	\$	\$	(3,182)	\$	18,167
Risk management liabilities	\$	\$ (3,736)	\$	\$	3,182	\$	(554)
Total net assets and liabilities	\$	\$ 17,613	\$	\$		\$	17,613

	Rate D	y and Interest Perivatives			tting and Cash	al Net Fair
At December 31, 2012	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Co (0 s)	llateral*	Value
Risk management assets	\$	\$ 31,030	\$	\$	(5,634)	\$ 25,396
Risk management liabilities	\$	\$ (6,794)	\$	\$	5,634	\$ (1,160)
Total net assets and liabilities	\$	\$ 24,236	\$	\$		\$ 24,236

<sup>\*</sup> We currently use our reserve-based credit facility to provide credit support for our derivative transactions and therefore we do not post cash collateral with our counterparties. Amounts shown represent the impact of netting assets and liabilities with our counterparties for which the right of offset exists.

Risk management assets and liabilities in the table above represent the current fair value of all open derivative positions. We classify all of our derivative instruments as Risk management assets or Risk management liabilities in our Consolidated Balance Sheets.

We use observable market data or information derived from observable market data in order to determine the fair value amounts presented above. We currently use our reserve-based credit facility to provide credit support for our derivative transactions. As a result, we do not post cash collateral with our counterparties, and have minimal non-performance credit risk on our liabilities with counterparties. We utilize observable market data for credit default swaps to assess the impact of non-performance credit risk when evaluating our net assets from counterparties. At March 31, 2013, the impact of non-performance credit risk on the valuation of our net assets from counterparties was \$0.1 million, of which \$0.1 million was reflected as a decrease to our non-cash mark-to-market gain and none was reflected as a reduction to our accumulated other comprehensive income. At March 31, 2012, the impact of non-performance credit risk on the valuation of our net assets from counterparties was \$0.8 million, of which \$0.6 million was reflected as a decrease to our non-cash mark-to-market gain and \$0.2 million was reflected in our accumulated other comprehensive loss.

## Fair Value of Financial Instruments

As of March 31, 2013, we have interest rate swaps on \$30.0 million of outstanding debt for various maturities extending through September 2014, various commodity swaps for 13,372,676 MMbtu of natural gas production through December 2015, various basis swaps for 8,276,264 MMbtu of natural gas production in the Cherokee Basin through December 2014, and various commodity swaps for 373,681 Bbls of oil production through December 2016. See Note 14 for additional information.

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The following represents the fair value for our risk management assets and liabilities, as of March 31, 2013, and December 31, 2012, and the amount of gains and losses recognized at March 31, 2013 and 2012:

	Location of Asset/	(Liability) o	ue of Asset/ n Balance Sheet 000 s)
Desiration Toron	(Linkilitan) on Dolomo Choos	Quarter Ended	Year Ended
Derivative Type Commodity-MTM	(Liability) on Balance Sheet Risk management assets-current	March 31, 2013 \$ 13,150	December 31, 2012 \$ 19,005
Commodity-MTM	Risk management assets-current	8,199	12,025
Commounty-WTTW	Nisk management assets-non-current	0,199	12,023
	Total gross assets	21,349	31,030
Commodity-MTM	Risk management assets-current	(1,595)	(1,040)
Commodity-MTM	Risk management assets-non-current	(603)	(946)
Commodity-MTM	Risk management liabilities-current	(126)	(523)
Commodity-MTM	Risk management		
	liabilities-non-current	(428)	(637)
Interest Rate-MTM	Risk management assets-non-current	(984)	(3,648)
	Total gross liabilities	(3,736)	(6,794)
	Total net assets and liabilities	\$ 17,613	\$ 24,236
	Location of Gain / (Loss)	in l	f Gain / (Loss) income 000 s)
	Location of Gain / (Loss)		
Derivative Type	in Income	Quarter Ended March 31, 2013	Quarter Ended March 31, 2012
Derivative Type Commodity-MTM-Unrealized	<b>in Income</b> Natural gas sales	Quarter Ended March 31, 2013 \$ (8,481)	<b>Quarter Ended March 31, 2012</b> \$ 7,872
	Natural gas sales	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012
Commodity-MTM-Unrealized		March 31, 2013 \$ (8,481)	March 31, 2012 \$ 7,872
Commodity-MTM-Unrealized Commodity-MTM-Unrealized	Natural gas sales Oil and liquids sales	March 31, 2013 \$ (8,481) (804)	March 31, 2012 \$ 7,872 (1,270)
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At March 31, 2013, the carrying values of our cash, accounts receivable, other current assets and current liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheets approximate fair value because of their short-term nature.

We believe the carrying value of long-term debt for our reserve-based credit facility approximates its fair value because the interest rates on the debt approximate market interest rates for debt with similar terms, which is a Level 2 measurement in the fair value hierarchy and represents the

amount at which the instrument could be valued in an exchange during a current transaction between willing parties. Our reserve-based credit facility is discussed in Note 5.

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#### Hedge Liquidation and Repositioning

In the first quarter of 2013, we liquidated or repositioned certain of our hedges. In connection with the sale of our Robinson s Bend Field in the Black Warrior Basin of Alabama, we liquidated 395,218 Mmbtu of NYMEX swaps in 2013 and 1,634,530 Mmbtu of NYMEX swaps in 2014 at a cost of \$0.3 million. In addition, we reduced our outstanding NYMEX swap positions in 2013 by 1,041,814 Mmbtu by executing offsetting trades with our counterparties at a fixed price of \$3.662. These transactions ensure that our outstanding derivative positions in future periods are lower than our expected future natural gas production in those periods.

After we reduced our outstanding debt on our reserve based credit facility to \$34.0 million, we reduced our outstanding interest rate swaps that fix our LIBOR rate through 2014 to \$30 million at a cost of \$2.1 million. We also amended a 2014 to 2015 oil trade with one of our hedge counterparties to lower the stated swap price from \$98.10 to \$93.50, on a total of 58,157 barrels of oil. We received proceeds of approximately \$0.2 million upon execution of the amendment. The proceeds were used for working capital purposes.

#### 5. DEBT

#### Reserve-Based Credit Facility

At March 31, 2013, we had a \$350.0 million reserve-based credit facility with The Royal Bank of Scotland plc as administrative agent and a syndicate of lenders. The reserve-based credit facility had a borrowing base of \$37.5 million and matures on March 31, 2014. At March 31, 2013, we had \$34.0 million in borrowings outstanding, which is reflected as a current liability on our balance sheet. Borrowings under the reserve-based credit facility are secured by various mortgages of oil and natural gas properties that we and certain of our subsidiaries own as well as various security and pledge agreements among us and certain of our subsidiaries and the administrative agent. The lenders and their percentage commitments in the reserve-based credit facility are The Royal Bank of Scotland plc (26.84%), Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (Wells Fargo) (21.95%), The Bank of Nova Scotia (21.95%), Societe Generale (14.63%), and ING Capital LLC (14.63%).

At our election, interest for borrowings are determined by reference to (i) the London interbank rate, or LIBOR, plus an applicable margin between 2.50% and 3.50% per annum based on utilization or (ii) a domestic bank rate (ABR) plus an applicable margin between 1.50% and 2.50% per annum based on utilization plus (iii) a commitment fee of 0.50% per annum based on the unutilized borrowing base. Interest on the borrowings for ABR loans and the commitment fee are generally payable quarterly. Interest on the borrowings for LIBOR loans are generally payable at the applicable maturity date.

The reserve-based credit facility contains various covenants that limit, among other things, our ability and certain of our subsidiaries ability to incur certain indebtedness, grant certain liens, merge or consolidate, sell all or substantially all of our assets, make certain loans, acquisitions, capital expenditures and investments, and pay distributions. The reserve-based credit facility limits our ability to pay distributions to unitholders and permits us to hedge our projected monthly production and the interest rate on our borrowings.

#### Debt Issue Costs

During the three months ended March 31, 2013, we accelerated the amortization of approximately \$0.3 million in debt issue costs as a result of the third amendment of our reserve-based credit facility which set our borrowing base at \$37.5 million. As of March 31, 2013, our unamortized debt issue costs were approximately \$0.6 million. These costs are being amortized over the life of our reserve-based credit facility.

#### Funds Available for Borrowing

As of March 31, 2013 and 2012, we had \$34.0 million and \$98.4 million, respectively, in outstanding debt under our reserve-based credit facility. As of March 31, 2013, we had \$3.5 million in remaining borrowing capacity under our reserve-based credit facility.

#### Compliance with Debt Covenants

At March 31, 2013, we believe that we were in compliance with the financial covenant ratios contained in our reserve-based credit facility. We monitor compliance on an ongoing basis. As of March 31, 2013, our actual Total Net Debt to actual Adjusted EBITDA ratio was 1.0 to 1.0 as compared with a required ratio of not greater than 3.5 to 1.0, our actual ratio of consolidated current assets to consolidated current liabilities was 2.5 to 1.0 as compared with a required ratio of not less than 1.0 to 1.0, and our actual Adjusted EBITDA to cash interest expense ratio was 7.8 to 1.0 as compared with a required ratio of not less than 2.5 to 1.0.

Extending or Refinancing our Reserve-Based Credit Facility

Our reserve-based credit facility matures on March 31, 2014. To the extent that we do not enter into an agreement to refinance our reserve-based credit facility, the outstanding debt balance at March 31, 2014, will become due and payable. We are currently working with a group of lenders to refinance our reserve-based credit facility. As of March 31, 2013, our outstanding debt was \$34.0 million and our borrowing base was \$37.5 million.

If we are unable to successfully refinance our reserve-based credit facility and it becomes necessary to reduce debt by amounts that exceed our operating cash flows or our available cash, we could reduce capital expenditures, sell oil and natural gas properties, liquidate in-the-money derivative positions, further reduce operating and administrative costs, or take additional steps to increase liquidity to repay the outstanding balance thereunder.

#### 6. OIL AND NATURAL GAS PROPERTIES

Oil and natural gas properties consist of the following:

	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
	(In	000 s)
Oil and natural gas properties and related equipment (successful		
efforts method)		
Property (acreage) costs		
Proved property	\$ 592,862	\$ 591,889
Unproved property	1,410	1,380
Total property costs	594,272	593,269
Materials and supplies	896	771
Land	752	751
Total	595,920	594,791
Less: Accumulated depreciation, depletion, amortization and		
impairments	(479,356)	(474,669)
Oil and natural gas properties and equipment, net	\$ 116,564	\$ 120,122

Depletion, depreciation, amortization and impairments consist of the following:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2013	Three Months Ended March 31, 2012
DD&A of oil and natural gas-related assets	\$ 4,798	\$ 2,387
Asset Impairments		107
Total	\$ 4,798	\$ 2,494

Impairment of Oil and Natural Gas Properties and Other Non-Current Assets

In March 2012, we recorded a total non-cash impairment charge of approximately \$0.1 million to impair certain of our wells in the Woodford Shale. This impairment was recorded because the net capitalized costs of the properties exceeded the fair value of the properties as measured by

estimated cash flows reported in a third party reserve report. This report was based upon future oil and natural gas prices, which are based on observable inputs adjusted for basis differentials, which are Level 2 inputs in the fair value hierarchy. Significant assumptions in valuing the proved reserves included the reserve quantities, anticipated operating costs, anticipated production taxes, future expected oil and natural gas prices and basis differentials, anticipated production declines, and an appropriate discount rate commensurate with the risk of the underlying cash flow estimates for the properties of 10.0%. The impairment was primarily caused by the impact of lower future expected oil and natural gas prices on future expected cash flows during the first quarter of 2012. After the impairments, the remaining net capitalized costs subject to impairment in the Woodford

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Shale was approximately \$3.6 million. Cash flow estimates for the impairment testing exclude derivative instruments used to mitigate the risk of lower future oil and natural gas prices. These asset impairments have no impact on our cash flows, liquidity position, or debt covenants.

Asset Sales

In 2013, we sold our Robinson s Bend Field in the Black Warrior Basin of Alabama for \$63.0 million, subject to closing adjustments, and recorded a loss on the sale of approximately \$3.1 million. These assets have now been classified as discontinued operations. See Note 13 for additional information.

In the three months ended March 31, 2013, we also sold miscellaneous surplus equipment for less than \$0.1 million resulting in an immaterial gain on the asset sale. In the three months ended March 31, 2012, we sold our interests in 14 gross non-operated oil wells in Kansas and Nebraska for approximately \$1.4 million in cash, resulting in an immaterial loss on the asset sale.

Useful Lives

Our furniture, fixtures, and equipment are depreciated over a life of one to five years, buildings are depreciated over a life of twenty years, and pipeline and gathering systems are depreciated over a life of twenty-five to forty years.

Exploration and Dry Hole Costs

We had no exploration and dry hole costs in the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. These costs represent abandonments of drilling locations, dry hole costs, delay rentals, geological and geophysical costs, and the impairment, amortization, and abandonment associated with leases on our unproved properties.

#### 7. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

#### Unit Ownership

Both PostRock and Exelon, through subsidiaries, own a portion of our outstanding units. As of March 31, 2013, CEPM, a subsidiary of PostRock, owns all of our Class A units and 5,918,894 of our Class B common units. CEPH, a subsidiary of Exelon, owns all of our Class C management incentive interests and all of our Class D interests.

#### Class C Management Incentive Interests

CEPH, a subsidiary of Exelon, holds the Class C management incentive interests in CEP. These management incentive interests represent the right to receive 15% of quarterly distributions of available cash from operating surplus after the Target Distribution (as defined in our operating agreement) has been achieved and certain other tests have been met. None of these applicable tests have yet to be met and CEPH has not been entitled to receive any management incentive interest distributions.

#### 8. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

In the course of our normal business affairs, we are subject to possible loss contingencies arising from federal, state and local environmental, health and safety laws and regulations and third-party litigation and lawsuits. As of March 31, 2013, there were no matters which, in the opinion of management, would have a material adverse effect on the financial position, results of operations or cash flows of CEP, and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole.

#### 9. ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATION

We recognize the fair value of a liability for an asset retirement obligation ( ARO ) in the period in which it is incurred if a reasonable estimate of fair value can be made. Each period, we accrete the ARO to its then present value. The associated asset retirement cost ( ARC ) is capitalized as part of the carrying amount of our oil and natural gas properties, equipment and facilities. Subsequently, the ARC is depreciated using a systematic and rational method over the asset suseful life. The AROs recorded by us relate to the plugging and abandonment of oil and natural gas wells, and decommissioning of oil and natural gas gathering and other facilities.

Inherent in the fair value calculation of ARO are numerous assumptions and judgments including the ultimate settlement amounts, inflation factors, credit adjusted discount rates, timing of settlement and changes in the legal, regulatory, environmental and political environments. To the extent future revisions to these assumptions result in adjustments to the recorded fair value of the existing ARO, a corresponding adjustment is made to the ARC capitalized as part of the oil and natural gas property balance.

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The following table is a reconciliation of the ARO:

	For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2013	Dece	the Year Ended ember 31, 2012
	(In 0	00 s)	
Asset retirement obligation, beginning balance	\$ 7,665	\$	7,052
Liabilities incurred	28		162
Liabilities settled	(3)		(8)
Revisions to prior estimates			
Accretion expense	123		459
Asset retirement obligation, ending balance	\$ 7,813	\$	7,665

Additional asset retirement obligations increase the liability associated with new oil and natural gas wells and other facilities as these obligations are incurred. Actual expenditures for abandonments of oil and natural gas wells and other facilities reduce the liability for asset retirement obligations. At March 31, 2013, and December 31, 2012, there were no significant expenditures for abandonments and there were no assets legally restricted for purposes of settling existing asset retirement obligations.

#### 10. COMPENSATION

We recognized approximately \$0.4 million and \$0.3 million of non-cash compensation expense related to our unit-based compensation plans in the three months ended March 31, 2013, and March 31, 2012, respectively. As of March 31, 2013, we had approximately \$1.1 million in unrecognized compensation expense related to our unit-based non-cash compensation plans expected to be recognized through the first quarter of 2015.

In the three months ended March 31, 2013, we incurred one-time severance costs of approximately \$0.8 million. This one-time charge was reflected as general and administrative expenses and was composed of approximately \$0.7 million in cash compensation expense and approximately \$0.1 million in non-cash compensation expense related to accelerated vesting under our unit-based compensation plans.

#### 11. DISTRIBUTIONS TO UNITHOLDERS

Beginning in June 2009, we suspended our quarterly distributions to unitholders. For each of the quarterly periods since June 2009, we were restricted from paying distributions to unitholders as we had no available cash (taking into account the cash reserves set by our board of managers for the proper conduct of our business) from which to pay distributions. See Note 14 for additional information.

#### 12. MEMBERS EQUITY

2013 Equity

At March 31, 2013, we had 484,505 Class A units and 23,740,728 Class B common units outstanding, which included 44,644 unvested restricted common units issued under our Long-Term Incentive Plan and 350,804 unvested restricted common units issued under our 2009 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan.

At March 31, 2013, we had granted 347,602 common units of the 450,000 common units available under our Long-Term Incentive Plan. Of these grants, 302,958 have vested.

At March 31, 2013, we had granted 1,368,748 common units of the 1,650,000 common units available under our 2009 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan. Of these grants, 1,017,944 have vested.

For the three months ended March 31, 2013, 139,810 common units have been tendered by our employees for tax withholding purposes. These units, costing approximately \$0.2 million, have been returned to their respective plan and are available for future grants.

2012 Equity

At March 31, 2012, we had 482,999 Class A units and 23,666,956 Class B common units outstanding, which included 99,369 unvested restricted common units issued under our Long-Term Incentive Plan and 679,857 unvested restricted common units issued under our 2009 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan.

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At March 31, 2012, we had granted 315,221 common units of the 450,000 common units available under our Long-Term Incentive Plan. Of these grants, 215,852 have vested.

At March 31, 2012, we had granted 1,327,357 common units of the 1,650,000 common units available under our 2009 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan. Of these grants, 647,500 have vested.

For the three months ended March 31, 2012, 78,131 common units have been tendered by our employees for tax withholding purposes. These units, costing approximately \$0.2 million, have been returned to their respective plan and are available for future grants.

#### 13. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

On January 31, 2013, our Board of Managers authorized the sale of the two entities that own all our natural gas properties and inventory in the Robinson's Bend Field in the Black Warrior Basin of Alabama for \$63.0 million, subject to closing adjustments. On February 28, 2013, we sold all of our operations in Alabama, including our interests in 596 operated natural gas wells and all of our inventory and equipment and received approximately \$60.0 million in net cash proceeds from the buyer, subject to additional post-closing working capital and other customary adjustments. Of this amount, approximately \$1.2 million will be held in escrow for a period of twenty-four months pending certain closing conditions and \$50.0 million was used to reduce our outstanding debt under our reserve-based credit facility.

During the three months ended March 31, 2013, our discontinued operations had a net loss of \$2.7 million consisting of revenues of \$2.3 million, expenses of \$1.9 million, and a loss on sale of \$3.1 million. During the three ended March 31, 2012, our discontinued operations had a net loss of \$0.8 million consisting of revenues of \$3.1 million and expenses of \$3.9 million. At December 31, 2012, our discontinued operations had current assets of \$1.9 million, long-term assets of \$67.4 million, current liabilities of \$1.6 million, and long-term liabilities of \$7.7 million. The current assets primarily represented accounts receivable for natural gas sales and the current liabilities primarily represented accounts payable and accrued liabilities. Long-term assets represented natural properties, equipment and facilities and the long-term liabilities represented asset retirement obligations.

#### 14. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The following subsequent events have occurred between March 31, 2013, and May 15, 2013:

#### Distribution

Our board of managers has suspended the quarterly distribution to our unitholders for the quarter ended March 31, 2013, which continues the suspension we first announced in June 2009.

#### **Derivative and Financial Instruments**

On May 13, 2013, we entered into additional NYMEX swaps related to our expected natural gas production in 2015 and 2016. In 2015, we increased our outstanding NYMEX swap positions by 1,990,629 MMbtu at \$4.25 per MMbtu. In 2016, we entered into new positions for 1,686,330 MMbtu at \$4.31 per MMbtu.

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

The following discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and the summary of significant accounting policies and notes included herein and in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K.

#### Overview

We are a limited liability company formed in 2005 to acquire oil and natural gas properties. All of our oil and natural gas reserves are currently located in the Mid-Continent region of the United States, including the Cherokee Basin of Kansas and Oklahoma, the Woodford Shale in Oklahoma, and the Central Kansas Uplift in Kansas. Our primary business objective is to create long-term value and to generate stable cash flows allowing us to invest in our business to grow our reserves and production. We plan to achieve our objective by executing our business strategy, which is to:

organically grow our business by increasing reserves and production through what we believe to be low-risk development drilling that focuses on capital efficient production growth and oil opportunities on our existing properties in the Mid-Continent region;

reduce the volatility in our cash flows resulting from changes in oil and natural gas commodity prices and interest rates through efficient hedging programs; and

make accretive, right-sized acquisitions of oil and natural gas properties characterized by a high percentage of proved developed oil and natural gas reserves with long-lived, stable production and low-risk drilling opportunities.

We completed our initial public offering on November 20, 2006, and our Class B common units are currently listed on the NYSE MKT under the symbol CEP.

Unless the context requires otherwise, any reference in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q to Constellation Energy Partners, we, our, us, CE or the Company means Constellation Energy Partners LLC and its subsidiaries. References in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q to PostRock and CEPM are to PostRock Energy Corporation and its subsidiary Constellation Energy Partners Management, LLC, respectively. References in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q to Exelon and CEPH are to Exelon Corporation and its subsidiary Constellation Energy Partners Holdings, LLC, respectively. References in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q to Constellation, CCG, and CHI are to Constellation Energy Group, Inc., Constellation Energy Commodities Group, Inc., and Constellation Holdings, Inc., respectively.

#### **How We Evaluate our Operations**

#### Non-GAAP Financial Measure Adjusted EBITDA

(gain) loss on sale of assets;

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depreciation, depletion and amortization;
write-off of deferred financing fees;
asset impairments;

accretion expense;
exploration costs;
(gain) loss from equity investment;
unit based compensation programs;
(gain) loss from mark to market activities;
gains (losses) on discontinued operations; and
interest (income) expense, net which includes:
interest expense
interest expense gain/(loss) mark-to-market activities
interest (income)

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Adjusted EBITDA is a significant performance metric used by our management to indicate (prior to the establishment of any cash reserves by our board of managers) the distributions we would expect to pay to our unitholders. Specifically, this financial measure indicates to investors whether or not we are generating cash flow at a level that can sustain or support a quarterly distribution or any increase in our quarterly distribution rates. Adjusted EBITDA is also used as a quantitative standard by our management and by external users of our financial statements such as investors, research analysts, our lenders and others to assess:

the financial performance of our assets without regard to financing methods, capital structure or historical cost basis;

the ability of our assets to generate cash sufficient to pay interest costs and support our indebtedness; and

our operating performance and return on capital as compared to those of other companies in our industry, without regard to financing or capital structure.

Our Adjusted EBITDA should not be considered as a substitute for net income, operating income, cash flows from operating activities or any other measure of financial performance or liquidity presented in accordance with GAAP. Our Adjusted EBITDA excludes some, but not all, items that affect net income and operating income and these measures may vary among other companies. Therefore, our Adjusted EBITDA may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies.

We are unable to reconcile our forecast range of Adjusted EBITDA to GAAP net income or operating income because we do not predict the future impact of adjustments to net income (loss), such as (gains) losses from mark-to-market activities and equity investments or asset impairments due to the difficulty of doing so, and we are unable to address the probable significance of the unavailable reconciliation, in significant part due to ranges in our forecast impacted by changes in oil and natural gas prices and reserves which affect certain reconciliation items

The following table presents a reconciliation of net income (loss) to Adjusted EBITDA, our most directly comparable GAAP performance measure, for each of the periods presented:

	For the Three M	March 31, 2012 s) \$ 5,885 1,619 2,387 107 114 4 280		
	March 31, 2013	/		
	(In 000	) s)		
Net income (loss)	\$ (13,332)	\$ 5,885		
Adjusted by:				
Interest expense/(income), net	1,352	1,619		
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	4,798	2,387		
Asset impairments		107		
Accretion expense	123	114		
(Gain)/Loss on sale of assets	(6)	4		
Unit-based compensation programs	401	280		
(Gain)/Loss on mark-to-market activities	9,285	(6,602)		
Discontinued operations	2,686	801		
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Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 5,307	\$ 4,595		

Our Adjusted EBITDA from our continuing operations in the Cherokee Basin was \$5.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013, higher than our Adjusted EBITDA of \$4.6 million in the same period in 2012. Half of this increase of \$0.7 million is a result of higher oil and natural gas sales primarily as a result of increased oil production and half of the increase is a result of lower cash operating expenses.

Some key highlights of our business activities though May 15, 2013 were:

We have reduced our outstanding debt by 84.6% from a high of \$220.0 million in 2009 to \$34.0 million.

We sold all of our natural gas properties in the Robinson s Bend Field in the Black Warrior Basin of Alabama in February 2013.

We have implemented strategies to reduce our general and administrative expenses and our lease operating expenses going forward. In the first quarter of 2013, we incurred a one-time general and administrative charge of approximately \$0.8 million associated with severance costs. Excluding this one-time charge and non-cash unit-based compensation costs, our first quarter 2013 cash general and administrative expenses and lease operating expenses decreased by 13.5% as compared to these cash operating expenses in the first quarter of 2012.

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Our successful capital expenditure programs have continued to expand our oil production. Our first quarter 2013 oil production has increased by 64.8% over our oil production in the first quarter of 2012. Oil revenues accounted for 44.9% of our total unhedged revenue stream in 2013.

In 2013, we intend to continue focusing our efforts on developing oil opportunities on our existing properties in the Mid-continent region while pursuing opportunities to acquire additional properties in our operating area or merger and acquisition opportunities. Our current 2013 capital budget is expected to be between \$19.0 million and \$21.0 million and will focus on higher return oil opportunities and capital efficient recompletions. We anticipate that our 2013 capital expenditures could allow us to maintain our 2013 production at slightly below the same level as in 2012. We intend to manage our business to operate within the cash flows that are generated by our existing asset base.

#### Significant Operational Factors

Realized Prices. Our average realized price for the three months ended March 31, 2013, was \$7.16 per Mcfe including hedge settlements and \$4.82 per Mcfe excluding hedge settlements. After deducting the cost of sales associated with our third party gathering, our average realized prices were \$6.95 per Mcfe including hedge settlements and \$4.61 per Mcfe excluding hedge settlements.

*Production.* Our production for the three months ended March 31, 2013, was 2.0 Bcfe, or an average of 22,333 Mcfe per day, compared with approximately 2.1 Bcfe, or an average of 23,319 Mcfe per day, for the three months ended March 31, 2012. This 2013 production is lower than the production for the same period in 2012 because of the natural production declines associated with our existing natural gas wells not being fully offset by the impact of our drilling programs which were limited so that our operating cash flows could be used to reduce our outstanding debt level.

Capital Expenditures and Drilling Results. During the first three months of 2013, we spent approximately \$2.5 million in cash capital expenditures, consisting of \$2.4 million in development expenditures focused on oil completions in the Cherokee Basin and \$0.1 million to acquire certain additional natural gas wells in the Cherokee Basin. We have completed 12 net wells and 5 net recompletions during the three months ended March 31, 2013 and have 4 net wells and net recompletions in progress at March 31, 2013. During the fourth quarter of 2012 and the first quarter of 2013, we successfully completed substantially all of the remaining net wells and net recompletions from our 2012 capital program, and our first quarter 2013 daily average net oil production has increased to 533 barrels from our average daily production of 272 barrels for the third quarter of 2012 and 396 barrels for the fourth quarter of 2012.

Hedging Activities. All of our commodity and interest rate derivatives are accounted for as mark-to-market activities. For the three months ended March 31, 2013, the unrealized non-cash mark-to-market loss for our commodity derivatives was approximately \$9.3 million as compared to an unrealized non-cash mark-to-market gain of \$6.6 million for the same period in 2012.

We experience earnings volatility as a result of using the mark-to-market accounting method for our open derivative positions. This accounting treatment can cause extreme earnings volatility as the positions for future oil and natural gas production or interest rates are marked-to-market. These non-cash unrealized gains or losses are included in our current statement of operations until the derivatives are cash settled as the commodities are produced and sold or interest payments are made. Further detail of our commodity derivative positions and their accounting treatment is outlined below in Cash Flow From Operations-Open Commodity Hedge Position .

*Debt Reduction*. We have reduced our outstanding debt from a high of \$220.0 million in 2009 to \$34.0 million or by 84.5%. Our reserve-based credit facility must be refinanced prior to its maturity on March 31, 2014. At May 15, 2013, we had \$34.0 million in outstanding debt, which is reflected as a current liability on our balance sheet. After consideration of our current cash balance of approximately \$10.9 million, we have \$23.1 million of current net debt.

Operating Expense Reductions. We have implemented strategies to reduce our structural general and administrative expenses by 25% over the next 12 months and to further reduce our lease operating expenses. These strategies include: reducing headcount in

Houston and Oklahoma, closing our technical office in Tulsa, Oklahoma, closing our field office in Dewey, Oklahoma, lowering our annual bonus expense by 50%, reducing executive and board compensation expenses, reducing medical and dental plan expenses by changing providers, reducing the employer match for our 401K program, releasing our strategic advisor, changing certain other professional services providers, terminating our outsource support services agreement for revenue accounting services, and reducing overtime expenses.

# **Results of Operations**

The following table sets forth the selected financial and operating data for the periods indicated:

	For the three months ended months ended March 31, 2013 March 31, 2012		2013 Vs 2012 Variance \$ %			
Revenues:	1/201 01 , 2010		*	,,		
Natural gas sales	\$ 8,935	\$ 9,794	\$ (859)	(8.8)%		
Oil and liquids sales	4,512	3,280	1,232	37.6%		
Gain / (loss) from mark-to-market activities	(9,285)	6,602	(15,887)	(240.6)%		
Other natural gas sales	938	938				
Total revenues	5,100	20,614	(15,514)	(75.3)%		
Operating expenses:						
Lease operating expenses	4,236	5,171	(935)	(18.1)%		
Cost of sales	420	385	35	9.1%		
Production taxes	487	402	85	21.1%		
General and administrative	4,404	3,836	568	14.8%		
(Gain) /loss on sale of assets	(6)	4	(10)	(250.0)%		
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	4,798	2,387	2,411	101.0%		
Asset impairments		107	(107)			
Accretion expenses	123	114	9	7.9%		
Total operating expenses	14,462	12,406	2,056	16.6%		
Other expenses (income):						
Interest expense	4,016	1,711	2,305	134.7%		
Interest expense (Gain)/loss from mark-to-market						
activities	(2,664)	(92)	(2,572)	2,795.7%		
Other (income) expense	(68)	(97)	29	(29.9)%		
Total other expenses (income)	1,284	1,522	(238)	(15.6)%		

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	moi	the three	ded months ended		2013 Vs 2012 Variance		
T . 1	Mar	ch 31, 2013	Mar	ch 31, 2012		\$	%
Total expenses		15,746		13,928		1,818	13.1%
Discontinued operations		(2,686)		(801)		(1,885)	235.3%
Net income (loss)	\$	(13,332)	\$	5,885	\$ (	(19,217)	(326.5)%
Net production:							
Natural gas production (MMcf)		1,723		1,945		(222)	(11.4)%
Oil and liquids production (MBbl)		48		29		19	65.5%
Total production (MMcfe)		2,010		2,122		(112)	(5.3)%
Average daily production (Mcfe/d)		22,333		23,319		(986)	(4.2)%
Average sales prices:							
Natural gas price per Mcf with hedge settlements	\$	5.73	\$	5.52	\$	0.21	3.8%
Natural gas price per Mcf without hedge settlements	\$	3.09	\$	2.45	\$	0.64	26.1%
Oil and liquids price per Bbl with hedge settlements	\$	94.00	\$	113.10	\$	(19.10)	(16.9)%
Oil and liquids price per Bbl without hedge settlements	\$	90.65	\$	110.03	\$	(19.38)	(17.6)%
Total price per Mcfe with hedge settlements	\$	7.16	\$	6.60	\$	0.56	8.5%
Total price per Mcfe without hedge settlements	\$	4.82	\$	3.75	\$	1.07	28.5%
Average unit costs per Mcfe:							
Field operating expenses (a)	\$	2.35	\$	2.63	\$	(0.28)	(10.6)%
Lease operating expenses	\$	2.11	\$	2.44	\$	(0.33)	(13.5)%
Production taxes	\$	0.24	\$	0.19	\$	0.05	26.3%
General and administrative expenses	\$	2.19	\$	1.81	\$	0.38	21.0%
General and administrative expenses w/o unit-based							
compensation	\$	1.99	\$	1.68	\$	0.31	18.5%
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	\$	2.39	\$	1.12	\$	1.27	113.4%

<sup>(</sup>a) Field operating expenses include lease operating expenses (average production costs) and production taxes.

#### Three months ended March 31, 2013 compared to three months ended March 31, 2012

Oil and natural gas sales. Oil and natural gas sales increased \$0.4 million, or 2.7%, to \$14.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 as compared to \$14.0 million for the same period in 2012. Of this increase, \$2.1 million was attributable to higher market prices for our natural gas production offset by lower market prices for our oil production, offset by \$1.3 million attributable to lower cash hedge settlements from our hedge program, and \$0.4 million attributable to decreased natural gas production volumes offset by higher oil volumes. Production for the three months ended March 31, 2013 was 2.0 Bcfe, which was 0.1 Bcfe lower than the same period in 2012. This decrease was associated with natural declines in our natural gas production in the Cherokee Basin not being fully offset by increases in our oil production. The production from our Woodford Shale properties remained level. Due to the decrease in the level of our drilling activities since 2010, our maintenance drilling programs have not been sufficient to offset the natural decline rate of production associated with our existing wells. We hedged all of our actual consolidated production volumes sold through March 31, 2013, and approximately 69% of our actual production through March 31, 2012. In March 2013, we liquidated or repositioned certain of our hedges to ensure that our outstanding derivative positions in future periods are lower than our expected future natural gas production in those periods.

Cash hedge settlements received for our commodity derivatives were approximately \$4.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013. Cash hedge settlements received for our commodity derivatives were approximately \$6.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012. This difference is due to changes in hedge prices, hedged volumes, and market prices for natural gas and oil during 2012.

As discussed below, our unrealized non-cash mark-to-market activities decreased by \$15.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013, as compared to the same period in 2012. Our realized prices before our hedging program increased from 2012 to 2013 primarily due to net higher market prices for our natural gas production. This was offset by our hedging program and the mark-to-market gains and losses discussed below.

Hedging and mark-to-market activities. All of our derivatives are accounted for as mark-to-market activities. For the three months ended March 31, 2013, the unrealized non-cash mark-to-market loss was approximately \$9.3 million as compared to an unrealized non-cash mark-to-market gain of \$6.6 million for the same period in 2012. These losses represent the change in the

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estimated fair value of our open derivative positions for each period. The 2013 non-cash loss represents approximately \$9.2 million from the impact of higher future expected oil and natural gas prices on these derivative transactions that are being accounted for as mark-to-market activities and a \$0.1 million loss related to non-performance risk associated with our counterparties. The 2012 non-cash gain represented approximately \$7.2 million from the impact of lower than expected future natural gas prices on these derivative transactions that are being accounted for as mark-to-market activities offset by a \$0.6 million reduction for non-performance risk related to our counterparties.

*Field operating expenses.* Our field operating expenses generally consist of lease operating expenses, labor, vehicle, supervision, transportation, minor maintenance, tools and supplies expenses, as well as production and ad valorem taxes.

For the three months ended March 31, 2013, lease operating expenses decreased \$0.9 million, or 18.1%, to \$4.2 million, compared to expenses of \$5.1 million for the same period in 2012. This decrease in lease operating expenses is primarily related to \$0.9 million in lower expenses in the Cherokee Basin. By category, our lease operating expenses were lower in 2013 as compared to 2012 by \$0.9 million because of decreases of \$0.7 million in elective costs such as well servicing and repairs and maintenance, \$0.1 million in labor costs, and \$0.1 million in lower ad valorem taxes.

For the three months ended March 31, 2013, per unit lease operating expenses were \$2.11 per Mcfe compared to \$2.44 per Mcfe for the same period in 2012.

For the three months ended March 31, 2013, production taxes increased \$0.1 million, or 21.1%, to \$0.5 million, compared to expenses of \$0.4 million for the same period in 2012. This increase is primarily the result of higher market prices for natural gas and oil in 2013 offset by the impact of production taxes on 0.1 Bcfe in lower production in 2013.

Cost of sales. For the three months ended March 31, 2013, cost of sales remained flat compared to the same period in 2012.

General and administrative expenses. General and administrative expenses include the costs of our employees, related benefits, field office expenses, professional fees, and other costs not directly associated with field operations. General and administrative expenses increased \$0.6 million, or 14.8%, to \$4.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013, as compared to \$3.8 million for the same period in 2012. Our general and administrative expenses were higher in 2013 as compared to 2012 because of \$0.7 million in one-time cash severance costs, \$0.4 million in higher labor and incentive compensation costs, and \$0.1 million in higher non-cash unit-based compensation expenses primarily related to one-time severance costs, offset by \$0.6 million in lower in professional services and consulting costs including the costs associated with the termination of our support services agreement for revenue accounting services. Without the one-time cash and non-cash severance costs, our total reported general and administrative expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2013, would have been lower by approximately \$0.2 million as compared to the same period in 2012.

Our per unit costs were \$2.19 per Mcfe for the three months ended March 31, 2013, as compared to \$1.81 per Mcfe for the same period in 2012. This increase is attributable to the impact of 0.1 Bcfe in lower production and by an increase in total spending of approximately \$0.6 million. Excluding the impact of the one-time severance costs, our total per unit costs excluding non-cash unit-based compensation expenses would have been \$1.65 per Mcfe in 2013 which is lower than the 2012 costs of \$1.68 per Mcfe.

Exploration Costs. There were no exploration costs for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and March 31, 2012.

*Gain/loss on sale of asset.* Our gain/loss on the sale of assets decreased approximately \$0.01 million, or 250.0%, to a gain of less than \$0.01 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013, as compared to a loss of less than \$0.01 million for the same period in 2012. In 2013, we sold surplus equipment in Oklahoma at a gain of less than \$0.01 million. In 2012, we sold 14 wells in the Central Kansas Uplift surplus equipment at a loss of less than \$0.01 million.

Depreciation, depletion and amortization expense and Asset Impairments. Depreciation, depletion and amortization expenses include the depreciation, depletion and amortization of acquisition costs and equipment costs. Depletion is calculated using units-of-production. Assuming everything else remains unchanged, as oil or natural gas production changes, depletion would change in the same direction.

Our depreciation, depletion and amortization expense for the three months ended March 31, 2013 was \$4.8 million, or \$2.39 per Mcfe, compared to \$2.4 million, or \$1.12 per Mcfe, for the same period in 2012. This increase in 2013 depreciation, depletion, and amortization reflects the decrease in our reserve base at December 31, 2012, primarily due to the impact of a lower SEC-required natural gas price used to calculate our reserves which resulted in negative reserve revisions, and increased expenditures incurred for our drilling programs in 2012. These revisions were partially offset by increased oil reserves as a result of our successful drilling programs and a 0.1 Bcfe decrease in production volumes during 2013 as compared to 2012. We calculate

depletion using units-of-production under the successful efforts method of accounting. Our other assets are depreciated using the straight line basis. Consistent with our prior practice, we will use our 2012 reserve report to calculate our depletion rate during the first three quarters of 2013 and will use our 2013 reserve report to record our depletion in the fourth quarter of 2013.

For the three months ended March 31, 2013, no asset impairment was recorded, compared to asset impairments of \$0.1 million for the same period in 2012. Our non-cash impairment charges in 2012 were approximately \$0.1 million to impair certain of our wells in the Woodford Shale. This impairment was recorded because the net capitalized costs of the properties exceeded the fair value of the properties as measured by estimated cash flows reported in a third party reserve report. The impairment was primarily caused by the impact of lower future natural gas prices during the first quarter of 2012 on future expected cash flows.

Interest expense. Interest expense for the three months ended March 31, 2013 decreased \$0.3 million, or 16.5%, to \$1.3 million as compared to \$1.6 million in interest expense for the same period in 2012. This decrease was primarily due to \$2.6 million in higher non-cash mark-to-market gains on our interest rate swaps that are accounted for as mark-to-market activities, lower market interest expense on our outstanding debt of \$0.2 million, higher amortization of debt issue costs of \$0.3 million, and higher interest rate swap settlements of \$2.2 million, while capitalized interest remained flat in 2013 to the same period in 2012. At March 31, 2013, we had an outstanding balance under our reserve-based credit facility of \$34.0 million as compared to \$98.4 million at March 31, 2012. The average interest rate on our outstanding debt was approximately 5.7% in 2013 compared to 5.7% in 2012. We use interest rate swaps to reduce our exposure to changes in the LIBOR rate. In 2013, we reduced our outstanding interest rate swaps that fix our LIBOR rate through 2014 to \$30 million, which increased our interest rate swap settlements by \$2.1 million. As this position was closed, we had an offsetting non-cash gain in our mark-to-market interest swap activities. We accelerated the amortization of approximately \$0.3 million in debt issue costs in 2013 as a result of the third amendment of our reserve-based credit facility which set our borrowing base at \$37.5 million.

*Interest income*. Interest income for the three months ended March 31, 2013, was less than \$0.01 million as compared to less than \$0.01 million for the same period in 2012. During 2013, market rates for overnight investments continued to be at historical lows, resulting in no significant earnings on our cash balances.

Discontinued Operations. Income from discontinued operations for the three months ended March 31, 2013 decreased \$1.9 million, or 235.3%, to a loss of \$2.7 million as compared to a loss of \$0.8 million in discontinued operations for the same period in 2012. Our discontinued operations represent the net loss associated with the Robinson s Bend Field in the Black Warrior Basin of Alabama, which was sold on February 28, 2013, with an effective date of December 1, 2012. The loss in 2013 reflects a \$3.1 million loss on the sale of the properties, only two months of income and lower depreciation expenses.

#### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

During 2012 and through May 15, 2013, we utilized our cash flow from operations as our primary source of capital to fund our operating and capital programs. Our primary use of capital during this time was for the development of existing oil opportunities within our asset base in the Cherokee Basin. In 2013, we also sold our Robinson s Bend Field in the Black Warrior Basin of Alabama and used \$50.0 million of the proceeds to reduce our outstanding debt.

Based upon our current business plan for 2013, we anticipate that we will continue to generate sufficient operating cash flows to meet our working capital needs and fund a planned capital expenditure program between \$19.0 million and \$21.0 million. We will be monitoring the capital resources available to us to meet our future financial obligations and our planned 2013 capital expenditures, including the potential maturity of our outstanding debt on March 31, 2014. Our current expectation is that we will continue managing our business to operate within the cash flows that are generated.

Given our focus on debt reduction since June 2009, our quarterly distributions to our unitholders remained suspended through the first quarter of 2013. At March 31, 2013, we were restricted from paying distributions to unitholders as we had no available cash (taking into account the cash reserves set by our board of managers for the proper conduct of our business and the payment of fees and expenses) from which to pay distributions.

Our future success in growing reserves and production will be highly dependent on the capital resources available to us and our success in drilling for or acquiring additional reserves and managing the costs associated with our operations. We routinely monitor and adjust our capital expenditures and operating expenses in response to changes in oil and natural gas prices, drilling and acquisition costs, industry conditions, availability of funds under our reserve-based credit facility, and internally generated cash flow. Based upon current oil and natural gas price expectations, our existing hedge position and expected production levels in 2013, we anticipate that our cash flow from operations can meet our planned capital expenditures and other cash requirements for the next twelve months without increasing our debt. If needed, we may issue

additional equity securities to raise additional capital. Future cash flows and our borrowing capacity are subject to a number of variables, including the level of oil and natural gas production, the market prices for those products and our hedge position. There can be no assurance that operations and other capital resources will provide cash in sufficient amounts to maintain our reduced debt level, planned levels of capital expenditures, operating expenses, or any cash distributions that we may make to unitholders.

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#### Sources of Debt and Equity Financing

As of May 15, 2013, the borrowing base under our reserve-based credit facility was \$37.5 million and we had \$34.0 million of debt outstanding under the facility, leaving us with \$3.5 million in unused borrowing capacity. Our reserve-based credit facility matures on March 31, 2014, and the entire \$34.0 million in outstanding debt is shown as a current liability on our balance sheet at March 31, 2013. To the extent that we do not enter into an agreement to refinance our reserve-based credit facility, the outstanding debt balance at March 31, 2014, will become due and payable. We are working with a group of lenders to refinance our reserve-based credit facility and believe that we will be able to do so, but there is no assurance that we can or will be able to refinance our reserve-based credit facility on terms reasonably acceptable to us or at all.

In 2011, we filed a shelf registration statement with the SEC to register up to \$500 million of debt or equity securities to repay or refinance outstanding debt and to fund working capital, capital expenditures and any acquisitions. This registration statement will expire in February 2014. As a smaller reporting company, any sales of securities under our shelf registration statement during the preceding rolling 12 months is limited to one-third of our public float. Our public float is calculated by multiplying the highest closing price of our Class B common units within the last 60 days by the number of outstanding Class B common units held by non-affiliates, currently including PostRock. There is no guarantee that securities can or will be issued under the registration statement or that conditions in the financial markets would be supportive of an issuance of such securities by us. If needed, we may also issue securities in one or more private placements.

#### **Cash Flow from Operations**

Our net cash flow provided by operating activities for the three months ended March 31, 2013 was \$1.5 million, compared to net cash flow provided by operating activities of \$1.4 million for the same period in 2012. This \$0.1 million increase in operating cash flow is attributable to the impact of higher reported oil and natural gas sales revenues of \$0.4 million, \$0.4 million from lower cash operating expenses, \$0.1 million in higher cash flow from discontinued operations, and the remainder is due to changes in working capital.

The increase in oil and natural gas sales is a result of \$2.2 million from higher market prices for natural gas offset by lower market prices for oil, offset by \$1.3 million as a result of lower cash settlements of our oil and natural gas hedges and \$0.4 million from lower natural gas production volumes offset by higher oil production volumes. The lower cash operating expenses is primarily as a result of lower total spending for lease operating expenses offset by the impact of higher production taxes and higher cost of sales. The remaining net change in working capital and other items is primarily the result of the timing of payments and collection of accounts receivable.

The change in our working capital from 2013 to 2012 was attributable to higher other assets of \$1.1 million, lower accrued liabilities of \$2.1 million, lower accounts payable of \$0.4 million, lower royalty payables of \$0.2 million and lower prepaid expenses of \$0.2 million, offset by lower accounts receivable of \$1.2 million and increased other liabilities of \$1.1 million. Our accrued liabilities decreased after the payments associated with our 2012 incentive compensation programs were made offset by an increase in severance payments not yet made. Our accounts payable decreased due to timing of invoice payments and lower checks-in-transit in 2013. Our receivables balance decreased as we collected additional oil sales from certain tank batteries and our royalty payable balance decreased due to both lower production volumes for our estimated oil and natural gas sales and royalty payments made on oil sales. The increase in other assets is related to the establishment of an escrow account of approximately \$1.2 million related to certain closing conditions associated with the sale of our Robinson s Bend Field in the Black Warrior Basin of Alabama. These funds will be held in escrow for twenty-four months. Our discontinued operations had an effective date of the sale of December 1, 2012 and a closing date of February 28, 2013. These operations generated less than \$1.1 million that will be paid to the buyer in the second quarter of 2013.

Our cash flow from operations is subject to many variables, the most significant of which are the volatility of market prices for oil and natural gas, our hedging program and our level of production of oil and natural gas. Our future cash flow from operations will depend on our ability to maintain and increase production through our development program or completing acquisitions and successfully executing our hedging program. For additional information on our business plan, refer to Outlook .

### Open Commodity Hedge Position

We enter into hedging arrangements to reduce the impact of oil and natural gas price volatility on our operations. By removing the price volatility from a significant portion of our oil and natural gas production, we have mitigated, but not eliminated, the potential effects of changing prices on our cash flow from operations for those periods. While mitigating the negative effects of falling commodity prices, these derivative contracts also limit the benefits we might otherwise receive from increases in commodity prices. These derivative contracts also limit our ability to have additional cash flows to fund higher severance taxes, which are usually based on market prices for oil and natural gas. Our operating cash flows are also impacted by the cost of oilfield services. In

the event of inflation increasing service costs or administrative expenses, our hedging program will limit our ability to have increased operating cash flows to fund these higher costs. Increases in the market prices for oil and natural gas will also increase our need for working capital as our commodity hedging contracts cash settle prior to our receipt of cash from our sales of the related commodities to third parties.

It is our policy to enter into derivative contracts only with counterparties that are creditworthy financial institutions deemed by management as competent and competitive market makers. Each of the counterparties to our derivative contracts is a lender in our reserve-based credit facility and we do not currently post collateral with our counterparties under any of these agreements. This is significant since we are able to lock in sales prices on a substantial amount of our expected future production without posting cash collateral based on price changes prior to the hedges being cash settled.

For 2013, we forecast our total net natural gas production to range between 6.5 Bcf and 7.3 Bcf and our total net oil production of between 190,000 Bbls and 210,000 Bbls. For the remainder of 2013, we have approximately 5.1 Bcfe of our Mid-Continent natural gas production locked in at an effective fixed price of \$6.17 per Mcfe with basis hedges on 3.8 Bcfe of this amount at an average differential of \$0.39 per Mcfe. For the remainder of 2013, we have hedges in place on approximately 107 MBbl of our oil production at a fixed price of \$96.31 per barrel. These hedge positions lock in a significant portion of our expected revenues for 2013, although we are still exposed to increases or decreases in oil and natural gas prices on any of our unhedged volumes.

The following tables summarize, for the periods indicated, our hedges currently in place through December 31, 2016. All of these derivatives are accounted for as mark-to-market activities.

MTM Fixed Price Swaps NYMEX (Henry Hub)

		For the quarter ended (in MMBtu)								
	March	31,	June 30, Sept 30.		0, Dec 31,		1,	Total		
		Average		Average		Average		Average		Average
	Volume	Price	Volume	Price	Volume	Price	Volume	Price	Volume	Price
2013			1,158,226	\$ 6.14	1,721,278	\$ 6.17	1,691,540	\$ 6.18	4,571,044	\$ 6.17
2014	1,575,000	\$ 5.75	1,592,500	\$ 5.75	1,610,000	\$ 5.75	1,610,000	\$ 5.75	6,387,500	\$ 5.75
2015	1,011,055	\$ 4.27	971,604	\$ 4.27	938,968	\$ 4.27	908,492	\$ 4.27	3,830,119	\$ 4.27
2016	441,492	\$ 4.31	426,825	\$ 4.31	414,329	\$ 4.31	403,684	\$ 4.31	1,686,330	\$ 4.31
									16,474,993	

MTM Fixed Price Basis Swaps CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission (East), ONEOK Gas Transportation (Oklahoma), or Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline (Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas)

				For t	he quarter en	ded (in MMB	tu)			
	March	ı 31,	June 30,		Sept 30,		Dec 31,		Total	
		Weighted		Weighted		Weighted		Weighted		Weighted
	Volume	Average \$	Volume	Average \$	Volume	Average \$	Volume	Average \$	Volume	Average \$
2013			883,209	\$ 0.39	1,273,525	\$ 0.39	1,223,985	\$ 0.39	3,380,719	\$ 0.39
2014	1,178,422	\$ 0.39	1,133,022	\$ 0.39	1,084,270	\$ 0.39	1,047,963	\$ 0.39	4,443,677	\$ 0.39

MTM Fixed Price Basis Swaps West Texas Intermediate (WTI)

	For	r the quarter ended (in H	Bbls)	
March 31,	June 30,	Sept 30,	Dec 31,	Total

7.824.396

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	Volume	Average Price	Volume	Average Price	Volume	Average Price	Volume	Average Price	Volume	Average Price
2013			38,030	\$ 96.24	35,527	\$ 96.31	33,200	\$ 96.38	106,757	\$ 96.30
2014	31,144	\$ 93.87	29,210	\$ 93.95	27,352	\$ 94.06	25,421	\$ 94.23	113,127	\$ 94.02
2015	23,919	\$ 93.37	22,494	\$ 93.48	21,237	\$ 93.58	20,030	\$ 93.70	87,680	\$ 93.53
2016	17,957	\$ 85.50	16,985	\$ 85.50	16,048	\$ 85.50	15,127	\$ 85.50	66,117	\$ 85.50
									373,681	

#### **Investing Activities Acquisitions and Capital Expenditures**

Cash provided by investing activities was \$56.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013, compared to cash used in investing activities of \$1.2 million for the same period in 2012. Our cash capital expenditures were \$2.5 million in 2013, which consisted of \$2.4 million in development expenditures in the Cherokee Basin and \$0.1 million to acquire certain additional natural gas wells in the Cherokee Basin. We have completed 12 net wells and 5 net recompletions during the first three months of 2013 and have 4 net wells and net recompletions in progress at March 31, 2013. We also sold our Robinson s Bend Field in the Black Warrior Basin of Alabama for net proceeds after customary costs and working capital adjustments of approximately \$58.9 million and received less than \$0.1 million in distributions from an equity affiliate. We do not currently expect the sale of our natural gas properties in the Black Warrior Basin of Alabama to significantly reduce our future net cash flows in 2013, as we have significantly reduced our outstanding debt level which will lower our cash interest payments.

Our cash capital expenditures were \$2.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012, which primarily consisted of development expenditures in the Cherokee Basin. During the first three months of 2012, we completed 5 net wells and 12 net recompletions in the Cherokee Basin and had 38 net wells in progress at March 31, 2012. We also sold 14 wells in the Central Kansas Uplift for \$1.4 million during the first quarter of 2012 and received approximately \$0.1 million in distributions from an equity affiliate.

Our current 2013 capital budget of \$19.0 million to \$21.0 million is expected to be funded using our cash flow from operations and by using the remaining net proceeds from the sale of our natural gas properties in the Black Warrior Basin. We currently expect to focus our entire 2013 capital budget on higher return oil opportunities and capital efficient recompletion opportunities in our existing asset base in the Cherokee Basin. We currently believe that opportunity set is sufficient to warrant a continuing focus on our oil opportunities in the Cherokee Basin with investment of free cash flow at rates of return exceeding 20% over the next few years.

The amount and timing of our capital expenditures is largely discretionary and within our control. If oil or natural gas prices decline to levels below acceptable levels, drilling costs escalate, or our efforts to exploit oil potential in our asset base prove to be unsuccessful, we could choose to defer a portion of these planned capital expenditures until later periods. We routinely monitor and adjust our capital expenditures in response to changes in oil and natural gas prices, drilling and acquisition costs, industry conditions, availability of funds under our reserve-based credit facility, and internally generated cash flow. These and other matters are outside of our control and could affect the timing of our capital expenditures. Based upon current oil and natural gas price expectations and expected 2013 production levels, we anticipate that our cash flow from operations will meet any planned capital expenditures and other cash requirements for the next twelve months. We also have access to any existing available borrowing capacity under our reserve-based credit facility and our then existing cash balance if additional funds are needed in the future. Future cash flows are subject to a number of variables, including the level of oil and natural gas production and prices. There can be no assurance that our operations and other capital resources will provide cash in sufficient amounts during 2013 to maintain our planned levels of capital expenditures, to maintain the outstanding debt level under our reserve-based credit facility, or to commence any quarterly distribution to unitholders. Our capital expenditures are also impacted by drilling and service costs. In the event of inflation increasing drilling and service costs, our hedging program will limit our ability to have increased revenues recoup the higher costs, which could further impact our planned capital spending.

## **Financing Activities**

Our net cash used by financing activities was \$50.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013, compared to \$0.2 million used by financing activities for the same period in 2012. In 2013, we borrowed \$0.2 million in short-term borrowings under our reserve-based credit facility for working capital purposes. During the first three months of 2013, we used \$50.2 million to reduce our outstanding debt level to \$34.0 million. This debt reduction was funded from the proceeds from the sale of our Robinson s Bend Field in the Black Warrior Basin of Alabama. We also used \$0.2 million to fund the cost of units tendered by employees for tax withholdings for unit-based compensation. At March 31, 2013, we had approximately \$0.6 million in debt issue costs remaining to be amortized over the life our reserve-based credit facility.

We suspended our \$0.13 per unit quarterly distributions to unitholders for the quarter ended June 30, 2009, through the quarter ended March 31, 2013, to reduce our outstanding indebtedness.

Our net cash used by financing activities was \$0.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012. We used \$0.2 million to fund the cost of units tendered by employees for tax withholdings for unit-based compensation and had approximately \$2.1 million in debt issue costs remaining to be amortized at March 31, 2012.

#### **Contractual Obligations**

At May 15, 2013, we had the following contractual obligations or commercial commitments:

	Payments Due By Year <sup>(1)(2)</sup> (in thousands)						
	2013	2014	2015	Thereafter	Total		
Reserve-Based Credit Facility	\$	\$ 34,000	\$	\$	\$ 34,000		
Asset Retirement Obligation				7,813	7,813		
Offices Leases <sup>(3)</sup>	306	422	451	301	1,480		
Total	\$ 306	\$ 34,422	\$ 451	\$ 8,114	\$ 43,293		

- (1) This table does not include any liability associated with derivatives.
- (2) This table does not include interest as interest rates are variable. The average interest rate on our outstanding debt was approximately 5.8% at March 31, 2013. Our reserve-based credit facility matures on March 31, 2014. We must refinance or replace our reserve-based credit facility prior to its maturity or the amount debt outstanding will become due and payable at that time.
- (3) Our Tulsa office lease terminates on May 31, 2013.

#### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

We have no off-balance sheet arrangements with third parties, and we maintain no debt obligations that contain provisions requiring accelerated payment of the related obligations in the event of specified levels of declines in credit ratings.

#### **Credit Markets and Counterparty Risk**

We actively monitor the credit exposure and risks associated with our counterparties. Additionally, we continue to monitor global credit markets to limit our potential exposure to credit risk where possible. Our primary credit exposures result from the sale of oil and natural gas and our use of derivatives. Through May 15, 2013, we have not suffered any significant losses with our counterparties as a result of nonperformance.

Certain key counterparty relationships are described below:

Macquarie Energy LLC

Macquarie Energy LLC ( Macquarie ), a subsidiary of Sydney, Australia-based Macquarie Group Limited, purchases a portion of our natural gas production in the Cherokee Basin. We have received a guarantee from Macquarie Bank Limited for up to \$4.0 million in purchases through December 31, 2013. As of May 15, 2013, we have no past due receivables from Macquarie.

Scissortail Energy, LLC

Scissortail Energy, LLC (Scissortail), a subsidiary of Copano Energy, L.L.C., purchases a portion of our natural gas production in Oklahoma and Kansas. As of May 15, 2013, we have no past due receivables from Scissortail.

ONEOK Energy Services Company, L.P.

ONEOK Energy Services Company, L.P. (ONEOK), a subsidiary of ONEOK, Inc., purchases a portion of our natural gas production in Oklahoma and Kansas. We have received a guarantee from ONEOK, Inc. for up to \$3.0 million in purchases through November 30, 2013. As of May 15, 2013, we have no past due receivables from ONEOK.

Derivative Counterparties

As of May 15, 2013, all of our derivatives are with The Royal Bank of Scotland plc, Societe Generale, The Bank of Nova Scotia, ING Capital Markets LLC, and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. These derivative counterparties are lenders, or affiliated with a lender, in our reserve-based credit facility. All of our derivatives are currently collateralized by the assets securing our reserve-based credit facility and therefore currently do not require the posting of cash collateral. As of May 15, 2013, each of these financial institutions has an investment grade credit rating. Several of the lenders in our reserve-based credit facility were, as of May 15, 2013, on review for possible ratings downgrade by S&P or Moody s. However, it would take a multiple ratings downgrade for each of these banks to fall below investment grade.

Reserve-Based Credit Facility

As of May 15, 2013, the banks and their percentage commitments in our reserve-based credit facility are: The Royal Bank of Scotland plc (26.84%), Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (21.95%), The Bank of Nova Scotia (21.95%), ING Capital LLC (14.63%), and Societe Generale (14.63%). As of May 15, 2013, each of these financial institutions has an investment grade credit rating.

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#### Outlook

During 2013, we expect that our business will continue to be affected by the factors described in Item 1A. Risk Factors of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, as well as the following key industry and economic trends. Our expectation is based upon key assumptions and information currently available to us. To the extent that our underlying assumptions about or interpretations of available information prove to be incorrect, our actual results may vary materially from our expected results.

Full Year 2013 Expected Results

Our 2013 business plan and forecast is focused on prioritizing oil production in the execution of our capital program, actively managing our operating expenses and actively pursuing merger and acquisition opportunities. We currently expect our operating environment to be characterized by continued low natural gas prices, stable oil prices and the pressure to reduce operating expenses.

For 2013, we currently anticipate:

Our production to be at or slightly below 8.1 Bcfe, approximately 100% of which is currently hedged at prices that are attractive relative to the price levels we currently observe in the commodity markets.

Our operating expenses to be actively managed, resulting in a range of \$31.4 million to \$34.2 million.

Our Adjusted EBITDA to be in a range of \$23.0 million to \$25.0 million.

Our total capital expenditures to be between \$19.0 million to \$21.0 million. Our entire capital budget for 2013 will be focused on capital efficient oil drilling and recompletion opportunities in the Mid-Continent region.

We have implemented strategies to lower operating costs, with a goal of reducing our structural general and administrative costs by approximately 25% over the next 12 months. We expect our general and administrative expenses to have a run rate of \$12.4 million in 2013, with opportunities available to save another \$0.6 million in 2014.

At the present time, we are actively pursuing the refinancing of our reserve-based credit facility and merger and acquisition opportunities.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

The discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based upon our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Certain accounting policies involve judgments and uncertainties to such an extent that there is reasonable likelihood that materially different amounts could have been reported under different conditions, or if different assumptions had been used. We evaluate our estimates and assumptions on a regular basis. We base our estimates on historical experience and various other assumptions. The results of these estimates and assumptions form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates and assumptions used in the preparation of our financial statements.

As of March 31, 2013, there were no changes with regard to the critical accounting policies disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, which was filed on March 11, 2013. The policies disclosed included the accounting for oil and natural gas properties, oil and natural gas reserve quantities, revenue recognition and hedging activities. Please read Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements for a discussion of additional accounting policies and estimates made by management.

### New Accounting Pronouncements Issued But Not Yet Adopted

As of March 31, 2013, there were a number of accounting standards and interpretations that had been issued, but not yet adopted by us. We are currently reviewing the recently issued standards and interpretations but none are expected to have a material impact on our financial statements.

## **New Accounting Pronouncements**

In December 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-11, *Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities*, which requires additional disclosures for financial and derivative instruments that are either (1) offset in accordance with either ASC 210-20-45 or ASC 815-10-45 or (2) subject to an enforceable master netting arrangement or similar agreement, regardless of whether they are offset in accordance with either ASC 210-20-45 or ASC 815-10-45. The guidance is effective beginning on or after January 1, 2013, and will primarily impact the disclosures associated with our commodity and interest rate derivatives. Implementation of this guidance did not have any material impact on our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

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In June 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-05, *Comprehensive Income (Topic 220)* that requires entities to present net income and other comprehensive income in either a single continuous statement or in two separate, but consecutive, statements of net income and other comprehensive income. The option to present items of other comprehensive income in the statement of changes in equity was eliminated. In December 2011, the FASB issued new authoritative accounting guidance which effectively deferred the requirement to present the reclassification adjustments on the face of the financial statements. The amended guidance was effective for us in the first quarter of 2012 and implementation of this guidance did not have a material impact on our financial statements or our disclosures.

In May 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-04, Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820): Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs, and the IASB issued IFRS 13, Fair Value Measurement (together, the new guidance). The new guidance results in a consistent definition of fair value and common requirements for measurement of and disclosure about fair value between U.S. GAAP and IFRS. The new guidance changes some fair value measurement principles and disclosure requirements and is effective for interim and annual periods beginning on or after December 15, 2011. The amended guidance was effective for us in the first quarter of 2012 and implementation of this guidance did not have a material impact on our financial statements or our disclosures.

#### Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

The primary objective of the following information is to provide forward-looking quantitative and qualitative information about our potential exposure to market risks. The term market risk refers to the risk of loss arising from adverse changes in oil and natural gas prices and interest rates. The disclosures are not meant to be precise indicators of expected future losses, but rather indicators of reasonably possible losses. This forward-looking information provides indicators about how we view and manage our ongoing market risk exposures. All of our market risk sensitive instruments were entered into for purposes other than speculative trading.

#### Global Financial and Energy Markets

The U.S. economy continues to show steady signs of improvement, but the level of improvement has been insufficient to materially increase the demand for natural gas, which accounts for a majority of our production. Concurrently, production from shale gas plays has increased the supply of natural gas, inventories of natural gas in storage remain at record high levels, and mild winter and spring weather has impacted the demand for natural gas. As a result, future expected prices for natural gas remain depressed relative to the price levels observed at the time our assets were acquired. At the same time, oil prices have remained at a relatively high level due to strong demand for crude oil products and tensions in the Middle East. As a result, we have hedged a significant portion of our expected natural gas production for 2013 and 2015 and our oil production for 2013 through 2016. We have also shifted all of our capital expenditures to focus on oil drilling and recompletion opportunities in the Cherokee Basin to increase the percentage of our production and sales revenue from higher value added oil production.

Through May 15, 2013, we have reduced our outstanding debt from a high of \$220.0 million in 2009 to \$34.0 million. This reduction in debt was achieved through a combination of the sale of our natural gas properties in the Black Warrior Basin of Alabama in 2013, the one-time restructuring of our NYMEX fixed-for-floating price swaps in 2011, the suspension of our cash distribution since 2009, the reduction of our capital expenditures since 2009, significant reductions in our operating expenses and the dedication of a significant portion of our operating cash flows to reducing debt. Although we are a smaller company after this effort, we expect that our ability to issue debt and equity securities may improve over the next year. In May 2013, we entered into a new reserve-based credit facility with a higher borrowing base and an extended term. However, our ability to issue debt or equity securities may still be impacted, particularly if future expected market prices for natural gas remain depressed or decline further or in the event of further reductions in credit availability by financial institutions due to stress in the financial markets, including as a result of the debt crisis in Europe or fiscal issues in the United States. We continue to monitor the financial and energy markets to determine if we need to further adjust our business plans in response to changes in market conditions.

## Commodity Price Risk

Our major market risk exposure is in the pricing applicable to our oil and natural gas production. Realized pricing is primarily driven by the NYMEX (Henry Hub) and Inside FERC prices for CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission (East), Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Midcontinent), the CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission (East), ONEOK Gas Transportation (Oklahoma), Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line (Texas, Oklahoma) and Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline (Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas) with respect to our natural gas properties in the Cherokee Basin, the Inside FERC price for the CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission (East) for our natural gas properties in the Woodford Shale, NYMEX West Texas Intermediate (Cushing, Oklahoma) for our oil production and the spot market prices applicable to all of oil and natural gas production. Historically, pricing for oil and natural gas has been volatile and unpredictable and we expect this volatility to continue

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in the future. We are currently operating in an environment characterized by low natural gas prices which tends to lower the revenues that we realize on our unhedged natural gas production and limit the amount of operating cash flows. The prices we receive for oil and natural gas production depend on many factors outside our control, including weather, economic conditions, and the total supply of oil and natural gas available for sale in the market.

We have entered into hedging arrangements with respect to a portion of our projected future production through various derivatives that hedge the future prices received. These hedging activities are intended to support commodity sales prices at targeted levels and to manage our exposure to commodity price fluctuations. We do not hold or issue derivative instruments for speculative trading purposes. The use of hedging transactions also involves the risk that one or more of the counterparties will be unable to meet the financial terms of the transactions executed. We attempt to minimize this risk by entering into our derivative transactions with counterparties that are lenders, or affiliated with a lender, in our reserve-based credit facility. The table below presents the hypothetical changes in fair values arising from potential changes in the quoted market prices of the commodity underlying the derivative instruments used to mitigate these market risks. Any gain or loss on these derivative commodity instruments would be substantially offset by a corresponding gain or loss on the sale of the hedged production, which are not included in the table. These derivatives do not hedge all of our commodity price risk related to our forecasted sales of oil and natural gas production and, as a result, we are subject to commodity price risk on our remaining unhedged oil and natural gas production.

	Fair Value	10 Percer Fair Value	nt Increase (Decrease) (in 000 s)	10 Percent Fair Value	Decrease Increase
Impact of changes in commodity prices on derivative commodity					
instruments at March 31, 2013	\$ 18,597	\$ 9,646	\$ (8,951)	\$ 27,548	\$ 8,951

Interest Rate Risk

At March 31, 2013, the one-month LIBOR rate was 0.20%, the three-month LIBOR rate was 0.28%, and our applicable margin on LIBOR borrowings was 3.50%. At March 31, 2013, the ABR rate was 3.25%, and our applicable margin on ABR borrowings was 2.50%. At March 31, 2013, we had debt outstanding of \$34.0 million. Of this amount, \$4.0 million incurred interest at a one-month LIBOR rate plus an applicable margin of 3.50% based on utilization and \$30.0 million incurred interest at a three-month LIBOR rate plus an applicable margin of 3.50% based on utilization. We had no debt outstanding at the ABR rate. At March 31, 2013, the carrying value and fair value of our debt is \$34.0 million.

The table below presents the hypothetical changes in fair values arising from potential changes in the quoted interest rate underlying the derivative instruments used to mitigate these market risks.

		10 Percent	t Incre	ease	10 Percen	t Decre	ease
	Fair Value	Fair Value		rease	Fair Value	(Dec	crease)
			(i	n 000 s	s)		
Impact of changes in LIBOR on derivative interest rate instruments at							
March 31, 2013	\$ (984)	\$ (946)	\$	38	\$ (1,022)	\$	(38)

We enter into hedging arrangements to reduce the impact of volatility of changes in the LIBOR interest rate on our interest payments for \$30.0 million of our outstanding debt balance of \$34.0 million at May 15, 2013. If we reduce our outstanding debt balance to \$30.0 million or lower, our cash interest costs for our effective LIBOR rate would begin to approximate the settlements on these interest rate swaps. At May 15, 2013, we have \$30.0 million at a fixed LIBOR rate of 2.52% with a maturity date of September 22, 2014.

#### **Item 4. Controls and Procedures**

A control system, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, with CEP have been detected. These inherent limitations include error by personnel in executing controls due to faulty judgment or simple mistakes, which could occur in situations such as when personnel performing controls are new to a job function or when inadequate resources are applied to a process. Additionally, controls can be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons or by collusion of two or more people.

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The design of any system of controls also is based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and there can be no absolute assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions; over time, controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or personnel, or the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate. Because of the inherent limitations in a cost-effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected.

### **Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

The Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer of CEP have evaluated the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act )) as of March 31, 2013 (the Evaluation Date ). Based on such evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer have concluded that, as of the Evaluation Date, our disclosure controls and procedures are effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC s rules and forms and is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures.

#### Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In January 2013, we terminated our support services agreement with Schlumberger, ePrime Services. Through this outsource agreement, Schlumberger managed the cash flow associated with our interest in our oil and natural gas properties, including the payment of invoices, calculation and payment of royalties, and receipt of revenues from oil and natural gas sales, and provides accounting information used to generate financial statements. These functions are now handled by our internal accounting department in Houston, Texas, utilizing the same oil and gas computer software Schlumberger used. Additional experienced staffing has been hired, primarily in the revenue accounting and accounts payable functions.

During the three months ended March 31, 2013, there were no changes in CEP s internal control over financial reporting (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act) that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, CEP s internal control over financial reporting.

#### Part II Other Information

## **Item 1. Legal Proceedings**

Although we may, from time to time, be involved in litigation and claims arising out of our operations in the normal course of business, we are not currently a party to any other material legal proceedings other than those that have been previously disclosed. In addition, we are not aware of any legal or governmental proceedings against us, or contemplated to be brought against us, under various environmental protection statutes or other regulations to which we are subject.

#### Item 1A. Risk Factors

There have been no material changes to the risk factors previously disclosed in Item 1A. to Part I of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 that was filed with the SEC on March 11, 2013. An investment in our Class B common units involves various risks. When considering an investment in us, careful consideration should be given to the risk factors described in our 2012 Form 10-K. These risks and uncertainties are not the only ones facing us and there may be additional matters that are not known to us or that we currently consider immaterial. All of these risks and uncertainties could adversely affect our business, financial condition or future results and, thus, the value of an investment in us.

### Risks Related to Financing and Credit Environment

#### We must refinance our reserve-based credit facility prior to its maturity on March 31, 2014.

Our reserve-based credit facility matures on March 31, 2014. As of March 31, 2013, we had \$34.0 million in debt outstanding under our reserve-based credit facility. We must refinance or replace our reserve-based credit facility prior to its maturity or the amount of debt outstanding under the facility will become due and payable. There can be no assurance that we will be able to refinance or replace any or all of our indebtedness on terms reasonably acceptable to us, or at all. We may not be able to renew or replace the facility at similar borrowing costs, terms, covenants, restrictions, or borrowing base, or with similar debt issue costs. If the indebtedness outstanding under our reserve-based credit facility becomes due and payable and we are not able to refinance or replace any or all of that indebtedness, we may need to issue new debt or

equity securities, sell assets or a combination thereof. Any of these events could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, cash flows, liquidity, operations and prospects.

#### Tax Risks to Unitholders

Unitholders may be required to pay taxes on income from us, including their share of ordinary income and any capital gains on dispositions of properties by us, even if they do not receive any cash distributions from us.

Unitholders are required to pay U.S. federal income taxes and, in some cases, state and local income taxes, on their share of our taxable income, whether or not they receive cash distributions from us. Generally, should we generate taxable income for a particular tax year and not pay any cash distributions, our unitholders will be required to pay the actual U.S. federal income tax liability that results from their share of such taxable income even though they received no cash distributions from us.

We have not paid any cash distributions on our units since June 2009. If we generate taxable income that is allocable to our unitholders for the 2013 tax year, unitholders who hold our common units during 2013 may not receive cash distributions from us sufficient to pay any actual tax liability that resulted from their share of any 2013 taxable income. Further, if we generate taxable income from either operations or the sale of assets in future years and do not distribute the resulting cash, our unitholders may not receive sufficient cash distributions to pay the actual tax liability that result from their allocable share of our taxable income. The majority of the proceeds generated in 2013 from the sale of our Robinson's Bend Field in the Black Warrior Basin of Alabama was used to pay down debt and will not result in sufficient distributions to unitholders to pay any actual tax liability of each unitholder attributable to such sale.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements as defined by the SEC that are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond our control, which may include statements about:

the volatility of realized oil and natural gas prices;
the conditions of the capital markets, inflation, interest rates, availability of a credit facility to support business requirements, liquidity, and general economic and political conditions;
the discovery, estimation, development and replacement of oil and natural gas reserves;
our business, financial, and operational strategy;
our drilling locations;
technology;
our cash flow, liquidity, working capital and financial position;
the level of our borrowing base under our reserve-based credit facility and our ability to refinance the debt outstanding under sucl facility prior to its maturity date;
the resumption or amount of our cash distributions;

our hedging program and our derivative positions;
our production volumes;
our lease operating expenses, general and administrative costs and finding and development costs;
the availability of drilling and production equipment, labor and other services;
our future operating results;
our prospect development and property acquisitions;
the marketing of oil and natural gas;
competition in the oil and natural gas industry;
the impact of the current global credit and economic environment;
the impact of weather and the occurrence of natural disasters such as fires, floods, hurricanes, tornados, earthquakes, snow and ice storms and other catastrophic events and natural disasters;
governmental regulation, including environmental regulation, and taxation of the oil and natural gas industry or publicly traded partnerships;
developments in oil-producing and natural gas producing countries;
lack of support from a sponsor; and
our strategic plans, objectives, expectations, forecasts, budgets, estimates and intentions for future operations.
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All of these types of statements, other than statements of historical fact included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements may be found in Item 2. and other items within this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. In some cases, forward-looking statements can be identified by terminology such as may, could, should, expect, plan, project, intend, estimate, predict, potential, pursue, target, continue, the negative of such terms or other comparable terminology.

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The forward-looking statements contained in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q are largely based on our expectations, which reflect estimates and assumptions made by our management. These estimates and assumptions reflect our best judgment based on currently known market conditions and other factors. Although we believe such estimates and assumptions to be reasonable, they are inherently uncertain and involve a number of risks and uncertainties that are beyond our control. In addition, management s assumptions about future events may prove to be inaccurate. Management cautions all readers that the forward-looking statements contained in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q are not guarantees of future performance, and we cannot assure any reader that such statements will be realized or the forward-looking events and circumstances will occur. Actual results may differ materially from those anticipated or implied in the forward-looking statements due to factors listed in the Risk Factors section and elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. We do not intend to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. These cautionary statements qualify all forward-looking statements attributable to us or persons acting on our behalf.

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None.

**Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities** 

None.

**Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures** 

None.

**Item 5. Other Information** 

None.

Item 6. Exhibits

- (a) The following documents are filed as a part of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q:
- 1. Financial Statements:

Consolidated Balance Sheets Constellation Energy Partners LLC at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012

Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income/(Loss) Constellation Energy Partners LLC for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and March 31, 2012

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows Constellation Energy Partners LLC for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and March 31, 2012

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Members Equity Constellation Energy Partners LLC for the three months ended March 31, 2013

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

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#### **EXHIBIT INDEX**

#### Exhibit

Number	Description
*31.1.	Certification of Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer, and President of Constellation Energy Partners LLC pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
*31.2.	Certification of Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of Constellation Energy Partners LLC pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
*32.1.	Certification of Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer, and President of Constellation Energy Partners LLC pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
*32.2.	Certification of Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of Constellation Energy Partners LLC pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
**101.INS	XRBL Instance Document
**101.SCH	XRBL Schema Document
**101.CAL	XRBL Calculation Linkbase Document
**101.LAB	XRBL Label Linkbase Document
**101.PRE	XRBL Presentation Linkbase Document
**101.DEF	XRBL Label Linkbase Document

<sup>\*</sup> Filed herewith

<sup>+</sup> Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Pursuant to Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, the interactive data files on Exhibit 101 hereto are not deemed filed or part of a registration statement or prospectus for purposes of Section 11 or 12 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, are not deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and otherwise are not subject to liability under those actions.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Constellation Energy Partners LLC, the Registrant, has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CONSTELLATION ENERGY PARTNERS LLC

(REGISTRANT)

Date: May 15, 2013

By /s/ MICHAEL B. HINEY

Michael B. Hiney

Chief Accounting Officer and Controller

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