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Washington, D.C. 20549

# **FORM 10-Q**

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	Commission File I	No. 1-13726
	Chesapeake Energ	y Corporation
	(Exact name of registrant as s	pecified in its charter)
(State or other	Oklahoma r jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	73-1395733 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
	6100 North Western Avenue	
(Ad	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma dress of principal executive offices) (405) 848-8	73118 (Zip Code)

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 and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or

subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes [X] No []

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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

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 and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

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

As of May 7, 2012, there were 662,343,738 shares of our common stock, \$0.01 par value, outstanding.

# CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

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# CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

# (Unaudited)

	xxxxxxxxxxx March 31, 2012		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	
		illions)		
CURRENT ASSETS:				
Cash and cash equivalents (\$47 and \$1 attributable to our VIEs)	\$ 438	\$	351	
Restricted cash	81		44	
Accounts receivable (\$11 and \$0 attributable to our VIEs)	2,596		2,505	
Short-term derivative assets	47		13	
Deferred income tax asset	632		139	
Other current assets	130		125	
Total Current Assets	3,924		3,177	
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT:				
Natural gas and oil properties, at cost based on full cost accounting:				
Evaluated natural gas and oil properties (\$488 and \$498 attributable to our VIEs)	43,589		41,723	
Unevaluated properties	17,644		16,685	
Natural gas gathering systems and treating plants (\$48 and \$0 attributable to our VIEs)	2,034		1,763	
Oilfield services equipment	1,646		1,498	
Other property and equipment	3,591		3,360	
Total Property and Equipment, at Cost	68,504		65,029	
Less: accumulated depreciation, depletion and amortization ((\$18) and (\$6) attributable to our VIEs)	(28,888)		(28,290)	
Total Property and Equipment, Net	39,616		36,739	
LONG-TERM ASSETS:				
Investments	1,618		1,531	
Other long-term assets	431		388	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 45,589	\$	41,835	
CURRENT LIABILITIES:				
Accounts payable	\$ 2,854	\$	3,311	
Short-term derivative liabilities (\$13 and \$9 attributable to our VIEs)	253		191	
Accrued interest	137		183	
Other current liabilities (\$37 and \$23 attributable to our VIEs)	3,420		3,397	
Total Current Liabilities	6,664		7,082	
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:				
Long-term debt, net	13,082		10,626	
Deferred income tax liabilities	3,984		3,484	

Long-term derivative liabilities (\$19 and \$10 attributable to our VIEs)	1,605	1,541
Asset retirement obligations	335	323
Other long-term liabilities	1,025	818
Total Long Town Lightlities	20.021	16 702
Total Long-Term Liabilities	20,031	16,792
CONTINGENCIES AND COMMITMENTS (Note 4)		
EQUITY:		
Chesapeake Stockholders Equity:		
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value, 20,000,000 shares authorized: 7,251,515 shares outstanding	3,062	3,062
Common stock, \$0.01 par value, 1,000,000,000 shares authorized: 664,181,137 and 660,888,159		
shares issued	7	7
Paid-in capital	12,176	12,146
Retained earnings	1,481	1,608
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(159)	(166)
Less: treasury stock, at cost; 1,682,354 and 1,552,533 common shares	(36)	(33)
Total Chesapeake Stockholders Equity	16,531	16,624
Noncontrolling interests	2,363	1,337
Total Equity	18,894	17,961
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ 45,589	\$ 41,835

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

# CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

# (Unaudited)

\$XXX,XX

\$XXX,XX

	,	Three Months Ended March 31,		
	20	)12 (\$ in mi	201 illions,	1
	e	except per share data)		
REVENUES:		4.060		40.4
Natural gas and oil	\$	1,068	\$	494
Marketing, gathering and compression  Oilfield services		1,216		1,017
Official services		135		101
Total Revenues		2,419		1,612
OPERATING EXPENSES:				
Natural gas and oil production		349		238
Production taxes		47		45
Marketing, gathering and compression		1,197		985
Oilfield services		96		77
General and administrative		136		130
Natural gas and oil depreciation, depletion and amortization		506		358
Depreciation and amortization of other assets		84		68
Gains on sales of fixed assets		(2)		(5)
Total Operating Expenses		2,413		1,896
INCOME (LOSS) FROM OPERATIONS		6		(284)
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE):				
Interest expense		(12)		(7)
Earnings (losses) on investments		(5)		25
Losses on purchases or exchanges of debt				(2)
Other income		6		2
Total Other Income (Expense)		(11)		18
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE INCOME TAXES		(5)		(266)
INCOME TAX EXPENSE (BENEFIT):				
Current income taxes				6
Deferred income taxes		(2)		(110)
		(2)		(104)
Total Income Tax Expense (Benefit)		(2)		(104)

NET INCOME (LOSS)		(3)		(162)
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		(25)		
NET INCOME (LOSS) ATTRIBUTABLE TO CHESAPEAKE		(28)		(162)
Preferred stock dividends		(43)		(43)
NET INCOME (LOSS) AVAILABLE TO COMMON STOCKHOLDERS	\$	(71)	\$	(205)
EARNINGS (LOSS) PER COMMON SHARE:				
	¢	(0.11)	¢	(0.22)
Basic	\$	(0.11)	\$	(0.32)
Diluted	\$	(0.11)	\$	(0.32)
CASH DIVIDEND DECLARED PER COMMON SHARE	\$	0.0875	\$	0.075
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WEIGHTED AVERAGE COMMON AND COMMON EQUIVALENT SHARES				
OUTSTANDING (in millions):				
Basic		642		634
Diluted		642		634

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# CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

# ${\bf CONDENSED} \ {\bf CONSOLIDATED} \ {\bf STATEMENTS} \ {\bf OF} \ {\bf COMPREHENSIVE} \ {\bf INCOME} \ ({\bf LOSS})$

# (Unaudited)

	March		\$XXX,X Ionths Ended arch 31,	
	20	012		011
		(\$ in m	illions)	
Net income (loss)	\$	(3)	\$	(162)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of income tax:				
Gain (loss) on derivative instruments, net of income taxes of \$2 million and \$3 million		4		5
Reclassification of gain on settled derivative instruments, net of income taxes of (\$1) million and (\$28)				
million		(2)		(46)
Ineffective portion of derivatives designated as cash flow hedges, net of income taxes of \$0 and (\$4) million		, ,		(6)
Unrealized gain (loss) on available-for-sale securities, net of income taxes of \$3 million and \$2 million		5		3
Other comprehensive income (loss)		7		(44)
Comprehensive income (loss)		4		(206)
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		(25)		
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Chesapeake	\$	(21)	\$	(206)

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# CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

# (Unaudited)

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	\$XXXX,,X Three Mont Marcl 2012 (\$ in mi	h 31, 2011
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$ (3)	\$ (162)
ADJUSTMENTS TO RECONCILE NET INCOME (LOSS) TO CASH PROVIDED BY	ψ (3)	ψ (102)
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	590	426
Deferred income tax benefit	(2)	(110)
Unrealized losses on derivatives	276	1,188
Stock-based compensation	32	40
Gains on sales of fixed assets	(2)	(5)
(Gains) losses on investments	33	(5)
Losses on purchases or exchanges of debt		2
Other	(14)	7
Changes in assets and liabilities	(636)	(663)
Cash provided by operating activities	274	718
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:  Drilling and completion costs on proved and unproved properties Acquisitions of proved and unproved properties Proceeds from divestitures of proved and unproved properties Additions to other property and equipment Proceeds from sales of other assets Proceeds from (additions to) investments Increase in restricted cash Other  Cash provided by (used in) investing activities  CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	(2,574) (1,135) 821 (690) 48 (73) (37) (10)	(1,692) (1,258) 5,182 (431) 428 4 (7)
Proceeds from credit facilities borrowings	5,688	3,617
Payments on credit facilities borrowings	(4,546)	(7,323)
Proceeds from issuance of senior notes, net of offering costs	1,263	977
Cash paid to purchase debt	·	(128)
Cash paid for common stock dividends	(56)	(48)
Cash paid for preferred stock dividends	(43)	(43)
Cash (paid) received on financing derivatives	(9)	660
Proceeds from sales of noncontrolling interests	1,044	
Proceeds from other financings	225	
Distributions to noncontrolling interest owners	(39)	
Net increase (decrease) in outstanding payments in excess of cash balance	(31)	119
Other	(33)	(28)

Cash provided by (used in) financing activities	3,463	(2,197)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	87	747
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	351	102
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 438	\$ 849

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#### CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Continued)

(Unaudited)

\$XXX,XX \$XXX,XX
Three Months Ended
March 31,
2012 2011
(\$ in millions)

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SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION OF NET CASH			
PAYMENTS (REFUNDS) FOR:			
Interest, net of capitalized interest	\$ 36	\$	41
Income taxes, net of refunds received	\$	\$	

### SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF SIGNIFICANT NON-CASH INVESTING AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES:

As of March 31, 2012 and 2011, dividends payable on our common and preferred stock were \$99 million and \$90 million, respectively.

For the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011, natural gas and oil properties was adjusted by \$26 million and \$22 million, respectively, as a result of an increase in accrued acquisition, drilling and completion costs.

For the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011, other property and equipment was adjusted by \$24 million and \$5 million, respectively, as a result of an increase in accrued costs.

As of March 31, 2012 and 2011, we had recorded \$79 million and \$202 million, respectively, of various liabilities related to the purchase of proved and unproved properties and other assets.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

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# CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY

# (Unaudited)

	\$XXX,XX Three Mor Marc 2012 (\$ in m	ch 31, 2011
PREFERRED STOCK:	Φ 2.062	Φ 2.065
Balance, beginning and end of period	\$ 3,062	\$ 3,065
COMMON STOCK:		
Balance, beginning and end of period	7	7
PAID-IN CAPITAL:		
Balance, beginning of period	12,146	12,194
Stock-based compensation	33	50
Purchase of contingent convertible notes		(21)
Reduction in tax benefit from stock-based compensation	(4)	
Dividends on common stock		(48)
Dividends on preferred stock		(15)
Exercise of stock options	1	1
Balance, end of period	12,176	12,161
RETAINED EARNINGS:		
Balance, beginning of period	1,608	190
Net loss attributable to Chesapeake	(28)	(162)
Dividends on common stock	(56)	
Dividends on preferred stock	(43)	(28)
Balance, end of period	1,481	
ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS):		
Balance, beginning of period	(166)	(168)
Hedging activity	2	(47)
Investment activity	5	3
Balance, end of period	(159)	(212)
TREASURY STOCK COMMON:		
Balance, beginning of period	(33)	(24)
Purchase of 142,655 and 93,318 shares for company benefit plans	(3)	(2)
Release of 12,834 and 2,310 shares from company benefit plans	,	,
Balance, end of period	(36)	(26)

# TOTAL CHESAPEAKE STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY

TOTAL CHESAPEAKE STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY		16,531	14,995
NONCONTROLLING INTERESTS:			
Balance, beginning of period		1,337	
Sales of noncontrolling interests		1,040	
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		25	
Distributions to noncontrolling interest owners		(39)	
Balance, end of period		2,363	
TOTAL EQUITY	\$	18,894	\$ 14,995

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

#### CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

#### 1. Basis of Presentation and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of Chesapeake Energy Corporation ( Chesapeake or the Company ) and its subsidiaries have been prepared in accordance with the instructions to Form 10-Q as prescribed by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Chesapeake s annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011 (2011 Form 10-K) includes certain definitions and a summary of significant accounting policies and should be read in conjunction with this Form 10-Q. All material adjustments (consisting solely of normal recurring adjustments) which, in the opinion of management, are necessary for a fair statement of the results for the interim periods have been reflected. The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements of Chesapeake include the accounts of our direct and indirect wholly owned subsidiaries. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated. The results for the three months ended March 31, 2012 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year. This Form 10-Q relates to the three months ended March 31, 2012 (the Current Quarter ) and the three months ended March 31, 2011 (the Prior Quarter ).

#### Critical Accounting Policies

We consider accounting policies related to derivatives, variable interest entities, natural gas and oil properties and income taxes to be critical policies. These policies are summarized in Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in our 2011 Form 10-K.

#### Risks and Uncertainties

Approximately 83% of our estimated proved reserves volumes as of December 31, 2011 were natural gas and for the full year 2011 and Current Quarter, 84% and 81% of our natural gas and oil sales volumes were natural gas, respectively. Although we are shifting our strategy to a more liquids-heavy portfolio, having 61% of our natural gas and oil revenue before the effects of hedging derived from liquids production in the Current Quarter and curtailing drilling operations and production in our dry gas plays due to low natural gas prices, we have a material exposure to those low prices. While our derivative arrangements serve to mitigate a portion of the effect of price volatility on our cash flows, our forecasted natural gas production is currently not protected against downward price adjustments by derivative instruments and our use of crude oil derivatives to partially mitigate the price risk of our liquids production is subject to basis risk to the extent oil and natural gas liquids prices do not remain highly correlated. Sustained low natural gas prices, and volatile commodity prices in general, could have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations and cash flows, which could adversely impact our ability to comply with financial covenants under our credit facilities and further limit our ability to fund our planned capital expenditures. In addition, sustained low commodity prices could result in a reduction in the estimated quantity of proved reserves we report and in the estimated future net cash flows expected to be generated from reserves that may require us to write down the carrying value of our natural gas and oil properties, and such amounts could be material.

#### CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

# NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### (Unaudited)

#### 2. Net Income Per Share

Accounting guidance for earnings per share (EPS) requires presentation of basic and diluted earnings per share on the face of the statements of operations for all entities with complex capital structures as well as a reconciliation of the numerator and denominator of the basic and diluted EPS computations.

For the Current Quarter and the Prior Quarter, the following securities and associated adjustments to net income, consisting of dividends, were not included in the calculation of diluted EPS, as the effect was antidilutive:

	Net	Net Income	
	· ·	stments millions)	Shares (in millions)
Three Months Ended March 31, 2012:			
Common stock equivalent of our preferred stock outstanding:			
5.75% cumulative convertible preferred stock	\$	22	55
5.75% cumulative convertible preferred stock (series A)	\$	16	39
5.00% cumulative convertible preferred stock (series 2005B)	\$	3	5
4.50% cumulative convertible preferred stock	\$	3	6
Unvested restricted stock	\$		4
Outstanding stock options	\$		1
Three Months Ended March 31, 2011:			
Common stock equivalent of our preferred stock outstanding:			
5.75% cumulative convertible preferred stock	\$	22	56
5.75% cumulative convertible preferred stock (series A)	\$	16	39
5.00% cumulative convertible preferred stock (series 2005B)	\$	3	5
4.50% cumulative convertible preferred stock	\$	3	6
Unvested restricted stock	\$		8
Outstanding stock options	\$		1

As a result of the net loss to common stockholders, both basic weighted average shares outstanding, which is used in computing basic EPS, and diluted weighted average shares outstanding, which is used in computing diluted EPS, were 642 million shares in the Current Quarter and 634 million shares in the Prior Quarter, respectively. The basic and diluted loss per common share was \$0.11 and \$0.32 in the Current Quarter and the Prior Quarter, respectively.

#### CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

(Unaudited)

#### 3. Debt

Our long-term debt consisted of the following at March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011:

	Ma	xxxxxxxxx March 31, 2012 (\$ in mil		ember 31, 2011
7.625% senior notes due 2013	\$	464	\$	464
9.5% senior notes due 2015		1,265		1,265
6.25% euro-denominated senior notes due 2017 <sup>(a)</sup>		459		446
6.5% senior notes due 2017		660		660
6.875% senior notes due 2018		474		474
7.25% senior notes due 2018		669		669
6.625% senior notes due 2019 <sup>(b)</sup>		650		650
6.775% senior notes due 2019		1,300		
6.625% senior notes due 2020		1,300		1,300
6.875% senior notes due 2020		500		500
6.125% senior notes due 2021		1,000		1,000
2.75% contingent convertible senior notes due 2035 <sup>(c)</sup>		396		396
2.5% contingent convertible senior notes due 2037 <sup>(c)</sup>		1,168		1,168
2.25% contingent convertible senior notes due 2038 <sup>(c)</sup>		347		347
Corporate revolving bank credit facility		2,462		1,719
Midstream revolving bank credit facility		258		1
Oilfield services revolving bank credit facility		172		29
Discount on senior notes <sup>(d)</sup>		(487)		(490)
Interest rate derivatives <sup>(e)</sup>		25		28
Total long-term debt, net	\$	13,082	\$	10,626

- (a) The principal amount shown is based on the exchange rate of \$1.3334 to 1.00 and \$1.2973 to 1.00 as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively. See Note 7 for information on our related foreign currency derivatives.
- (b) Issuers are Chesapeake Oilfield Operating, L.L.C. (COO) and Chesapeake Oilfield Finance, Inc. (COF), a wholly owned subsidiary of COO formed solely to facilitate the offering of the 6.625% Senior Notes due 2019. COF is nominally capitalized and has no operations or revenues. Chesapeake Energy Corporation is the issuer of all other senior notes and the contingent convertible senior notes.
- (c) The holders of our contingent convertible senior notes may require us to repurchase, in cash, all or a portion of their notes at 100% of the principal amount of the notes on any of four dates that are five, ten, fifteen and twenty years before the maturity date. The notes are convertible, at the holder s option, prior to maturity under certain circumstances into cash and, if applicable, shares of our common stock using a net share settlement process. One such triggering circumstance is when the price of our common stock exceeds a threshold amount during a specified period in a fiscal quarter. Convertibility based on common stock price is measured quarter by quarter. In the first quarter

of 2012, the price of our common stock was below the threshold level for each series of the contingent convertible senior notes during the specified period and, as a result, the holders do not have the option to convert their notes into cash and common stock in the second quarter of 2012 under this provision. The notes are also convertible, at the holder s option, during specified five-day periods if the trading price of the notes is below certain levels determined by reference to the trading price of our common stock. In general, upon conversion of a contingent convertible senior note, the holder will receive cash equal to the principal amount of the note and common stock for the note s conversion value in excess of such principal amount. We will pay contingent interest on the convertible senior notes after they have been outstanding at least ten years, under certain conditions. We may redeem the convertible senior notes once they have been outstanding for ten years at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount of the notes, payable in cash. The optional repurchase dates, the common stock price conversion threshold amounts and the ending date of the first six-month period in which contingent interest may be payable for the contingent convertible senior notes are as follows:

#### CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### (Unaudited)

Contingent Convertible Senior Notes	Repurchase Dates	Price C	on Stock onversion esholds	Contingent Interest First Payable (if applicable)
2.75% due 2035	November 15, 2015, 2020, 2025, 2030	\$	48.51	May 14, 2016
2.5% due 2037	May 15, 2017, 2022, 2027, 2032	\$	64.16	November 14, 2017
2.25% due 2038	December 15, 2018, 2023, 2028, 2033	\$	107.27	June 14, 2019

- (d) Discount at March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011 included \$427 million and \$444 million, respectively, associated with the equity component of our contingent convertible senior notes. This discount is based on an effective yield method.
- (e) See Note 7 for further discussion related to these instruments. *Chesapeake Senior Notes and Contingent Convertible Senior Notes*

The Chesapeake senior notes and the contingent convertible senior notes are unsecured senior obligations of Chesapeake and rank equally in right of payment with all of our other existing and future senior unsecured indebtedness and rank senior in right of payment to all of our future subordinated indebtedness. Chesapeake is a holding company and owns no operating assets and has no significant operations independent of its subsidiaries. Chesapeake sobligations under the senior notes and the contingent convertible senior notes are jointly and severally, fully and unconditionally guaranteed by certain of our wholly owned subsidiaries. Chesapeake Midstream Development, L.P. (CMD) and its subsidiaries, Chesapeake Oilfield Services, L.L.C. (COS) and its subsidiaries, CHK Utica, L.L.C., CHK Cleveland Tonkawa, L.L.C., Chesapeake Granite Wash Trust and certain de minimis subsidiaries are not guarantors. See Note 13 for condensed consolidating financial information regarding our guarantor and non-guarantor subsidiaries. We may redeem the senior notes, other than the contingent convertible senior notes, at any time at specified make-whole or redemption prices. Our senior notes are governed by indentures containing covenants that may limit our ability and our subsidiaries ability to incur certain secured indebtedness, enter into sale/leaseback transactions, and consolidate, merge or transfer assets. The indentures governing the contingent convertible senior notes do not have any financial or restricted payment covenants.

We are required to account for the liability and equity components of our convertible debt instruments separately and to reflect interest expense at the interest rate of similar nonconvertible debt at the time of issuance. These rates for our 2.75% Contingent Convertible Senior Notes due 2035, our 2.5% Contingent Convertible Senior Notes due 2037 and our 2.25% Contingent Convertible Senior Notes due 2038 are 6.86%, 8.0% and 8.0%, respectively.

During the Current Quarter, we issued \$1.3 billion of 6.775% Senior Notes due 2019 in a registered public offering. We used the net proceeds of \$1.263 billion from the offering to repay indebtedness outstanding under our corporate revolving bank credit facility. At any time from and including November 15, 2012 to and including March 15, 2013, we may redeem some or all of the notes at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the notes plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date; provided that upon any redemption of the notes in part (and not in whole) pursuant to this redemption provision, at least \$250 million aggregate principal amount of the notes remains outstanding.

During the Prior Quarter, we issued \$1.0 billion of 6.125% Senior Notes due 2021 in a registered public offering. We used the net proceeds of \$977 million from the offering to repay indebtedness outstanding under our corporate revolving bank credit facility.

During the Prior Quarter, we purchased \$140 million in aggregate principal amount of our 2.25% Contingent Convertible Senior Notes due 2038 for approximately \$128 million. Associated with these purchases, we recognized a loss of \$2 million.

No scheduled principal payments are required under our senior notes until July 2013 when \$464 million is due.

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#### COO Senior Notes

In October 2011, our wholly owned subsidiaries, Chesapeake Oilfield Operating, L.L.C. (COO) and Chesapeake Oilfield Finance, Inc. issued \$650 million principal amount of 6.625% Senior Notes due 2019 in a private placement. COO used the net proceeds of approximately \$637 million from the placement to make a cash distribution to its direct parent, COS, to enable it to reduce indebtedness under an intercompany note with Chesapeake. Chesapeake then used the cash distribution to reduce indebtedness under its corporate revolving bank credit facility.

The COO senior notes are the unsecured senior obligations of COO and rank equally in right of payment with all of COO s other existing and future senior unsecured indebtedness and rank senior in right of payment to all of its future subordinated indebtedness. The COO senior notes are jointly and severally, fully and unconditionally guaranteed by all of COO s wholly owned subsidiaries, other than de minimis subsidiaries. The notes may be redeemed at any time at specified make-whole or redemption prices and, prior to November 15, 2014, up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount may be redeemed in connection with certain equity offerings. Holders of the COO notes have the right to require COO to repurchase their notes upon a change of control on the terms set forth in the indenture, and COO must offer to repurchase the notes upon certain asset sales. The COO senior notes are subject to covenants that may, among other things, limit the ability of COO and its subsidiaries to make restricted payments, incur indebtedness, issue preferred stock, create liens, and consolidate, merge or transfer assets.

#### Bank Credit Facilities

We utilize three revolving bank credit facilities, described below, as sources of liquidity.

	Corporate Credit Facility <sup>(a)</sup>	Midstream Credit Facility <sup>(b)</sup> (\$ in millions)	Oilfield Services Credit Facility <sup>(c)</sup>
Facility structure	Senior secured revolving	Senior secured revolving	Senior secured revolving
Maturity date	December 2015	June 2016	November 2016
Borrowing capacity	\$ 4,000	\$ 600 <sup>(d)</sup>	\$ 500 <sup>(e)</sup>
Amount outstanding as of March 31, 2012	\$ 2,462	\$ 258	\$ 172
Letters of credit outstanding as of March 31, 2012	\$ 25	\$	\$

- (a) Borrower is Chesapeake Exploration, L.L.C.
- (b) Borrower is Chesapeake Midstream Operating, L.L.C.
- (c) Borrower is Chesapeake Oilfield Operating, L.L.C.

- (d) We estimate the capacity was limited to approximately \$370 million as of March 31, 2012 by certain restrictive provisions.
- (e) We estimate the capacity was limited to approximately \$450 million as of March 31, 2012 by certain restrictive provisions. Our corporate and oilfield services credit facilities do not contain material adverse change or adequate assurance covenants. Although the applicable interest rates under our corporate credit facility fluctuate slightly based on our long-term senior unsecured credit ratings, our credit facilities do not contain provisions which would trigger an acceleration of amounts due under the respective facilities or a requirement to post additional collateral in the event of a downgrade of our credit ratings.

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#### Corporate Credit Facility

Our \$4.0 billion syndicated revolving bank credit facility is used for general corporate purposes. Borrowings under the facility are secured by natural gas and oil proved reserves and bear interest at our option at either (i) the greater of the reference rate of Union Bank, N.A. or the federal funds effective rate plus 0.50%, both of which are subject to a margin that varies from 0.50% to 1.25% per annum according to our senior unsecured long-term debt ratings, or (ii) the Eurodollar rate, which is based on the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR), plus a margin that varies from 1.50% to 2.25% per annum according to our senior unsecured long-term debt ratings. The collateral value and borrowing base are determined periodically. The unused portion of the facility is subject to a commitment fee of 0.50% per annum. Interest is payable quarterly or, if LIBOR applies, it may be payable at more frequent intervals.

The credit facility agreement contains various covenants and restrictive provisions which limit our ability to incur additional indebtedness, make investments or loans and create liens and require us to maintain an indebtedness to total capitalization ratio and an indebtedness to EBITDA ratio, in each case as defined in the agreement. We were in compliance with all covenants under the agreement at March 31, 2012. If we should fail to perform our obligations under these and other covenants, the revolving credit commitment could be terminated and any outstanding borrowings under the facility could be declared immediately due and payable. Such acceleration, if involving a principal amount of \$50 million or more, would constitute an event of default under our senior note indentures, which could in turn result in the acceleration of a significant portion of our senior note indebtedness. The credit facility agreement also has cross default provisions that apply to other indebtedness of Chesapeake and its restricted subsidiaries with an outstanding principal amount in excess of \$125 million.

The facility is fully and unconditionally guaranteed, on a joint and several basis, by Chesapeake and certain of our wholly owned subsidiaries.

# Midstream Credit Facility

Our \$600 million midstream syndicated revolving bank credit facility is used to fund capital expenditures to build natural gas gathering and other systems in support of our drilling program and for general corporate purposes associated with our midstream operations. Borrowings under the midstream credit facility are secured by all of the assets, other than certain joint venture equity interests, of the wholly owned subsidiaries (the restricted subsidiaries) of CMD, itself a wholly owned subsidiary of Chesapeake. Amounts outstanding bear interest at our option at either (i) the greater of the reference rate of Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, the federal funds effective rate plus 0.50%, and the one-month LIBOR plus 1.00%, all of which are subject to a margin that varies from 1.00% to 1.75% or (ii) the Eurodollar rate, which is based on the LIBOR plus a margin that varies from 2.00% to 2.75% per annum. The unused portion of the facility is subject to a commitment fee that varies from 0.375% to 0.50% per annum. Both margins and commitment fees are determined according to the most recent leverage ratio described below. Interest is payable quarterly or, if LIBOR applies, it may be payable at more frequent intervals.

The midstream credit facility agreement contains various covenants and restrictive provisions which limit the ability of CMD and its restricted subsidiaries to incur additional indebtedness, make investments or loans and create liens. The agreement requires maintenance of a leverage ratio based on the ratio of indebtedness to EBITDA and an interest coverage ratio based on the ratio of EBITDA to interest expense, in each case as defined in the agreement. The leverage ratio increases during any three-quarter period, beginning in the quarter in which CMD makes a material disposition of assets to our midstream master limited partnership affiliate, Chesapeake Midstream Partners, L.P. (CHKM). In December 2011, the leverage ratio increased for a three-fiscal-quarter period beginning October 1, 2011 due to the sale of CMD s wholly owned subsidiary, Appalachia Midstream Services, L.L.C. (AMS), as it was classified as a material disposition of assets. As a result, the capacity of the midstream credit facility was limited to approximately \$370 million as of March 31, 2012. We were in compliance with all covenants under the agreement at March 31, 2012. If CMD or its restricted subsidiaries should fail to perform their obligations under these and other covenants, the revolving credit commitment could be terminated and any outstanding borrowings under the facility could be declared immediately due and payable. The midstream credit facility agreement also has cross default provisions that apply to other indebtedness CMD and its restricted subsidiaries may have from time to time with an outstanding principal amount in excess of \$15 million.

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Oilfield Services Credit Facility

Our \$500 million oilfield services syndicated revolving bank credit facility is used to fund capital expenditures and for general corporate purposes associated with our oilfield services operations. Borrowings under the oilfield services credit facility are secured by all of the assets of the wholly owned subsidiaries of COO, itself a wholly owned subsidiary of Chesapeake. The facility has initial commitments of \$500 million and may be expanded to \$900 million at COO s option, subject to additional bank participation. Borrowings under the credit facility are secured by all of the equity interests and assets of COO and its wholly owned subsidiaries (the restricted subsidiaries), and bear interest at our option at either (i) the greater of the reference rate of Bank of America, N.A., the federal funds effective rate plus 0.50%, and one-month LIBOR plus 1.00%, all of which are subject to a margin that varies from 1.00% to 1.75% per annum, or (ii) the Eurodollar rate, which is based on LIBOR plus a margin that varies from 2.00% to 2.75% per annum. The unused portion of the credit facility is subject to a commitment fee that varies from 0.375% to 0.50% per annum. Both margins and commitment fees are determined according to the most recent leverage ratio described below. Interest is payable quarterly or, if LIBOR applies, it may be payable at more frequent intervals.

The oilfield services credit facility agreement contains various covenants and restrictive provisions which limit the ability of COO and its restricted subsidiaries to incur additional indebtedness, make investments or loans and create liens. The agreement requires maintenance of a leverage ratio based on the ratio of lease adjusted indebtedness to EBITDAR, a senior secured leverage ratio based on the ratio of secured indebtedness to EBITDA and a fixed charge coverage ratio based on the ratio of lease adjusted interest expense to EBITDAR, in each case as defined in the agreement. As a result of those covenants, the capacity of the oilfield services credit facility was limited to approximately \$450 million as of March 31, 2012. We were in compliance with all covenants under the agreement at March 31, 2012. If COO or its restricted subsidiaries should fail to perform their obligations under these and other covenants, the revolving credit commitment could be terminated and any outstanding borrowings under the facility could be declared immediately due and payable. The oilfield services credit facility agreement also has cross default provisions that apply to other indebtedness COO and its restricted subsidiaries may have from time to time with an outstanding principal amount in excess of \$15 million.

# 4. Contingencies and Commitments Contingencies

Litigation

On February 25, 2009, a putative class action was filed in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York against the Company and certain of its officers and directors along with certain underwriters of the Company s July 2008 common stock offering. Following the appointment of a lead plaintiff and counsel, the plaintiff filed an amended complaint on September 11, 2009 alleging that the registration statement for the offering contained material misstatements and omissions and seeking damages under Sections 11, 12 and 15 of the Securities Act of 1933 of an unspecified amount and rescission. The action was transferred to the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma on October 13, 2009. On September 2, 2010, the court denied the defendants motion to dismiss, and the court certified the class on March 30, 2012. Defendants moved for summary judgment on grounds of loss causation and materiality on December 16, 2011. Discovery in the case is proceeding. We are currently unable to assess the probability of loss or estimate a range of potential loss associated with the case. A derivative action was also filed in the District Court of Oklahoma County, Oklahoma on March 10, 2009 against certain current and former directors and officers of the Company asserting breaches of fiduciary duties relating to alleged material omissions in the registration statement for the July 2008 offering. The derivative action was stayed pursuant to stipulation, and on April 20, 2012, plaintiffs filed a motion to lift the stay and permit plaintiffs to file an amended complaint. A second derivative action relating to the July 2008 offering was filed against certain current and former directors and officers of the Company in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma on September 6, 2011. This action also asserts breaches of fiduciary duties with respect to alleged material omissions in the offering registration statement. The Company filed a motion to dismiss the action on November 30, 2011, and plaintiffs filed an Opposition on January 9, 2012. Chesapeake is named as a nominal defendant in both derivative actions.

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Three derivative actions were filed in the District Court of Oklahoma County, Oklahoma on April 28, May 7, and May 20, 2009 against the Company s directors alleging, among other things, breaches of fiduciary duties relating to the 2008 compensation of the Company s CEO, Aubrey K. McClendon, and seeking unspecified damages, equitable relief and disgorgement. These three derivative actions were consolidated and a Consolidated Derivative Shareholder Petition naming Chesapeake as a nominal defendant was filed on June 23, 2009. Chesapeake s motion to dismiss was granted on February 26, 2010, and the Oklahoma Court of Civil Appeals affirmed the dismissal on August 26, 2011. The plaintiffs filed a petition for writ of certiorari with the Oklahoma Supreme Court on September 13, 2011.

On January 30, 2012, the District Court of Oklahoma County, Oklahoma approved a settlement between the parties in the consolidated derivative action, as well as a case on appeal at the Oklahoma Court of Civil Appeals requesting inspection of Company books and records relating to the December 2008 employment agreement with its CEO. The principal terms of the settlement include the rescission of the sale of an antique map collection that occurred in December 2008 between Mr. McClendon and the Company, whereby Mr. McClendon will pay the Company approximately \$12 million plus interest and the Company will reconvey the map collection to Mr. McClendon, and the adoption and/or implementation of a variety of corporate governance measures. The court awarded attorney fees and expenses to plaintiffs—counsel in the amount of \$3,750,000, that was paid by Chesapeake. Pursuant to the settlement, the consolidated derivative action and books and records action were dismissed with prejudice against all defendants. On February 29, 2012, certain shareholders filed a petition in error with the Oklahoma Supreme Court opposing the terms of the settlement and on March 20, 2012 Chesapeake responded.

On September 6 and 8, 2011, in separate derivative actions filed in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma against certain of the Company s current and former directors, two shareholders alleged that the Chesapeake board wrongfully refused their demands to investigate purported breaches of fiduciary duties relating to Mr. McClendon s 2008 compensation and, as a result, each of these shareholders asserts he is entitled to seek relief on behalf of the Company. These federal derivative actions were consolidated on December 23, 2011 and on March 14, 2012 were stayed until 30 days after the Supreme Court of Oklahoma resolves the appeal of the settlement of the consolidated derivative action and books and records action. On May 3, 2012, plaintiffs filed a motion to lift the stay and sought leave to file an amended complaint.

From April 19 to May 3, 2012, nine nearly identical shareholder actions were filed in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma against the Company and its directors alleging, among other things, violations of Section 14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 14a-9 promulgated thereunder for purported material misstatements in the Company s 2009 and subsequent proxy statements related to Mr. McClendon s participation in the Founder Well Participation Program (FWPP) and breaches of fiduciary duties against the Board for failing to make proper disclosures in the proxy statements. On April 27, 2012, a shareholder derivative action was filed in the District Court of Oklahoma County, Oklahoma setting forth substantially similar claims to those alleged in the federal shareholder actions.

On April 26, 2012, a putative class action was filed in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma against the Company and Mr. McClendon alleging violations of Sections 10(b) (and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for purported misstatements concerning Mr. McClendon s participation in the FWPP. The plaintiffs seek class certification, damages of an unspecified amount and attorneys fees and other costs.

On May 1, 2012, the Company announced that its Board of Directors had renegotiated the terms of the Company s FWPP with Mr. McClendon to provide for the early termination of the FWPP on June 30, 2014, 18 months before the end of its current term on December 31, 2015. The FWPP was approved by shareholders for a 10-year term in 2005. In conjunction with Mr. McClendon s employment agreement with the Company, the FWPP provides Mr. McClendon a contractual right to participate and invest as a working interest owner (with up to a 2.5% working interest) in new wells drilled on the Company s leasehold. Mr. McClendon will receive no compensation of any kind in connection with the early termination of the FWPP. The Board of Directors is conducting an internal review of the financing arrangements between Mr. McClendon (and the entities through which he participates in the FWPP) and any third party that has had or may have a relationship with the Company in any capacity.

On May 2, 2012, Chesapeake and Mr. McClendon received notice from the Securities and Exchange Commission that its Fort Worth Regional Office has commenced an informal inquiry and requested that the Company and Mr. McClendon retain documents related to the FWPP and

certain transactions. The SEC noted in its request that its inquiry should not be construed as an indication that any violation of the federal securities laws has occurred. The Company and Mr. McClendon intend to cooperate with the SEC in responding to its inquiry.

On May 8, 2012, a derivative action was filed in the District Court of Oklahoma County, Oklahoma against the Company s directors alleging, among other things, breaches of fiduciary duties and corporate waste related to the Company s officers and directors use of the Company s fractionally owned corporate jets.

Chesapeake is also involved in various other lawsuits and disputes incidental to its business operations, including commercial disputes, personal injury claims, claims for underpayment of royalties, property damage claims and contract actions. With regard to the latter, various mineral or leasehold owners have filed lawsuits against us seeking specific performance to require us to acquire their natural gas and oil

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interests and pay acreage bonus payments, damages based on breach of contract and/or, in certain cases, punitive damages based on alleged fraud. The Company has successfully defended a number of these cases in various courts, has settled others and believes that it has substantial defenses to the claims made in those pending at the trial court and on appeal. Based on management s current assessment, we are of the opinion that no pending or threatened lawsuit or dispute incidental to the Company s business operations is likely to have a material adverse effect on its consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows. The final resolution of such matters could exceed amounts accrued, however, and actual results could differ materially from management s estimates.

The Company records an associated liability when a loss is probable and the amount is reasonably estimable. The Company accounts for legal defense costs in the period the costs are incurred.

#### Environmental Risk

Due to the nature of the natural gas and oil business, Chesapeake and its subsidiaries are exposed to environmental risks. Chesapeake has implemented various policies and procedures to reduce and mitigate such environmental risks. Chesapeake conducts periodic reviews, on a company-wide basis, to identify changes in our environmental risk profile. These reviews evaluate whether there is a contingent liability, its amount, and the likelihood that the liability will be incurred. The amount of any potential liability is determined by considering, among other matters, incremental direct costs of any likely remediation. We manage our exposure to environmental liabilities on properties to be acquired by identifying existing problems and assessing the potential liability. Depending on the extent of an identified environmental problem, Chesapeake may exclude a property from the acquisition, require the seller to remediate the property to our satisfaction, or agree to assume liability for the remediation of the property. Chesapeake has historically not experienced any significant environmental liability.

There are presently pending against us orders for compliance issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) related to our compliance with Clean Water Act (CWA) permitting requirements in West Virginia, and for four of the sites subject to EPA orders for compliance, we have also received and have responded to a federal grand jury subpoena requesting documents. We understand that the U.S. Department of Justice is investigating possible criminal violations of and liabilities under the CWA with respect to three of the four sites. The CWA provides authority for significant civil and criminal penalties for the placement of fill in a jurisdictional stream or wetland without a permit from the Army Corps of Engineers. CWA civil penalties can be as high as \$37,500 per day, per violation, and possible criminal penalties range from \$2,500 to \$25,000 per day, per violation, for misdemeanor liability (i.e., criminally negligent conduct) and from \$5,000 to \$50,000 per day, per violation, for felony liability (i.e., knowing conduct). While we expect that resolution of the EPA s compliance orders and the DOJ s investigation under the CWA will each include monetary sanctions exceeding \$100,000, following discussions with the DOJ and EPA, we believe the liability with respect to these matters will not have a material effect on the consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flow of the Company.

In addition, the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (WVDEP) has issued orders for compliance related to alleged violations of the West Virginia Dam Control and Safety Act at four structures constructed for Chesapeake in West Virginia. These orders for compliance have been resolved by a mutual settlement agreement dated April 20, 2012 between Chesapeake and the WVDEP. Pursuant to the settlement agreement, Chesapeake agreed to pay a fine of \$325,000 and make a contribution in the amount of \$125,000 to the West Virginia Department of Natural Resources Wildlife Recreation fund for supplemental projects centered on dam safety construction, maintenance, enhancement, or engineering in northwestern West Virginia.

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#### Commitments

#### Rig Leases

In a series of transactions since 2006, our drilling subsidiaries have sold 93 drilling rigs (net of one repurchased rig) and related equipment for \$802 million and entered into master lease agreements under which we agreed to lease the rigs from the buyer for initial terms of five to ten years. The lease obligations are guaranteed by Chesapeake and certain of its subsidiaries. These transactions were recorded as sales and operating leasebacks and any related net gains are amortized to oilfield services expenses over the lease term. Under the leases, we can exercise an early purchase option or we can purchase the rigs at the expiration of the lease for the fair market value at the time. In addition, in most cases we have the option to renew the lease for negotiated new terms at the expiration of the lease. Commitments related to rig lease payments are not recorded in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets. As of March 31, 2012, the minimum aggregate undiscounted future rig lease payments were approximately \$423 million.

#### Compressor Leases

Through various transactions since 2007, our compression subsidiary has sold 2,542 compressors (net of six repurchased units), a significant portion of its compressor fleet, for \$635 million and entered into a master lease agreement. The term of the agreement varies by buyer ranging from four to ten years. The lease obligations are guaranteed by Chesapeake and certain of its subsidiaries. These transactions were recorded as sales and operating leasebacks and any related net gains are amortized to marketing, gathering and compression expenses over the lease term. Under the leases, we can exercise an early purchase option or we can purchase the compressors at the expiration of the lease for the fair market value at the time. In addition, in most cases we have the option to renew the lease for negotiated new terms at the expiration of the lease. Commitments related to compressor lease payments are not recorded in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets. As of March 31, 2012, the minimum aggregate undiscounted future compressor lease payments were approximately \$466 million.

#### Gathering, Processing and Transportation Agreements

We have contractual commitments with midstream service companies and pipeline carriers, including our equity affiliate CHKM, for future gathering, processing and transportation of natural gas and liquids to move certain of our production to market. Working interest owners will be responsible for their proportionate share of these costs under joint operating agreements. Commitments related to gathering, processing and transportation agreements are not recorded in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets.

The aggregate undiscounted commitments under our gathering, processing and transportation agreements, excluding any reimbursement from working interest owners, are presented below.

	Marc 201 (\$ in mi	12
2012	\$	754
2013		1,162
2014		1,203
2015		1,284
2016		1,284 1,355
2017 - 2099		7,848

Total \$ 13,606

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#### **Drilling Contracts**

Chesapeake has contracts with various drilling contractors to lease approximately 51 rigs with terms ranging from two months to three years. These commitments are not recorded in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets. As of March 31, 2012, the aggregate undiscounted minimum future drilling rig commitment was approximately \$351 million.

#### **Drilling Obligations**

In December 2011, as part of our Utica joint venture development agreement with Total, we committed to spud no less than 90 cumulative Utica wells by December 31, 2012, 270 cumulative wells by December 31, 2013 and 540 cumulative wells by December 31, 2014. If we fail to meet the drilling commitment at any such year end for any reason other than a force majeure event, the drilling carry percentage used to determine our promoted well reimbursement will be reduced from 60% to 45% for a number of wells drilled in the following calendar year equal to the number of wells we were short the drilling commitment. This reduction will not affect the total carry to be received.

We have also committed to drill wells in conjunction with our Utica and Cleveland Tonkawa financial transactions and in conjunction with the formation of the Chesapeake Granite Wash Trust. See Note 6 for discussion of these transactions and commitments.

#### Natural Gas and Oil Purchase Obligations

Our marketing segment regularly commits to purchase natural gas from other owners in our properties and such commitments typically are short term in nature. We have also committed to purchase any natural gas and oil associated with our volumetric production payment transactions. The purchase commitments are based on market prices at the time of production, and the purchased natural gas and oil is resold.

#### Net Acreage Maintenance Commitments

Under the terms of our joint venture agreements with Statoil and Total (see Note 8), we are required to extend, renew or replace certain expiring joint leasehold, at our cost, to ensure that the net acreage is maintained in certain designated areas.

#### Other Commitments

In April 2011, we entered into a master frac service agreement with our equity affiliate, FTS International, Inc. (FTS), which expires on December 31, 2014. Pursuant to this agreement, we are committed to enter into a predetermined number of backstop contracts if utilization of FTS fleets falls below a certain level. We have guaranteed a gross profit margin of 10% to FTS on such backstop contracts. To date, we have not entered into any backstop contracts, and since we use fracing services continuously, we do not anticipate any material payments under this commitment.

In July 2011, we agreed to invest \$150 million in newly issued convertible promissory notes of Clean Energy Fuels Corp. (Nasdaq:CLNE), based in Seal Beach, California. The investment is being made in three equal \$50 million promissory notes, the first of which was issued on July 11, 2011, with the remaining notes scheduled to be issued in June 2012 and June 2013. The notes bear interest at the annual rate of 7.5%, payable quarterly, and are convertible at our option into shares of Clean Energy s common stock at a 22.5% conversion premium, resulting in a conversion price of \$15.80 per share. See Note 9 for further discussion of this investment.

In July 2011, we agreed to invest \$155 million in preferred equity securities of Sundrop Fuels, Inc., a privately held cellulosic biofuels company based in Louisville, Colorado. The first \$35 million tranche of our investment was funded in July 2011 and the remaining tranches of preferred equity investment will be scheduled around certain funding and operational milestones that are expected to be reached by July 2013. See Note 9 for further discussion of this investment.

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In December 2011, we sold Appalachia Midstream Services, L.L.C., a wholly owned subsidiary of CMD, to our equity affiliate, CHKM, for total consideration of \$879 million, subject to a customary post-closing working capital adjustment. In addition, CMD has committed to pay CHKM for any quarterly shortfall between the actual adjusted EBITDA from the assets sold and specified quarterly targets, which total \$100 million in 2012 and \$150 million in 2013. We recorded this guarantee at an estimated fair value of \$27 million at the time of the sale. It is included in other current and non-current liabilities on our consolidated balance sheet as of March 31, 2012. We will release this liability over the two-year term of the guarantee if the assets are meeting the specific quarterly targets. To the extent we are required to make payments under the guarantee, we will record the differences between the liability and the associated payments in earnings. No payment was required for the Current Quarter.

In conjunction with CMD s investments in the newly formed entities Utica East Ohio Midstream LLC, Cardinal Gas Services LLC, and Ranch Westex JV, LLC, as of March 31, 2012, CMD has committed to make capital contributions to these entities for a total of approximately \$575 million over the next two years. See Notes 9 and 10 for further discussion of these investments.

In conjunction with an acceleration of the remaining drilling carry owed us by Total in our Barnett Shale joint venture, we agreed to maintain our operated rig count at no less than six rigs in the Barnett Shale through December 31, 2012. In May 2012, Chesapeake and Total agreed to reduce the minimum rig count from six to two rigs.

As part of our normal course of business, we enter into various agreements providing, or otherwise arranging, financial or performance assurances to third parties on behalf of our consolidated subsidiaries. These agreements may include future payment obligations or commitments regarding operational performance that effectively guarantees our subsidiaries future performance.

In connection with our purchase and sale agreements, we have frequently provided for indemnification to the counterparty for liabilities incurred as a result of a breach of a representation or warranty by the indemnifying party or in regards to perfecting title to property. These indemnifications generally have a discrete term and are intended to protect the parties against the risks that are difficult to predict or cannot be quantified at the time of the consummation of a particular transaction.

Certain of our natural gas and oil properties are burdened by non-operating interests such as royalties, overriding royalties and volumetric production payments. As the holder of the working interest from which such interests have been carved, we have the responsibility to bear the cost of developing and producing the reserves attributable to such interests.

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#### 5. Other Long-Term Liabilities

Other long-term liabilities as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011 are detailed below.

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CHK Utica ORRI conveyance obligation <sup>(a)</sup>	\$ 290	\$ 290
CHK C-T ORRI conveyance obligation <sup>(b)</sup>	185	
Financing lease obligations <sup>(c)</sup>	143	143
Revenues and royalties due others	115	109
Mortgages payable <sup>(d)</sup>	56	56
Other	236	220
Total other long-term liabilities	\$ 1,025	\$ 818

- (a) \$9 million and \$10 million of the total \$299 million and \$300 million obligation are recorded in other current liabilities as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively. See Note 6 for further discussion of the CHK Utica financial transaction.
- (b) \$12 million of the total \$197 million obligation is recorded in other current liabilities. See Note 6 for further discussion of the CHK C-T financial transaction.
- (c) In 2009, we financed 113 real estate surface assets in the Barnett Shale area for approximately \$145 million and entered into a 40-year master lease agreement under which we agreed to lease the sites for approximately \$15 million to \$27 million annually. This lease transaction was recorded as a financing lease and the cash received was recorded with an offsetting long-term liability on the consolidated balance sheet. Chesapeake exercised its option to repurchase two of the assets in 2010 and one of the assets in 2011. As of March 31, 2012, we had 110 assets remaining.
- (d) In 2009, we financed our regional Barnett Shale headquarters building in Fort Worth, Texas for net proceeds of approximately \$54 million with a five-year term loan which has a floating rate of prime plus 275 basis points. At our option, we may prepay in full without penalty beginning in year four. The payment obligation is guaranteed by Chesapeake.

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# 6. Stockholders Equity, Restricted Stock, Stock Options and Noncontrolling Interests

Common Stock

The following is a summary of the changes in our common shares issued for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011:

	2012	2011
	(in thou	ısands)
Shares issued at January 1	660,888	655,251
Restricted stock issuances (net of forfeitures)	3,184	3,587
Stock option exercises	109	182
Shares issued at March 31	664,181	659,020

Preferred Stock

The following reflects our preferred shares outstanding for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011:

	xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx <b>5.00</b> %
	5.75%	5.75% (A) (in thou	4.50% sands)	(2005B)
Shares outstanding at January 1, 2012 and March 31, 2012	1,497	1,100	2,559	2,096
Shares outstanding at January 1, 2011 and March 31, 2011	1,500	1,100	2,559	2,096

#### Dividends

Dividends declared on our common stock and preferred stock are reflected as adjustments to retained earnings to the extent a surplus of retained earnings will exist after giving effect to the dividends. To the extent retained earnings are insufficient to fund the distributions, such payments constitute a return of contributed capital rather than earnings and are accounted for as a reduction to paid-in capital.

Dividends on our outstanding preferred stock are payable quarterly. We may pay dividends on our 5.00% Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock (Series 2005B) and our 4.50% Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock in cash, common stock or a combination thereof, at our option. Dividends on both series of our 5.75% Cumulative Convertible Non-Voting Preferred Stock are payable only in cash.

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#### Stock-Based Compensation

Chesapeake s stock-based compensation program consists of restricted stock and, prior to 2006, stock options issued to employees and non-employee directors. We recognize in our financial statements the cost of employee services received in exchange for awards of equity instruments based on the fair value of the equity instruments at the date of the grant. This value is amortized over the vesting period, which is generally four years from the date of grant for employees and three years for non-employee directors. To the extent compensation cost relates to employees directly involved in natural gas and oil acquisition, exploration and development activities, such amounts are capitalized to natural gas and oil properties. Amounts not capitalized to natural gas and oil properties are recognized as general and administrative expenses, natural gas and oil production expenses, marketing, gathering and compression expenses or oilfield services expenses. We recorded the following stock-based compensation during the Current Quarter and the Prior Quarter:

	XXX	xxxxxxx Three Moi Marc	nths Ende	xxxxxxx ed
	2	2012	2	011
		(\$ in m	illions)	
Natural gas and oil properties	\$	20	\$	31
General and administrative expenses		19		23
Natural gas and oil production expenses		6		9
Marketing, gathering and compression expenses		4		5
Oilfield services expenses		3		3
Total	\$	52	\$	71

*Restricted Stock.* Chesapeake began issuing shares of restricted common stock to employees in January 2004 and to non-employee directors in July 2005. A summary of the changes in unvested shares of restricted stock for the three months ended March 31, 2012 is presented below.

	XXXXXXXXXX  Number of  Unvested  Restricted  Shares (in thousands)	xxxxxxxxxx  Weighted Average Grant-Date Fair Value
Unvested shares as of January 1, 2012	19,544	\$ 26.97
Granted	4,708	\$ 23.60
Vested	(3,450)	\$ 27.21
Forfeited	(307)	\$ 26.12
Unvested shares as of March 31, 2012	20,495	\$ 26.17

The aggregate intrinsic value of restricted stock vested during the Current Quarter was approximately \$80 million based on the stock price at the time of vesting.

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As of March 31, 2012, there was \$388 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested restricted stock. The cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of approximately three years.

The vesting of certain restricted stock grants could result in state and federal income tax benefits related to the difference between the market price of the common stock at the date of vesting and the date of grant. During the Current Quarter and the Prior Quarter, we recognized reductions in tax benefits related to restricted stock of \$4 million and \$1 million, respectively, which were recorded as adjustments to additional paid-in capital and deferred income taxes.

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Stock Options. We granted stock options prior to 2006 under several stock compensation plans. Outstanding options expire ten years from the date of grant and vested over a four-year period. All of our outstanding stock options are fully vested and exercisable and there are no shares authorized for future grants.

The following table provides information related to stock option activity for the three months ended March 31, 2012:

	Number of Shares Underlying Options (in thousands)	Weighted Average Exercise Price Per Share	Weighted Average Contract Life in Years	Aggregate Intrinsic Value <sup>(a)</sup> (\$ in millions)
Outstanding at January 1, 2012	1,051	\$ 9.84	1.41	\$ 13
Exercised	(109)	\$ 7.08		
Outstanding and exercisable at March 31, 2012	942	\$ 10.17	1.24	\$ 12

There is no remaining unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested stock options.

During the Current Quarter and the Prior Quarter, we recognized excess tax benefits related to stock options of a nominal amount and \$1 million, respectively, which were recorded as adjustments to additional paid-in capital and deferred income taxes.

### Noncontrolling Interests

Cleveland Tonkawa Financial Transaction. We formed CHK Cleveland Tonkawa, L.L.C. (CHK C-T) in March 2012 to continue development of a portion of our Cleveland and Tonkawa plays. CHK C-T is an unrestricted subsidiary under our corporate credit facility agreement and is not a guarantor of, or otherwise liable for, any of our indebtedness or other liabilities, including under our indentures. In exchange for all of the common shares of CHK C-T, we contributed to CHK C-T approximately 245,000 net acres of leasehold and 360 existing wells within an area of mutual interest in the Cleveland and Tonkawa plays covering Ellis and Roger Mills counties in western Oklahoma. In March 2012, in a private placement, third-party investors contributed \$1.25 billion in cash to CHK C-T in exchange for (i) 1.25 million preferred shares, and (ii) our obligation to deliver a 3.75% overriding royalty interest (ORRI) in the existing wells and up to 1,000 net wells to be drilled on certain of our Cleveland and Tonkawa play leasehold. Subject to customary minority interest protections afforded the investors by the terms of the CHK C-T limited liability company agreement (the CHK C-T LLC Agreement), as the holder of all the common shares and the sole managing member of CHK C-T, we maintain voting and managerial control of CHK C-T and therefore include it in our condensed consolidated financial statements. Of the \$1.25 billion of investment proceeds, we allocated \$225 million to the ORRI obligation and \$1.025 billion to the preferred shares based on estimates of fair values. The ORRI obligation is included in other current and long-term liabilities and the preferred shares are included in noncontrolling interests on our condensed consolidated balance sheet. Pursuant to the CHK C-T LLC Agreement, CHK C-T is required to retain \$300 million of the \$1.25 billion of investment proceeds to fund its development activities and make the next two quarters of preferred dividend payments. The amount reserved for paying such dividends, approximately \$37

<sup>(</sup>a) The intrinsic value of a stock option is the amount by which the current market value or the market value upon exercise of the underlying stock exceeds the exercise price of the option.

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consolidated balance sheet.

Dividends on the preferred shares are payable on a quarterly basis at a rate of 6% per annum based on \$1,000 per share. This dividend rate is subject to increase in limited circumstances in the event that, and only for so long as, cash flow from the assets owned by CHK C-T is insufficient to fund the dividend in full in any quarter, whether as a result of capital expenditures, drilling results or otherwise. As the managing member of CHK C-T, we may, at our sole discretion and election at any time after March 31, 2014, distribute certain excess cash of CHK C-T, as determined in accordance with the CHK C-T LLC Agreement. Any such optional distribution of excess cash is allocated 75% to the preferred shares (which is applied toward redemption of the preferred shares) and 25% to the common shares unless we have not met our drilling commitment at such time, in which case such optional distributions would be allocated 100% to the preferred shares (and applied toward redemption thereof). We may also, at our sole election and discretion, in accordance with the CHK C-T LLC Agreement, cause CHK C-T to redeem all or a portion of the CHK C-T preferred shares for cash. The preferred shares will be redeemed at a valuation equal to the greater of a 9% internal rate of return or a return on investment of 1.35x, in each case inclusive of dividends paid at the rate of 6% per annum and optional distributions made through the applicable redemption date. In the event that redemption does not occur on or prior to March 31, 2019, the optional redemption valuation will increase to provide a 15% internal rate of return to the investors. The preferred shares are redeemed on a pro-rata basis in accordance with the then-applicable redemption valuation formula. As of March 31, 2012, the redemption price, and the liquidation preference, was \$1,350 per preferred share. We have committed to drill, for the benefit of CHK C-T, a minimum of 37.5 net wells per six-month period through 2013 and 25 net wells per six-month period in 2014 through 2016 in the CHK C-T area of mutual interest, up to a minimum cumulative total of 300 net wells. If we fail to meet the then-current drilling commitment in any year, any optional cash distributions would be distributed 100% to the investors. If we fail to meet the then-current drilling commitment in two consecutive six-month periods, the then-applicable internal rate of return to investors at redemption would increase by 3% per annum. In addition, if we fail to meet the then-current drilling commitment in four consecutive six-month periods, the then-applicable internal rate of return to investors at redemption would be increased by an additional 3% per annum. Any such increase in the internal rate of return would be effective only until the end of the first succeeding six-month period in which we have met our then-current drilling commitment. CHK C-T is responsible for all capital and operating costs of the wells drilled for the benefit of the entity.

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The CHK C-T investors right to receive, proportionately, a 3.75% ORRI in the existing wells and up to 1,000 net wells drilled on our Cleveland and Tonkawa leasehold is subject to an increase to 5% in any year following a year in which we do not meet our commitment to drill the wells subject to the ORRI obligation, which runs from 2012 through the first quarter of 2025. However, in no event would we deliver to investors more than a total ORRI of 3.75% in 1,000 net wells. If at any time we hold fewer net acres than would enable us to drill all then-remaining net wells on 160-acre spacing, the investors have the right to require us to repurchase their right to receive ORRIs in the remaining net wells at the then-current fair market value of such remaining net wells once we have drilled a minimum of 867 net wells. The obligation to deliver future ORRIs has been recorded as a liability which will be settled through the future conveyance of the underlying ORRIs to the investors on a net-well basis, at which time the associated liability will be reversed and the sale of the ORRIs reflected as an adjustment to the capitalized cost of our natural gas and oil properties. As of March 31, 2012, \$1.015 billion was recorded as noncontrolling interest on our condensed consolidated balance sheet representing the third-party investment in CHK C-T. For the Current Quarter, no income was attributable to the noncontrolling interests of CHK C-T.

Utica Financial Transaction. We formed CHK Utica, L.L.C. (CHK Utica) in October 2011 to develop a portion of our Utica Shale natural gas and oil assets. CHK Utica is an unrestricted subsidiary under our corporate credit facility agreement and is not a guarantor of, or otherwise liable for, any of our indebtedness or other liabilities, including under our indentures. In exchange for all of the common shares of CHK Utica, we contributed to CHK Utica approximately 700,000 net acres of leasehold and 19 existing wells within an area of mutual interest in the Utica Shale play covering 13 counties located primarily in eastern Ohio. During November and December 2011, in private placements, third-party investors contributed \$1.25 billion in cash to CHK Utica in exchange for (i) 1.25 million preferred shares, and (ii) our obligation to deliver a 3% ORRI in up to 1,500 net wells to be drilled on certain of our Utica Shale leasehold. Subject to customary minority interest protections afforded the investors by the terms of the CHK Utica limited liability company agreement (the CHK Utica LLC Agreement), as the holder of all the common shares and the sole managing member of CHK Utica, we maintain voting and managerial control of CHK Utica and therefore include it in our condensed consolidated financial statements. Of the \$1.25 billion of investment proceeds, we allocated \$300 million to the ORRI obligation and \$950 million to the preferred shares based on estimates of fair values. The ORRI obligation is included in other current and long-term liabilities and the preferred shares are included in noncontrolling interests on our condensed consolidated balance sheet. Pursuant to the CHK Utica LLC Agreement, CHK Utica is required to retain \$400 million of the \$1.25 billion of investment proceeds to fund its development activities and make the next two quarters of preferred dividend payments. The amount reserved for paying such dividends, approximately \$44 million, is reflected as restricted cash on our condensed consolidated balan

Dividends on the preferred shares are payable on a quarterly basis at a rate of 7% per annum based on \$1,000 per share. This dividend rate is subject to increase in limited circumstances in the event that, and only for so long as, cash flow from the assets owned by CHK Utica is insufficient to fund the dividend

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in full in any quarter, whether as a result of capital expenditures, drilling results or otherwise. We have committed to drill, for the benefit of CHK Utica, a minimum of 50 net wells per year through 2016 in the CHK Utica area of mutual interest, up to a minimum cumulative total of 250 net wells. If we fail to meet the then-current drilling commitment in any year, we must pay to CHK Utica \$5 million for each well we are short of such drilling commitment. As the managing member of CHK Utica, we may, at our sole discretion and election at any time after December 31, 2013, distribute certain excess cash of CHK Utica, as determined in accordance with the CHK Utica LLC Agreement. Any such optional distribution of excess cash is allocated 70% to the preferred shares (which is applied toward redemption of the preferred shares) and 30% to the common shares unless we have not met our drilling commitment at such time, in which case such optional distributions would be allocated 100% to the preferred shares (and applied toward redemption thereof). We may also, at our sole election and discretion, in accordance with the CHK Utica LLC Agreement, cause CHK Utica to redeem the CHK Utica preferred shares for cash, in whole or in part. The preferred shares will be redeemed at a valuation equal to the greater of a 10% internal rate of return or a return on investment of 1.4x, in each case inclusive of dividends paid at the rate of 7% per annum and optional distributions made through the applicable redemption date. In the event that redemption does not occur on or prior to October 31, 2018, the optional redemption valuation will increase to the greater of a 17.5% internal rate of return or a return on investment of 2.0x. The preferred shares are redeemed on a pro-rata basis in accordance with the then-applicable redemption valuation formula. As of March 31, 2012, the redemption price, and the liquidation preference, was approximately \$1,375 per preferred share. CHK Utica is responsible for all capital and operating costs of the wells drilled for the benefit of the entity. CHK Utica also receives its proportionate share of the benefit of the drilling carry associated with our joint venture with Total in the Utica Shale. See Note 8 for further discussion of the joint venture.

The CHK Utica investors—right to receive, proportionately, a 3% ORRI in the first 1,500 net wells drilled on our Utica Shale leasehold is subject to an increase to 4% in any year following a year in which we do not meet our commitment to drill the wells subject to the ORRI obligation, which runs from 2012 through 2023. However, in no event would we deliver to investors more than a total ORRI of 3% in 1,500 net wells. If at any time we hold fewer net acres than would enable us to drill all then-remaining net wells on 150-acre spacing, the investors have the right to require us to repurchase their right to receive ORRIs in the remaining net wells at the then-current fair market value of such remaining net wells once we have drilled a minimum of 1,300 net wells. The obligation to deliver future ORRIs has been recorded as a liability which will be settled through the future conveyance of the underlying ORRIs to the investors on a net-well basis, at which time the associated liability will be reversed and the sale of the ORRIs reflected as an adjustment to the capitalized cost of our natural gas and oil properties. As of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, \$950 million was recorded as noncontrolling interest on our condensed consolidated balance sheets representing the third-party investment in CHK Utica. For the Current Quarter, approximately \$22 million of income was attributable to the noncontrolling interests of CHK Utica.

Chesapeake Granite Wash Trust. In November 2011, Chesapeake Granite Wash Trust (the Trust) sold 23,000,000 common units representing beneficial interests in the Trust at a price of \$19.00 per common unit in its initial public offering. The common units are listed on the New York Stock Exchange and trade under the symbol CHKR. We own 12,062,500 common units and 11,687,500 subordinated units, which in the aggregate represent an approximate 51% beneficial interest in the Trust. The Trust has a total of 46,750,000 units outstanding.

In connection with the initial public offering of the Trust, we conveyed royalty interests to the Trust that entitle the Trust to receive (i) 90% of the proceeds (after deducting post-production expenses and any applicable taxes) that we receive from the production of hydrocarbons from 69 producing wells, and, (ii) 50% of the proceeds (after deducting post-production expenses and any applicable taxes) in 118 development wells that have been or will be drilled on approximately 45,400 gross acres (29,300 net acres) in the Colony Granite Wash play in Washita County in the Anadarko Basin of western Oklahoma. Pursuant to the terms of a development agreement with the Trust, we are obligated to drill, or cause to be drilled, the development wells at our own expense prior to June 30, 2016, and the Trust will not be responsible for any costs related to the drilling of the development wells or any other operating or capital costs of the Trust properties. In addition, we granted to the Trust a lien on our remaining royalty interests in the development wells in order to secure our drilling obligation to the Trust, although the maximum amount that may be recovered by the Trust under such lien could not exceed \$263 million initially and is proportionately

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reduced as we fulfill our drilling obligation over time. As of March 31, 2012, we had drilled or caused to be drilled 21 development wells and the maximum amount recoverable under the drilling support lien was approximately \$212 million.

The subordinated units we hold in the Trust are entitled to receive pro rata distributions from the Trust each quarter if and to the extent there is sufficient cash to provide a cash distribution on the common units that is not less than the applicable subordination threshold for such quarter. If there is not sufficient cash to fund such a distribution on all of the Trust units, the distribution to be made with respect to the subordinated units will be reduced or eliminated for such quarter in order to make a distribution, to the extent possible, of up to the subordination threshold amount on the common units. In exchange for agreeing to subordinate a portion of our Trust units, and in order to provide additional financial incentive to us to satisfy our drilling obligation and perform operations on the underlying properties in an efficient and cost-effective manner, Chesapeake is entitled to receive incentive distributions equal to 50% of the amount by which the cash available for distribution on the Trust units in any quarter exceeds the applicable incentive threshold for such quarter. The remaining 50% of cash available for distribution in excess of the applicable incentive threshold will be paid to Trust unitholders, including Chesapeake, on a pro rata basis. At the end of the fourth full calendar quarter following our satisfaction of our drilling obligation with respect to the development wells, the subordinated units will automatically convert into common units on a one-for-one basis and our right to receive incentive distributions will terminate. After such time, the common units will no longer have the protection of the subordination threshold, and all Trust unitholders will share in the Trust s distributions on a pro rata basis.

On February 8, 2012, the Trust declared a cash distribution of approximately \$34 million, or \$0.73 per unit, for the three-month period ended December 31, 2011 and covering production for the period from September 1, 2011 to November 30, 2011. The distribution was paid on March 1, 2012 to record unitholders as of February 20, 2012. Of the total distribution, approximately \$17 million was paid to Chesapeake.

We have determined that the Trust constitutes a VIE and that Chesapeake is the primary beneficiary. As a result, the Trust is included in our condensed consolidated financial statements. As of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, \$367 million and \$380 million was recorded as a noncontrolling interest, respectively, on our condensed consolidated balance sheets representing the public unitholders investment in common units of the Trust. For the Current Quarter, approximately \$3 million of income was attributable to the Trust s noncontrolling interests in our condensed consolidated statement of operations. See Note 10 for further discussion of VIEs.

Cardinal Gas Services. Cardinal Gas Services, L.L.C. (Cardinal), an unrestricted, non-guarantor consolidated subsidiary, was formed in December 2011 to acquire, develop, operate and own midstream assets in the Utica Shale. In exchange for the contribution of approximately \$14 million in midstream assets to Cardinal, we received 66% of the outstanding membership units of Cardinal. In exchange for approximately \$5 million, Total E&P USA, Inc. (Total) received 25% of the outstanding membership units and in exchange for approximately \$2 million, CGAS Properties, L.P. (CGAS), an affiliate of Enervest, Ltd., received 9% of the membership units. We have determined that Cardinal constitutes a VIE and that Chesapeake is the primary beneficiary. As a result, Cardinal is included in our condensed consolidated financial statements. The contributions from Total and CGAS were recorded as noncontrolling interests. Each member is responsible for its proportionate share of capital costs. As of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, the noncontrolling interest balances on the condensed consolidated balance sheet associated with the contributions from Total and CGAS was approximately \$31 million and \$7 million, respectively. For the Current Quarter, a nominal loss was attributable to Cardinal s noncontrolling interests in our condensed consolidated statement of operations.

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## 7. Derivative and Hedging Activities

Natural Gas and Oil Derivatives

Our results of operations and cash flows are impacted by changes in market prices for natural gas and oil. To mitigate a portion of the exposure to adverse market changes, we have entered into various derivative instruments. These instruments allow us to predict with greater certainty the effective prices to be received for our hedged production. We believe our derivative instruments continue to be highly effective in achieving our risk management objectives. As of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, our natural gas and oil derivative instruments consisted of the following types of instruments:

Swaps: Chesapeake receives a fixed price and pays a floating market price to the counterparty for the hedged commodity.

*Call Options*: Chesapeake sells, and occasionally buys, call options in exchange for a premium. At the time of settlement, if the market price exceeds the fixed price of the call option, Chesapeake pays the counterparty such excess on sold call options, and Chesapeake receives such excess on bought call options. If the market price settles below the fixed price of the call option, no payment is due from either party.

Swaptions: Chesapeake sells swaptions to counterparties that allow them, on a specific date, to extend an existing fixed-price swap for a certain period of time.

*Knockout Swaps*: Chesapeake receives a fixed price and pays a floating market price. The fixed price received by Chesapeake includes a premium in exchange for the possibility to reduce the counterparty s exposure to zero, in any given month, if the floating market price is lower than a certain pre-determined knockout price.

Basis Protection Swaps: These instruments are arrangements that guarantee a price differential to NYMEX for natural gas from a specified delivery point. Our basis protection swaps typically have negative differentials to NYMEX. Chesapeake receives a payment from the counterparty if the price differential is greater than the stated terms of the contract and pays the counterparty if the price differential is less than the stated terms of the contract.

All of our derivative instruments are net settled based on the difference between the fixed-price payment and the floating-price payment, resulting in a net amount due to or from the counterparty.

The estimated fair values of our natural gas and oil derivative instruments as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011 are provided below.

	XXXX,XXXX	XXX	X,XXXX	XXXX,XXXX	XXX	XX,XXX
	March	31, 2012		December	r 31, 201	1
	Volume	Fair Value		Volume		r Value
		(\$ in ı	millions)		(\$ in	millions)
Natural gas (tbtu):						
Call options	1,318	\$	(255)	1,357	\$	(284)

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Basis protection swaps	160	(40)	106	(42)
Total natural gas	1,478	(295)	1,463	(326)
Oil (mmbbl):				
Fixed-price swaps	24.9	(38)	14.9	15
Call options	90.3	(1,305)	94.7	(1,282)
Swaptions	15.0	(108)	7.8	(53)
Fixed-price knockout swaps	0.6	3	0.8	7
Total oil	130.8	(1,448)	118.2	(1,313)
Total estimated fair value		\$ (1,743)	\$	(1,639)

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Pursuant to accounting guidance for derivatives and hedging, certain derivatives qualify for designation as cash flow hedges. Following this guidance, changes in the fair value of derivative instruments designated as cash flow hedges, to the extent they are effective in offsetting cash flows attributable to the hedged risk, are recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income until the hedged item is recognized in earnings as the physical transactions being hedged occur. Any change in fair value resulting from ineffectiveness is currently recognized in natural gas and oil sales. Changes in the fair value of non-qualifying derivatives that occur prior to their maturity (i.e., temporary fluctuations in value) are currently reported in the condensed consolidated statements of operations within natural gas and oil sales. As of March 31, 2012, we did not have any natural gas and oil derivatives that were designated as cash flow hedges.

The components of natural gas and oil sales for the Current Quarter and the Prior Quarter are presented below.

	XXXX,XX Thre	X X	XXXX,XXX nded		
		March 31,			
		2012 2011 (\$ in millions)			
Natural gas and oil sales	\$ 1.2		1,188		
Gains (losses) on natural gas and oil derivatives	' '	53)	(704)		
Gains (losses) on ineffectiveness of cash flow hedges	`		10		
Total natural gas and oil sales	\$ 1,0	68 \$	494		

Based upon the market prices at March 31, 2012, we expect to transfer approximately \$4 million of net gain included in accumulated other comprehensive income to net income (loss) during the next 12 months in the related month of production. All derivative instruments as of March 31, 2012 are expected to mature by December 31, 2022.

#### Hedging Facility

We have a multi-counterparty secured hedging facility with 18 counterparties that have committed to provide approximately 6.5 tcfe of hedging capacity for commodity price derivatives and 6.5 tcfe for basis derivatives with an aggregate mark-to-market capacity of \$17.5 billion under the terms of the facility. As of March 31, 2012, we had hedged under the facility 2.1 tcfe of our future production with price derivatives and 0.2 tcfe with basis derivatives. The multi-counterparty facility allows us to enter into cash-settled natural gas, oil and natural gas liquids price and basis derivatives with the counterparties. Our obligations under the multi-counterparty facility are secured by proved reserves, the value of which must cover the fair value of the transactions outstanding under the facility by at least 1.65 times at semi-annual collateral dates and 1.30 times in between those dates, and guarantees by certain subsidiaries that also guarantee our corporate revolving bank credit facility, indentures and sale/leaseback arrangements. The counterparties—obligations under the facility must be secured by cash or short-term U.S. Treasury instruments to the extent that any mark-to-market amounts they owe to Chesapeake exceed defined thresholds. The maximum volume-based hedging capacity under the facility is governed by the expected production of the pledged reserve collateral, and volume-based hedging limits are applied separately to price and basis derivatives. In addition, there are volume-based sub-limits for natural gas, oil and natural gas liquids derivative instruments. Chesapeake has significant flexibility with regard to releases and/or substitutions of pledged reserves, provided that certain collateral coverage and other requirements are met. The facility does not have a maturity date. Counterparties to the agreement have the right to cease entering into derivative instruments with the Company on a prospective basis as long as obligations associated with any existing transactions in the facility continue to be

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#### Interest Rate Derivatives

To mitigate a portion of our exposure to volatility in interest rates related to our senior notes and bank credit facilities, we enter into interest rate derivatives. As of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, our interest rate derivative instruments consisted of the following types of instruments:

Swaps: Chesapeake enters into fixed-to-floating interest rate swaps (we receive a fixed interest rate and pay a floating market rate) to mitigate our exposure to changes in the fair value of our senior notes. We enter into floating-to-fixed interest rate swaps (we receive a floating market rate and pay a fixed interest rate) to manage our interest rate exposure related to our bank credit facilities borrowings.

Swaptions: Occasionally we sell an option to a counterparty for a premium which allows the counterparty to enter into a pre-determined swap with us on a specific date.

The notional amount and the estimated fair value of our interest rate derivatives outstanding as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011 are provided below.

	X	XXXX,XXXX March		XX,XXXX	XX	XX,XXXX <b>Decembe</b> i	XXXX,XXXX ber 31, 2011	
		Notional Fair Amount Value						Fair ⁄alue
Interest rate:					Í			
Swaps	\$	1,500	\$	(43)	\$	1,050	\$	(42)
Swaptions		400		(3)		300		
Totals	\$	1,900	\$	(46)	\$	1,350	\$	(42)

Gains or losses from interest rate derivative transactions are reflected as adjustments to interest expense in the condensed consolidated statements of operations. The components of interest expense for the Current Quarter and the Prior Quarter are presented below.

	XXXX	X,XXXX	XXX	X,XXXX	
		<b>Three Months Ended</b>			
		March 31,			
	20	2012 2011			
		(\$ in m	illions)		
Interest expense on senior notes	\$	174	\$	177	
Interest expense on credit facilities		21		21	
(Gains) losses on interest rate derivatives		4		(1)	
Amortization of loan discount and other		1		15	

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Capitalized interest	(188)	(205)
Total interest expense	\$ 12	\$ 7

We have terminated certain fair value hedges related to senior notes. Gains and losses related to these terminated hedges will be amortized as an adjustment to interest expense over the remaining term of the related senior notes. Over the next nine years, we will recognize \$25 million in gains related to such transactions.

#### Foreign Currency Derivatives

In December 2006, we issued 600 million of 6.25% Euro-denominated Senior Notes due 2017. Concurrent with the issuance of the euro-denominated senior notes, we entered into cross currency swaps to mitigate our exposure to fluctuations in the euro relative to the dollar over the term of the notes. In May 2011, we purchased and subsequently retired 256 million in aggregate principal amount of these senior notes following a tender offer, and we simultaneously unwound the cross currency swaps for the same principal amount. As a result, we reclassified a loss of \$38 million from accumulated other comprehensive income to the condensed consolidated statement of operations, \$20 million of which related to the unwound notional amount and was included in losses on purchases or exchanges of debt, and \$18 million

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of which related to future interest associated with the unwound principal and was included in interest expense. Under the terms of the remaining cross currency swaps, on each semi-annual interest payment date, the counterparties pay Chesapeake 11 million and Chesapeake pays the counterparties \$17 million, which yields an annual dollar-equivalent interest rate of 7.491%. Upon maturity of the notes, the counterparties will pay Chesapeake 344 million and Chesapeake will pay the counterparties \$459 million. The terms of the cross currency swaps were based on the dollar/euro exchange rate on the issuance date of \$1.3325 to 1.00. Through the cross currency swaps, we have eliminated any potential variability in Chesapeake s expected cash flows related to changes in foreign exchange rates and therefore the swaps qualify as cash flow hedges. The fair values of the cross currency swaps are recorded on the condensed consolidated balance sheet as a liability of \$20 million at March 31, 2012. The euro-denominated debt in long-term debt has been adjusted to \$459 million at March 31, 2012 using an exchange rate of \$1.3334 to 1.00.

Additional Disclosures Regarding Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities

In accordance with accounting guidance for derivatives and hedging, to the extent that a legal right of set-off exists, Chesapeake nets the value of its derivative arrangements with the same counterparty in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets. Derivative instruments reflected as current in the condensed consolidated balance sheets represent the estimated fair value of derivatives scheduled to settle over the next twelve months based on market prices/rates as of the respective balance sheet dates. The derivative settlement amounts are not due until the month in which the related underlying hedged transaction occurs. Cash settlements of our derivative instruments are generally classified as operating cash flows unless the derivative is deemed to contain, for accounting purposes, a significant financing element at contract inception, in which case these cash settlements are classified as financing cash flows in the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of cash flows.

The following table presents the fair value and location of each classification of derivative instrument disclosed in the condensed consolidated balance sheets as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011 on a gross basis without regard to same-counterparty netting:

	\$XXX,XX	\$XXX,XX Fair	\$XXX,XX Value
	<b>Balance Sheet Location</b>	March 31, 2012 (\$ in n	December 31, 2011 nillions)
Asset Derivatives:		(ψ	
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments:			
Commodity contracts	Short-term derivative instruments	\$ 76	\$ 54
Commodity contracts	Long-term derivative instruments	11	1
Total		87	55
Liability Derivatives:			
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments:			
Foreign currency contracts	Long-term derivative instruments	(20)	(38)
Total		(20)	(38)
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments:			
Commodity contracts	Short-term derivative instruments	(277)	(232)
Commodity contracts	Long-term derivative instruments	(1,553)	(1,462)

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Interest rate contracts	Short-term derivative instruments	(3)	
Interest rate contracts	Long-term derivative instruments	(43)	(42)
Equity contracts	Short-term derivative instruments	(2)	
Total		(1,878)	(1,736)
Total derivative instruments		\$ (1,811)	\$ (1,719)

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A consolidated summary of the effect of derivative instruments on the condensed consolidated statements of operations for the Current Quarter and the Prior Quarter is provided below, separating fair value, cash flow and non-qualifying derivatives.

#### Fair Value Hedges

For interest rate derivative instruments designated as fair value hedges, the fair values of the hedges are recorded on the condensed consolidated balance sheets as assets or liabilities, with corresponding offsetting adjustments to the debt s carrying value. Our qualifying interest rate swaps are considered 100% effective and therefore no ineffectiveness was recorded for the periods presented below. Changes in the fair value of non-qualifying interest rate derivatives that occur prior to their maturity (i.e., temporary fluctuations in value) are reported in the condensed consolidated statements of operations within interest expense.

The following table presents the gain (loss) recognized in the condensed consolidated statements of operations for instruments designated as fair value derivatives:

	\$XX,XXX	\$XX,XXX Three Mon Marc		
Fair Value Derivatives	<b>Location of Gain (Loss)</b>	2012	2011	
		(\$ in m	illions)	
Interest rate contracts	Interest expense	\$ 2	\$ 6	

We include the expense on the hedged item (i.e., fixed-rate borrowings) in the same line item interest expense as the offsetting gain or loss on the related interest rate swap listed above. For the Current Quarter and the Prior Quarter, this expense was \$0 and \$13 million respectively.

#### Cash Flow Hedges

A reconciliation of the changes of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) in the condensed consolidated statements of stockholders equity related to our cash flow hedges is presented below.

	\$XX	XXX,XX	\$XX	XXX,XX Three Mon	•	XXX,XX ed	\$XX	XXX,XX
		20	10	Marc	h 31,	20		
		20		_		20		
	Befo	ore Tax	Aft	er Tax	Bef	ore Tax	Aft	er Tax
Balance, beginning of period	\$	(287)	\$	(178)	\$	(291)	\$	(181)
Net change in fair value		6		4		(2)		(1)
Gains reclassified to income		(3)		(2)		(75)		(46)
Balance, end of period	\$	(284)	\$	(176)	\$	(368)	\$	(228)

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The following table presents the pre-tax gain (loss) recognized in, and reclassified from, accumulated other comprehensive income (AOCI) related to instruments designated as cash flow derivatives:

	\$XX,XXX		\$XX,XXX nths Ended ch 31,		
Cash Flow Derivatives	<b>Location of Gain (Loss)</b>	20	12	2	011
			(\$ in m	illions)	
Gain (Loss) Recognized in AOCI			(4 211 11		
(Effective Portion)					
Commodity contracts	AOCI	\$	1	\$	16
Foreign currency contracts	AOCI		5		(18)
		\$	6	\$	(2)
					, ,
Gain (Loss) Reclassified from					
AOCI into Income (Effective Portion)					
Commodity contracts	Natural gas and oil sales	\$	3	\$	74
•					
Gain (Loss) Recognized in Income					
Commodity contracts					
Ineffective Portion	Natural gas and oil sales	\$		\$	10
Amount initially excluded from					
offootiveness testing	Natural gas and ail sales				22
effectiveness testing	Natural gas and oil sales				22
		\$		\$	32

Non-Qualifying Derivatives

The following table presents the gain (loss) recognized in the condensed consolidated statements of operations for instruments not qualifying as cash flow or fair value derivatives:

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		(\$ in mi		
Commodity contracts	Natural gas and oil sales	\$ (156)	\$	(800)
Interest rate contracts	Interest expense	(6)		(5)
Equity contracts	Other income	(2)		
Total		\$ (164)	\$	(805)

#### Credit Risk

Derivative instruments that enable us to manage our exposure to commodity prices and interest rate volatility expose us to credit risk from our counterparties. To mitigate this risk, we enter into derivative contracts only with counterparties that are rated investment-grade and deemed by management to be competent and competitive market makers, and we attempt to limit our exposure to non-performance by any single counterparty. On March 31, 2012, our commodity and interest rate derivative instruments were spread among 18 counterparties. Additionally, counterparties to our multi-counterparty secured hedging facility described previously are required to secure their natural gas and oil derivative obligations in excess of defined thresholds. We use this facility for the majority of our natural gas, oil and natural gas liquids derivatives.

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#### 8. Acquisitions and Divestitures

Fayetteville Shale Asset Sale

In March 2011, we sold all of our Fayetteville Shale assets in central Arkansas to BHP Billiton Petroleum, a wholly owned subsidiary of BHP Billiton Limited (NYSE:BHP; ASX:BHP), for net proceeds of approximately \$4.65 billion in cash. The properties sold consisted of approximately 487,000 net acres of leasehold, net production at closing of approximately 415 million cubic feet of natural gas equivalent per day and midstream assets consisting of approximately 420 miles of pipeline. Of the total proceeds received, \$350 million was allocated to our Fayetteville Shale midstream assets and a \$7 million gain was recorded for the divestiture of those assets. The remainder of the proceeds was allocated to our Fayetteville Shale natural gas and oil properties. Under full cost accounting rules, we accounted for the sale of our Fayetteville Shale natural gas and oil properties as an adjustment to capitalized costs, with no recognition of gain or loss.

#### Joint Ventures

As of March 31, 2012, we had entered into seven significant joint ventures with other leading energy companies pursuant to which we sold a portion of our leasehold, producing properties and other assets located in seven different resource plays and received cash of \$7.1 billion and commitments for future drilling and completion cost sharing totaling \$9.0 billion. In each of these joint ventures, Chesapeake serves as the operator and conducts all leasing, drilling, completion, operations and marketing activities for the project. These transactions have allowed us to recover much or all of our initial leasehold investments and reduce our ongoing capital costs in these plays. For accounting purposes, initial cash proceeds from these joint venture transactions were reflected as a reduction of natural gas and oil properties with no gain or loss recognized. The transactions are detailed below.

Primary Play	Joint Venture Partner <sup>(a)</sup>	Joint Venture Date	Interest Sold	Cash Proceeds Received at Closing	Total Drilling Carries (\$ in	Total Cash and Drilling Carry Proceeds millions)	Drilling Carries Remaining <sup>(b)</sup>
Utica	TOT	December 2011	25.0%	\$ 610	\$ 1,422	\$ 2,032	\$ 1,372
Niobrara	CNOOC	February 2011	33.3%	570	697	1,267	544
Eagle Ford							
& Pearsall	CNOOC	November 2010	33.3%	1,120	1,080	2,200	
Barnett	TOT	January 2010	25.0%	800	1,404 <sup>(c)</sup>	2,204	
Marcellus	STO	November 2008	32.5%	1,250	2,125	3,375	
Fayetteville	BP	September 2008	25.0%	1,100	800	1,900	
Haynesville							
& Bossier	PXP	July 2008	20.0%	1,650	1,508 <sup>(d)</sup>	3,158	
				\$ 7,100	\$ 9,036	\$ 16,136	\$ 1,916

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- (a) Joint venture partners include Total S.A. (TOT), CNOOC Limited (CNOOC), Statoil (STO), BP America (BP) and Plains Exploration & Production Company (PXP).
- (b) As of March 31, 2012. The Utica carry must be used by January 2018 and the Niobrara carry must be used by December 2014. We expect to fully utilize these drilling carry commitments prior to expiration. See Note 4 for further discussion.
- (c) In conjunction with an agreement requiring us to maintain our operated rig count at no less than 12 rigs in the Barnett Shale through December 31, 2012, TOT accelerated the payment of its remaining joint venture drilling carry in exchange for an approximate 9% reduction in the total amount of drilling carry obligation owed to us at that time. As a result, in October 2011, we received \$471 million in cash from TOT, which included \$46 million of carry obligation billed and \$425 million for the remaining carry obligation. In January 2012, Chesapeake and TOT agreed to reduce the minimum rig count from 12 to six rigs. In May 2012, Chesapeake and TOT agreed to reduce the minimum rig count from six to two rigs.

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(d) In September 2009, PXP accelerated the payment of its remaining carry in exchange for an approximate 12% reduction to the remaining drilling carry obligation owed to us at that time.

During the Current Quarter and the Prior Quarter, our drilling and completion costs included the benefit of approximately \$448 million and \$527 million, respectively, in drilling and completion carries paid by our joint venture partners, CNOOC, TOT and STO.

During the Current Quarter, as part of our joint venture agreement with TOT, we sold interests in additional leasehold in the Barnett and Utica shale plays to TOT for approximately \$18 million. In the Prior Quarter, as part of our joint venture agreements with CNOOC, TOT, STO and PXP, we sold interests in additional leasehold in the Eagle Ford and Pearsall, Barnett, Marcellus and Haynesville and Bossier shale plays to our joint venture partners for approximately \$224 million.

#### Volumetric Production Payments

From time to time, we have monetized certain of our producing assets which are located in more mature producing regions through the sale of volumetric production payments (VPPs). A VPP is a limited-term overriding royalty interest in natural gas and oil reserves that (i) entitles the purchaser to receive scheduled production volumes over a period of time from specific lease interests; (ii) is free and clear of all associated future production costs and capital expenditures; (iii) is nonrecourse to the seller (i.e., the purchaser s only recourse is to the reserves acquired); (iv) transfers title of the reserves to the purchaser; and (v) allows the seller to retain the remaining reserves, if any, after the scheduled production volumes have been delivered. We retain drilling rights on the properties below currently producing intervals and outside of producing well bores. We also retain all production beyond the specified volumes sold in the transaction.

We have completed the following VPP transactions since 2007:

Date of VPP	Division	Proceeds (\$ in millions)	Proved Reserves (at time of sale) (bcfe)	\$ / mcfe	Original Term (years)
March 2012	Anadarko Basin Granite Wash	\$ 744	160	\$ 4.68	10
May 2011	Mid-Continent	853	177	\$ 4.82	10
September 2010	Barnett Shale	1,150	390	\$ 2.93	5
June 2010	Permian Basin	335	38	\$ 8.73	10
	East Texas and				
February 2010	Texas Gulf Coast	180	46	\$ 3.95	10
August 2009	South Texas	370	68	\$ 5.46	7.5
	Anadarko and				
December 2008	Arkoma Basins	412	98	\$ 4.19	8
August 2008	Anadarko Basin	600	93	\$ 6.38	11
May 2008	Texas, Oklahoma	622	94	\$ 6.53	11

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	and Kansas				
	Kentucky and				
December 2007	West Virginia	1,100	208	\$ 5.29	15
		\$ 6,366	1,372	\$ 4.64	

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For accounting purposes, cash proceeds from these transactions were reflected as a reduction of natural gas and oil properties with no gain or loss recognized, and our proved reserves were reduced accordingly.

#### 9. Investments

At March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, we had the following investments:

			Carrying Value				
	Approximate % Owned	Accounting Method	March 31, 2012 (\$ ir		mber 31, 2011 s)		
Chesapeake Midstream Partners, L.P.	46%	Equity	\$ 986	\$	987		
FTS International, Inc.	30%	Equity	263		235		
Chaparral Energy, Inc.	20%	Equity	138		143		
Clean Energy Fuels Corp.		Cost	50		50		
Utica East Ohio Midstream, LLC	59%	Equity	38				
Sundrop Fuels, Inc.	25%	Equity	34		34		
Twin Eagle Resource Management, LLC	30%	Equity	26		20		
Clean Energy Fuels Corp.	1%	Fair Value	21		12		
Gastar Exploration Ltd.	10%	Fair Value	20		22		
Ranch Westex JV, LLC	33%	Equity	13		1		
Other		•	29		27		
			Ø 1 610	Ф	1.501		
			\$ 1,618	\$	1,531		

Chesapeake Midstream Partners, L.P. Chesapeake Midstream Partners, L.P. (NYSE:CHKM) is a master limited partnership which we and Global Infrastructure Partners-A, L.P. and affiliated funds managed by Global Infrastructure Management, LLC and certain of their respective subsidiaries and affiliates (collectively, GIP) formed in 2010 to own, operate, develop and acquire gathering systems and other midstream energy assets. CHKM completed its initial public offering on August 3, 2010. As of March 31, 2012, public security holders, GIP and Chesapeake owned 30.5%, 23.4% and 46.1%, respectively, of all outstanding CHKM limited partner interests. CHKM limited partners, collectively, have a 98.0% interest in CHKM, and the general partner, which is owned and controlled 50/50 by Chesapeake and GIP, has a 2.0% interest in CHKM. CHKM is principally focused on natural gas gathering, the first segment of midstream energy infrastructure that connects natural gas produced at the wellhead to third-party takeaway pipelines. CHKM currently operates in Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas, Pennsylvania and West Virginia and provides gathering, treating and compression services to Chesapeake and other producers under long-term, fixed-fee contracts.

During the Current Quarter, we recorded positive equity method adjustments of \$24 million for our share of CHKM s income, received cash distributions of \$27 million from CHKM and recorded accretion adjustments of \$2 million related to our share of equity in excess of cost. The carrying value of our investment in CHKM is less than our underlying equity in net assets by approximately \$154 million as of March 31, 2012. This difference is being accreted over the 20-year estimated useful lives of the underlying assets. See Note 10 for further discussion of CHKM.

FTS International, Inc. FTS International, Inc. (FTS), based in Fort Worth, Texas, is the privately held parent company which, through its subsidiaries, provides pressure pumping and well stimulation to oil and gas companies. In the Current Quarter, we recorded positive equity

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method adjustments, prior to intercompany profit eliminations, of \$17 million for our share of FTS s income and recorded accretion adjustments of \$11 million related to our share of equity in excess of cost. The carrying value of our investments in FTS is less than our underlying equity in net assets by approximately \$857 million as of March 31, 2012. The value not allocated to goodwill is being accreted over the nine-year estimated useful lives of the underlying assets.

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Chaparral Energy, Inc. Chaparral Energy, Inc., based in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, is a private independent oil and natural gas company engaged in the production, acquisition and exploitation of oil and natural gas properties.

In the Current Quarter, we recorded a \$4 million charge related to our share of Chaparral s net loss and depreciation adjustments of \$1 million related to the excess of our cost over our proportionate share of Chaparral s book equity. The carrying value of our investment in Chaparral is in excess of our underlying equity in net assets by approximately \$54 million as of March 31, 2012. This excess is attributed to the natural gas and oil reserves held by Chaparral and is being amortized over the estimated life of these reserves based on a unit of production rate.

Clean Energy Fuels Corp. In July 2011, we agreed to invest \$150 million in newly issued convertible promissory notes of Clean Energy Fuels Corp. (Nasdaq:CLNE), based in Seal Beach, California. The investment is being made in three equal \$50 million promissory notes, the first of which was issued on July 11, 2011, with the remaining notes scheduled to be issued in June 2012 and June 2013. The notes bear interest at the annual rate of 7.5%, payable quarterly, and are convertible at our option into shares of Clean Energy s common stock at a 22.5% conversion premium, resulting in a conversion price of \$15.80 per share. Under certain circumstances following the second anniversary of the issuance of a note, Clean Energy can force conversion of the debt. The entire principal balance of each note is due and payable seven years following issuance. Clean Energy will use our \$150 million investment to accelerate its build-out of LNG fueling infrastructure for heavy-duty trucks at truck stops across interstate highways in the U.S.

In December 2011, we also purchased one million shares of Clean Energy common stock for \$10 million. During the Current Quarter, the common stock price of Clean Energy increased from \$12.46 per share to \$21.28 per share.

*Utica East Ohio Midstream L.L.C.* On March 9, 2012, CMD entered into an agreement to form Utica East Ohio Midstream LLC (UEOM) with M3 Midstream, L.L.C. and EV Energy Partners, L.P. to develop necessary infrastructure for the gathering and processing of natural gas and natural gas liquids in the Utica Shale play in eastern Ohio. The infrastructure complex will consist of natural gas gathering and compression facilities constructed and operated by CMD, as well as processing, NGL fractionation, loading and terminal facilities constructed and operated by M3 Midstream, L.L.C. CMD made an initial cash contribution of \$38 million in exchange for an ownership of approximately 59% in UEOM. See Note 10 for further discussion of UEOM. UEOM is not consolidated since we do not have a controlling interest.

Sundrop Fuels, Inc. In July 2011, we agreed to invest \$155 million in preferred equity securities of Sundrop Fuels, Inc., a privately held cellulosic biofuels company based in Louisville, Colorado. The investment will fund construction of a nonfood biomass-based green gasoline plant, capable of annually producing more than 40 million gallons of gasoline from natural gas and waste cellulosic material. The investment is intended to accelerate the development of an affordable, stable, room-temperature, natural gas-based fuel for immediate use in automobiles, diesel engine vehicles and aircraft. The first \$35 million tranche of our investment was funded in July 2011 and the remaining tranches of preferred equity investment will be scheduled around certain funding and operational milestones that are expected to be reached by July 2013. The full investment will represent 50% of Sundrop Fuels equity on a fully diluted basis.

The carrying value of our investment in Sundrop is in excess of our underlying equity in net assets by approximately \$25 million as of March 31, 2012. This excess will be amortized over the life of the plant, once it is placed into service.

Twin Eagle Resource Management LLC. In 2010, we invested \$20 million in Twin Eagle Resource Management LLC, a natural gas trading and management firm. In February 2012, we invested an additional \$9 million. During the Current Quarter, we recorded a \$3 million charge related to our share of Twin Eagle s net loss. The carrying value of our investment in Twin Eagle is in excess of our equity in net assets by approximately \$6 million as of March 31, 2012. This excess is being amortized over the 15-year estimated useful lives of the underlying assets.

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Gastar Exploration Ltd. Gastar Exploration Ltd. (NYSE Amex:GST), based in Houston, Texas, is an independent energy company engaged in the exploration, development and production of natural gas and oil in the U.S. During the Current Quarter, the common stock price of Gastar decreased from \$3.18 per share to \$2.99 per share.

Ranch Westex, JV LLC. In December 2011, CMD entered into an agreement to form Ranch Westex JV, LLC with two other parties to develop, construct and operate necessary infrastructure for the processing and gathering of natural gas in Ward County, Texas. CMD s total commitment is \$36 million. As of March 31, 2012, we had funded \$13 million of the total commitment.

#### 10. Variable Interest Entities

In accordance with accounting guidance for consolidation, we consolidate the activities of VIEs of which we are the primary beneficiary. The primary beneficiary of a VIE is that variable interest holder possessing a controlling financial interest through (i) its power to direct the activities of the VIE that most significantly impact the VIE is economic performance and (ii) its obligation to absorb losses or its right to receive benefits from the VIE that could potentially be significant to the VIE. In order to determine whether we own a variable interest in a VIE, we perform qualitative analysis of the entity is design, organizational structure, primary decision makers and relevant agreements.

#### Consolidated VIEs

Chesapeake Granite Wash Trust. For discussion of the formation, operations and presentation of the Trust, please see Noncontrolling Interests in Note 6. The Trust is considered a VIE due to the lack of voting or similar decision-making rights by its equity holders regarding activities that have a significant effect on the economic success of the Trust. Our ownership in the Trust and our obligations under the development agreement and related drilling support lien constitute variable interests. We have determined that we are the primary beneficiary of the Trust as (i) we have the power to direct the activities that most significantly impact the economic performance of the Trust via our obligations to perform under the development agreement, and (ii) as a result of the subordination and incentive thresholds applicable to the subordinated units we hold in the Trust, we have the obligation to absorb losses and the right to receive residual returns that could potentially be significant to the Trust. As a result, we consolidate the Trust in our financial statements and the common units of the Trust owned by third parties are reflected as a noncontrolling interest.

The Trust is a consolidated entity whose legal existence is separate from Chesapeake and our other consolidated subsidiaries and the Trust is not a guarantor of any of Chesapeake s debt. The creditors or beneficial holders of the Trust have no recourse to the general credit of Chesapeake; however, we have certain obligations to the Trust through the development agreement that are secured by a drilling support lien on our retained interest in the development wells up to a specified maximum amount recoverable by the Trust, which could result in the Trust acquiring all or a portion of our retained interest in the development wells, if we do not meet our drilling commitment. In consolidation, as of March 31, 2012, approximately \$471 million of net natural gas and oil properties, \$38 million of current liabilities and \$19 million in long-term liabilities were attributable to the Trust. We have presented parenthetically on the face of the condensed consolidated balance sheets the assets of the Trust that can be used only to settle obligations of the Trust and the liabilities of the Trust for which creditors do not have recourse to the general credit of Chesapeake.

Cardinal Gas Services, L.L.C. We own an approximate 66% interest in Cardinal, a consolidated midstream subsidiary (see Note 6 under Noncontrolling Interests for further discussion). Cardinal is considered a VIE because its total equity at risk, as of March 31, 2012, is not sufficient to permit it to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support. It is expected that we, along with the other equity partners, will make regular capital contributions to Cardinal for our proportionate share of its capital costs. This VIE is consolidated since we have a controlling interest in the VIE through voting rights. In consolidation, as of March 31, 2012, approximately \$46 million of cash and cash equivalents, \$48 million of net natural gas gathering systems and treating plants and \$12 million of current liabilities were attributable to Cardinal, which we have presented parenthetically on the face of the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

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#### Unconsolidated VIEs

Chesapeake Midstream Partners, L.P. We have an approximate 46% interest in CHKM through our ownership of common, general partner and subordinated units. CHKM focuses on unregulated business activities in service to both Chesapeake and third-party natural gas producers and its revenues are generated from gathering, compression, dehydration and treating services. Certain Chesapeake employees provide services to CHKM through an employee secondment agreement and CHKM utilizes various support functions within Chesapeake, including accounting, human resources and information technology in return for certain cost reimbursements. As of March 31, 2012, common units owned by public security holders represented 30.5% of all outstanding limited partner interests, and Chesapeake and GIP held 46.1% and 23.4%, respectively, of all outstanding limited partner interests. Of the limited partner units, approximately 51% and 100% of the units were subordinated for Chesapeake and GIP, respectively. The limited partners, collectively, have a 98% limited partner interest in CHKM, and Chesapeake and GIP each own 50% of the remaining 2% general partner interest.

The partnership agreement provides that, during the subordination period, the common units are entitled to distributions of available cash each quarter in an amount equal to the minimum quarterly distribution, which is \$0.3375 per common unit, plus any arrearages in the payment of the minimum quarterly distribution on the common units from prior quarters, before any distributions of available cash are permitted on the subordinated units. The subordination period will lapse at such time when the partnership has earned and paid at least \$0.3375 per quarter on each common unit, subordinated unit and general partner unit for any three consecutive, non-overlapping four-quarter periods ending on or after June 30, 2013. Also, if the partnership has earned and paid at least 150% of the minimum quarterly distribution on each outstanding common unit, subordinated unit and general partner unit for each calendar quarter in a four-quarter period, the subordination period will terminate automatically. The subordination period will also terminate automatically if the general partner is removed without cause and the units held by the general partner and its affiliates are not voted in favor of removal. When the subordination period lapses or otherwise terminates, all remaining subordinated units will convert into common units on a one-for-one basis and the common units will no longer be entitled to arrearages. All subordinated units are held indirectly by Chesapeake and GIP.

CHKM is considered a VIE because of the significance of its operations to us and the contractual arrangements between Chesapeake and CHKM that pass certain economic risks to us which are disproportionate to our economic interest. These primarily include certain gas gathering agreements with CHKM pursuant to which we have committed to deliver annually specified minimum volumes of natural gas under firm transportation agreements, an EBITDA guarantee CMD issued to CHKM in conjunction with our December 2011 sale of Appalachia Midstream Services, L.L.C. (AMS), and the subordination of our units to those of other unitholders. Our ownership in CHKM, and our rights and commitments under our contractual arrangements with CHKM constitute variable interests. See *Other Commitments* in Note 4.

Because the general partner controls CHKM, we have determined that the power to direct the activities which are most significant to its economic performance are shared between us and GIP. See Note 9 for a discussion of the accounting for, and the carrying value of, our investment in CHKM.

Our risk of loss related to CHKM includes our investment balance and certain commitments to CHKM through the EBITDA guarantee and under our firm transportation agreements that could require us to make shortfall payments in the event we do not meet our minimum volume commitments. The creditors or other beneficial holders of CHKM common units have no other recourse to the general credit of Chesapeake.

Utica East Ohio Midstream L.L.C. We have an approximate 59% interest in Utica East Ohio Midstream L.L.C. (UEOM), an unconsolidated entity which we formed with M3 Midstream L.L.C. and EV Energy Partners, L.P. to develop necessary infrastructures for gathering and processing of natural gas and natural gas liquids in the Utica shale play in eastern Ohio (see Note 9 for further details). UEOM is considered a VIE because its total equity at risk, as of March 31, 2012, is not sufficient to permit it to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support. It is expected that we, along with the other equity partners, will make regular capital contributions to UEOM for our proportionate share of its capital costs. This VIE remains unconsolidated since the power to direct the activities, which are most significant to UEOM s economic performance are shared between us and the other equity holders. We are using the equity method to account for this investment.

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#### NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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#### 11. Fair Value Measurements

Certain financial instruments are reported at fair value on the condensed consolidated balance sheets. Under fair value measurement accounting guidance, fair value is defined as the amount that would be received from the sale of an asset or paid for the transfer of a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants, i.e., an exit price. To estimate an exit price, a three-level hierarchy is used. The fair value hierarchy prioritizes the inputs, which refer broadly to assumptions market participants would use in pricing an asset or a liability, into three levels. Level 1 inputs are unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities and have the highest priority. Level 2 inputs are inputs other than quoted prices within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the financial asset or liability and have the lowest priority. Chesapeake uses a market valuation approach based on available inputs and the following methods and assumptions to measure the fair values of its assets and liabilities, which may or may not be observable in the market.

Cash Equivalents. The fair value of cash equivalents is based on quoted market prices.

*Investments*. The fair value of Chesapeake s investment in Gastar Exploration Ltd. (NYSE Amex: GST) and Clean Energy Fuels Corporation (NASDAQ:CLNE) common stock is based on a quoted market price.

Other Long-Term Assets and Liabilities. The fair value of other long-term assets and liabilities, consisting of obligations under our deferred compensation plan, is based on quoted market prices.

Derivatives. The fair values of our commodity derivatives, interest rate swaps and cross currency swaps are based on third-party pricing models which utilize inputs that are either readily available in the public market, such as natural gas and oil forward curves and discount rates, or can be corroborated from active markets or broker quotes. These values are then compared to the values given by our counterparties for reasonableness. Since commodity, interest rate and cross currency swaps do not include optionality and therefore generally have no unobservable inputs, they are classified as Level 2. All other derivatives have some level of unobservable input, such as volatility curves, and are therefore classified as Level 3. For interest rate options and swaptions, we use the fair value estimates provided by our respective counterparties. These values are reviewed internally for reasonableness using future interest rate curves and time to maturity. Derivatives are also subject to the risk that counterparties will be unable to meet their obligations. We factor non-performance risk into the valuation of our derivatives using current published credit default swap rates. To date, this has not had a material impact on the values of our derivatives.

*Debt*. The fair value of certain of our long-term debt is based on the face amount of that debt along with the value of related qualifying interest rate swaps.

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The following table provides fair value measurement information for financial assets (liabilities) measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of March 31, 2012:

	Quoted Prices in Active Markets (Level 1)	rices in Other Significant active Observable Unobservab arkets Inputs Inputs		Fotal r Value
Financial Assets (Liabilities):				
Cash equivalents	\$ 519	\$	\$	\$ 519
Investments	41			41
Other long-term assets	69			69
Other long-term liabilities	(71)			(71)
Derivatives:				
Commodity assets		37	50	87
Commodity liabilities		(75)	(1,755)	(1,830)
Interest rate liabilities		(43)	(3)	(46)
Foreign currency liabilities		(20)	)	(20)
Equity liabilities		(2)		(2)
Total derivatives		(103)	(1,708)	(1,811)
Total	\$ 558	\$ (103)	\$ (1,708)	\$ (1,253)

The following table provides fair value measurement information for financial assets (liabilities) measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2011:

	Quoted Prices in Active Markets (Level 1)	Prices in Other Significant Active Observable Unobservable Markets Inputs Inputs		Cotal r Value
Financial Assets (Liabilities):				
Cash equivalents	\$ 395	\$	\$	\$ 395
Investments	34			34
Other long-term assets	61			61
Other long-term liabilities	(62)			(62)
Derivatives:				
Commodity assets		46	9	55
Commodity liabilities		(31)	(1,663)	(1,694)

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Interest rate liabilities		(42)		(42)
Foreign currency liabilities		(38)		(38)
Total derivatives		(65)	(1,654)	(1,719)
Total	\$ 428	\$ (65)	\$ (1,654)	\$ (1,291)

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# NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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A summary of the changes in Chesapeake s assets (liabilities) classified as Level 3 measurements during the Current Quarter and the Prior Quarter is presented below.

	\$xxxxxxxxxxxx Commodity		\$xxxxxxxxxxxx Derivatives Interest Rate (\$ in mill		\$xxxxxxxxxxxxx  Foreign Currency nillions)		\$x	Debt
Beginning Balance as of January 1, 2012	\$	(1,654)	\$		\$		\$	
Total gains (losses) (realized/unrealized):		, , ,						
Included in earnings or change in net assets <sup>(a)</sup>		(59)		(1)				
Total purchases, issuances, sales and settlements:								
Sales				(2)				
Settlements		8						
Ending Balance as of March 31, 2012	\$	(1,705)	\$	(3)	\$		\$	
			4	(50)		(40)		4. 2-4
Beginning Balance as of January 1, 2011	\$	(1,954)	\$	(69)	\$	(43)	\$	(1,371)
Total gains (losses) (realized/unrealized):		(0=0)						
Included in earnings or change in net assets <sup>(a)</sup>		(873)		16				
Total purchases, issuances, sales and settlements:								
Settlements		44		(1)				
Transfers in and out of Level 3 <sup>(b)</sup>				54		43		1,371
Ending Balance as of March 31, 2011	\$	(2,783)	\$		\$		\$	

(a)

	Natur and O		Interest Expense				
	2012 2011 (\$ in million			2012 llions)	2011		
Total gains (losses) included in earnings (or change in net assets) for the period	\$ (59)	\$	(873)	\$(1)	\$	16	
Change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to assets still held at reporting date	\$ (132)	\$	(868)	\$ (3)	\$	2	

<sup>(</sup>b) The values related to interest rate and cross currency swaps were transferred from Level 3 to Level 2 as a result of our ability to use data readily available in the public market to corroborate our estimated fair values.

Qualitative Disclosures about Unobservable Inputs for Level 3 Fair Value Measurements

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The significant unobservable inputs for Level 3 derivative contracts include forward prices of commodities, forward interest rate curves, market volatility and credit risk of counterparties. Changes in these inputs will impact the fair value measurement of our derivative contracts, e.g. an increase (decrease) in the forward prices and volatility of commodities will decrease (increase) the fair value of commodity derivatives; an increase (decrease) in forward price and volatility of interest rates will decrease (increase) the fair value of interest rate derivatives; and adverse changes to our counterparties—credit worthiness will decrease the fair value of our derivatives.

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# NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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Quantitative Disclosures about Unobservable Inputs for Level 3 Fair Value Measurements

Instrument Type			Weighted Average	Fair Value March 31, 2012 (\$ in millions)	
Oil Trades <sup>(a)</sup>	NYMEX oil price forward curve Oil price volatility curve	\$ 91.47 - \$105.33 16.39% - 31.03%	\$ 97.95 23.16%	\$	(1,410)
Natural Gas Trades <sup>(a)</sup>	NYMEX natural gas price  forward curve Natural gas price volatility curve	\$2.13 - \$5.81 21.40% - 53.67%	\$ 3.91 28.27%	\$	(255)
Gas Basis Swaps <sup>(b)</sup>	NYMEX natural gas forward curve Physical pricing point forward curves	\$1.95 -\$5.06	\$ 3.22 \$ (0.22)	\$	(40)
	forward curves	(\$1.29) -\$0.20	\$ (0.22)		
Interest Rate Swaptions <sup>(a)</sup>	Forward interest rate curve Interest rate volatility	0.41% -3.66% 40.04% - 52.07%	1.80% 47.40%	\$	(3)

<sup>(</sup>a) Fair value is based on an estimate derived from option models.

# (b) Fair value is based on an estimate of discounted cash flows. Fair Value of Other Financial Instruments

The following disclosure of the estimated fair value of financial instruments is made in accordance with accounting guidance for financial instruments. The carrying values of financial instruments comprising current assets and current liabilities approximate fair values due to the short-term maturities of these instruments. We estimate the fair value of our long-term debt primarily using quoted market prices (Level 1). Fair value is compared to the carrying value, excluding the impact of interest rate derivatives, in the table below.

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		March		December 31, 2011						
	<b>Carrying</b> Estimated				Carrying		<b>Estimated</b>			
	Amount		Fair Value			Amount		Fair Valı		
	(\$ in millions)									
Long-term debt	\$	13,056	\$	13,671	\$	10,598		\$	11,399	

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#### CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

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#### 12. Segment Information

In accordance with accounting guidance for disclosures about segments of an enterprise and related information, we have three reportable operating segments. Our exploration and production operating segment, natural gas and oil marketing, gathering and compression operating segment and oilfield services operating segment are managed separately because of the nature of their products and services. The exploration and production operating segment is responsible for finding and producing natural gas and oil. The marketing, gathering and compression operating segment is responsible for marketing, gathering and compression of natural gas and oil primarily from Chesapeake-operated wells. The oilfield services operating segment is responsible for contract drilling, oilfield trucking, oilfield rentals, hydraulic fracturing and other oilfield services operations for both Chesapeake-operated wells and wells operated by third parties.

COO, a wholly owned subsidiary of COS, is a diversified oilfield services company that we formed in October 2011 to own and operate our oilfield service assets. COO provides a wide range of well site services, primarily to Chesapeake and its working interest partners, including contract drilling, hydraulic fracturing, oilfield rentals, transportation and manufacturing of natural gas compressor packages and related production equipment. In connection with the reorganization of our oilfield services subsidiaries and operations, those subsidiaries were released from the guarantees and other credit support obligations that existed for the benefit of Chesapeake and its other subsidiaries, including Chesapeake s senior notes and contingent convertible senior notes, its corporate revolving bank credit facility and its multi-counterparty hedging facility. In addition, COO and its subsidiaries entered into agreements with Chesapeake pursuant to which they sublease rigs, provide certain oilfield services and obtain certain administrative services.

As a result of the formal reorganization of our oilfield services business in October 2011, we are recognizing our oilfield services business as a new reportable segment. Historically, our oilfield services business was presented as part of other operations. All prior year information has been restated to reflect the addition of our oilfield services business as a new reportable segment.

Management evaluates the performance of our segments based upon income (loss) before income taxes. Revenues from the sale of natural gas and oil related to Chesapeake s ownership interests by the marketing, gathering and compression operating segment are reflected as exploration and production revenues. Such amounts totaled \$1.176 billion and \$1.204 billion for the Current Quarter and the Prior Quarter, respectively. The following table presents selected financial information for Chesapeake s operating segments.

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	Exploratio and Productio	on Ga	rketing, thering and npression	ilfield ervices (\$ i	-	Other erations ons)	company ninations	 solidated Total
For the Three Months Ended March 31, 2012:								
Revenues	\$ 1,068	\$	2,392	\$ 447	\$		\$ (1,488)	\$ 2,419
Intersegment revenues			(1,176)	(312)			1,488	
Total revenues	\$ 1,068	\$	1,216	\$ 135	\$		\$	\$ 2,419
Income (loss) before income								
taxes	\$ 86	\$	66	\$ 40	\$	(100)	\$ (97)	\$ (5)
For the Three Months Ended March 31, 2011:								
Revenues	\$ 494	\$	2,221	\$ 248	\$		\$ (1,351)	\$ 1,612
Intersegment revenues			(1,204)	(147)			1,351	
Total revenues	\$ 494	\$	1,017	\$ 101	\$		\$	\$ 1,612
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$ (307)	) \$	87	\$ 21	\$	9	\$ (76)	\$ (266)
As of March 31, 2012:								
Total Assets	\$ 39,060	\$	4,264	\$ 1,869	\$	2,431	\$ (2,035)	\$ 45,589
As of December 31, 2011:								
Total Assets	\$ 35,403	\$	4,047	\$ 1,571	\$	2,718	\$ (1,904)	\$ 41,835

#### CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

# NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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# 13. Condensed Consolidating Financial Information

Chesapeake Energy Corporation is a holding company and owns no operating assets and has no significant operations independent of its subsidiaries. Our obligations under our outstanding senior notes and contingent convertible senior notes listed in Note 3 are fully and unconditionally guaranteed, jointly and severally, by certain of our wholly owned subsidiaries on a senior unsecured basis. Our midstream and oilfield services subsidiaries, CMD and COS, respectively, and their subsidiaries, are not guarantors of our senior notes and corporate credit facility but are subject to the covenants and guarantees in their respective revolving bank credit facility agreements referred to in Note 6 that restrict them from paying dividends or distributions or making loans to Chesapeake. COS and its subsidiaries were released as guarantors of our senior notes and corporate credit facility in October 2011 when they were formally reorganized and capitalized. All prior year information has been restated to reflect COS and its subsidiaries as non-guarantor subsidiaries. In addition, CHK Utica, CHK C-T, Chesapeake Granite Wash Trust and certain de minimis subsidiaries are also non-guarantors.

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#### CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

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Set forth below are condensed consolidating financial statements for Chesapeake Energy Corporation (parent) on a stand-alone, unconsolidated basis, and its combined guarantor and combined non-guarantor subsidiaries as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011 and for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011. The financial information may not necessarily be indicative of results of operations, cash flows or financial position had the subsidiaries operated as independent entities.

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEET

## **AS OF MARCH 31, 2012**

(\$ in millions)

	XXXXX.X		X	XXXX.X	XXXXX.X Non-		XXXXX.X		XXXXX.X	
	,	Parent	Guarantor Subsidiaries			arantor sidiaries	Eliminations		Con	solidated
CURRENT ASSETS:		rarent	Sui	osiulai les	Sub	siuiaries	EIII	iiiiations	Con	sonuateu
Cash and cash equivalents	\$		\$	1	\$	437	\$		\$	438
Other		2		3,272	·	640		(428)		3,486
		_						(420)		
Total Current Assets		2		3,273		1,077		(428)		3,924
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT:										
Natural gas and oil properties, at cost										
based on full cost accounting, net				31,065		2,982		(522)		33,525
Other property and equipment at cost, net				3,012		3,082		(3)		6,091
Total Duagasty and Equipment Not				34,077		6,064		(525)		20.616
Total Property and Equipment, Net				34,077		0,004		(525)		39,616
LONG-TERM ASSETS:										
Other assets		188		1,058		1,180		(377)		2,049
Investments in subsidiaries and										
intercompany advances		3,286		622				(3,908)		
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	3,476	\$	39,030	\$	8,321	\$	(5,238)	\$	45,589
CURRENT LIABILITIES:										
Current liabilities	\$	225	\$	6,209	\$	652	\$	(422)	\$	6,664
Intercompany payable to (receivable from)										
parent		(23,256)		21,298		2,180		(222)		
Total Current Liabilities		(23,031)		27,507		2,832		(644)		6,664
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:										

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Long-term debt, net	9,540	2,462	1,080		13,082
Deferred income tax liabilities	413	3,383	497	(309)	3,984
Other liabilities	23	2,392	927	(377)	2,965
Total Long-Term Liabilities	9,976	8,237	2,504	(686)	20,031
EQUITY:					
Chesapeake stockholders equity	16,531	3,286	622	(3,908)	16,531
Noncontrolling interests			2,363		2,363
Total Equity	16,531	3,286	2,985	(3,908)	18,894
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ 3,476	\$ 39,030	\$ 8,321	\$ (5,238)	\$ 45,589

# CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

# NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEET

# AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2011

(\$ in millions)

	X	XXXX.X	X	XXXX.X		XXXX.X Non-	XX	XXXXX.X		XXXXX.X	
	Pa	rent(a)		iarantor sidiaries(a)		arantor sidiaries	Elin	ninations	Con	solidated	
CURRENT ASSETS:				,							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$		\$	1	\$	350	\$		\$	351	
Other		1		2,664		418		(257)		2,826	
Total Current Assets		1		2,665		768		(257)		3,177	
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT:											
Natural gas and oil properties, at cost,											
based on full cost accounting, net				29,659		2,017		(476)		31,200	
Other property and equipment at cost,											
net				2,831		2,708				5,539	
Total Property and Equipment, Net				32,490		4,725		(476)		36,739	
LONG-TERM ASSETS:											
Other assets		161		1,004		1,131		(377)		1,919	
Investments in subsidiaries and											
intercompany advances		3,284		819				(4,103)			
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	3,446	\$	36,978	\$	6,624	\$	(5,213)	\$	41,835	
C											
CURRENT LIABILITIES:	Φ.	200	Φ.	6.500	Φ.	5.40	Φ.	(250)	Φ.	<b>7</b> 00 <b>2</b>	
Current liabilities	\$	288	\$	6,509	\$	543	\$	(258)	\$	7,082	
Intercompany payable to (receivable		(22.120)		20.202		2.045		(100)			
from) parent		(22,139)		20,283		2,045		(189)			
T 10 110		(01.051)		26.502		2.500		(4.47)		7.000	
Total Current Liabilities		(21,851)		26,792		2,588		(447)		7,082	
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:											
Long-term debt, net		8,226		1,719		681				10,626	
Deferred income tax liabilities		409		2,897		464		(286)		3,484	
Other liabilities		38		2,286		735		(377)		2,682	
Other liabilities		38		2,286		735		(377)		2,682	

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Total Long-Term Liabilities		8,673		6,902		1,880		(663)		16,792
EQUITY:										
Chesapeake stockholders equity		16,624		3,284		819		(4,103)		16,624
Noncontrolling interests						1,337				1,337
Total Equity		16,624		3,284		2,156		(4,103)		17,961
TOTAL LANDING AND										
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND	ф	2.446	Φ.	26.070	ф	6.624	Ф	(5.010)	ф	41.025
EQUITY	\$	3,446	\$	36,978	\$	6,624	\$	(5,213)	\$	41,835

<sup>(</sup>a) We have revised the amounts presented as long-term debt in the Guarantor Subsidiaries and Parent columns to properly reflect the long-term debt issued by the Parent of \$8.2 billion, which was incorrectly presented as long-term debt attributable to the Guarantors subsidiaries as of December 31, 2011. The impact of this error was not material to the prior period December 31, 2011 financial statements

# CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

# NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

# THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2012

(\$ in millions)

	XXXXX.X	XXXXX.X Guarantor	XXXXX.X Non- Guarantor	XXXXX.X	XXXXX.X	
REVENUES:	Parent	Subsidiaries	Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Consolidated	
Natural gas and oil	\$	\$ 1,044	\$ 24	\$	\$ 1,068	
Marketing, gathering and compression	J.	1,201	43	(28)	1,216	
Oilfield services		1,201	447	(312)	135	
Official services			447	(312)	133	
Total Revenues		2,245	514	(340)	2,419	
OPERATING EXPENSES:						
Natural gas and oil production		348	1		349	
Production taxes		46	1		47	
Marketing, gathering and compression		1,188	27	(18)	1,197	
Oilfield services		1	353	(258)	96	
General and administrative		109	26	1	136	
Natural gas and oil depreciation, depletion						
and amortization		492	14		506	
Depreciation and amortization of other						
assets		46	72	(34)	84	
Gains on sales of fixed assets		(1)	(1)		(2)	
Total Operating Expenses		2,229	493	(309)	2,413	
INCOME (LOSS) FROM OPERATIONS		16	21	(31)	6	
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE):						
Interest expense	(161)	(2)	(18)	169	(12)	
Earnings (losses) on investments		(30)	25		(5)	
Losses on purchases or exchanges of debt						
Other income	163	8	34	(199)	6	
Equity in net earnings of subsidiary	(29)	1		28		
Total Other Income (Expense)	(27)	(23)	41	(2)	(11)	
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE INCOME TAXES	(27)	(7)	62	(33)	(5)	

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INCOME TAX EXPENSE (BENEFIT)	1	(3)	24	(24)	(2)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	(28)	(4)	38	(9)	(3)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of					
income tax	3	4			7
COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)	(25)		38	(9)	4
Net income attributable to noncontrolling					
interests			(25)		(25)
COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)					
ATTRIBUTABLE TO CHESAPEAKE	\$ (25)	\$	\$ 13	\$ (9)	\$ (21)

# CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

# NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

(Unaudited)

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

# THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2011

(\$ in millions)

	XXXXX.X	XXXXX.X XXXXX.X XXX No Guarantor Guar		XXXXX.X	XXXXX.X	
	Parent	Subsidiaries	Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Consolidated	
REVENUES:						
Natural gas and oil	\$	\$ 494	\$	\$	\$ 494	
Marketing, gathering and						
compression		991	55	(29)	1,017	
Oilfield services			248	(147)	101	
Total Revenues		1,485	303	(176)	1,612	
OPERATING EXPENSES:						
Natural gas and oil production		238			238	
Production taxes		45			45	
Marketing, gathering and compression		968	39	(22)	985	
Oilfield services			182	(105)	77	
General and administrative		114	16		130	
Natural gas and oil depreciation, depletion and amortization		358			358	
Depreciation and amortization of other						
assets		43	43	(18)	68	
(Gains) losses on sales of fixed assets		2	(7)		(5)	
Total Operating Expenses		1,768	273	(145)	1,896	
INCOME (LOSS) FROM						
OPERATIONS		(283)	30	(31)	(284)	
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE):						
Interest expense	(183)	7	(8)	177	(7)	
Earnings on investments	, ,	6	19		25	
Losses on purchases or						
exchanges of debt	(2)				(2)	
Other income	177	1	3	(179)	2	
Equity in net earnings of subsidiary	(157)	7		150		

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Total Other Income (Expense)	(165)	21	14	148	18
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE INCOME					
TAXES	(165)	(262)	44	117	(266)
INCOME TAX EXPENSE (BENEFIT)	(3)	(105)	17	(13)	(104)
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NET INCOME (LOSS)	(162)	(157)	27	130	(162)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of					
income tax	(11)	(33)			(44)
COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)	(173)	(190)	27	130	(206)
Net income attributable to noncontrolling					
interests					

COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)
ATTRIBUTABLE TO CHESAPEAKE \$ (173)