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FORM 10-Q

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(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2015  
OR

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

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
Commission File Number 1-3876

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HOLLYFRONTIER CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Delaware 75-1056913  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

2828 N. Harwood, Suite 1300 75201  
Dallas, Texas (Zip Code)  
(Address of principal executive offices)  
(214) 871-3555  
(Registrant’s telephone number, including area code)

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(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant 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 for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes  No

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

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Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer  Non-accelerated filer  Smaller reporting company   
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes  No

188,563,410 shares of Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share, were outstanding on July 31, 2015.

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

References herein to HollyFrontier Corporation (“HollyFrontier”) include HollyFrontier and its consolidated subsidiaries. In accordance with the Securities and Exchange Commission’s (“SEC”) “Plain English” guidelines, this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q has been written in the first person. In this document, the words “we,” “our,” “ours” and “us” refer only to HollyFrontier and its consolidated subsidiaries or to HollyFrontier or an individual subsidiary and not to any other person with certain exceptions. Generally, the words “we,” “our,” “ours” and “us” include Holly Energy Partners, L.P. (“HEP”) and its subsidiaries as consolidated subsidiaries of HollyFrontier, unless when used in disclosures of transactions or obligations between HEP and HollyFrontier or its other subsidiaries. This document contains certain disclosures of agreements that are specific to HEP and its consolidated subsidiaries and do not necessarily represent obligations of HollyFrontier. When used in descriptions of agreements and transactions, “HEP” refers to HEP and its consolidated subsidiaries.

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains certain “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of the federal securities laws. All statements, other than statements of historical fact included in this Form 10-Q, including, but not limited to, those under “Results of Operations,” “Liquidity and Capital Resources” and “Risk Management” in Part I, Item 2 “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” and those in Part II, Item 1 “Legal Proceedings” are forward-looking statements. These statements are based on management’s beliefs and assumptions using currently available information and expectations as of the date hereof, are not guarantees of future performance and involve certain risks and uncertainties. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in these forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot assure you that our expectations will prove to be correct. Therefore, actual outcomes and results could materially differ from what is expressed, implied or forecast in these statements. Any differences could be caused by a number of factors including, but not limited to:

- risks and uncertainties with respect to the actions of actual or potential competitive suppliers of refined petroleum products in our markets;
- the demand for and supply of crude oil and refined products;
- the spread between market prices for refined products and market prices for crude oil;
- the possibility of constraints on the transportation of refined products;
  - the possibility of inefficiencies, curtailments or shutdowns in refinery operations or pipelines;
- effects of governmental and environmental regulations and policies;
- the availability and cost of our financing;
- the effectiveness of our capital investments and marketing strategies;
- our efficiency in carrying out construction projects;
- our ability to acquire refined product operations or pipeline and terminal operations on acceptable terms and to integrate any existing or future acquired operations;
- the possibility of terrorist attacks and the consequences of any such attacks;
- general economic conditions; and
- other financial, operational and legal risks and uncertainties detailed from time to time in our SEC filings.

Cautionary statements identifying important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from our expectations are set forth in this Form 10-Q, including without limitation, the forward-looking statements that are referred to above. This summary discussion should be read in conjunction with the discussion of the known material risk factors and other cautionary statements under the heading “Risk Factors” included in Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014 and in conjunction with the discussion in this Form 10-Q in “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” under the heading “Liquidity and Capital Resources” and Part II, Item 1A “Risk Factors.” All forward-looking statements included in this Form 10-Q and all subsequent written or oral forward-looking statements attributable to us or persons acting on our behalf are

expressly qualified in their entirety by these cautionary statements. The forward-looking statements speak only as of the date made and, other than as required by law, we undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

DEFINITIONS

Within this report, the following terms have these specific meanings:

“BPD” means the number of barrels per calendar day of crude oil or petroleum products.

“BPSD” means the number of barrels per stream day (barrels of capacity in a 24 hour period) of crude oil or petroleum products.

“Biodiesel” means a clean alternative fuel produced from renewable biological resources.

“Black wax crude oil” is a low sulfur, low gravity crude oil produced in the Uintah Basin in Eastern Utah that has certain characteristics that require specific facilities to transport, store and refine into transportation fuels.

“Cracking” means the process of breaking down larger, heavier and more complex hydrocarbon molecules into simpler and lighter molecules.

“Crude oil distillation” means the process of distilling vapor from liquid crudes, usually by heating, and condensing the vapor slightly above atmospheric pressure turning it back to liquid in order to purify, fractionate or form the desired products.

“Ethanol” means a high octane gasoline blend stock that is used to make various grades of gasoline.

“FCC,” or fluid catalytic cracking, means a refinery process that breaks down large complex hydrocarbon molecules into smaller more useful ones using a circulating bed of catalyst at relatively high temperatures.

“Hydrodesulfurization” means to remove sulfur and nitrogen compounds from oil or gas in the presence of hydrogen and a catalyst at relatively high temperatures.

“Hydrogen plant” means a refinery unit that converts natural gas and steam to high purity hydrogen, which is then used in the hydrodesulfurization, hydrocracking and isomerization processes.

“Isomerization” means a refinery process for rearranging the structure of C5/C6 molecules without changing their size or chemical composition and is used to improve the octane of C5/C6 gasoline blendstocks.

“LPG” means liquid petroleum gases.

“Lubricant” or “lube” means a solvent neutral paraffinic product used in commercial heavy duty engine oils, passenger car oils and specialty products for industrial applications such as heat transfer, metalworking, rubber and other general process oil.

“MSAT2” means Control of Hazardous Air Pollutants from Mobile Sources, a rule issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to reduce hazardous emissions from motor vehicles and motor vehicle fuels.

“MMBTU” means one million British thermal units.

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“Refinery gross margin” means the difference between average net sales price and average product costs per produced barrel of refined products sold. This does not include the associated depreciation and amortization costs.

“Sour crude oil” means crude oil containing quantities of sulfur greater than 0.4 percent by weight, while “sweet crude oil” means crude oil containing quantities of sulfur equal to or less than 0.4 percent by weight.

“Vacuum distillation” means the process of distilling vapor from liquid crudes, usually by heating, and condensing the vapor below atmospheric pressure turning it back to a liquid in order to purify, fractionate or form the desired products.

“WCS” means Western Canada Select crude oil and is made up of Canadian heavy conventional and bitumen crude oils blended with sweet synthetic and condensate diluents.

“WTI” means West Texas Intermediate and is a grade of crude oil used as a common benchmark in oil pricing. WTI is a sweet crude oil and has a relatively low density.

“WTS” means West Texas Sour, a medium sour crude oil.



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## Item 1. Financial Statements

HOLLYFRONTIER CORPORATION  
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands, except share data)

	June 30, 2015 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2014
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents (HEP: \$10,424 and \$2,830, respectively)	\$233,359	\$567,985
Marketable securities	392,859	474,110
Total cash, cash equivalents and short-term marketable securities	626,218	1,042,095
Accounts receivable: Product and transportation (HEP: \$40,044 and \$40,129, respectively)	594,960	507,040
Crude oil resales	31,147	82,865
	626,107	589,905
Inventories: Crude oil and refined products	1,062,630	920,104
Materials, supplies and other (HEP: \$1,934 and \$1,940, respectively)	127,288	115,027
	1,189,918	1,035,131
Income taxes receivable	8,351	11,719
Prepayments and other (HEP: \$2,804 and \$2,443, respectively)	68,945	104,148
Total current assets	2,519,539	2,782,998
Properties, plants and equipment, at cost (HEP: \$1,313,924 and \$1,269,161, respectively)	5,156,745	4,852,441
Less accumulated depreciation (HEP: \$(270,949) and \$(244,850), respectively)	(1,288,350)	(1,181,902)
	3,868,395	3,670,539
Other assets: Turnaround costs	251,901	257,153
Goodwill (HEP: \$288,991 and \$288,991, respectively)	2,331,781	2,331,781
Intangibles and other (HEP: \$71,897 and \$73,928, respectively)	173,670	188,169
	2,757,352	2,777,103
Total assets	\$9,145,286	\$9,230,640
<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable (HEP: \$16,128 and \$17,881, respectively)	\$1,050,392	\$1,108,138
Income taxes payable	7,569	19,642
Accrued liabilities (HEP: \$25,885 and \$26,321, respectively)	113,246	106,214
Deferred income tax liabilities	69,284	17,409
Total current liabilities	1,240,491	1,251,403
Long-term debt (HEP: \$900,905 and \$867,579, respectively)	933,162	1,054,890
Deferred income taxes (HEP: \$332 and \$367, respectively)	627,537	646,870
Other long-term liabilities (HEP: \$56,283 and \$47,170, respectively)	176,141	176,758
Equity:		
HollyFrontier stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, \$1.00 par value – 5,000,000 shares authorized; none issued	—	—
	2,560	2,560

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Common stock \$.01 par value – 320,000,000 shares authorized; 255,962,866 shares issued as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014

Additional capital	3,956,289	4,003,628
Retained earnings	3,241,085	2,778,577
Accumulated other comprehensive income	12,690	27,894
Common stock held in treasury, at cost – 67,397,641 and 59,876,776 shares as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively	(1,609,565	) (1,289,075 )
Total HollyFrontier stockholders' equity	5,603,059	5,523,584
Noncontrolling interest	564,896	577,135
Total equity	6,167,955	6,100,719
Total liabilities and equity	\$9,145,286	\$9,230,640

Parenthetical amounts represent asset and liability balances attributable to Holly Energy Partners, L.P. (“HEP”) as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014. HEP is a consolidated variable interest entity.

See accompanying notes.

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**HOLLYFRONTIER CORPORATION**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME**

(Unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
Sales and other revenues	\$3,701,912	\$5,372,600	\$6,708,538	\$10,163,653
Operating costs and expenses:				
Cost of products sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization):				
Cost of products sold (exclusive of lower of cost or market inventory valuation adjustment)	2,887,475	4,674,846	5,138,848	8,813,466
Lower of cost or market inventory valuation adjustment	(135,480)	—	(142,026)	—
	2,751,995	4,674,846	4,996,822	8,813,466
Operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	246,165	271,654	509,761	545,620
General and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	26,117	28,365	55,686	55,288
Depreciation and amortization	87,803	101,390	167,815	181,938
Total operating costs and expenses	3,112,080	5,076,255	5,730,084	9,596,312
Income from operations	589,832	296,345	978,454	567,341
Other income (expense):				
Earnings (loss) of equity method investments	631	(908)	(7,176)	(1,709)
Interest income	768	1,184	1,730	2,589
Interest expense	(10,559)	(10,136)	(20,713)	(22,483)
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	(1,368)	—	(1,368)	(7,677)
Gain on sale of assets	873	—	1,639	—
	(9,655)	(9,860)	(25,888)	(29,280)
Income before income taxes	580,177	286,485	952,566	538,061
Income tax provision:				
Current	155,377	109,171	294,575	202,464
Deferred	51,613	(7,839)	42,143	(13,518)
	206,990	101,332	336,718	188,946
Net income	373,187	185,153	615,848	349,115
Less net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	12,363	8,724	28,148	20,625
Net income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders	\$360,824	\$176,429	\$587,700	\$328,490
Earnings per share attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders:				
Basic	\$1.88	\$0.89	\$3.03	\$1.65
Diluted	\$1.88	\$0.89	\$3.03	\$1.65
Cash dividends declared per common share	\$0.33	\$0.82	\$0.65	\$1.62
Average number of common shares outstanding:				
Basic	191,355	198,139	193,202	198,217
Diluted	191,454	198,380	193,279	198,408

See accompanying notes.



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HOLLYFRONTIER CORPORATION  
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME  
(Unaudited)  
(In thousands)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
Net income	\$373,187	\$185,153	\$615,848	\$349,115
Other comprehensive income:				
Securities available-for-sale:				
Unrealized gain (loss) on marketable securities	(57	) 25	51	37
Reclassification adjustments to net income on sale or maturity of marketable securities	(6	) —	(46	) (1
Net unrealized gain (loss) on marketable securities	(63	) 25	5	36
Hedging instruments:				
Change in fair value of cash flow hedging instruments	8,195	46,689	(7,233	) 138,724
Reclassification adjustments to net income on settlement of cash flow hedging instruments	(14,274	) (12,644	) (18,435	) (17,866
Amortization of unrealized loss attributable to discontinued cash flow hedges	270	270	540	540
Net unrealized gain (loss) on hedging instruments	(5,809	) 34,315	(25,128	) 121,398
Net change in post-retirement benefit obligations	—	—	—	(89
Other comprehensive income (loss) before income taxes	(5,872	) 34,340	(25,123	) 121,345
Income tax expense (benefit)	(2,325	) 13,417	(9,600	) 47,122
Other comprehensive income (loss)	(3,547	) 20,923	(15,523	) 74,223
Total comprehensive income	369,640	206,076	600,325	423,338
Less noncontrolling interest in comprehensive income	12,498	8,271	27,829	20,230
Comprehensive income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders	\$357,142	\$197,805	\$572,496	\$403,108

See accompanying notes.

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HOLLYFRONTIER CORPORATION  
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS  
(Unaudited)  
(In thousands)

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2015	2014
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$615,848	\$349,115
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	167,815	181,938
Lower of cost or market inventory valuation adjustment	(142,026	) —
Net loss of equity method investments, inclusive of distributions	8,739	3,082
Gain on sale of assets	(1,639	) —
(Gain) loss on early extinguishment of debt attributable to unamortized premium / discount	(3,788	) 1,489
Deferred income taxes	42,143	(13,518
Equity-based compensation expense	14,222	13,846
Change in fair value – derivative instruments	5,841	486
(Increase) decrease in current assets:		
Accounts receivable	(35,737	) (81,399
Inventories	(12,761	) (150,585
Income taxes receivable	3,368	90,501
Prepayments and other	10,691	3,171
Increase (decrease) in current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	(60,448	) 307,473
Income taxes payable	(12,073	) —
Accrued liabilities	2,175	20,865
Turnaround expenditures	(38,116	) (9,708
Other, net	5,686	4,723
Net cash provided by operating activities	569,940	721,479
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Additions to properties, plants and equipment	(267,100	) (205,987
Additions to properties, plants and equipment – HEP	(49,813	) (38,782
Purchases of marketable securities	(246,008	) (498,080
Sales and maturities of marketable securities	327,310	543,604
Other, net	2,232	5,021
Net cash used for investing activities	(233,379	) (194,224
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Borrowings under credit agreement – HEP	254,100	477,100
Repayments under credit agreement – HEP	(221,100	) (297,100
Redemption of senior notes	(155,156	) —
Redemption of senior notes – HEP	—	(156,188
Inventory repurchase obligation	—	5,964
Purchase of treasury stock	(320,132	) (20,135
Accelerated stock repurchase forward contract	(60,000	) —
Dividends	(125,192	) (323,088
Distributions to noncontrolling interest	(41,596	) (38,548

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Excess tax benefit from equity-based compensation	—	3,778
Other, net	(2,111	) (839 )
Net cash used for financing activities	(671,187	) (349,056 )
Cash and cash equivalents:		
Increase (decrease) for the period	(334,626	) 178,199
Beginning of period	567,985	940,103
End of period	\$233,359	\$1,118,302
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:		
Cash paid during the period for:		
Interest	\$25,612	\$30,702
Income taxes	\$310,117	\$118,142

See accompanying notes.

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HOLLYFRONTIER CORPORATION  
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
(Unaudited)

NOTE 1: Description of Business and Presentation of Financial Statements

References herein to HollyFrontier Corporation (“HollyFrontier”) include HollyFrontier and its consolidated subsidiaries. In accordance with the Securities and Exchange Commission’s (“SEC”) “Plain English” guidelines, this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q has been written in the first person. In these financial statements, the words “we,” “our,” “ours” and “us” refer only to HollyFrontier and its consolidated subsidiaries or to HollyFrontier or an individual subsidiary and not to any other person, with certain exceptions. Generally, the words “we,” “our,” “ours” and “us” include Holly Energy Partners, L.P. (“HEP”) and its subsidiaries as consolidated subsidiaries of HollyFrontier, unless when used in disclosures of transactions or obligations between HEP and HollyFrontier or its other subsidiaries. These financial statements contain certain disclosures of agreements that are specific to HEP and its consolidated subsidiaries and do not necessarily represent obligations of HollyFrontier. When used in descriptions of agreements and transactions, “HEP” refers to HEP and its consolidated subsidiaries.

We are principally an independent petroleum refiner that produces high-value light products such as gasoline, diesel fuel, jet fuel, specialty lubricant products, and specialty and modified asphalt. We own and operate petroleum refineries that serve markets throughout the Mid-Continent, Southwest and Rocky Mountain regions of the United States. As of June 30, 2015, we:

owned and operated a petroleum refinery in El Dorado, Kansas (the “El Dorado Refinery”), two refinery facilities located in Tulsa, Oklahoma (collectively, the “Tulsa Refineries”), a refinery in Artesia, New Mexico that is operated in conjunction with crude oil distillation and vacuum distillation and other facilities situated 65 miles away in Lovington, New Mexico (collectively, the “Navajo Refinery”), a refinery located in Cheyenne, Wyoming (the “Cheyenne Refinery”) and a refinery in Woods Cross, Utah (the “Woods Cross Refinery”);

owned and operated NK Asphalt Partners (“NK Asphalt”) which operates various asphalt terminals in Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma; and

owned a 39% interest in HEP, a consolidated variable interest entity (“VIE”), which includes our 2% general partner interest. HEP owns and operates logistic assets consisting of petroleum product and crude oil pipelines and terminal, tankage and loading rack facilities that principally support our refining and marketing operations in the Mid-Continent, Southwest and Rocky Mountain regions of the United States and Alon USA, Inc.’s (“Alon”) refinery in Big Spring, Texas. Additionally, HEP owns a 75% interest in UNEV Pipeline, LLC (“UNEV”), which owns a 12-inch refined products pipeline from Salt Lake City, Utah to Las Vegas, Nevada, together with terminal facilities in the Cedar City, Utah and North Las Vegas areas (the “UNEV Pipeline”) and a 25% interest in SLC Pipeline LLC (the “SLC Pipeline”), which owns a 95-mile intrastate pipeline system that serves refineries in the Salt Lake City area.

We have prepared these consolidated financial statements without audit. In management’s opinion, these consolidated financial statements include all normal recurring adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of our consolidated financial position as of June 30, 2015, the consolidated results of operations and comprehensive income for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 and consolidated cash flows for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 in accordance with the rules and regulations of the SEC. Although certain notes and other information required by generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (“GAAP”) have been condensed or omitted, we believe that the disclosures in these consolidated financial statements are adequate to make the information presented not misleading. These consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014 that has been filed with the SEC.



Our results of operations for the six months ended June 30, 2015 are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations to be realized for the year ending December 31, 2015.

Accounts Receivable: Our accounts receivable consist of amounts due from customers that are primarily companies in the petroleum industry. Credit is extended based on our evaluation of the customer's financial condition, and in certain circumstances collateral, such as letters of credit or guarantees, is required. We reserve for doubtful accounts based on our historical loss experience as well as specific accounts identified as high risk, which historically have been minimal. Credit losses are charged to the allowance for doubtful accounts when an account is deemed uncollectible. Our allowance for doubtful accounts was \$2.3 million at June 30, 2015 and \$2.4 million at December 31, 2014.

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited) Continued

**Inventories:** Inventories are stated at the lower of cost, using the last-in, first-out (“LIFO”) method for crude oil, unfinished and finished refined products and the average cost method for materials and supplies, or market. In periods of rapidly declining prices, LIFO inventories may have to be written down to market value due to the higher costs assigned to LIFO layers in prior periods. In addition, the use of the LIFO inventory method may result in increases or decreases to cost of sales in years that inventory volumes decline as the result of charging cost of sales with LIFO inventory costs generated in prior periods. An actual valuation of inventory under the LIFO method is made at the end of each year based on the inventory levels at that time. Accordingly, interim LIFO calculations are based on management's estimates of expected year-end inventory levels and are subject to the final year-end LIFO inventory valuation.

**Goodwill:** We have goodwill that primarily arose from our merger with Frontier Oil Corporation on July 1, 2011. Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of an acquired entity over the fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed. Goodwill is not subject to amortization and is tested annually or more frequently if events or circumstances indicate the possibility of impairment. As of June 30, 2015, there have been no impairments to goodwill.

**New Accounting Pronouncements**

**Revenue Recognition**

In May 2014, an accounting standard update (ASU 2014-09, “Revenue from Contracts with Customers”) was issued requiring revenue to be recognized when promised goods or services are transferred to customers in an amount that reflects the expected consideration for these goods or services. This standard has an effective date of January 1, 2018, and we are evaluating the impact of this standard.

**NOTE 2: Holly Energy Partners**

HEP, a consolidated VIE, is a publicly held master limited partnership that was formed to acquire, own and operate the petroleum product and crude oil pipeline and terminal, tankage and loading rack facilities that support our refining and marketing operations in the Mid-Continent, Southwest and Rocky Mountain regions of the United States. HEP also owns and operates refined product pipelines and terminals, located primarily in Texas, that serve Alon's refinery in Big Spring, Texas.

As of June 30, 2015, we owned a 39% interest in HEP, including the 2% general partner interest. As the general partner of HEP, we have the sole ability to direct the activities that most significantly impact HEP's financial performance, and therefore we consolidate HEP. See Note 16 for supplemental guarantor/non-guarantor financial information, including HEP balances included in these consolidated financial statements.

HEP has two primary customers (including us) and generates revenues by charging tariffs for transporting petroleum products and crude oil through its pipelines, by charging fees for terminalling refined products and other hydrocarbons, and storing and providing other services at its storage tanks and terminals. Under our long-term transportation agreements with HEP (discussed further below), we accounted for 81% of HEP's total revenues for the six months ended June 30, 2015. We do not provide financial or equity support through any liquidity arrangements and / or debt guarantees to HEP.

HEP has outstanding debt under a senior secured revolving credit agreement and its senior notes. With the exception of the assets of HEP Logistics Holdings, L.P., one of our wholly-owned subsidiaries and HEP's general partner, HEP's creditors have no recourse to our other assets. Any recourse to HEP's general partner would be limited to the extent of HEP Logistics Holdings, L.P.'s assets, which other than its investment in HEP are not significant. Furthermore, our creditors have no recourse to the assets of HEP and its consolidated subsidiaries. See Note 9 for a description of HEP's debt obligations.

HEP has risk associated with its operations. If a major customer of HEP were to terminate its contracts or fail to meet desired shipping or throughput levels for an extended period of time, revenue would be reduced and HEP could suffer substantial losses to the extent that a new customer is not found. In the event that HEP incurs a loss, our operating results will reflect HEP's loss, net of intercompany eliminations, to the extent of our ownership interest in HEP at that point in time.

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### Transportation Agreements

HEP serves our refineries under long-term pipeline and terminal, tankage and throughput agreements expiring from 2019 through 2026. Under these agreements, we pay HEP fees to transport, store and throughput volumes of refined product and crude oil on HEP's pipeline and terminal, tankage and loading rack facilities that result in minimum annual payments to HEP including UNEV (a consolidated subsidiary of HEP). Under these agreements, the agreed upon tariff rates are subject to annual tariff rate adjustments on July 1 at a rate based upon the percentage change in Producer Price Index or Federal Energy Regulatory Commission index. As of July 1, 2015, these agreements result in minimum annualized payments to HEP of \$236.6 million.

Our transactions with HEP including fees paid under our transportation agreements with HEP and UNEV are eliminated and have no impact on our consolidated financial statements.

### NOTE 3: Financial Instruments

Our financial instruments consist of cash and cash equivalents, investments in marketable securities, accounts receivable, accounts payable, debt and derivative instruments. The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable and accounts payable approximate fair value. HEP's outstanding credit agreement borrowings also approximate fair value as interest rates are reset frequently at current interest rates.

Fair value measurements are derived using inputs (assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability, including assumptions about risk). GAAP categorizes inputs used in fair value measurements into three broad levels as follows:

- Level 1) Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2) Observable inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1, such as quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, similar assets and liabilities in markets that are not active or can be corroborated by observable market data.
- Level 3) Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities. This includes valuation techniques that involve significant unobservable inputs.

The carrying amounts and estimated fair values of investments in marketable securities, derivative instruments and senior notes at June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014 were as follows:

Financial Instrument	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Fair Value by Input Level		
			Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
(In thousands)					
June 30, 2015					
Assets:					
Marketable securities	\$392,859	\$392,859	\$—	\$392,859	\$—
Commodity price swaps	131,333	131,333	—	131,333	—
Forward contracts	76	76	—	76	—
HEP interest rate swaps	134	134	—	134	—
Total assets	\$524,402	\$524,402	\$—	\$524,402	\$—

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<b>Liabilities:</b>					
NYMEX futures contracts	\$236	\$236	\$236	\$—	\$—
Commodity price swaps	126,983	126,983	—	126,983	—
Forward contracts	2,143	2,143	—	2,143	—
HEP senior notes	296,905	295,875	—	295,875	—
HEP interest rate swaps	707	707	—	707	—
Total liabilities	\$426,974	\$425,944	\$236	\$425,708	\$—

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Financial Instrument	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Fair Value by Input Level		
			Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
December 31, 2014					
Assets:					
Marketable securities	\$474,110	\$474,110	\$—	\$474,110	\$—
NYMEX futures contracts	17,619	17,619	17,619	—	—
Commodity price swaps	208,296	208,296	—	208,296	—
HEP interest rate swaps	1,019	1,019	—	1,019	—
Total assets	\$701,044	\$701,044	\$17,619	\$683,425	\$—
Liabilities:					
Commodity price swaps	\$196,897	\$196,897	\$—	\$196,897	\$—
HollyFrontier senior notes	154,144	155,250	—	155,250	—
HEP senior notes	296,579	291,000	—	291,000	—
HEP interest rate swaps	1,065	1,065	—	1,065	—
Total liabilities	\$648,685	\$644,212	\$—	\$644,212	\$—

#### Level 1 Financial Instruments

Our NYMEX futures contracts are exchange traded and are measured and recorded at fair value using quoted market prices, a Level 1 input.

#### Level 2 Financial Instruments

Investments in marketable securities and derivative instruments consisting of commodity price swaps, forward sales and purchase contracts and HEP's interest rate swaps are measured and recorded at fair value using Level 2 inputs. The fair values of the commodity price and interest rate swap contracts are based on the net present value of expected future cash flows related to both variable and fixed rate legs of the respective swap agreements. The measurements are computed using market-based observable inputs, quoted forward commodity prices with respect to our commodity price swaps and the forward London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") yield curve with respect to HEP's interest rate swaps. The fair value of the marketable securities and senior notes is based on values provided by a third-party, which were derived using market quotes for similar type instruments, a Level 2 input.

#### Level 3 Financial Instruments

We at times have forward commodity sales and purchase contracts for which quoted forward market prices are not readily available. The forward rate used to value these forward sales and purchase contracts are derived using a projected forward rate using quoted market rates for similar products, adjusted for regional pricing and grade differentials, a Level 3 input.

The following table presents the changes in fair value of our Level 3 assets and liabilities (all related to derivative instruments) for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014:

Level 3 Financial Instruments	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014

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	(In thousands)			
Liability balance at beginning of period	\$ (2,552 )	\$ (22,473 )	\$ —	\$ (35,318 )
Change in fair value:				
Recognized in other comprehensive income	6,404	(90,559 )	3,852	(112,695 )
Recognized in cost of products sold	—	(7,084 )	—	1,885
Settlement date fair value of contractual maturities:				
Recognized in sales and other revenues	(3,852 )	48,942	(3,852 )	74,273
Recognized in cost of products sold	—	(4,463 )	—	(3,782 )
Liability balance at end of period	\$ —	\$ (75,637 )	\$ —	\$ (75,637 )

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## NOTE 4: Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share is calculated as net income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders divided by the average number of shares of common stock outstanding. Diluted earnings per share assumes, when dilutive, the issuance of the net incremental shares from restricted shares and performance share units. The following is a reconciliation of the components of the basic and diluted per share computations for net income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
	(In thousands, except per share data)			
Net income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders	\$360,824	\$176,429	\$587,700	\$328,490
Participating securities' share in earnings	1,036	475	1,677	945
Net income attributable to common shares	\$359,788	\$175,954	\$586,023	\$327,545
Average number of shares of common stock outstanding	191,355	198,139	193,202	198,217
Effect of dilutive variable restricted shares and performance share units <sup>(1)</sup>	99	241	77	191
Average number of shares of common stock outstanding assuming dilution	191,454	198,380	193,279	198,408
Basic earnings per share	\$1.88	\$0.89	\$3.03	\$1.65
Diluted earnings per share	\$1.88	\$0.89	\$3.03	\$1.65
<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes anti-dilutive restricted and performance share units of:	349	26	379	2

## NOTE 5: Stock-Based Compensation

As of June 30, 2015, we have two principal share-based compensation plans (collectively, the “Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan”).

The compensation cost charged against income for these plans was \$6.1 million and \$6.8 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, and \$12.5 million and \$12.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. Our accounting policy for the recognition of compensation expense for awards with pro-rata vesting is to expense the costs ratably over the vesting periods.

Additionally, HEP maintains a share-based compensation plan for Holly Logistic Services, L.L.C.'s non-employee directors and certain executives and employees. Compensation cost attributable to HEP's share-based compensation plan was \$0.9 million and \$0.8 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, and \$1.8 million and \$1.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

## Restricted Stock and Restricted Stock Units

Under our Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan, we grant certain officers and other key employees restricted stock and restricted stock unit awards with awards generally vesting over a period of one to three years. Restricted stock award recipients are generally entitled to all the rights of absolute ownership of the restricted shares from the date of grant including the right to vote the shares and to receive dividends. Upon vesting, restrictions on the restricted



shares lapse at which time they convert to common shares. In addition, we grant non-employee directors restricted stock unit awards, which typically vest over a period of one year and are payable in stock. The fair value of each restricted stock and restricted stock unit award is measured based on the grant date market price of our common shares and is amortized over the respective vesting period.

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A summary of restricted stock and restricted stock unit activity and changes during the six months ended June 30, 2015 is presented below:

Restricted Stock and Restricted Stock Units	Grants	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (\$000)
Outstanding at January 1, 2015 (non-vested)	669,777	\$44.12	
Granted	9,894	37.68	
Vesting (transfer/conversion to common stock)	(2,999	) 44.48	
Forfeited	(13,106	) 43.81	
Outstanding at June 30, 2015 (non-vested)	663,566	\$44.03	\$28,268

For the six months ended June 30, 2015, 2,999 restricted stock and restricted stock units vested having a grant date fair value of \$0.1 million. As of June 30, 2015, there was \$13.4 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested restricted stock and restricted stock unit grants. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.3 years.

#### Performance Share Units

Under our Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan, we grant certain officers and other key employees performance share units, which are payable in stock upon meeting certain criteria over the service period, and generally vest over a period of three years. Under the terms of our performance share unit grants, awards are subject to “financial performance” and “market performance” criteria. Financial performance is based on our financial performance compared to a peer group of independent refining companies, while market performance is based on the relative standing of total shareholder return achieved by HollyFrontier compared to peer group companies. The number of shares ultimately issued under these awards can range from zero to 200%. As of June 30, 2015, estimated share payouts for outstanding non-vested performance share unit awards averaged approximately 35%.

A summary of performance share unit activity and changes during the six months ended June 30, 2015 is presented below:

Performance Share Units	Grants
Outstanding at January 1, 2015 (non-vested)	725,054
Granted	4,242
Forfeited	(25,973
Outstanding at June 30, 2015 (non-vested)	703,323

As of June 30, 2015, there was \$14.9 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested performance share units having a grant date fair value of \$43.67 per unit. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.5 years.

#### NOTE 6: Cash and Cash Equivalents and Investments in Marketable Securities

Our investment portfolio at June 30, 2015 consisted of cash, cash equivalents and investments in marketable securities.

We currently invest in marketable debt securities with the maximum maturity or put date of any individual issue generally not greater than one year from the date of purchase, which are usually held until maturity. All of these instruments are classified as available-for-sale. As a result, they are reported at fair value using quoted market prices. Interest income is recorded as earned. Unrealized gains and losses, net of related income taxes, are reported as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income. Upon sale or maturity, realized gains on our marketable debt securities are recognized as interest income. These gains are computed based on the specific identification of the underlying cost of the securities, net of unrealized gains and losses previously reported in other comprehensive income. Unrealized gains and losses on our available-for-sale securities are due to changes in market prices and are considered temporary.

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The following is a summary of our marketable securities:

	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gain	Gross Unrealized Loss	Fair Value (Net Carrying Amount)
	(In thousands)			
June 30, 2015				
Certificates of deposit	\$20,998	\$ 11	\$—	\$21,009
Commercial paper	29,957	17	—	29,974
Corporate debt securities	68,339	2	(43	) 68,298
State and political subdivisions debt securities	273,700	11	(133	) 273,578
Total marketable securities	\$392,994	\$41	\$(176	) \$392,859
December 31, 2014				
Certificates of deposit	\$54,000	\$ 10	\$—	\$54,010
Commercial paper	52,297	7	(4	) 52,300
Corporate debt securities	136,181	1	(94	) 136,088
State and political subdivisions debt securities	231,819	5	(112	) 231,712
Total marketable securities	\$474,297	\$23	\$(210	) \$474,110

Interest income recognized on our marketable securities was \$0.5 million and \$0.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, and \$0.9 million and \$1.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

## NOTE 7: Inventories

Inventory consists of the following components:

	June 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
	(In thousands)	
Crude oil	\$508,984	\$581,592
Other raw materials and unfinished products <sup>(1)</sup>	191,102	204,467
Finished products <sup>(2)</sup>	617,996	531,523
Lower of cost or market reserve	(255,452	) (397,478
Process chemicals <sup>(3)</sup>	4,903	4,028
Repair and maintenance supplies and other	122,385	110,999
Total inventory	\$1,189,918	\$1,035,131

(1) Other raw materials and unfinished products include feedstocks and blendstocks, other than crude.

(2) Finished products include gasolines, jet fuels, diesels, lubricants, asphalts, LPG's and residual fuels.

(3) Process chemicals include additives and other chemicals.

Inventories, which are valued at the lower of LIFO cost or market, reflect a valuation reserve of \$255.5 million and \$397.5 million at June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively. The December 31, 2014 market reserve of

\$397.5 million was reversed and reduced cost of products sold during the six months ended June 30, 2015, due to the sale of inventory quantities that gave rise to the reserve. A new market reserve of \$255.5 million was established as of June 30, 2015 based on market conditions and prices at that time. The effect of the change in lower of cost or market reserve was a \$135.5 million and \$142.0 million reduction of cost of products sold for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively.

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NOTE 8: Environmental

We expensed \$0.1 million and \$1.0 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, and \$4.6 million and \$1.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, for environmental remediation obligations. The accrued environmental liability reflected in our consolidated balance sheets was \$102.8 million and \$104.5 million at June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively, of which \$83.8 million and \$81.8 million, respectively, were classified as other long-term liabilities. These accruals include remediation and monitoring costs expected to be incurred over an extended period of time (up to 30 years for certain projects).

NOTE 9: Debt

HollyFrontier Credit Agreement

We have a \$1 billion senior unsecured revolving credit facility maturing in July 2019 (the “HollyFrontier Credit Agreement”), which may be used for revolving credit loans and letters of credit from time to time and is available to fund general corporate purposes. Indebtedness under the HollyFrontier Credit Agreement is recourse to HollyFrontier and guaranteed by certain of our wholly-owned subsidiaries. At June 30, 2015, we were in compliance with all covenants, had no outstanding borrowings and had outstanding letters of credit totaling \$4.6 million under the HollyFrontier Credit Agreement.

HEP Credit Agreement

HEP has an \$850 million senior secured revolving credit facility that matures in November 2018 (the “HEP Credit Agreement”) and is available to fund capital expenditures, investments, acquisitions, distribution payments and working capital and for general partnership purposes. It is also available to fund letters of credit up to a \$50 million sub-limit. At June 30, 2015, HEP was in compliance with all of its covenants, had outstanding borrowings of \$604.0 million and no outstanding letters of credit under the HEP Credit Agreement. In April 2015, HEP amended its credit agreement, increasing the size of the credit facility from \$650 million to \$850 million.

HEP’s obligations under the HEP Credit Agreement are collateralized by substantially all of HEP’s assets. Indebtedness under the HEP Credit Agreement involves recourse to HEP Logistics Holdings, L.P., its general partner, and is guaranteed by HEP’s wholly-owned subsidiaries. Any recourse to the general partner would be limited to the extent of HEP Logistics Holdings, L.P.’s assets, which other than its investment in HEP are not significant. HEP’s creditors have no recourse to our other assets. Furthermore, our creditors have no recourse to the assets of HEP and its consolidated subsidiaries.

HollyFrontier Senior Notes

In June 2015, we redeemed our \$150.0 million aggregate principal amount of 6.875% senior notes maturing November 2018 at a redemption cost of \$155.2 million at which time we recognized a \$1.4 million early extinguishment loss consisting of a \$5.2 million debt redemption premium, net of an unamortized premium of \$3.8 million.

HollyFrontier Financing Obligation

We have a financing obligation that relates to a sale and lease-back of certain crude oil tankage that we sold to an affiliate of Plains All American Pipeline, L.P. (“Plains”) in October 2009 for \$40.0 million. Monthly lease payments are

recorded as a reduction in principal over the 15-year lease term ending in 2024.

#### HEP Senior Notes

HEP's 6.5% senior notes (\$300 million aggregate principal amount maturing March 2020) (the "HEP Senior Notes") are unsecured and impose certain restrictive covenants, including limitations on HEP's ability to incur additional indebtedness, make investments, sell assets, incur certain liens, pay distributions, enter into transactions with affiliates, and enter into mergers. At any time when the HEP Senior Notes are rated investment grade by both Moody's and Standard & Poor's and no default or event of default exists, HEP will not be subject to many of the foregoing covenants. Additionally, HEP has certain redemption rights under the HEP Senior Notes.

In March 2014, HEP redeemed its \$150.0 million aggregate principal amount of 8.25% senior notes maturing March 2018 at a redemption cost of \$156.2 million, at which time HEP recognized a \$7.7 million early extinguishment loss consisting of a \$6.2 million debt redemption premium and unamortized discount and financing costs of \$1.5 million. HEP funded the redemption with borrowings under the HEP Credit Agreement.

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Indebtedness under the HEP Senior Notes involves recourse to HEP Logistics Holdings, L.P., its general partner, and is guaranteed by HEP's wholly-owned subsidiaries. However, any recourse to the general partner would be limited to the extent of HEP Logistics Holdings, L.P.'s assets, which other than its investment in HEP, are not significant. HEP's creditors have no recourse to our other assets. Furthermore, our creditors have no recourse to the assets of HEP and its consolidated subsidiaries.

The carrying amounts of long-term debt are as follows:

	June 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
	(In thousands)	
6.875% Senior Notes		
Principal	\$—	\$ 150,000
Unamortized premium	—	4,144
	—	154,144
Financing Obligation	32,257	33,167
Total HollyFrontier long-term debt	32,257	187,311
HEP Credit Agreement	604,000	571,000
HEP 6.5% Senior Notes		
Principal	300,000	300,000
Unamortized discount	(3,095	) (3,421
	296,905	296,579
Total HEP long-term debt	900,905	867,579
Total long-term debt	\$933,162	\$ 1,054,890

We capitalized interest attributable to construction projects of \$2.5 million and \$3.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, and \$5.4 million and \$6.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

NOTE 10: Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities

Commodity Price Risk Management

Our primary market risk is commodity price risk. We are exposed to market risks related to the volatility in crude oil and refined products, as well as volatility in the price of natural gas used in our refining operations. We periodically enter into derivative contracts in the form of commodity price swaps, forward purchase and sales and futures contracts to mitigate price exposure with respect to:

- our inventory positions;
- natural gas purchases;



costs of crude oil and related grade differentials;  
prices of refined products; and  
our refining margins.

#### Accounting Hedges

We have swap contracts serving as cash flow hedges against price risk on forecasted purchases of natural gas and WTI crude oil and forecasted sales of refined product. We also have forward sales and purchase contracts that lock in the prices of future sales and purchases of refined product. These contracts have been designated as accounting hedges and are measured at fair value with offsetting adjustments (gains/losses) recorded directly to other comprehensive income. These fair value adjustments are later reclassified to earnings as the hedging instruments mature. On a quarterly basis, hedge ineffectiveness is measured by comparing the change in fair value of the swap contracts against the expected future cash inflows/outflows on the respective transaction being hedged. Any hedge ineffectiveness is also recognized in earnings.

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The following table presents the pre-tax effect on other comprehensive income (“OCI”) and earnings due to fair value adjustments and maturities of commodity price swaps and forward sales under hedge accounting:

	Unrealized Gain (Loss) Recognized in OCI (In thousands)	Gain (Loss) Recognized in Earnings Due to Settlements Location	Amount	Gain (Loss) Attributable to Hedge Ineffectiveness Recognized in Earnings Location	Amount
<b>Three Months Ended June 30, 2015</b>					
Change in fair value	\$8,501	Sales and other revenues	\$49,752		
Gain reclassified to earnings due to settlements	(14,802)	) Cost of products sold	(30,964)	) Sales and other revenues	\$(140)
Amortization of discontinued hedges reclassified to earnings	270	) Operating expenses	(4,256)	) Cost of products sold	2,494
Total	\$(6,031)	)	\$14,532	)	\$2,354
<b>Three Months Ended June 30, 2014</b>					
Change in fair value	\$47,988	Sales and other revenues	\$(48,942)	)	
Gain reclassified to earnings due to settlements	(13,197)	) Cost of products sold	61,124	)	
Amortization of discontinued hedges reclassified to earnings	270	) Operating expenses	745	) Operating expenses	\$1,354
Total	\$35,061	)	\$12,927	)	\$1,354
<b>Six Months Ended June 30, 2015</b>					
Change in fair value	\$(5,647)	) Sales and other revenues	\$98,932	) Sales and other revenues	\$(274)
Gain reclassified to earnings due to settlements	(19,494)	) Cost of products sold	(71,733)	) Cost of products sold	3,738
Amortization of discontinued hedge reclassified to earnings	540	) Operating expenses	(8,245)	) Operating expenses	547
Total	\$(24,601)	)	\$18,954	)	\$4,011
<b>Six Months Ended June 30, 2014</b>					
Change in fair value	\$140,466	Sales and other revenues	\$(74,273)	)	
Gain reclassified to earnings due to settlements	(18,957)	) Cost of products sold	90,441	)	
Amortization of discontinued hedge reclassified to earnings	540	) Operating expenses	2,249	) Operating expenses	\$(806)
Total	\$122,049	)	\$18,417	)	\$(806)

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As of June 30, 2015, we have the following notional contract volumes related to outstanding derivative instruments serving as cash flow hedges against price risk on forecasted purchases of natural gas and crude oil and sales of refined products:

Derivative Instrument	Total Outstanding Notional	Notional Contract Volumes by Year of Maturity			Unit of Measure
		2015	2016	2017	
Natural gas - long	24,000,000	4,800,000	9,600,000	9,600,000	MMBTU
WTI crude oil - long	2,208,000	2,208,000	—	—	Barrels
Ultra-low sulfur diesel - short	2,208,000	2,208,000	—	—	Barrels
Forward diesel sales	1,500,000	1,500,000	—	—	Barrels
Forward diesel purchases	1,125,000	1,125,000	—	—	Barrels

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In 2013, we dedesignated certain commodity price swaps (long positions) that previously received hedge accounting treatment. These contracts now serve as economic hedges against price risk on forecasted natural gas purchases totaling 24,000,000 MMBTU's to be purchased ratably through 2017. As of June 30, 2015, we have an unrealized loss of \$2.7 million classified in accumulated other comprehensive income that relates to the application of hedge accounting prior to dedesignation that is amortized as a charge to operating expenses as the contracts mature.

**Economic Hedges**

We also have swap contracts that serve as economic hedges (derivatives used for risk management, but not designated as accounting hedges) to fix our purchase price on forecasted purchases of WTI crude oil, and to lock in basis spread differentials on forecasted purchases of crude oil and natural gas. Also, we have NYMEX futures contracts to lock in prices on forecasted purchases of inventory. These contracts are measured at fair value with offsetting adjustments (gains/losses) recorded directly to income.

The following table presents the pre-tax effect on income due to maturities and fair value adjustments of our economic hedges:

Location of Gain (Loss) Recognized in Income	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
	(In thousands)			
Cost of products sold	\$5,292	\$(24,432 )	\$27,574	\$(24,406 )
Operating expenses	(248 )	(140 )	(544 )	(188 )
Total	\$5,044	\$(24,572 )	\$27,030	\$(24,594 )

As of June 30, 2015, we have the following notional contract volumes related to our outstanding derivative contracts serving as economic hedges:

Derivative Instrument	Total Outstanding Notional	Notional Contract Volumes by Year of Maturity			Unit of Measure
		2015	2016	2017	
Commodity price swap (crude basis spread) - long	4,412,000	3,680,000	732,000	—	Barrels
Commodity price swap (natural gas basis spread) - long	17,820,000	4,020,000	6,900,000	6,900,000	MMBTU
Commodity price swap (natural gas) - long	24,000,000	4,800,000	9,600,000	9,600,000	MMBTU
Commodity price swap (natural gas) - short	24,000,000	4,800,000	9,600,000	9,600,000	MMBTU
NYMEX futures (WTI) - short	1,095,000	1,095,000	—	—	Barrels

**Interest Rate Risk Management**

HEP uses interest rate swaps to manage its exposure to interest rate risk.

As of June 30, 2015, HEP had three interest rate swap contracts that hedge its exposure to the cash flow risk caused by the effects of LIBOR changes on \$305.0 million in credit agreement advances. The first interest rate swap effectively converts \$155.0 million of LIBOR based debt to fixed-rate debt having an interest rate of 0.99% plus an applicable

margin of 2.00% as of June 30, 2015, which equaled an effective interest rate of 2.99%. This swap matures in February 2016. HEP has two additional interest rate swaps with identical terms which effectively convert \$150.0 million of LIBOR based debt to fixed rate debt having an interest rate of 0.74% plus an applicable margin of 2.00% as of June 30, 2015, which equaled an effective interest rate of 2.74%. Both of these swap contracts mature in July 2017. All of these swap contracts have been designated as cash flow hedges. To date, there has been no ineffectiveness on these cash flow hedges.

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The following table presents the pre-tax effect on other comprehensive income and earnings due to fair value adjustments and maturities of HEP's interest rate swaps under hedge accounting:

	Unrealized Gain (Loss) Recognized in OCI (In thousands)	Loss Recognized in Earnings Due to Settlements Location	Amount	
Three Months Ended June 30, 2015				
Interest rate swaps				
Change in fair value	\$(306)	)		
Loss reclassified to earnings due to settlements	528	Interest expense	\$(528)	)
Total	\$222		\$(528)	)
Three Months Ended June 30, 2014				
Interest rate swaps				
Change in fair value	\$(1,299)	)		
Loss reclassified to earnings due to settlements	553	Interest expense	\$(553)	)
Total	\$(746)	)	\$(553)	)
Six Months Ended June 30, 2015				
Interest rate swaps				
Change in fair value	\$(1,586)	)		
Loss reclassified to earnings due to settlements	1,059	Interest expense	\$(1,059)	)
Total	\$(527)	)	\$(1,059)	)
Six Months Ended June 30, 2014				
Interest rate swaps				
Change in fair value	\$(1,742)	)		
Loss reclassified to earnings due to settlements	1,091	Interest expense	\$(1,091)	)
Total	\$(651)	)	\$(1,091)	)

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The following table presents the fair value and balance sheet locations of our outstanding derivative instruments. These amounts are presented on a gross basis with offsetting balances that reconcile to a net asset or liability position in our consolidated balance sheets. We present on a net basis to reflect the net settlement of these positions in accordance with provisions of our master netting arrangements.

	Derivatives in Net Asset Position			Derivatives in Net Liability Position		
	Gross Assets	Gross Liabilities Offset in Balance Sheet	Net Assets Recognized in Balance Sheet	Gross Liabilities	Gross Assets Offset in Balance Sheet	Net Liabilities Recognized in Balance Sheet
	(In thousands)					
June 30, 2015						
Derivatives designated as cash flow hedging instruments:						
Commodity price swap contracts	\$62,370	\$(49,711)	\$12,659	\$42,647	\$(21,026)	\$21,621
Forward contracts	223	(166)	57	2,563	(439)	2,124
Interest rate swap contracts	134	—	134	707	—	707
	\$62,727	\$(49,877)	\$12,850	\$45,917	\$(21,465)	\$24,452
Derivatives not designated as cash flow hedging instruments:						
Commodity price swap contracts	\$24,580	\$(7,461)	\$17,119	\$27,282	\$(23,475)	\$3,807
NYMEX futures contracts	—	—	—	236	—	236
	\$24,580	\$(7,461)	\$17,119	\$27,518	\$(23,475)	\$4,043
Total net balance			\$29,969			\$28,495
Balance sheet classification:	Prepayment and other		\$29,295	Accrued liabilities		\$4,727
	Intangibles and other		674	Other long-term liabilities		23,768
			\$29,969			\$28,495

	Derivatives in Net Asset Position			Derivatives in Net Liability Position		
	Gross Assets	Gross Liabilities Offset in Balance Sheet	Net Assets Recognized in Balance Sheet	Gross Liabilities	Gross Assets Offset in Balance Sheet	Net Liabilities Recognized in Balance Sheet
	(In thousands)					
December 31, 2014						
Derivatives designated as cash flow hedging instruments:						
	\$173,658	\$(142,115)	\$31,543	\$21,441	\$—	\$21,441

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Commodity price swap contracts						
Interest rate swap contracts	1,019	—	1,019	1,065	—	1,065
	\$174,677	\$(142,115)	\$32,562	\$22,506	\$—	\$22,506
Derivatives not designated as cash flow hedging instruments:						
Commodity price swap contracts	\$17,630	\$(12,942)	\$4,688	\$20,398	\$(17,007)	\$3,391
NYMEX futures contracts	17,619	—	17,619	—	—	—
	\$35,249	\$(12,942)	\$22,307	\$20,398	\$(17,007)	\$3,391
Total net balance			\$54,869			\$25,897
Balance sheet classification:	Prepayment and other		\$53,850			
	Intangibles and other		1,019	Other long-term liabilities		\$25,897
			\$54,869			\$25,897



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At June 30, 2015, we had a pre-tax net unrealized loss of \$13.3 million classified in accumulated other comprehensive income that relates to all accounting hedges having contractual maturities through 2017. Assuming commodity prices and interest rates remain unchanged, an unrealized gain of \$9.3 million will be effectively transferred from accumulated other comprehensive income into the statement of income as the hedging instruments contractually mature over the next twelve-month period.

## NOTE 11: Equity

Changes to equity during the six months ended June 30, 2015 are presented below:

	HollyFrontier Stockholders' Equity (In thousands)	Noncontrolling Interest	Total Equity
Balance at December 31, 2014	\$5,523,584	\$577,135	\$6,100,719
Net income	587,700	28,148	615,848
Dividends	(125,192)	) —	(125,192)
Distributions to noncontrolling interest holders	—	(41,596)	) (41,596)
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax	(15,204)	) (319)	) (15,523)
Equity-based compensation	12,461	1,761	14,222
Tax attributable to equity-based compensation	(113)	) —	(113)
Purchase of treasury stock <sup>(1)</sup>	(380,177)	) —	(380,177)
Purchase of HEP units for restricted grants	—	(247)	) (247)
Other	—	14	14
Balance at June 30, 2015	\$5,603,059	\$564,896	\$6,167,955

(1) Includes 1,215 shares withheld under the terms of stock-based compensation agreements to provide funds for the payment of payroll and income taxes due at the vesting of share-based awards.

In May 2015, our Board of Directors approved a \$1 billion share repurchase program, which replaced all existing share repurchase programs, authorizing us to repurchase common stock in the open market or through privately negotiated transactions. The timing and amount of stock repurchases will depend on market conditions and corporate, regulatory and other relevant considerations. This program may be discontinued at any time by the Board of Directors. As of June 30, 2015, we had remaining authorization to repurchase up to \$734.9 million under this stock repurchase program. In addition, we are authorized by our Board of Directors to repurchase shares in an amount sufficient to offset shares issued under our compensation programs.

During the second quarter of 2015, we entered into an accelerated share repurchase agreement (“ASR”) with a large financial institution to repurchase \$300.0 million of our outstanding common stock. In May 2015, we repurchased 5.5 million shares, representing 80% of the amount paid based on then-market prices. The final number of shares ultimately to be repurchased under the ASR, as well as the final average price paid, will be based on the volume-weighted average market price of our common stock, less a discount, over the term of the ASR. The ASR is expected to be completed in the third quarter of 2015.

The initial 5.5 million shares repurchased resulted in an immediate reduction to our common shares outstanding and are included in treasury stock at a cost of \$240.0 million. For the remaining shares to be repurchased, we recorded a forward contract indexed to our own common stock in the amount of \$60.0 million. This forward contract met the criteria for equity classification, and therefore is recorded to additional capital.

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## NOTE 12: Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

The components and allocated tax effects of other comprehensive income (loss) are as follows:

	Before-Tax	Tax Expense (Benefit)	After-Tax
	(In thousands)		
<b>Three Months Ended June 30, 2015</b>			
Net unrealized loss on marketable securities	\$(63	) \$(25	) \$(38
Net unrealized loss on hedging instruments	(5,809	) (2,300	) (3,509
Other comprehensive loss	(5,872	) (2,325	) (3,547
Less other comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interest	135	—	135
Other comprehensive loss attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders	\$(6,007	) \$(2,325	) \$(3,682
<b>Three Months Ended June 30, 2014</b>			
Net unrealized gain on marketable securities	\$25	\$17	\$8
Net unrealized gain on hedging instruments	34,315	13,400	20,915
Other comprehensive income	34,340	13,417	20,923
Less other comprehensive loss attributable to noncontrolling interest	(453	) —	(453
Other comprehensive income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders	\$34,793	\$13,417	\$21,376
<b>Six Months Ended June 30, 2015</b>			
Net unrealized gain on marketable securities	\$5	\$2	\$3
Net unrealized loss on hedging instruments	(25,128	) (9,602	) (15,526
Other comprehensive loss	(25,123	) (9,600	) (15,523
Less other comprehensive loss attributable to noncontrolling interest	(319	) —	(319
Other comprehensive loss attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders	\$(24,804	) \$(9,600	) \$(15,204
<b>Six Months Ended June 30, 2014</b>			
Net unrealized gain on marketable securities	\$36	\$14	\$22
Net unrealized gain on hedging instruments	121,398	47,143	74,255
Net change in pension and other post-retirement benefit obligations	(89	) (35	) (54
Other comprehensive income	121,345	47,122	74,223
Less other comprehensive loss attributable to noncontrolling interest	(395	) —	(395
Other comprehensive income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders	\$121,740	\$47,122	\$74,618



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	642	661	Noncontrolling interest
	11,363	11,026	Net of tax and noncontrolling interest
Total reclassifications for the period	\$ 11,391	\$ 11,027	

Accumulated other comprehensive income in the equity section of our consolidated balance sheets includes:

	June 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
	(In thousands)	
Unrealized gain on post-retirement benefit obligations	\$ 20,689	\$ 20,689
Unrealized loss on marketable securities	(82	) (85
Unrealized gain (loss) on hedging instruments, net of noncontrolling interest	(7,917	) 7,290
Accumulated other comprehensive income	\$ 12,690	\$ 27,894

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## NOTE 13: Post-retirement Plans

We have a post-retirement healthcare and other benefits plan that is available to certain of our employees who satisfy certain age and service requirements. The net periodic benefit credit of this plan consisted of the following components:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
	(In thousands)			
Service cost – benefit earned during the period	\$424	\$224	\$848	\$448
Interest cost on projected benefit obligations	205	160	410	319
Amortization of prior service credit	(871	) (1,074	) (1,742	) (2,148
Amortization of net loss	46	—	92	—
Net periodic post-retirement credit	\$ (196	) \$ (690	) \$ (392	) \$ (1,381

Additionally, we had a program that provided transition benefit payments to certain employees that participated in a previously terminated defined benefit plan. The program extended through 2014 and provided payments subsequent to year-end provided the employee was employed by us on the last day of each year. The payments are based on each employee's years of service and eligible salary. Transition benefit costs under this program were \$2.9 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 and \$5.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2014. In March 2015, we paid all remaining amounts owed to plan participants of \$11.0 million.

## NOTE 14: Contingencies

We are a party to various litigation and legal proceedings which we believe, based on advice of counsel, will not either individually or in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

Pursuant to the 2007 Energy Independence and Security Act, the Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) promulgated the Renewable Fuel Standard 2 (“RFS2”) regulations reflecting the increased volume of renewable fuels mandated to be blended into the nation's fuel supply. The regulations, in part, require refiners to add annually increasing amounts of “renewable fuels” to their petroleum products or purchase credits, known as renewable identification numbers (“RINs”), in lieu of such blending. The EPA has not yet finalized the 2014 nor the 2015 percentage standards under its RFS2 program. In May 2015, the EPA revised the estimate of 2014 and 2015 percentage standard under its RFS2 program. Accordingly, in the second quarter of 2015, we recorded a \$4.1 million reduction of amounts accrued through December 2014. The estimated quantity of renewable fuels or RINs that we are required to purchase and that have been accrued for as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, as well as for the six months and year then ended, are based on quantities proposed by the EPA as revised in May 2015.

## NOTE 15: Segment Information

Our operations are organized into two reportable segments, Refining and HEP. Our operations that are not included in the Refining and HEP segments are included in Corporate and Other. Intersegment transactions are eliminated in our consolidated financial statements and are included in Consolidations and Eliminations.

The Refining segment represents the operations of the El Dorado, Tulsa, Navajo, Cheyenne and Woods Cross Refineries and NK Asphalt (aggregated as a reportable segment). Refining activities involve the purchase and refining of crude oil and wholesale and branded marketing of refined products, such as gasoline, diesel fuel and jet fuel. These petroleum products are primarily marketed in the Mid-Continent, Southwest and Rocky Mountain regions of the United States. Additionally, the Refining segment includes specialty lubricant products produced at our Tulsa Refineries that are marketed throughout North America and are distributed in Central and South America. NK Asphalt operates various asphalt terminals in Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma.

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The HEP segment includes all of the operations of HEP, which owns and operates logistics assets consisting of petroleum product and crude oil pipelines and terminal, tankage and loading rack facilities in the Mid-Continent, Southwest and Rocky Mountain regions of the United States. The HEP segment also includes a 75% interest in UNEV (a consolidated subsidiary of HEP) and a 25% interest in the SLC Pipeline. Revenues from the HEP segment are earned through transactions with unaffiliated parties for pipeline transportation, rental and terminalling operations as well as revenues relating to pipeline transportation services provided for our refining operations. Due to certain basis differences, our reported amounts for the HEP segment may not agree to amounts reported in HEP's periodic public filings.

The accounting policies for our segments are the same as those described in the summary of significant accounting policies in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014.

	Refining	HEP	Corporate and Other	Consolidations and Eliminations	Consolidated Total
	(In thousands)				
Three Months Ended June 30, 2015					
Sales and other revenues	\$3,686,493	\$83,479	\$151	\$(68,211)	) \$3,701,912
Depreciation and amortization	\$70,435	\$14,660	\$2,915	\$(207)	) \$87,803
Income (loss) from operations	\$576,313	\$40,834	\$(26,739)	\$(576)	) \$589,832
Capital expenditures	\$128,336	\$11,380	\$4,578	\$—	) \$144,294
Three Months Ended June 30, 2014					
Sales and other revenues	\$5,361,914	\$75,024	\$506	\$(64,844)	) \$5,372,600
Depreciation and amortization	\$83,840	\$15,477	\$2,280	\$(207)	) \$101,390
Income (loss) from operations	\$292,214	\$32,464	\$(27,802)	\$(531)	) \$296,345
Capital expenditures	\$92,334	\$18,178	\$9,976	\$—	) \$120,488
Six Months Ended June 30, 2015					
Sales and other revenues	\$6,675,773	\$173,235	\$369	\$(140,839)	) \$6,708,538
Depreciation and amortization	\$133,710	\$28,950	\$5,569	\$(414)	) \$167,815
Income (loss) from operations	\$950,214	\$85,044	\$(55,688)	\$(1,116)	) \$978,454
Capital expenditures	\$258,097	\$49,813	\$9,003	\$—	) \$316,913
Six Months Ended June 30, 2014					
Sales and other revenues	\$10,136,994	\$162,036	\$1,621	\$(136,998)	) \$10,163,653
Depreciation and amortization	\$147,381	\$30,661	\$4,310	\$(414)	) \$181,938
Income (loss) from operations	\$543,423	\$78,329	\$(53,357)	\$(1,054)	) \$567,341
Capital expenditures	\$192,277	\$38,782	\$13,710	\$—	) \$244,769
June 30, 2015					
Cash, cash equivalents and total investments in marketable securities	\$43	\$10,424	\$615,751	\$—	) \$626,218
Total assets	\$7,268,245	\$1,459,069	\$727,036	\$(309,064)	) \$9,145,286
Long-term debt	\$—	\$900,905	\$32,257	\$—	) \$933,162



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Cash, cash equivalents and total investments in marketable securities	\$88	\$2,830	\$1,039,177	\$—	\$1,042,095
Total assets	\$6,965,245	\$1,434,572	\$1,150,865	\$(320,042)	\$9,230,640
Long-term debt	\$—	\$867,579	\$187,311	\$—	\$1,054,890

HEP segment revenues from external customers were \$15.2 million and \$10.5 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, and \$32.7 million and \$25.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

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## NOTE 16: Supplemental Guarantor/Non-Guarantor Financial Information

Any borrowings pursuant to the HollyFrontier Credit Agreement are recourse to HollyFrontier and guaranteed by certain of our wholly-owned subsidiaries (“Guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries”). HEP, in which we have a 39% ownership interest at June 30, 2015, and its subsidiaries (collectively, “Non-Guarantor Non-Restricted Subsidiaries”), and certain of our other subsidiaries (“Non-Guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries”) have not guaranteed these obligations.

The following condensed consolidating financial information is provided for HollyFrontier Corporation (the “Parent”), the Guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries, the Non-Guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries and the Non-Guarantor Non-Restricted Subsidiaries. The information has been presented as if the Parent accounted for its ownership in the Guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries, and the Guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries accounted for the ownership of the Non-Guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries and Non-Guarantor Non-Restricted Subsidiaries, using the equity method of accounting. The Guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries and the Non-Guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries are collectively the “Restricted Subsidiaries.”

## Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet

June 30, 2015	Parent	Guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries	Non- Guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries	Eliminations	HollyFrontier Corp. Before Consolidation of HEP	Non-Guarantor Non-Restricted Subsidiaries (HEP Segment)	Consolidations and Eliminations	Consolidated
	(In thousands)							
<b>ASSETS</b>								
Current assets:								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$222,905	\$—	\$30	\$—	\$222,935	\$10,424	\$—	\$233,359
Marketable securities	392,859	—	—	—	392,859	—	—	392,859
Accounts receivable, net	8,171	611,393	3,068	—	622,632	40,044	(36,569)	626,107
Intercompany accounts receivable	—	718,610	442,187	(1,160,797)	—	—	—	—
Inventories	—	1,187,984	—	—	1,187,984	1,934	—	1,189,918
Income taxes receivable	8,351	—	—	—	8,351	—	—	8,351
Prepayments and other	13,363	59,273	—	—	72,636	2,804	(6,495)	68,945
Total current assets	645,649	2,577,260	445,285	(1,160,797)	2,507,397	55,206	(43,064)	2,519,539
	34,079	3,043,121	949	—	3,078,149	1,042,975	(252,729)	3,868,395

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Properties, plants and equip, net									
Investment in subsidiaries	6,868,051	335,342	—	(7,203,393 )	—	—	—	—	—
Intangibles and other assets	29,262	2,371,616	25,000	(25,000 )	2,400,878	360,888	(4,414 )	2,757,352	
Total assets	\$7,577,041	\$8,327,339	\$471,234	\$(8,389,190)	\$7,986,424	\$1,459,069	\$(300,207)	\$9,145,286	

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Current liabilities:

Accounts payable	\$3,543	\$1,067,290	\$—	\$—	\$1,070,833	\$16,128	\$(36,569 )	\$1,050,392	
Intercompany accounts payable	1,160,797	—	—	(1,160,797 )	—	—	—	—	
Income tax payable	7,569	—	—	—	7,569	—	—	7,569	
Accrued liabilities	41,886	50,843	1,127	—	93,856	25,885	(6,495 )	113,246	
Deferred income tax liabilities	69,284	—	—	—	69,284	—	—	69,284	
Total current liabilities	1,283,079	1,118,133	1,127	(1,160,797 )	1,241,542	42,013	(43,064 )	1,240,491	
Long-term debt	25,000	32,257	—	(25,000 )	32,257	900,905	—	933,162	
Liability to HEP	—	227,304	—	—	227,304	—	(227,304 )	—	
Deferred income tax liabilities	627,205	—	—	—	627,205	332	—	627,537	
Other long-term liabilities	43,822	81,594	—	—	125,416	56,283	(5,558 )	176,141	
Investment in HEP	—	—	134,765	—	134,765	—	(134,765 )	—	
Equity – HollyFrontier	5,597,935	6,868,051	335,342	(7,203,393 )	5,597,935	365,071	(359,947 )	5,603,059	
Equity – noncontrolling interest	—	—	—	—	—	94,465	470,431	564,896	
Total liabilities and equity	\$7,577,041	\$8,327,339	\$471,234	\$(8,389,190)	\$7,986,424	\$1,459,069	\$(300,207)	\$9,145,286	

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	(In thousands)							
<b>ASSETS</b>								
Current assets:								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$565,080	\$—	\$75	\$—	\$565,155	\$2,830	\$—	\$567,985
Marketable securities	474,068	42	—	—	474,110	—	—	474,110
Accounts receivable, net	5,107	579,526	3,774	—	588,407	40,129	(38,631 )	589,905
Intercompany accounts receivable	—	171,341	397,540	(568,881 )	—	—	—	—
Inventories	—	1,033,191	—	—	1,033,191	1,940	—	1,035,131
Income taxes receivable	11,719	—	—	—	11,719	—	—	11,719
Prepayments and other	14,734	95,194	—	—	109,928	2,443	(8,223 )	104,148
Total current assets	1,070,708	1,879,294	401,389	(568,881 )	2,782,510	47,342	(46,854 )	2,782,998
Properties, plants and equip, net	31,808	2,873,350	902	—	2,906,060	1,024,311	(259,832 )	3,670,539
Investment in subsidiaries	5,912,233	291,912	—	(6,204,145 )	—	—	—	—
Intangibles and other assets	30,082	2,388,844	25,000	(25,000 )	2,418,926	362,919	(4,742 )	2,777,103
Total assets	\$7,044,831	\$7,433,400	\$427,291	\$(6,798,026)	\$8,107,496	\$1,434,572	\$(311,428)	\$9,230,640
<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>								
Current liabilities:								
Accounts payable	\$11,457	\$1,117,429	\$2	\$—	\$1,128,888	\$17,881	\$(38,631 )	\$1,108,138
Intercompany accounts	568,881	—	—	(568,881 )	—	—	—	—

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payable								
Income taxes payable	19,642	—	—	—	19,642	—	—	19,642
Accrued liabilities	41,403	45,331	1,382	—	88,116	26,321	(8,223 )	106,214
Deferred income tax liabilities	17,409	—	—	—	17,409	—	—	17,409
Total current liabilities	658,792	1,162,760	1,384	(568,881 )	1,254,055	44,202	(46,854 )	1,251,403
Long-term debt	179,144	33,167	—	(25,000 )	187,311	867,579	—	1,054,890
Liability to HEP	—	233,217	—	—	233,217	—	(233,217 )	—
Deferred income tax liabilities	646,503	—	—	—	646,503	367	—	646,870
Other long-term liabilities	43,451	92,023	—	—	135,474	47,170	(5,886 )	176,758
Investment in HEP	—	—	133,995	—	133,995	—	(133,995 )	—
Equity – HollyFrontier	5,516,941	5,912,233	291,912	(6,204,145 )	5,516,941	380,172	(373,529 )	5,523,584
Equity – noncontrolling interest	—	—	—	—	—	95,082	482,053	577,135
Total liabilities and equity	\$7,044,831	\$7,433,400	\$427,291	\$(6,798,026)	\$8,107,496	\$1,434,572	\$(311,428)	\$9,230,640

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## Condensed Consolidating Statement of Income and Comprehensive Income

Three Months Ended June 30, 2015	Parent	Guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries	Eliminations	HollyFrontier Corp. Before Consolidation of HEP	Non-Guarantor Non-Restricted Subsidiaries and (HEP Segment)	Consolidations and Eliminations	Consolidated
	(In thousands)							
Sales and other revenues	\$ 168	\$3,686,476	\$—	\$—	\$3,686,644	\$ 83,479	\$(68,211 )	\$3,701,912
Operating costs and expenses:								
Cost of products sold	—	2,954,989	—	—	2,954,989	—	\$(67,514 )	2,887,475
Lower of cost or market inventory valuation adjustment	—	\$(135,480 )	—	—	\$(135,480 )	—	—	\$(135,480 )
Operating expenses	—	220,790	—	—	220,790	25,289	86	246,165
General and administrative	22,808	571	42	—	23,421	2,696	—	26,117
Depreciation and amortization	2,582	74,120	8	—	76,710	14,660	\$(3,567 )	87,803
Total operating costs and expenses	25,390	3,114,990	50	—	3,140,430	42,645	\$(70,995 )	3,112,080
Income (loss) from operations	\$(25,222 )	571,486	\$(50 )	—	546,214	40,834	2,784	589,832
Other income (expense):								
Earnings (loss) of equity method investments	593,825	20,334	20,175	\$(614,159 )	20,175	631	\$(20,175 )	631
Interest income (expense)	\$(537 )	1,918	199	—	1,580	\$(9,053 )	\$(2,318 )	\$(9,791 )
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	\$(1,368 )	—	—	—	\$(1,368 )	—	—	\$(1,368 )
Gain on sale of assets	714	87	—	—	801	72	—	873
	592,634	22,339	20,374	\$(614,159 )	21,188	\$(8,350 )	\$(22,493 )	\$(9,655 )

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Income before income taxes	567,412	593,825	20,324	(614,159 )	567,402	32,484	(19,709 )	580,177
Income tax provision	207,054	—	—	—	207,054	(64 )	—	206,990
Net income	360,358	593,825	20,324	(614,159 )	360,348	32,548	(19,709 )	373,187
Less net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	—	—	(10 )	—	(10 )	1,743	10,630	12,363
Net income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders	\$360,358	\$593,825	\$20,334	\$(614,159)	\$360,358	\$30,805	\$(30,339)	\$360,824
Comprehensive income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders	\$356,676	\$588,016	\$20,422	\$(608,438)	\$356,676	\$30,893	\$(30,427)	\$357,142

Condensed Consolidating Statement of Income and Comprehensive Income

Three Months Ended June 30, 2014	Parent	Guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries	Eliminations	HollyFrontier Corp. Before Consolidation of HEP	Non-Guarantor Non-Restricted Subsidiaries (HEP Segment)	Consolidations and Eliminations	Consolidated
	(In thousands)							
Sales and other revenues	\$179	\$5,362,277	\$(36 )	\$—	\$5,362,420	\$75,024	\$(64,844 )	\$5,372,600
Operating costs and expenses:								
Cost of products sold	—	4,738,586	—	—	4,738,586	—	(63,740 )	4,674,846
Operating expenses	—	247,451	—	—	247,451	24,567	(364 )	271,654
General and administrative	24,343	1,469	37	—	25,849	2,516	—	28,365
Depreciation and amortization	2,010	87,473	—	—	89,483	15,477	(3,570 )	101,390
Total operating costs and expenses	26,353	5,074,979	37	—	5,101,369	42,560	(67,674 )	5,076,255
Income (loss) from operations	(26,174 )	287,298	(73 )	—	261,051	32,464	2,830	296,345
Other income (expense):								
Earnings (loss) of equity method investments	303,788	14,546	16,132	(319,990 )	14,476	748	(16,132 )	(908 )
	(373 )	1,944	143	—	1,714	(8,329 )	(2,337 )	(8,952 )

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Interest income (expense)	303,415	16,490	16,275	(319,990 )	16,190	(7,581 )	(18,469 )	(9,860 )
Income before income taxes	277,241	303,788	16,202	(319,990 )	277,241	24,883	(15,639 )	286,485
Income tax provision	101,304	—	—	—	101,304	28	—	101,332
Net income	175,937	303,788	16,202	(319,990 )	175,937	24,855	(15,639 )	185,153
Less net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	—	—	—	—	—	1,416	7,308	8,724
Net income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders	\$ 175,937	\$ 303,788	\$ 16,202	\$ (319,990)	\$ 175,937	\$ 23,439	\$ (22,947 )	\$ 176,429
Comprehensive income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders	\$ 197,313	\$ 338,556	\$ 15,909	\$ (354,465)	\$ 197,313	\$ 23,145	\$ (22,653 )	\$ 197,805



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	(In thousands)							
Sales and other revenues	\$274	\$6,675,868	\$—	\$—	\$6,676,142	\$173,235	\$(140,839)	\$6,708,538
Operating costs and expenses:								
Cost of products sold	—	5,277,870	—	—	5,277,870	—	(139,022 )	5,138,848
Lower of cost or market inventory valuation adjustment	—	(142,026 )	—	—	(142,026 )	—	—	(142,026 )
Operating expenses	—	456,793	—	—	456,793	53,255	(287 )	509,761
General and administrative	48,632	986	82	—	49,700	5,986	—	55,686
Depreciation and amortization	4,908	141,044	16	—	145,968	28,950	(7,103 )	167,815
Total operating costs and expenses	53,540	5,734,667	98	—	5,788,305	88,191	(146,412 )	5,730,084
Income (loss) from operations	(53,266 )	941,201	(98 )	—	887,837	85,044	5,573	978,454
Other income (expense):								
Earnings (loss) of equity method investments	978,226	32,369	40,617	(1,019,136 )	32,076	1,365	(40,617 )	(7,176 )
Interest income (expense)	(839 )	3,967	374	—	3,502	(17,820 )	(4,665 )	(18,983 )
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	(1,368 )	—	—	—	(1,368 )	—	—	(1,368 )
Gain on sale of assets	720	689	—	—	1,409	230	—	1,639

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	976,739	37,025	40,991	(1,019,136 )	35,619	(16,225 )	(45,282 )	(25,888 )
Income before income taxes	923,473	978,226	40,893	(1,019,136 )	923,456	68,819	(39,709 )	952,566
Income tax provision	336,681	—	—	—	336,681	37	—	336,718
Net income	586,792	978,226	40,893	(1,019,136 )	586,775	68,782	(39,709 )	615,848
Less net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	—	—	(17 )	—	(17 )	5,770	22,395	28,148
Net income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders	\$586,792	\$978,226	\$40,910	\$(1,019,136)	\$586,792	\$63,012	\$(62,104 )	\$587,700
Comprehensive income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders	\$571,588	\$953,098	\$40,703	\$(993,801 )	\$571,588	\$62,805	\$(61,897 )	\$572,496

Condensed Consolidating Statement of Income and Comprehensive Income

Six Months Ended June 30, 2014	Parent	Guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries	Eliminations	HollyFrontier Corp. Before Consolidation of HEP	Non-Guarantor Non-Restricted Subsidiaries (HEP Segment)	Consolidations and Eliminations	Consolidated
	(In thousands)							
Sales and other revenues	\$280	\$10,137,400	\$935	\$—	\$10,138,615	\$162,036	\$(136,998 )	\$10,163,653
Operating costs and expenses:								
Cost of products sold	—	8,948,308	—	—	8,948,308	—	(134,842 )	8,813,466
Operating expenses	—	498,927	—	—	498,927	47,379	(686 )	545,620
General and administrative	45,450	4,095	76	—	49,621	5,667	—	55,288
Depreciation and amortization	3,800	154,580	—	—	158,380	30,661	(7,103 )	181,938
Total operating costs and expenses	49,250	9,605,910	76	—	9,655,236	83,707	(142,631 )	9,596,312
Income (loss) from operations	(48,970 )	531,490	859	—	483,379	78,329	5,633	567,341
Other income (expense):								
Earnings (loss) of equity method	566,147	30,568	32,415	(599,694 )	29,436	1,270	(32,415 )	(1,709 )

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investments								
Interest income (expense)	(797 )	4,089	273	—	3,565	(18,780 )	(4,679 )	(19,894 )
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	—	—	—	—	—	(7,677 )	—	(7,677 )
	565,350	34,657	32,688	(599,694 )	33,001	(25,187 )	(37,094 )	(29,280 )
Income before income taxes	516,380	566,147	33,547	(599,694 )	516,380	53,142	(31,461 )	538,061
Income tax provision	188,843	—	—	—	188,843	103	—	188,946
Net income	327,537	566,147	33,547	(599,694 )	327,537	53,039	(31,461 )	349,115
Less net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	—	—	—	—	—	5,053	15,572	20,625
Net income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders	\$327,537	\$566,147	\$33,547	\$(599,694)	\$327,537	\$47,986	\$(47,033)	\$328,490
Comprehensive income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders	\$402,155	\$687,940	\$33,291	\$(721,231)	\$402,155	\$47,730	\$(46,777)	\$403,108

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## Condensed Consolidating Statement of Cash Flows

Six Months Ended June 30, 2015	Parent	Guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries	Non- Guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries	Eliminations	HollyFrontier Corp. Before Consolidation of HEP	Non-Guarantor Non-Restricted Subsidiaries (HEP Segment)	Consolidations and Eliminations	Consolidated
	(In thousands)							
Cash flows from operating activities	\$(348,026)	\$ 803,368	\$ 47,880	\$ —	\$ 503,222	\$ 110,611	\$ (43,893 )	\$ 569,940
Cash flows from investing activities								
Additions to properties, plants and equipment	(7,180 )	(259,857 )	(63 )	—	(267,100 )	—	—	(267,100 )
Additions to properties, plants and equipment – HEP	—	—	—	—	—	(49,813 )	—	(49,813 )
Purchases of marketable securities	(246,008 )	—	—	—	(246,008 )	—	—	(246,008 )
Sales and maturities of marketable securities	327,310	—	—	—	327,310	—	—	327,310
Other, net	—	1,846	—	—	1,846	386	—	2,232
Net advances to Parent	—	(544,445 )	(47,877 )	592,322	—	—	—	—
	74,122	(802,456 )	(47,940 )	592,322	(183,952 )	(49,427 )	—	(233,379 )
Cash flows from financing activities								
Net borrowings under credit agreement – HEP	—	—	—	—	—	33,000	—	33,000
Redemption of senior notes - HFC	(155,156 )	—	—	—	(155,156 )	—	—	(155,156 )
Purchase of treasury stock	(320,132 )	—	—	—	(320,132 )	—	—	(320,132 )

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Accelerated stock repurchase	(60,000 )	—	—	—	(60,000 )	—	—	(60,000 )
forward contract								
Dividends	(125,192 )	—	—	—	(125,192 )	—	—	(125,192 )
Distributions to noncontrolling interest	—	—	—	—	—	(85,489 )	43,893	(41,596 )
Other, net	(113 )	(912 )	15	—	(1,010 )	(1,101 )	—	(2,111 )
Net advances from subsidiaries	592,322	—	—	(592,322)	—	—	—	—
	(68,271 )	(912 )	15	(592,322)	(661,490 )	(53,590 )	43,893	(671,187 )
Cash and cash equivalents								
Increase (decrease) for the period	(342,175 )	—	(45 )	—	(342,220 )	7,594	—	(334,626 )
Beginning of period	565,080	—	75	—	565,155	2,830	—	567,985
End of period	\$ 222,905	\$ —	\$ 30	\$ —	\$ 222,935	\$ 10,424	\$ —	\$ 233,359

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(In thousands)								
Cash flows from operating activities	\$(144,972 )	\$ 773,845	\$ 38,968	\$ —	\$ 667,841	\$ 92,667	\$( 39,029 )	\$ 721,479
Cash flows from investing activities:								
Additions to properties, plants and equipment	(6,329 )	(199,132 )	(526 )	—	(205,987 )	—	—	(205,987 )
Additions to properties, plants and equipment – HEP	—	—	—	—	—	(38,782 )	—	(38,782 )
Purchases of marketable securities	(498,080 )	—	—	—	(498,080 )	—	—	(498,080 )
Sales and maturities of marketable securities	543,604	—	—	—	543,604	—	—	543,604
Other, net	—	5,021	—	—	5,021	—	—	5,021
Net advances to Parent	—	(582,930 )	(38,604 )	621,534	—	—	—	—
	39,195	(777,041 )	(39,130 )	621,534	(155,442 )	(38,782 )	—	(194,224 )
Cash flows from financing activities:								
Net borrowings under credit agreement – HEP	—	—	—	—	—	180,000	—	180,000
Redemption of senior notes	—	—	—	—	—	(156,188 )	—	(156,188 )
Inventory repurchase	—	5,964	—	—	5,964	—	—	5,964

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obligation								
Purchase of treasury stock	(20,135 )	—	—	—	(20,135 )	—	—	(20,135 )
Dividends	(323,088 )	—	—	—	(323,088 )	—	—	(323,088 )
Distributions to noncontrolling interest	—	—	—	—	—	(77,577 )	39,029	(38,548 )
Excess tax benefit from equity-based compensation	3,778	—	—	—	3,778	—	—	3,778
Other, net	—	(808 )	375	—	(433 )	(406 )	—	(839 )
Net advances from subsidiaries	621,534	—	—	(621,534)	—	—	—	—
	282,089	5,156	375	(621,534)	333,914 )	(54,171 )	39,029	(349,056 )
Cash and cash equivalents								
Increase (decrease) for the period:								
Beginning of period	931,920	1,817	14	—	933,751	6,352	—	940,103
End of period	\$1,108,232	\$3,777	\$227	\$—	\$1,112,236	\$6,066	\$—	\$1,118,302

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

This Item 2 contains “forward-looking” statements. See “Forward-Looking Statements” at the beginning of Part I of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. References herein to HollyFrontier Corporation (“HollyFrontier”) include HollyFrontier and its consolidated subsidiaries. In accordance with the Securities and Exchange Commission’s (“SEC”) “Plain English” guidelines, this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q has been written in the first person. In this document, the words “we,” “our,” “ours” and “us” refer only to HollyFrontier and its consolidated subsidiaries or to HollyFrontier or an individual subsidiary and not to any other person, with certain exceptions. Generally, the words “we,” “our,” “ours” and “us” include Holly Energy Partners, L.P. (“HEP”) and its subsidiaries as consolidated subsidiaries of HollyFrontier, unless when used in disclosures of transactions or obligations between HEP and HollyFrontier or its other subsidiaries. This document contains certain disclosures of agreements that are specific to HEP and its consolidated subsidiaries and do not necessarily represent obligations of HollyFrontier. When used in descriptions of agreements and transactions, “HEP” refers to HEP and its consolidated subsidiaries.

### OVERVIEW

We are principally an independent petroleum refiner that produces high-value refined products such as gasoline, diesel fuel, jet fuel, specialty lubricant products, and specialty and modified asphalt. We own and operate refineries having a combined crude oil processing capacity of 443,000 barrels per day that serve markets throughout the Mid-Continent, Southwest and Rocky Mountain regions of the United States. Our refineries are located in El Dorado, Kansas (the “El Dorado Refinery”), Tulsa, Oklahoma (the, “Tulsa Refineries”), which comprise two production facilities, the Tulsa West and East facilities, a petroleum refinery in Artesia, New Mexico, which operates in conjunction with crude, vacuum distillation and other facilities situated 65 miles away in Lovington, New Mexico (collectively, the “Navajo Refinery”), Cheyenne, Wyoming (the, “Cheyenne Refinery”) and Woods Cross, Utah (the “Woods Cross Refinery”).

For the three months ended June 30, 2015, net income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders was \$360.8 million compared to \$176.4 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. For the six months ended June 30, 2015, net income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders was \$587.7 million compared to \$328.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2014. Our financial results for the second quarter of 2015 reflect a \$135.5 million (\$82.7 million after-tax) non-cash gain attributable to our second quarter lower of cost or market inventory adjustment.

Overall gross refining margins per produced product sold increased 20% and 17% over the respective three and six months ended June 30, 2014. For the second quarter, our financial results reflect strong operational reliability across our refining system. We reported a record quarter in terms of utilization rate, averaging 446,000 BPD of crude. Strong operations, improved realized margins and lower costs drove a greater than 60% increase in earnings per share compared to the second quarter of 2014. July 2015 refinery performance continued to be strong with several of our plants operating at record crude processing levels. We expect high refinery utilization rates together with a constructive margin environment to drive solid financial results for the remainder of the year.

### OUTLOOK

Our profitability is affected by the spread, or differential, between the market prices for crude oil on the world market (which is based on the price for Brent, North Sea Crude) and the price for inland U.S. crude oil (which is based on the price for WTI). We expect continued volatility in the pricing relationship between inland and coastal crude, which is currently averaging approximately \$4.00 per barrel.



Pursuant to the 2007 Energy Independence and Security Act, the Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) promulgated the Renewable Fuel Standard 2 (“RFS2”) regulations, which increased the volume of renewable fuels mandated to be blended into the nation's fuel supply. The regulations, in part, require refiners to add annually increasing amounts of “renewable fuels” to their petroleum products or purchase credits, known as renewable identification numbers (“RINs”), in lieu of such blending. Our RINs costs are material and represent a cost of products sold. The price of RINs may be extremely volatile due to real or perceived future shortages in RINs. As of June 30, 2015, we are purchasing RINs in order to meet approximately half of our renewable fuel requirements.

A more detailed discussion of our financial and operating results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 is presented in the following sections.

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## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

## Financial Data (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Change from 2014	
	2015	2014	Change	Percent
	(In thousands, except per share data)			
Sales and other revenues	\$3,701,912	\$5,372,600	\$(1,670,688 )	(31 )%
Operating costs and expenses:				
Cost of products sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization):				
Cost of products sold (exclusive of lower of cost or market inventory valuation adjustment)	2,887,475	4,674,846	(1,787,371 )	(38 )
Lower of cost or market inventory valuation adjustment	(135,480 )	—	(135,480 )	—
	2,751,995	4,674,846	(1,922,851 )	(41 )
Operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	246,165	271,654	(25,489 )	(9 )
General and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	26,117	28,365	(2,248 )	(8 )
Depreciation and amortization	87,803	101,390	(13,587 )	(13 )
Total operating costs and expenses	3,112,080	5,076,255	(1,964,175 )	(39 )
Income from operations	589,832	296,345	293,487	99
Other income (expense):				
Earnings (loss) of equity method investments	631	(908 )	1,539	169
Interest income	768	1,184	(416 )	(35 )
Interest expense	(10,559 )	(10,136 )	(423 )	4
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	(1,368 )	—	(1,368 )	—
Gain on sale of assets	873	—	873	—
	(9,655 )	(9,860 )	205	(2 )
Income before income taxes	580,177	286,485	293,692	103
Income tax provision	206,990	101,332	105,658	104
Net income	373,187	185,153	188,034	102
Less net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	12,363	8,724	3,639	42
Net income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders	\$360,824	\$176,429	\$184,395	105 %
Earnings per share attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders:				
Basic	\$1.88	\$0.89	\$0.99	111 %
Diluted	\$1.88	\$0.89	\$0.99	111 %
Cash dividends declared per common share	\$0.33	\$0.82	\$(0.49 )	(60 )%
Average number of common shares outstanding:				
Basic	191,355	198,139	(6,784 )	(3 )%
Diluted	191,454	198,380	(6,926 )	(3 )%

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	Six Months Ended June 30,		Change from 2014		
	2015	2014	Change	Percent	
	(In thousands, except per share data)				
Sales and other revenues	\$6,708,538	\$10,163,653	\$(3,455,115)	(34)	)%
Operating costs and expenses:					
Cost of products sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization):					
Cost of products sold (exclusive of lower of cost or market inventory valuation adjustment)	5,138,848	8,813,466	(3,674,618)	(42)	)
Lower of cost or market inventory valuation adjustment	(142,026)	—	(142,026)	—	)
	4,996,822	8,813,466	(3,816,644)	(43)	)
Operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	509,761	545,620	(35,859)	(7)	)
General and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	55,686	55,288	398	1	)
Depreciation and amortization	167,815	181,938	(14,123)	(8)	)
Total operating costs and expenses	5,730,084	9,596,312	(3,866,228)	(40)	)
Income from operations	978,454	567,341	411,113	72	)
Other income (expense):					
Loss of equity method investments	(7,176)	(1,709)	(5,467)	320	)
Interest income	1,730	2,589	(859)	(33)	)
Interest expense	(20,713)	(22,483)	1,770	(8)	)
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	(1,368)	(7,677)	6,309	(82)	)
Gain on sale of assets	1,639	—	1,639	—	)
	(25,888)	(29,280)	3,392	(12)	)
Income before income taxes	952,566	538,061	414,505	77	)
Income tax provision	336,718	188,946	147,772	78	)
Net income	615,848	349,115	266,733	76	)
Less net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	28,148	20,625	7,523	36	)
Net income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders	\$587,700	\$328,490	\$259,210	79	)%
Earnings per share attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders:					
Basic	\$3.03	\$1.65	\$1.38	84	)%
Diluted	\$3.03	\$1.65	\$1.38	84	)%
Cash dividends declared per common share	\$0.65	\$1.62	\$(0.97)	(60)	)%
Average number of common shares outstanding:					
Basic	193,202	198,217	(5,015)	(3)	)%
Diluted	193,279	198,408	(5,129)	(3)	)%

## Balance Sheet Data

	June 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
	(Unaudited)	
	(In thousands)	
Cash, cash equivalents and total investments in marketable securities	\$626,218	\$1,042,095
Working capital	\$1,279,048	\$1,531,595
Total assets	\$9,145,286	\$9,230,640
Long-term debt	\$933,162	\$1,054,890

Total equity	\$6,167,955	\$6,100,719
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## Other Financial Data (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
	(In thousands)			
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$323,048	\$326,550	\$569,940	\$721,479
Net cash used for investing activities	\$(121,282 )	\$(81,175 )	\$(233,379 )	\$(194,224 )
Net cash used for financing activities	\$(562,499 )	\$(201,708 )	\$(671,187 )	\$(349,056 )
Capital expenditures	\$144,294	\$120,488	\$316,913	\$244,769
EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup>	\$666,776	\$388,103	\$1,112,584	\$726,945

Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, which we refer to as “EBITDA”, is calculated as net income plus (i) interest expense, net of interest income, (ii) income tax provision, and (iii) depreciation and amortization. EBITDA is not a calculation provided for under GAAP; however, the amounts included in the EBITDA calculation are derived from amounts included in our consolidated financial statements. EBITDA should not be considered as an alternative to net income or operating income as an indication of our operating (1) performance or as an alternative to operating cash flow as a measure of liquidity. EBITDA is not necessarily comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. EBITDA is presented here because it is a widely used financial indicator used by investors and analysts to measure performance. EBITDA is also used by our management for internal analysis and as a basis for financial covenants. EBITDA presented above is reconciled to net income under “Reconciliations to Amounts Reported Under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles” following Item 3 of Part I of this Form 10-Q.

Our operations are organized into two reportable segments, Refining and HEP. See Note 15 “Segment Information” in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information on our reportable segments.

## Refining Operating Data (Unaudited)

Our refinery operations include the El Dorado, Tulsa, Navajo, Cheyenne and Woods Cross Refineries. The following tables set forth information, including non-GAAP performance measures, about our consolidated refinery operations. The cost of products and refinery gross and net operating margins do not include the non-cash effects of lower of cost or market inventory valuation adjustments and depreciation and amortization. Reconciliations to amounts reported under GAAP are provided under “Reconciliations to Amounts Reported Under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles” following Item 3 of Part I of this Form 10-Q.

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,		
	2015	2014	2015	2014	
Mid-Continent Region (El Dorado and Tulsa Refineries)					
Crude charge (BPD) <sup>(1)</sup>	279,940	266,080	269,010	260,590	
Refinery throughput (BPD) <sup>(2)</sup>	294,600	283,300	281,940	275,150	
Refinery production (BPD) <sup>(3)</sup>	283,120	280,060	271,240	270,670	
Sales of produced refined products (BPD)	271,860	272,470	264,130	259,920	
Sales of refined products (BPD) <sup>(4)</sup>	292,790	279,840	280,140	271,730	
Refinery utilization <sup>(5)</sup>	107.7	% 102.3	% 103.5	% 100.2	%
Average per produced barrel <sup>(6)</sup>					
Net sales	\$79.95	\$117.68	\$75.96	\$115.59	
Cost of products <sup>(7)</sup>	64.60	104.67	59.70	101.85	
Refinery gross margin <sup>(8)</sup>	15.35	13.01	16.26	13.74	
Refinery operating expenses <sup>(9)</sup>	4.35	4.84	4.62	5.29	

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Net operating margin <sup>(8)</sup>	\$11.00	\$8.17	\$11.64	\$8.45	
Refinery operating expenses per throughput barrel <sup>(10)</sup>	\$4.01	\$4.65	\$4.33	\$5.00	
Feedstocks:					
Sweet crude oil	59	% 72	% 60	% 73	%
Sour crude oil	20	% 6	% 20	% 5	%
Heavy sour crude oil	16	% 16	% 15	% 17	%
Other feedstocks and blends	5	% 6	% 5	% 5	%
Total	100	% 100	% 100	% 100	%

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	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,		
	2015	2014	2015	2014	
Mid-Continent Region (El Dorado and Tulsa Refineries)					
Sales of produced refined products:					
Gasolines	48	% 44	% 48	% 46	%
Diesel fuels	36	% 36	% 35	% 33	%
Jet fuels	6	% 7	% 7	% 8	%
Fuel oil	1	% 1	% 1	% 1	%
Asphalt	2	% 2	% 2	% 2	%
Lubricants	4	% 4	% 4	% 4	%
LPG and other	3	% 6	% 3	% 6	%
Total	100	% 100	% 100	% 100	%
Southwest Region (Navajo Refinery)					
Crude charge (BPD) <sup>(1)</sup>	104,050	102,570	97,660	99,400	
Refinery throughput (BPD) <sup>(2)</sup>	114,630	113,840	109,370	111,240	
Refinery production (BPD) <sup>(3)</sup>	113,320	111,080	107,640	108,880	
Sales of produced refined products (BPD)	116,710	110,140	111,450	107,390	
Sales of refined products (BPD) <sup>(4)</sup>	124,710	119,060	121,420	114,670	
Refinery utilization <sup>(5)</sup>	104.1	% 102.6	% 97.7	% 99.4	%
Average per produced barrel <sup>(6)</sup>					
Net sales	\$80.78	\$121.74	\$74.31	\$118.98	
Cost of products <sup>(7)</sup>	60.32	105.44	55.87	103.68	
Refinery gross margin <sup>(8)</sup>	20.46	16.30	18.44	15.30	
Refinery operating expenses <sup>(9)</sup>	3.99	4.97	4.68	5.28	
Net operating margin <sup>(8)</sup>	\$16.47	\$11.33	\$13.76	\$10.02	
Refinery operating expenses per throughput barrel <sup>(10)</sup>	\$4.06	\$4.81	\$4.77	\$5.10	
Feedstocks:					
Sweet crude oil	33	% 8	% 31	% 6	%
Sour crude oil	58	% 81	% 58	% 79	%
Heavy sour crude oil	—	% 1	% —	% 4	%
Other feedstocks and blends	9	% 10	% 11	% 11	%
Total	100	% 100	% 100	% 100	%
Sales of produced refined products:					
Gasolines	54	% 53	% 55	% 54	%
Diesel fuels	39	% 39	% 38	% 38	%
Fuel oil	3	% 4	% 2	% 4	%
Asphalt	1	% 1	% 1	% 1	%
LPG and other	3	% 3	% 4	% 3	%
Total	100	% 100	% 100	% 100	%
Rocky Mountain Region (Cheyenne and Woods Cross Refineries)					
Crude charge (BPD) <sup>(1)</sup>	62,110	70,310	64,770	67,660	
Refinery throughput (BPD) <sup>(2)</sup>	67,320	75,450	70,790	73,150	

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Refinery production (BPD) <sup>(3)</sup>	63,070	72,150	66,550	70,110	
Sales of produced refined products (BPD)	59,100	76,060	62,620	73,660	
Sales of refined products (BPD) <sup>(4)</sup>	64,800	78,510	68,450	76,750	
Refinery utilization <sup>(5)</sup>	74.8	% 84.7	% 78.0	% 81.5	%

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	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,		
	2015	2014	2015	2014	
Rocky Mountain Region (Cheyenne and Woods Cross Refineries)					
Average per produced barrel <sup>(6)</sup>					
Net sales	\$81.84	\$116.90	\$73.33	\$113.89	
Cost of products <sup>(7)</sup>	60.88	99.41	55.28	97.07	
Refinery gross margin <sup>(8)</sup>	20.96	17.49	18.05	16.82	
Refinery operating expenses <sup>(9)</sup>	11.02	9.74	10.61	9.40	
Net operating margin <sup>(8)</sup>	\$9.94	\$7.75	\$7.44	\$7.42	
Refinery operating expenses per throughput barrel <sup>(10)</sup>					
	\$9.67	\$9.82	\$9.39	\$9.47	
Feedstocks:					
Sweet crude oil	42	% 43	% 41	% 43	%
Sour crude oil	—	% 1	% —	% 1	%
Heavy sour crude oil	38	% 33	% 38	% 32	%
Black wax crude oil	12	% 16	% 12	% 16	%
Other feedstocks and blends	8	% 7	% 9	% 8	%
Total	100	% 100	% 100	% 100	%
Sales of produced refined products:					
Gasolines	56	% 54	% 57	% 54	%
Diesel fuels	38	% 32	% 37	% 32	%
Fuel oil	2	% 1	% 2	% 1	%
Asphalt	2	% 7	% 2	% 6	%
LPG and other	2	% 6	% 2	% 7	%
Total	100	% 100	% 100	% 100	%
Consolidated					
Crude charge (BPD) <sup>(1)</sup>	446,100	438,960	431,440	427,650	
Refinery throughput (BPD) <sup>(2)</sup>	476,550	472,590	462,100	459,540	
Refinery production (BPD) <sup>(3)</sup>	459,510	463,290	445,430	449,660	
Sales of produced refined products (BPD)	447,670	458,670	438,200	440,970	
Sales of refined products (BPD) <sup>(4)</sup>	482,300	477,410	470,010	463,150	
Refinery utilization <sup>(5)</sup>	100.7	% 99.1	% 97.4	% 96.5	%
Average per produced barrel <sup>(6)</sup>					
Net sales	\$80.41	\$118.53	\$75.16	\$116.13	
Cost of products <sup>(7)</sup>	62.99	103.99	58.09	101.50	
Refinery gross margin <sup>(8)</sup>	17.42	14.54	17.07	14.63	
Refinery operating expenses <sup>(9)</sup>	5.14	5.69	5.49	5.97	
Net operating margin <sup>(8)</sup>	\$12.28	\$8.85	\$11.58	\$8.66	
Refinery operating expenses per throughput barrel <sup>(10)</sup>					
	\$4.83	\$5.52	\$5.21	\$5.73	
Feedstocks:					
Sweet crude oil	50	% 52	% 50	% 52	%

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Sour crude oil	27	% 23	% 26	% 22	%
Heavy sour crude oil	15	% 15	% 15	% 16	%
Black wax crude oil	2	% 3	% 2	% 3	%
Other feedstocks and blends	6	% 7	% 7	% 7	%
Total	100	% 100	% 100	% 100	%

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	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,		
	2015	2014	2015	2014	
Consolidated					
Sales of produced refined products:					
Gasolines	51	% 48	% 51	% 49	%
Diesel fuels	37	% 36	% 36	% 34	%
Jet fuels	4	% 4	% 4	% 5	%
Fuel oil	1	% 2	% 1	% 2	%
Asphalt	2	% 3	% 2	% 3	%
Lubricants	2	% 2	% 3	% 2	%
LPG and other	3	% 5	% 3	% 5	%
Total	100	% 100	% 100	% 100	%

- (1) Crude charge represents the barrels per day of crude oil processed at our refineries.
- (2) Refinery throughput represents the barrels per day of crude and other refinery feedstocks input to the crude units and other conversion units at our refineries.
- (3) Refinery production represents the barrels per day of refined products yielded from processing crude and other refinery feedstocks through the crude units and other conversion units at our refineries.
- (4) Includes refined products purchased for resale.
- (5) Represents crude charge divided by total crude capacity (BPSD). Our consolidated crude capacity is 443,000 BPSD.
- Represents average per barrel amount for produced refined products sold, which is a non-GAAP measure.
- (6) Reconciliations to amounts reported under GAAP are provided under “Reconciliations to Amounts Reported Under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles” following Item 3 of Part I of this Form 10-Q.
- (7) Transportation, terminal and refinery storage costs billed from HEP are included in cost of products.
- (8) Excludes lower of cost or market inventory valuation adjustment of \$135.5 million and \$142.0 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively.
- (9) Represents operating expenses of our refineries, exclusive of depreciation and amortization.
- (10) Represents refinery operating expenses, exclusive of depreciation and amortization, divided by refinery throughput.

## Results of Operations – Three Months Ended June 30, 2015 Compared to Three Months Ended June 30, 2014

## Summary

Net income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders for the three months ended June 30, 2015 was \$360.8 million (\$1.88 per basic and diluted share), a \$184.4 million increase compared to \$176.4 million (\$0.89 per basic and diluted share) for the three months ended June 30, 2014. Net income increased due principally to a current quarter non-cash lower of cost or market inventory valuation gain of \$82.7 million, net of tax, and a year-over-year increase in second quarter refining margins. Refinery gross margins for the three months ended June 30, 2015 increased to \$17.42 per produced barrel from \$14.54 for the three months ended June 30, 2014.

## Sales and Other Revenues

Sales and other revenues decreased from \$5,372.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 to \$3,701.9 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 due to a year-over-year decrease in second quarter sales prices, partially offset by higher refined product sales volumes. The average sales price we received per produced barrel sold was \$118.53 for the three months ended June 30, 2014 compared to \$80.41 for the three months ended June 30, 2015. Sales and other revenues for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 include \$15.2 million and \$10.5 million, respectively, in HEP revenues attributable to pipeline and transportation services provided to unaffiliated parties.

Cost of Products Sold

Total cost of products sold decreased 41% from \$4,674.8 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 to \$2,752.0 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015, due principally to lower crude oil costs, partially offset by higher sales volumes of refined products. Additionally, this decrease reflects a \$135.5 million gain attributable to the partial reversal of the \$390.9 million lower of cost or market inventory reserve that was established at March 31, 2015 and a new \$255.5 million lower of cost or market reserve at June 30, 2015. The reserve at June 30, 2015 is based on market conditions and prices at that time. Excluding this non-cash adjustment, the average price we paid per barrel for crude oil and feedstocks and the transportation costs of moving finished products to market decreased 39% from \$103.99 for the three months ended June 30, 2014 to \$62.99 for the three months ended June 30, 2015.

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### Gross Refinery Margins

Gross refinery margin per produced barrel increased 20% from \$14.54 for the three months ended June 30, 2014 to \$17.42 for the three months ended June 30, 2015. This was due to the effects of decreased crude oil and feedstock prices, partially offset by a decrease in the average per barrel sales price for refined products sold during the current year quarter. Gross refinery margin does not include the non-cash effects of lower of cost or market inventory valuation adjustments or depreciation and amortization. See “Reconciliations to Amounts Reported Under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles” following Item 3 of Part I of this Form 10-Q for a reconciliation to the income statement of prices of refined products sold and cost of products purchased.

### Operating Expenses

Operating expenses, exclusive of depreciation and amortization, decreased 9% from \$271.7 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 to \$246.2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015. This decrease is principally due to lower natural gas fuel and repair and maintenance costs compared to the same period of 2014.

### General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses decreased 8% from \$28.4 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 to \$26.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 due principally to state high-wage credits recognized during the current year quarter.

### Depreciation and Amortization Expenses

Depreciation and amortization decreased 13% from \$101.4 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 compared to \$87.8 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015. This decrease was due principally to the recognition of higher accelerated depreciation levels of assets no longer in operation during 2014.

### Interest Income

Interest income for the three months ended June 30, 2015 was \$0.8 million compared to \$1.2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. This decrease was due to lower investment levels in marketable debt securities during the current year quarter.

### Interest Expense

Interest expense was \$10.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 compared to \$10.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. This increase was due to the effects of higher HEP debt levels during the current year quarter relative to the same period of 2014. For the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, interest expense included \$9.1 million and \$8.3 million, respectively, in interest costs attributable to limited recourse debt that finances HEP operations.

### Loss on Early Extinguishment of Debt

In June 2015, we redeemed our \$150.0 million aggregate principal amount of 6.875% senior notes maturing November 2018 at a redemption cost of \$155.2 million, at which time we recognized a \$1.4 million early extinguishment loss consisting of a \$5.2 million debt redemption premium, net of an unamortized premium of \$3.8 million.

### Income Taxes

For the three months ended June 30, 2015, we recorded income tax expense of \$207.0 million compared to \$101.3 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. This increase is due principally to higher pre-tax earnings during the three months ended June 30, 2015 compared to the same period of 2014. Our effective tax rates, before consideration of earnings attributable to the noncontrolling interest, were 35.7% and 35.4% for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

Results of Operations – Six Months Ended June 30, 2015 Compared to Six Months Ended June 30, 2014

Summary

Net income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders for the six months ended June 30, 2015 was \$587.7 million (\$3.03 per basic and diluted share), a \$259.2 million increase compared to \$328.5 million (\$1.65 per basic and diluted share) for the six months ended June 30, 2014. Net income increased due principally to a current year non-cash lower of cost or market inventory valuation gain of \$86.9 million, net of tax, and a year-over-year increase in refining margins and sales volumes. Refinery gross margins for the six months ended June 30, 2015 increased to \$17.07 per produced barrel from \$14.63 for the six months ended June 30, 2014.

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### Sales and Other Revenues

Sales and other revenues decreased 34% from \$10,163.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2014 to \$6,708.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 due to a year-over-year decrease in sales prices, partially offset by higher refined product sales volumes. The average sales price we received per produced barrel sold was \$116.13 for the six months ended June 30, 2014 compared to \$75.16 for the six months ended June 30, 2015. Sales and other revenues for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 include \$32.7 million and \$25.7 million, respectively, in HEP revenues attributable to pipeline and transportation services provided to unaffiliated parties.

### Cost of Products Sold

Total cost of products sold decreased 43% from \$8,813.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2014 to \$4,996.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015, due principally to lower crude oil costs, partially offset by higher sales volumes of refined products. Additionally, this decrease reflects a \$142.0 million gain attributable to the partial reversal of the \$397.5 million lower of cost or market inventory reserve that was established in 2014 and a new \$255.5 million lower of cost or market reserve at June 30, 2015. The reserve at June 30, 2015 is based on market conditions and prices at that time. Excluding this non-cash adjustment, the average price we paid per barrel for crude oil and feedstocks and the transportation costs of moving the finished products to the market place decreased 43% from \$101.50 for the six months ended June 30, 2014 to \$58.09 for the six months ended June 30, 2015.

### Gross Refinery Margins

Gross refinery margin per produced barrel increased 17% from \$14.63 for the six months ended June 30, 2014 to \$17.07 for the six months ended June 30, 2015. This was due to the effects of decreased crude oil and feedstock prices, partially offset by a decrease in the average per barrel sales price for refined products sold during the current year-to-date period. Gross refinery margin does not include the non-cash effects of lower of cost or market inventory valuation adjustments or depreciation and amortization. See "Reconciliations to Amounts Reported Under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles" following Item 3 of Part I of this Form 10-Q for a reconciliation to the income statement of prices of refined products sold and cost of products purchased.

### Operating Expenses

Operating expenses, exclusive of depreciation and amortization, decreased 7% from \$545.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2014 to \$509.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 due principally to lower natural gas fuel and repair and maintenance costs compared to the same period of 2014.

### General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses increased slightly from \$55.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2014 to \$55.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015. This is attributable to overall higher incentive compensation and legal costs for the current year, net of the effects of state high-wage credits recognized during the second quarter of 2015.

### Depreciation and Amortization Expenses

Depreciation and amortization decreased 8% from \$181.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2014 to \$167.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015. This decrease was due principally to the recognition of higher accelerated depreciation levels of assets no longer in operation during 2014.

### Interest Income

Interest income for the six months ended June 30, 2015 was \$1.7 million compared to \$2.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2014. This decrease was due to lower investment levels in marketable debt securities during the year-to-date period.

### Interest Expense

Interest expense was \$20.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 compared to \$22.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2014. This decrease was due to HEP's increased utilization of lower interest rate borrowings under the HEP Credit Agreement, which it used to finance the redemption of its \$150.0 million 8.25% senior notes in March 2014. For the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, interest expense included \$17.8 million and \$18.8 million, respectively, in interest costs attributable to limited recourse debt that finances HEP operations.

#### Loss on Early Extinguishment of Debt

In June 2015, we redeemed our \$150.0 million aggregate principal amount of 6.875% senior notes maturing November 2018 at a redemption cost of \$155.2 million, at which time we recognized a \$1.4 million early extinguishment loss consisting of a \$5.2 million debt redemption premium, net of an unamortized premium of \$3.8 million.



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In March 2014, HEP redeemed its \$150.0 million aggregate principal amount of 8.25% senior notes maturing March 2018 at a redemption cost of \$156.2 million, at which time it recognized a \$7.7 million early extinguishment loss consisting of a \$6.2 million debt redemption premium and unamortized discount and financing costs of \$1.5 million.

### Income Taxes

For the six months ended June 30, 2015, we recorded income tax expense of \$336.7 million compared to \$188.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2014. This increase was due principally to higher pre-tax earnings during the six months ended June 30, 2015 compared to the same period of 2014. Our effective tax rates, before consideration of earnings attributable to the noncontrolling interest, were 35.3% and 35.1% for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

## LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

### HollyFrontier Credit Agreement

We have a \$1 billion senior unsecured revolving credit facility maturing in July 2019 (the “HollyFrontier Credit Agreement”), which may be used for revolving credit loans and letters of credit from time to time and is available to fund general corporate purposes. Indebtedness under the HollyFrontier Credit Agreement is recourse to HollyFrontier and guaranteed by certain of our wholly-owned subsidiaries. At June 30, 2015, we were in compliance with all covenants, had no outstanding borrowings and had outstanding letters of credit totaling \$4.6 million under the HollyFrontier Credit Agreement.

### HEP Credit Agreement

HEP has an \$850 million senior secured revolving credit facility that matures in November 2018 (the “HEP Credit Agreement”) and is available to fund capital expenditures, investments, acquisitions, distribution payments and working capital and for general partnership purposes. It is also available to fund letters of credit up to a \$50 million sub-limit. At June 30, 2015, HEP was in compliance with all of its covenants, had outstanding borrowings of \$604.0 million and no outstanding letters of credit under the HEP Credit Agreement. In April 2015, HEP amended its credit agreement, increasing the size of the credit facility from \$650 million to \$850 million.

See Note 9 “Debt” in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information on our debt instruments.

### Liquidity

We believe our current cash and cash equivalents, along with future internally generated cash flow and funds available under our credit facilities, will provide sufficient resources to fund currently planned capital projects and our liquidity needs for the foreseeable future. In addition, components of our growth strategy include construction of new refinery processing units and the expansion of existing units at our facilities and selective acquisition of complementary assets for our refining operations intended to increase earnings and cash flow.

As of June 30, 2015, our cash, cash equivalents and investments in marketable securities totaled \$626.2 million. We consider all highly-liquid instruments with a maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are stated at cost, which approximates market value. These primarily consist of investments in conservative, highly-rated instruments issued by financial institutions, government and corporate entities with strong credit standings and money market funds.

In May 2015, our Board of Directors approved a \$1 billion share repurchase program, which replaced all existing share repurchase programs, authorizing us to repurchase common stock in the open market or through privately negotiated transactions. The timing and amount of stock repurchases will depend on market conditions and corporate,

regulatory and other relevant considerations. This program may be discontinued at any time by the Board of Directors. As of June 30, 2015, we had remaining authorization to repurchase up to \$734.9 million under this stock repurchase program. In addition, we are authorized by our Board of Directors to repurchase shares in an amount sufficient to offset shares issued under our compensation programs.

During the second quarter of 2015, we entered into an accelerated share repurchase agreement (“ASR”) with a large financial institution to repurchase \$300.0 million of our outstanding common stock. In May 2015, we repurchased 5.5 million shares, representing 80% of the amount paid based on then-market prices. The final number of shares ultimately to be repurchased under the ASR, as well as the final average price paid, will be based on the volume-weighted average market price of our common stock, less a discount, over the term of the ASR. The ASR is expected to be completed in the third quarter of 2015.

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Cash and cash equivalents decreased \$334.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015. Net cash provided by operating activities of \$569.9 million was less than the net cash used for investing and financing activities of \$233.4 million and \$671.2 million, respectively. Working capital decreased by \$252.5 million during the six months ended June 30, 2015.

### Cash Flows – Operating Activities

#### Six Months Ended June 30, 2015 Compared to Six Months Ended June 30, 2014

Net cash flows provided by operating activities were \$569.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 compared to \$721.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2014, a decrease of \$151.6 million. Net income for the six months ended June 30, 2015 was \$615.8 million, an increase of \$266.7 million compared to \$349.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2014. Non-cash adjustments to net income consisting of depreciation and amortization, lower of cost or market inventory valuation adjustment, net loss of equity method investments, inclusive of distributions, gain on sale of assets, unamortized premium / discount on early extinguishment of debt, deferred income taxes, equity-based compensation expense and fair value changes to derivative instruments totaled \$91.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 compared to \$187.3 million for the same period in 2014. Changes in working capital items decreased cash flows by \$104.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 compared to an increase of \$190.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2014. Additionally, for the six months ended June 30, 2015, turnaround expenditures increased to \$38.1 million from \$9.7 million for the same period of 2014.

### Cash Flows – Investing Activities and Planned Capital Expenditures

#### Six Months Ended June 30, 2015 Compared to Six Months Ended June 30, 2014

Net cash flows used for investing activities were \$233.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 compared to \$194.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2014, an increase of \$39.2 million. Cash expenditures for properties, plants and equipment for the first six months of 2015 increased to \$316.9 million from \$244.8 million for the same period in 2014. These include HEP capital expenditures of \$49.8 million and \$38.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. Also for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, we invested \$246.0 million and \$498.1 million, respectively, in marketable securities and received proceeds of \$327.3 million and \$543.6 million, respectively, from the sale or maturity of marketable securities.

### Planned Capital Expenditures

#### HollyFrontier Corporation

Each year our Board of Directors approves our annual capital budget, which includes specific projects that management is authorized to undertake. Additionally, when conditions warrant or as new opportunities arise, additional projects may be approved. The funds appropriated for a particular capital project may be expended over a period of several years, depending on the time required to complete the project. Therefore, our planned capital expenditures for a given year consist of expenditures appropriated in that year's capital budget plus expenditures for projects appropriated in prior years which have not yet been completed. Our appropriated capital budget for 2015 is \$137.0 million including both sustaining capital and major capital projects. During 2015, we expect to spend approximately \$600.0 million to \$650.0 million in cash for capital projects appropriated in 2015 and prior years. This spending is comprised of \$208.0 million to \$225.0 million at the Woods Cross Refinery, \$145.0 million to \$157.0 million at the El Dorado Refinery, \$97.0 million to \$105.0 million at the Tulsa Refineries, \$94.0 million to \$102.0 million at the Cheyenne Refinery, \$37.0 million to \$40.0 million at the Navajo Refinery and \$19.0 million to \$21.0 million for miscellaneous other projects. In addition, we expect to spend approximately \$45.0 million on refinery turnarounds and \$27.0 million on tank work. Refinery turnaround spending is amortized over the useful life of the turnaround.

A significant portion of our current capital spending is associated with compliance-oriented capital improvements. This spending is required due to existing consent decrees (for projects including FCC unit flue gas scrubbers and tail gas treatment units), federal fuels regulations (particularly MSAT2, which mandates a reduction in the benzene content of blended gasoline), refinery waste water treatment improvements and other similar initiatives. Our refinery operations and related emissions are highly regulated at both federal and state levels, and we invest in our facilities as needed to remain in compliance with these standards. Additionally, when faced with new emissions or fuels standards, we seek to execute projects that facilitate compliance and also improve the operating costs and / or yields of associated refining processes.

#### El Dorado Refinery

Capital projects at the El Dorado Refinery include naphtha fractionation and an additional hydrogen plant. They also include the installation of an FCC gasoline hydrotreater in order to meet Tier 3 gasoline requirements. Continuing project work is planned to include upgrades to the crude unit desalter and a new tail gas treatment unit to reduce air emissions in compliance with the El Dorado Refinery's existing EPA consent decree.

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### Tulsa Refineries

Capital spending for the Tulsa Refineries in 2015 includes previously approved capital appropriations for numerous infrastructure upgrades, including a project to improve FCC yields. Spending on maintenance capital items and general improvements continues at an elevated level at the Tulsa Refineries due to lower maintenance capital expenditures made prior to HollyFrontier's purchase of the facilities. The Tulsa Refineries will be addressing Tier 3 compliance through a project that improves naphtha fractionation providing yield and octane enhancements.

### Navajo Refinery

The Navajo Refinery capital spending in 2015 will be principally directed toward previously approved capital appropriations as well as maintenance capital spending. Included among previously approved capital projects is a \$25.0 million upgrade to the Navajo Refinery's waste water treatment system.

### Cheyenne Refinery

We are continuing with our previously approved plan to install a new hydrogen plant at the Cheyenne Refinery. The hydrogen plant, along with a now-completed naphtha fractionation project, is anticipated to allow us to reduce benzene content in Cheyenne gasoline production, while at the same time improving the refinery's overall liquid yields and light oils production. Previously appropriated projects still underway at Cheyenne include wastewater treatment plant improvements, a flue gas scrubber for the FCC unit to reduce air emissions and a redundant tail gas unit associated with the sulfur recovery process.

### Woods Cross Refinery

Engineering and construction continue on our previously announced expansion project to increase planned processing capacity to 45,000 BPSD. This project work includes new refining facilities, a new rail loading rack for intermediates and finished products associated with refining waxy crude oil. Capital investment on the originally planned processing capacity expansion is expected to be \$400.0 million. The initial phase of the expansion is expected to be completed in the fourth quarter of 2015. An additional \$20.0 million to \$30.0 million investment is being made to the Woods Cross Refinery to allow for greater crude slate flexibility. We believe this additional project scope will increase capacity utilization and improve overall economic returns during periods when wax crudes are in short supply.

On November 18, 2013, the Utah Division of Air Quality issued a revised air quality permit (the "Approval Order") authorizing the expansion. On December 18, 2013, two local environmental groups filed an administrative appeal challenging the issuance of the Approval Order and seeking a stay of the Approval Order. Following an extended appeal process, the Executive Director of the Utah Department of Environmental Quality ("DEQ") issued a final order in favor of Woods Cross on all claims on March 31, 2015 and dismissed the project opponents' arguments with prejudice. On April 27, 2015, the opponents filed a petition for review and notice of appeal with the Utah Court of Appeals challenging the agency's decision to uphold the permit and dismiss the project opponents' arguments. This appeal is now pending before the Utah Court of Appeals. The expansion, and expected completion timeline and cost, are subject to the Woods Cross Refinery successfully obtaining the Approval Order on appeal at the Utah Court of Appeals.

Regulatory compliance items or other presently existing or future environmental regulations / consent decrees could cause us to make additional capital investments beyond those described above and incur additional operating costs to meet applicable requirements, including those related to recently promulgated Federal Tier 3 gasoline standards.

### HEP

Each year the Holly Logistic Services, L.L.C. board of directors approves HEP's annual capital budget, which specifies capital projects that HEP management is authorized to undertake. Additionally, at times when conditions warrant or as new opportunities arise, special projects may be approved. The funds allocated for a particular capital project may be expended over a period of several years, depending on the time required to complete the project. Therefore, HEP's

planned capital expenditures for a given year consist of expenditures approved for capital projects included in its current year capital budget as well as, in certain cases, expenditures approved for capital projects in capital budgets for prior years. The 2015 HEP capital budget is comprised of \$10.0 million for maintenance capital expenditures and \$78.0 million for expansion capital expenditures.

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Cash Flows – Financing Activities

Six Months Ended June 30, 2015 Compared to Six Months Ended June 30, 2014

Net cash flows used for financing activities were \$671.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 compared to \$349.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2014, an increase of \$322.1 million. During the six months ended June 30, 2015, we purchased \$320.1 million in common stock, paid \$125.2 million in dividends and paid \$155.2 million upon the redemption of our 6.875% senior notes. In addition, we paid \$60.0 million to a large financial institution pursuant to an accelerated share repurchase agreement for a forward contract to purchase additional shares of our common stock. Also during this period, HEP received \$254.1 million and repaid \$221.1 million under the HEP Credit Agreement and paid distributions of \$41.6 million to noncontrolling interests. During the six months ended June 30, 2014, we purchased \$20.1 million in common stock, paid \$323.1 million in dividends and recognized \$3.8 million excess tax benefits on our equity-based compensation. Additionally, we received proceeds of \$6.0 million for inventory repurchase obligation transactions. Also during this period, HEP received \$477.1 million and repaid \$297.1 million under the HEP Credit Agreement, paid \$156.2 million upon the redemption of HEP's 8.25% senior notes and paid distributions of \$38.5 million to noncontrolling interests.

Contractual Obligations and Commitments

HollyFrontier Corporation

In June 2015, we redeemed our \$150.0 million aggregate principal amount of 6.875% senior notes maturing November 2018.

There were no other significant changes to our contractual obligations during the six months ended June 30, 2015.

HEP

In April 2015, HEP amended its credit agreement, increasing the size of the credit facility from \$650 million to \$850 million. The HEP Amended Credit Agreement expires in November 2018. During the six months ended June 30, 2015, HEP received net borrowings of \$33.0 million resulting in \$604.0 million of outstanding borrowings under the HEP Credit Agreement at June 30, 2015.

There were no other significant changes to HEP's long-term contractual obligations during this period.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based upon our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

Our significant accounting policies are described in "Part II, Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Critical Accounting Policies" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014. Certain critical accounting policies that materially affect the amounts recorded in our consolidated financial statements include the assessment and consolidation of variable interest entities, the use of the LIFO method of valuing certain inventories, the amortization of deferred costs for regular major maintenance and repairs at our refineries, assessing the possible impairment of certain long-lived assets and goodwill, accounting for derivative instruments and assessing contingent liabilities for probable losses.

#### Inventory Valuation

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost, using the last-in, first-out (“LIFO”) method for crude oil, unfinished and finished refined products and the average cost method for materials and supplies, or market. In periods of rapidly declining prices, LIFO inventories may have to be written down to market value due to the higher costs assigned to LIFO layers in prior periods. In addition, the use of the LIFO inventory method may result in increases or decreases to cost of sales in years that inventory volumes decline as the result of charging cost of sales with LIFO inventory costs generated in prior periods. An actual valuation of inventory under the LIFO method is made at the end of each year based on the inventory levels at that time. Accordingly, interim LIFO calculations are based on management's estimates of expected year-end inventory levels and are subject to the final year-end LIFO inventory valuation.



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At June 30, 2015, our lower of cost or market inventory valuation reserve was \$255.5 million. This amount, or a portion thereof, is subject to reversal as a reduction to cost of products sold in subsequent periods as inventories giving rise to the reserve are sold, and a new reserve is established. Such a reduction to cost of products sold could be significant if inventory values return to historical cost price levels.

**Goodwill**

We have goodwill that primarily arose from our merger with Frontier Oil Corporation on July 1, 2011. Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of an acquired entity over the fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed. Goodwill is not subject to amortization and is tested annually or more frequently if events or circumstances indicate the possibility of impairment. As of June 30, 2015, there have been no impairments to goodwill.

Historically, the refining industry has experienced significant fluctuations in operating results over an extended business cycle including changes in prices of crude oil and refined products, changes in operating costs including natural gas and higher costs of complying with government regulations. It is reasonably possible that at some future downturn in refining operations that the goodwill related to our Cheyenne Refinery will be determined to be impaired. A prolonged operating margin decrease of 8% to 10% could potentially result in impairment to goodwill allocated to our Cheyenne reporting unit and such impairment charges could be significant.

**RISK MANAGEMENT**

We use certain strategies to reduce some commodity price and operational risks. We do not attempt to eliminate all market risk exposures when we believe that the exposure relating to such risk would not be significant to our future earnings, financial position, capital resources or liquidity or that the cost of eliminating the exposure would outweigh the benefit.

**Commodity Price Risk Management**

Our primary market risk is commodity price risk. We are exposed to market risks related to the volatility in crude oil and refined products, as well as volatility in the price of natural gas used in our refining operations. We periodically enter into derivative contracts in the form of commodity price swaps and futures contracts to mitigate price exposure with respect to:

- our inventory positions;
- natural gas purchases;
- costs of crude oil and related grade differentials;
- prices of refined products; and
- our refining margins.

As of June 30, 2015, we have the following notional contract volumes related to all outstanding derivative contracts used to mitigate commodity price risk:

Contract Description	Total Outstanding Notional	Notional Contract Volumes by Year of Maturity			Unit of Measure
		2015	2016	2017	
Natural gas price swap - long	48,000,000	9,600,000	19,200,000	19,200,000	MMBTU
Natural gas price swap - short	24,000,000	4,800,000	9,600,000	9,600,000	MMBTU
Natural gas basis spread price swap - long	17,820,000	4,020,000	6,900,000	6,900,000	MMBTU
WTI price swap - long	2,208,000	2,208,000	—	—	Barrels

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Ultra-low sulfur diesel price swap - short	2,208,000	2,208,000	—	—	Barrels
WTI basis spread price swap - long	4,412,000	3,680,000	732,000	—	Barrels
NYMEX futures (WTI) - short	1,095,000	1,095,000	—	—	Barrels
Forward diesel sales	1,500,000	1,500,000	—	—	Barrels
Forward diesel purchases	1,125,000	1,125,000	—	—	Barrels

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The following sensitivity analysis provides the hypothetical effects of market price fluctuations to the commodity positions hedged under our derivative contracts:

Commodity-based Derivative Contracts	Estimated Change in Fair Value at June 30,	
	2015	2014
	(In thousands)	
Hypothetical 10% change in underlying commodity prices	\$8,829	\$57,168

**Interest Rate Risk Management**

HEP uses interest rate swaps to manage its exposure to interest rate risk.

As of June 30, 2015, HEP had three interest rate swap contracts that hedge its exposure to the cash flow risk caused by the effects of LIBOR changes on \$305.0 million in credit agreement advances. The first interest rate swap effectively converts \$155.0 million of LIBOR based debt to fixed-rate debt having an interest rate of 0.99% plus an applicable margin of 2.00% as of June 30, 2015, which equaled an effective interest rate of 2.99%. This swap matures in February 2016. HEP has two additional interest rate swaps with identical terms which effectively convert \$150.0 million of LIBOR based debt to fixed-rate debt having an interest rate of 0.74% plus an applicable margin of 2.00% as of June 30, 2015, which equaled an effective interest rate of 2.74%. Both of these swap contracts mature in July 2017. These swap contracts have been designated as cash flow hedges.

The market risk inherent in our fixed-rate debt is the potential change arising from increases or decreases in interest rates as discussed below.

For the fixed rate HEP Senior Notes, changes in interest rates will generally affect fair value of the debt, but not earnings or cash flows. The outstanding principal, estimated fair value and estimated change in fair value (assuming a hypothetical 10% change in the yield-to-maturity rates) for these debt instruments as of June 30, 2015 is presented below:

	Outstanding Principal	Estimated Fair Value	Estimated Change in Fair Value
	(In thousands)		
HEP Senior Notes	\$300,000	\$295,875	\$8,223

For the variable rate HEP Credit Agreement, changes in interest rates would affect cash flows, but not the fair value. At June 30, 2015, outstanding borrowings under the HEP Credit Agreement were \$604.0 million. By means of its cash flow hedges, HEP has effectively converted the variable rate on \$305.0 million of outstanding principal to a weighted average fixed rate of 2.87%. For the remaining unhedged Credit Agreement borrowings of \$299.0 million, a hypothetical 10% change in interest rates applicable to the HEP Credit Agreement would not materially affect cash flows.

At June 30, 2015, our marketable securities included investments in investment grade, highly-liquid investments with maturities generally not greater than one year from the date of purchase and hence the interest rate market risk implicit in these investments is low. Due to the short-term nature of our cash and cash equivalents, a hypothetical 10% increase in interest rates would not have a material effect on the fair market value of our portfolio. Since we have the ability to liquidate this portfolio, we do not expect our operating results or cash flows to be materially affected by the effect of a sudden change in market interest rates on our investment portfolio.

Our operations are subject to hazards of petroleum processing operations, including fire, explosion and weather-related perils. We maintain various insurance coverages, including business interruption insurance, subject to certain deductibles. We are not fully insured against certain risks because such risks are not fully insurable, coverage is unavailable, or premium costs, in our judgment, do not justify such expenditures.

Financial information is reviewed on the counterparties in order to review and monitor their financial stability and assess their ongoing ability to honor their commitments under the derivative contracts. We have not experienced, nor do we expect to experience, any difficulty in the counterparties honoring their commitments.

We have a risk management oversight committee consisting of members from our senior management. This committee oversees our risk enterprise program, monitors our risk environment and provides direction for activities to mitigate identified risks that may adversely affect the achievement of our goals.

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

See “Risk Management” under “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.”

## Reconciliations to Amounts Reported Under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

Reconciliations of earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (“EBITDA”) to amounts reported under generally accepted accounting principles in financial statements.

Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, which we refer to as EBITDA, is calculated as net income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders plus (i) interest expense, net of interest income, (ii) income tax provision, and (iii) depreciation and amortization. EBITDA is not a calculation provided for under GAAP; however, the amounts included in the EBITDA calculation are derived from amounts included in our consolidated financial statements. EBITDA should not be considered as an alternative to net income or operating income as an indication of our operating performance or as an alternative to operating cash flow as a measure of liquidity. EBITDA is not necessarily comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. EBITDA is presented here because it is a widely used financial indicator used by investors and analysts to measure performance. EBITDA is also used by our management for internal analysis and as a basis for financial covenants.

Set forth below is our calculation of EBITDA.

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
	(In thousands)			
Net income attributable to HollyFrontier stockholders	\$360,824	\$176,429	\$587,700	\$328,490
Add income tax provision	206,990	101,332	336,718	188,946
Add interest expense <sup>(1)</sup>	11,927	10,136	22,081	30,160
Subtract interest income	(768	) (1,184	) (1,730	) (2,589
Add depreciation and amortization	87,803	101,390	167,815	181,938
EBITDA	\$666,776	\$388,103	\$1,112,584	\$726,945

(1) Includes loss on early extinguishment of debt of \$1.4 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and \$7.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2014.

Reconciliations of refinery operating information (non-GAAP performance measures) to amounts reported under generally accepted accounting principles in financial statements.

Refinery gross margin and net operating margin are non-GAAP performance measures that are used by our management and others to compare our refining performance to that of other companies in our industry. We believe these margin measures are helpful to investors in evaluating our refining performance on a relative and absolute basis.

Refinery gross margin per barrel is the difference between average net sales price and average cost of products per barrel of produced refined products. Net operating margin per barrel is the difference between refinery gross margin and refinery operating expenses per barrel of produced refined products. These two margins do not include the non-cash effects of lower of cost or market inventory valuation adjustments or depreciation and amortization. Each of these component performance measures can be reconciled directly to our consolidated statements of income.

Other companies in our industry may not calculate these performance measures in the same manner.

#### Refinery Gross and Net Operating Margins

Below are reconciliations to our consolidated statements of income for (i) net sales, cost of products (exclusive of lower of cost or market inventory valuation adjustment) and operating expenses, in each case averaged per produced barrel sold, and (ii) net operating margin and refinery gross margin. Due to rounding of reported numbers, some amounts may not calculate exactly.

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## Reconciliation of produced product sales to total sales and other revenues

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
	(Dollars in thousands, except per barrel amounts)			
Consolidated				
Average sales price per produced barrel sold	\$80.41	\$118.53	\$75.16	\$116.13
Times sales of produced refined products (BPD)	447,670	458,670	438,200	440,970
Times number of days in period	91	91	181	181
Produced refined product sales	\$3,275,740	\$4,947,320	\$5,961,255	\$9,268,982
Total produced refined products sales	\$3,275,740	\$4,947,320	\$5,961,255	\$9,268,982
Add refined product sales from purchased products and rounding <sup>(1)</sup>	259,030	203,724	426,330	473,338
Total refined product sales	3,534,770	5,151,044	6,387,585	9,742,320
Add direct sales of excess crude oil <sup>(2)</sup>	92,659	170,634	192,928	336,041
Add other refining segment revenue <sup>(3)</sup>	59,064	40,236	95,260	58,633
Total refining segment revenue	3,686,493	5,361,914	6,675,773	10,136,994
Add HEP segment sales and other revenues	83,479	75,024	173,235	162,036
Add corporate and other revenues	151	506	369	1,621
Subtract consolidations and eliminations	(68,211 )	(64,844 )	(140,839 )	(136,998 )
Sales and other revenues	\$3,701,912	\$5,372,600	\$6,708,538	\$10,163,653

## Reconciliation of average cost of products per produced barrel sold to total cost of products sold

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
	(Dollars in thousands, except per barrel amounts)			
Consolidated				
Average cost of products per produced barrel sold	\$62.99	\$103.99	\$58.09	\$101.50
Times sales of produced refined products (BPD)	447,670	458,670	438,200	440,970
Times number of days in period	91	91	181	181
Cost of products for produced products sold	\$2,566,085	\$4,340,435	\$4,607,362	\$8,101,280
Total cost of products for produced products sold	\$2,566,085	\$4,340,435	\$4,607,362	\$8,101,280
Add refined product costs from purchased products and rounding <sup>(1)</sup>	266,199	204,924	436,872	473,160
Total cost of refined products sold	2,832,284	4,545,359	5,044,234	8,574,440
Add crude oil cost of direct sales of excess crude oil <sup>(2)</sup>	91,461	163,831	189,191	330,114
Add other refining segment cost of products sold <sup>(4)</sup>	31,244	29,398	44,445	43,756
Total refining segment cost of products sold	2,954,989	4,738,588	5,277,870	8,948,310
Subtract consolidations and eliminations	(67,514 )	(63,742 )	(139,022 )	(134,844 )
Costs of products sold (exclusive of lower of cost or market inventory valuation adjustment and depreciation and amortization)	\$2,887,475	\$4,674,846	\$5,138,848	\$8,813,466





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## Reconciliation of average refinery operating expenses per produced barrel sold to total operating expenses

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
(Dollars in thousands, except per barrel amounts)				
Consolidated				
Average refinery operating expenses per produced barrel sold	\$5.14	\$5.69	\$5.49	\$5.97
Times sales of produced refined products (BPD)	447,670	458,670	438,200	440,970
Times number of days in period	91	91	181	181
Refinery operating expenses for produced products sold	\$209,393	\$237,495	\$435,435	\$476,499
Total refinery operating expenses for produced products sold	\$209,393	\$237,495	\$435,435	\$476,499
Add other refining segment operating expenses and rounding <sup>(5)</sup>	10,843	9,777	20,570	21,381
Total refining segment operating expenses	220,236	247,272	456,005	497,880
Add HEP segment operating expenses	25,289	24,567	53,255	47,379
Add corporate and other costs	554	179	788	1,047
Subtract consolidations and eliminations	86	(364)	(287)	(686)
Operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	\$246,165	\$271,654	\$509,761	\$545,620

## Reconciliation of net operating margin per barrel to refinery gross margin per barrel to total sales and other revenues

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
(Dollars in thousands, except per barrel amounts)				
Consolidated				
Net operating margin per barrel	\$12.28	\$8.85	\$11.58	\$8.66
Add average refinery operating expenses per produced barrel	5.14	5.69	5.49	5.97
Refinery gross margin per barrel	17.42	14.54	17.07	14.63
Add average cost of products per produced barrel sold	62.99	103.99	58.09	101.50
Average sales price per produced barrel sold	\$80.41	\$118.53	\$75.16	\$116.13
Times sales of produced refined products (BPD)	447,670	458,670	438,200	440,970
Times number of days in period	91	91	181	181
Produced refined products sales	\$3,275,740	\$4,947,320	\$5,961,255	\$9,268,982
Total produced refined products sales	\$3,275,740	\$4,947,320	\$5,961,255	\$9,268,982
Add refined product sales from purchased products and rounding <sup>(1)</sup>	259,030	203,724	426,330	473,338
Total refined product sales	3,534,770	5,151,044	6,387,585	9,742,320
Add direct sales of excess crude oil <sup>(2)</sup>	92,659	170,634	192,928	336,041
Add other refining segment revenue <sup>(3)</sup>	59,064	40,236	95,260	58,633
Total refining segment revenue	3,686,493	5,361,914	6,675,773	10,136,994
Add HEP segment sales and other revenues	83,479	75,024	173,235	162,036
Add corporate and other revenues	151	506	369	1,621

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Subtract consolidations and eliminations	(68,211 )	(64,844 )	(140,839 )	(136,998 )
Sales and other revenues	\$3,701,912	\$5,372,600	\$6,708,538	\$10,163,653

(1) We purchase finished products to facilitate delivery to certain locations or to meet delivery commitments.

We purchase crude oil that at times exceeds the supply needs of our refineries. Quantities in excess of our needs are sold at market prices to purchasers of crude oil that are recorded on a gross basis with the sales price recorded

(2) as revenues and the corresponding acquisition cost as inventory and then upon sale as cost of products sold.

Additionally, at times we enter into buy/sell exchanges of crude oil with certain parties to facilitate the delivery of quantities to certain locations that are netted at cost.

(3) Other refining segment revenue includes the incremental revenues associated with NK Asphalt, product purchased and sold forward for profit as market conditions and available storage capacity allows and miscellaneous revenue.

Other refining segment cost of products sold includes the incremental cost of products for NK Asphalt, the

(4) incremental cost associated with storing product purchased and sold forward as market conditions and available storage capacity allows and miscellaneous costs.

(5) Other refining segment operating expenses include the marketing costs associated with our refining segment and the operating expenses of NK Asphalt.

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Item 4. Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures. Our principal executive officer and principal financial officer have evaluated, as required by Rule 13a-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Exchange Act”), our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act) as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Our disclosure controls and procedures are designed to provide reasonable assurance that the information we are required to disclose in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure and is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission’s rules and forms. Based upon the evaluation, our principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at the reasonable assurance level as of June 30, 2015.

Changes in internal control over financial reporting. There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Exchange Act) that occurred during our last fiscal quarter that have materially affected or are reasonably likely to materially affect our internal control over financial reporting.

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PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

Commitment and Contingency Reserves

We periodically establish reserves for certain legal proceedings. The establishment of a reserve involves an estimation process that includes the advice of legal counsel and subjective judgment of management. While management believes these reserves to be adequate, future changes in the facts and circumstances could result in the actual liability exceeding the estimated ranges of loss and amounts accrued.

While the outcome and impact on us cannot be predicted with certainty, based on advice of counsel, management believes that the resolution of these proceedings through settlement or adverse judgment will not either individually or in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

Environmental Matters

We are reporting the following proceedings to comply with SEC regulations which require us to disclose proceedings arising under federal, state or local provisions regulating the discharge of materials into the environment or protecting the environment if we reasonably believe that such proceedings may result in monetary sanctions of \$100,000 or more. Our respective subsidiaries have or will develop corrective action plans regarding these disclosures that will be implemented in consultation with the respective federal and state agencies. It is not possible to predict the ultimate outcome of these proceedings, although none are currently expected to have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

Cheyenne

Frontier Refining LLC (“FR”), our wholly-owned subsidiary, completed certain environmental audits at the Cheyenne Refinery regarding compliance with federal and state environmental requirements. By letters dated October 5, 2012, November 7, 2012, and January 10, 2013, and pursuant to the EPA's audit policy to the extent applicable, FR submitted reports to the EPA voluntarily disclosing non-compliance with certain emission limitations, reporting requirements, and provisions of a 2009 federal consent decree. By letters dated October 31, 2012, February 6, 2013, June 21, 2013, July 9, 2013, and July 25, 2013, and pursuant to applicable Wyoming audit statutes, FR submitted environmental audit reports to the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality (“WDEQ”) voluntarily disclosing non-compliance with certain notification, reporting, and other provisions of the refinery's state air permit and other environmental regulatory requirements. Additional self-disclosures and follow-up correspondence are anticipated as the audit activities are completed. No further action has been taken by either agency at this time. The Cheyenne Refinery also has one outstanding Notice of Violations issued in January 2013 that is subject to ongoing settlement negotiations with the WDEQ.

Navajo

On April 27, 2015, Navajo Refining Company (“Navajo”) entered into an Agreed Compliance Order with the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department regarding violations of Discharge Permit GW-028 (issued August 22, 2012) relating to a temporary reverse osmosis (“RO”) unit installed in 2011 at the refinery. The Agreed Compliance Order resolved Navajo's past liability to the State of New Mexico and established terms that will govern discharges from the RO units until a permit modification is obtained. Navajo has filed a permit modification application that will incorporate discharges from the temporary RO unit.

Tulsa

Holly Refining & Marketing - Tulsa, LLC (“HRMT”) manufactures paraffin and hydrocarbon waxes at its Tulsa West Refinery. On March 11, 2014, the EPA issued a notice to HRMT of possible violations of certain provisions of the federal Toxic Substances Control Act in connection with the manufacture of certain of these products. HRMT and the EPA met to discuss the notice and, on June 5, 2015, the EPA transmitted a settlement proposal to HRMT with specific demands that we are currently evaluating.

#### Woods Cross

On January 9, 2015, the South Davis Sewer District (“Sewer District”) issued a Notice of Violation (“NOV”) to the Woods Cross Refinery with respect to alleged sewer discharge excesses at the refinery. On June 3, 2015, the refinery entered into a Settlement Agreement with the Sewer District to resolve the NOV, which required payment of a non-material penalty, purchase and installation of additional equipment, and certain other future requirements. The non-material penalty has been paid and the additional equipment is scheduled to be installed in the near future.

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Fuels Regulation

Between November 2010 and February 2012, certain of our subsidiaries submitted multiple reports to the EPA to voluntarily disclose non-compliance with fuels regulations at the Cheyenne, El Dorado, Navajo, Tulsa and Woods Cross refineries and at the Cedar City, Utah and Henderson, Colorado terminals. Our subsidiaries have complied with all EPA requests for additional information regarding the voluntary disclosures. Our subsidiaries are now engaged in settlement discussions with the EPA that may resolve the voluntarily disclosed non-compliance events.

Other

We are a party to various other litigation and proceedings that we believe, based on advice of counsel, will not either individually or in the aggregate have a materially adverse impact on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

Except for the additional risk factor information described below, there have been no material changes in our risk factors as previously disclosed in Part 1, "Item 1A. Risk Factors" of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014. You should carefully consider the risk factors discussed below and in our 2014 Form 10-K, which could materially affect our business, financial condition or future results. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial also may materially adversely affect our business, financial condition or future results.

The availability and cost of renewable identification numbers could have an adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

Pursuant to the 2007 Energy Independence and Security Act, the EPA promulgated the RFS2 regulations reflecting the increased volume of renewable fuels mandated to be blended into the nation's fuel supply. The regulations, in part, require refiners to add annually increasing amounts of "renewable fuels" to their petroleum products or purchase credits, known as RINs, in lieu of such blending. We currently purchase RINs for some fuel categories on the open market in order to comply with the quantity of renewable fuels we are required to blend under the RFS2. Recently, due in part to the nation's fuel supply approaching the "blend wall" (the 10% ethanol limit prescribed by most automobile warranties), the price of RINs has been extremely volatile with the price dramatically increasing in recognition of the decrease in RINs availability. While we cannot predict the future prices of RINs, the costs to obtain the necessary number of RINs could be material. If we are unable to pass the costs of compliance with the RFS2 on to our customers, if sufficient RINs are unavailable for purchase, if we have to pay a significantly higher price for RINs or if we are otherwise unable to meet the RFS2 mandates, our financial condition and results of operations could be adversely affected.

In addition, the RFS2 regulations are highly complex and evolving, requiring us to periodically update our compliance systems. The RFS2 regulations require the EPA to determine and publish the applicable annual volume and percentage standards for each compliance year by November 30 for the forthcoming year, and such blending percentages could be higher or lower than amounts estimated and accrued for in our consolidated financial statements. The future cost of RINs is difficult to estimate until such time as the EPA finalizes the applicable standards for the forthcoming compliance year. We cannot predict with certainty our exposure to increased RINs costs in the future, nor can we predict the extent by which costs associated with RFS2 will impact our future results of operations.



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## Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

## (c) Common Stock Repurchases Made in the Quarter

Under our common stock repurchase programs, repurchases are being made from time to time in the open market or privately negotiated transactions based on market conditions, securities law limitations and other factors. The following table includes repurchases made under these programs during the second quarter of 2015.

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	Maximum Dollar Value of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
April 2015	—	\$—	—	\$461,518,616
May 2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	550,000	\$41.87	550,000	\$976,970,225
May 2015 <sup>(2)</sup>	5,533,779	\$—	5,533,779	\$736,970,225
June 2015	50,000	\$40.76	50,000	\$734,932,475
Total for April to June 2015	6,133,779		6,133,779	

On May 5, 2015, our Board of Directors approved a \$1 billion share repurchase program, which replaced all existing share repurchase programs including \$461.5 million remaining under the previously existing \$500 million (1) share repurchase program. The timing and amount of stock repurchases will depend on market conditions and corporate, regulatory and other relevant considerations. This program may be discontinued at any time by the Board of Directors.

During the second quarter of 2015, we entered into an accelerated share repurchase agreement (“ASR”) with a large financial institution to repurchase \$300.0 million of our outstanding common stock. In May 2015, we repurchased 5.5 million shares, representing 80% of the amount paid based on then-market prices. The final number of shares (2) ultimately to be repurchased under the ASR, as well as the final average price paid, will be based on the volume-weighted average market price of our common stock, less a discount, over the term of the ASR. The ASR is expected to be completed in the third quarter of 2015, at which time the final average per share purchase price will be determined.

## Item 6. Exhibits

The Exhibit Index on page 56 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q lists the exhibits that are filed or furnished, as applicable, as part of the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.



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SIGNATURES

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

HOLLYFRONTIER CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

Date: August 5, 2015

/s/ Douglas S. Aron  
Douglas S. Aron  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial Officer)

Date: August 5, 2015

/s/ J. W. Gann, Jr.  
J. W. Gann, Jr.  
Vice President, Controller and  
Chief Accounting Officer  
(Principal Accounting Officer)

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Exhibit Number	Description
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of HollyFrontier Corporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed July 8, 2011, File No. 1-03876).
3.2	Amended and Restated By-Laws of HollyFrontier Corporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed February 20, 2014, File No. 1-03876).
10.1+	First Amendment to the HollyFrontier Corporation Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed May 15, 2015, File No. 1-03876).
10.2+	Fourth Amendment to the HollyFrontier Corporation Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 of Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed May 15, 2015, File No. 1-03876).
31.1*	Certification of Chief Executive Officer under Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2*	Certification of Chief Financial Officer under Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.1**	Certification of Chief Executive Officer under Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.2**	Certification of Chief Financial Officer under Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
101++	The following financial information from HollyFrontier Corporation's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2015, formatted in XBRL (Extensible Business Reporting Language): (i) Consolidated Balance Sheets, (ii) Consolidated Statements of Income, (iii) Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income, (iv) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, and (v) Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

\* Filed herewith.

\*\* Furnished herewith.

+ Constitutes management contracts or compensatory plans or arrangements.

++ Filed electronically herewith.