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(Mark One)

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the transition period from _____ to _____
Commission file number: 001-33492

CVR Energy, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation or Organization)
2277 Plaza Drive, Suite 500
Sugar Land, Texas
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

61-1512186
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

77479
(Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, including Area Code:
(281) 207-3200

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<u>Title of Each Class</u>	<u>Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered</u>
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share	The New York Stock Exchange

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:
None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes No

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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

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Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (§229.405 of this chapter) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

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The aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates of the registrant computed based on the New York Stock Exchange closing price on June 30, 2014 (the last business day of the registrant's second fiscal quarter) was \$753,322,031. Shares of the registrant's common stock held by each executive officer and director and by each entity or person that, to the registrant's knowledge, owned 10% or more of the registrant's outstanding common stock as of June 30, 2014 have been excluded from this number in that these persons may be deemed affiliates of the registrant. This determination of possible affiliate status is not necessarily a conclusive determination for other purposes.

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

<u>Class</u>	<u>Outstanding at February 17, 2015</u>
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	86,831,050 shares

Documents Incorporated By Reference

<u>Document</u>	<u>Parts Incorporated</u>
Proxy Statement for the 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders	Items 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of Part III

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GLOSSARY OF SELECTED TERMS

The following are definitions of certain terms used in this Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014 (this "Report").

2-1-1 crack spread — The approximate gross margin resulting from processing two barrels of crude oil to produce one barrel of gasoline and one barrel of distillate. The 2-1-1 crack spread is expressed in dollars per barrel.

ammonia — Ammonia is a direct application fertilizer and is primarily used as a building block for other nitrogen products for industrial applications and finished fertilizer products.

backwardation market — Market situation in which futures prices are lower in succeeding delivery months. Also known as an inverted market. The opposite of contango market.

barrel — Common unit of measure in the oil industry which equates to 42 gallons.

blendstocks — Various compounds that are combined with gasoline or diesel from the crude oil refining process to make finished gasoline and diesel fuel; these may include natural gasoline, fluid catalytic cracking unit or FCCU gasoline, ethanol, reformat or butane, among others.

bpd — Abbreviation for barrels per day.

bpcd — Abbreviation for barrels per calendar day, which refers to the total number of barrels processed in a refinery within a year, divided by 365 days, thus reflecting all operational and logistical limitations.

bulk sales — Volume sales through third-party pipelines, in contrast to tanker truck quantity rack sales.

capacity — Capacity is defined as the throughput a process unit is capable of sustaining, either on a calendar or stream day basis. The throughput may be expressed in terms of maximum sustainable, nameplate or economic capacity. The maximum sustainable or nameplate capacities may not be the most economical. The economic capacity is the throughput that generally provides the greatest economic benefit based on considerations such as feedstock costs, product values and downstream unit constraints.

catalyst — A substance that alters, accelerates, or instigates chemical changes, but is neither produced, consumed nor altered in the process.

contango market — Market situation in which prices for future delivery are higher than the current or spot market price of the commodity. The opposite of backwardation market.

corn belt — The primary corn producing region of the United States, which includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio and Wisconsin.

crack spread — A simplified calculation that measures the difference between the price for light products and crude oil. For example, the 2-1-1 crack spread is often referenced and represents the approximate gross margin resulting from processing two barrels of crude oil to produce one barrel of gasoline and one barrel of distillate.

distillates — Primarily diesel fuel, kerosene and jet fuel.

ethanol — A clear, colorless, flammable oxygenated hydrocarbon. Ethanol is typically produced chemically from ethylene, or biologically from fermentation of various sugars from carbohydrates found in agricultural crops and cellulosic residues from crops or wood. It is used in the United States as a gasoline octane enhancer and oxygenate.

farm belt — Refers to the states of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas and Wisconsin.

feedstocks — Petroleum products, such as crude oil and natural gas liquids, that are processed and blended into refined products, such as gasoline, diesel fuel and jet fuel during the refining process.

Group 3 — A geographic subset of the PADD II region comprising refineries in Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska and Iowa. Current Group 3 refineries include the Refining Partnership's Coffeyville and Wynnewood refineries; the Valero Ardmore refinery in Ardmore, OK; HollyFrontier's Tulsa refinery in Tulsa, OK and El Dorado refinery in El Dorado, KS; Phillips 66's Ponca City refinery in Ponca City, OK; and NCRA's refinery in McPherson, KS.

heavy crude oil — A relatively inexpensive crude oil characterized by high relative density and viscosity. Heavy crude oils require greater levels of processing to produce high value products such as gasoline and diesel fuel.

independent petroleum refiner — A refiner that does not have crude oil exploration or production operations. An independent refiner purchases the crude oil used as feedstock in its refinery operations from third parties.

light crude oil — A relatively expensive crude oil characterized by low relative density and viscosity. Light crude oils require lower levels of processing to produce high value products such as gasoline and diesel fuel.

Magellan — Magellan Midstream Partners L.P., a publicly traded company whose business is the transportation, storage and distribution of refined petroleum products.

MMBtu — One million British thermal units or Btu: a measure of energy. One Btu of heat is required to raise the temperature of one pound of water one degree Fahrenheit.

MSCF — One thousand standard cubic feet, a customary gas measurement unit.

natural gas liquids — Natural gas liquids, often referred to as NGLs, are both feedstocks used in the manufacture of refined fuels and products of the refining process. Common NGLs used include propane, isobutane, normal butane and natural gasoline.

Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership IPO — The initial public offering of 22,080,000 common units representing limited partner interests of CVR Partners, LP (the "Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership"), which closed on April 13, 2011.

PADD II — Midwest Petroleum Area for Defense District which includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Tennessee, and Wisconsin.

petroleum coke (pet coke) — A coal-like substance that is produced during the refining process.

product pricing at gate — Product pricing at gate represents net sales less freight revenue divided by product sales volume in tons. Product pricing at gate is also referred to as netback.

rack sales — Sales which are made at terminals into third-party tanker trucks.

refined products — Petroleum products, such as gasoline, diesel fuel and jet fuel, that are produced by a refinery.

Refining Partnership IPO — The initial public offering of 27,600,000 common units representing limited partner interests of CVR Refining, LP (the "Refining Partnership"), which closed on January 23, 2013 (which includes the underwriters' subsequently-exercised option to purchase additional common units).

Secondary Offering — The registered public offering of 12,000,000 common units representing limited partner interests of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership, which closed on May 28, 2013.

Second Underwritten Offering — The second underwritten offering of 7,475,000 common units of the Refining Partnership, which closed on June 30, 2014 (which includes the underwriters' subsequently-exercised option to purchase additional common units).

sour crude oil — A crude oil that is relatively high in sulfur content, requiring additional processing to remove the sulfur. Sour crude oil is typically less expensive than sweet crude oil.

spot market — A market in which commodities are bought and sold for cash and delivered immediately.

sweet crude oil — A crude oil that is relatively low in sulfur content, requiring less processing to remove the sulfur. Sweet crude oil is typically more expensive than sour crude oil.

throughput — The volume processed through a unit or a refinery or transported on a pipeline.

turnaround — A periodically required standard procedure to inspect, refurbish, repair and maintain the refinery or nitrogen fertilizer plant assets. This process involves the shutdown and inspection of major processing units and occurs every four to five years for the refineries and every two to three years for the nitrogen fertilizer plant.

UAN — An aqueous solution of urea and ammonium nitrate used as a fertilizer.

Underwritten Offering — The underwritten offering of 13,209,236 common units of the Refining Partnership, which closed on May 20, 2013 (which includes the underwriters' subsequently-exercised option to purchase additional common units).

WCS — Western Canadian Select crude oil, a medium to heavy, sour crude oil, characterized by an American Petroleum Institute gravity ("API gravity") of between 20 and 22 degrees and a sulfur content of approximately 3.3 weight percent.

WEC — Gary-Williams Energy Corporation, subsequently converted to Gary-Williams Energy Company, LLC and now known as Wynnewood Energy Company, LLC.

WRC — Wynnewood Refining Company, LLC, the owner of the Wynnewood, Oklahoma refinery and related assets with a rated capacity of 70,000 bpcd.

WTI — West Texas Intermediate crude oil, a light, sweet crude oil, characterized by an API gravity between 39 and 41 degrees and a sulfur content of approximately 0.4 weight percent that is used as a benchmark for other crude oils.

WTS — West Texas Sour crude oil, a relatively light, sour crude oil characterized by an API gravity of between 30 and 32 degrees and a sulfur content of approximately 2.0 weight percent.

Wynnewood Acquisition — The acquisition by the Company of all the outstanding shares of WEC and its subsidiaries, which owned the Wynnewood, Oklahoma refinery with a rated capacity of 70,000 bpcd and 2.0 million barrels of storage tanks, on December 15, 2011. As of January 2013, WRC became a wholly-owned subsidiary of CVR Refining, LLC. It was previously a wholly-owned subsidiary of WEC.

yield — The percentage of refined products that is produced from crude oil and other feedstocks.

PART I

Item 1. Business

CVR Energy, Inc. and, unless the context otherwise requires, its subsidiaries ("CVR Energy," the "Company," "we," "us," or "our") is a diversified holding company primarily engaged in the petroleum refining and nitrogen fertilizer manufacturing industries through its holdings in CVR Refining, LP ("CVR Refining" or the "Refining Partnership") and CVR Partners, LP ("CVR Partners" or the "Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership"). The Refining Partnership is an independent petroleum refiner and marketer of high value transportation fuels. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership produces and markets nitrogen fertilizers in the form of UAN and ammonia. We own the general partner and a majority of the common units representing limited partner interests in each of the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership. CVR Energy's common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") under the symbol "CVI," the Refining Partnership's common units are listed on the NYSE under the symbol "CVRR" and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's common units are listed on the NYSE under the symbol "UAN."

The petroleum business consists of a complex full coking medium-sour crude oil refinery in Coffeyville, Kansas with a rated capacity of 115,000 bpcd and a complex crude oil refinery in Wynnewood, Oklahoma with a rated capacity of 70,000 bpcd. In addition to the refineries, the petroleum business owns and operates:

- a crude oil gathering system with a gathering capacity of approximately 60,000 bpd serving Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Missouri and Texas, which is supported by approximately 336 miles of owned and leased pipelines;
- a 170,000 bpd pipeline system that transports crude oil to the Coffeyville refinery and over 6.0 million barrels of owned and leased crude oil storage capacity;
- a rack marketing division supplying product through tanker trucks directly to customers located in close geographic proximity to Coffeyville, Kansas and Wynnewood, Oklahoma and to customers at throughput terminals on Magellan Midstream Partners, L.P. ("Magellan") and NuStar Energy, LP's ("NuStar") refined products distribution systems; and
- combined refinery related storage capacity of approximately 4.5 million barrels.

The nitrogen fertilizer business consists of a nitrogen fertilizer facility in Coffeyville, Kansas that is the only operation in North America that uses a petroleum coke, or pet coke, gasification process to produce nitrogen fertilizer. The nitrogen fertilizer facility includes a 1,225 ton-per-day ammonia unit, a 3,000 ton-per-day UAN unit and a gasifier complex having a capacity of 84 million standard cubic feet per day of hydrogen. The nitrogen fertilizer business' gasifier is a dual-train facility, with each gasifier able to function independently of the other, thereby providing redundancy and improving its reliability. A majority of the ammonia produced by the nitrogen fertilizer plant is further upgraded to higher margin UAN, an aqueous solution of urea and ammonium nitrate, which has historically commanded a premium price over ammonia. The nitrogen fertilizer business completed a significant two-year plant expansion in February 2013, which increased its UAN production capacity by 400,000 tons, or approximately 50%, per year. In 2014, the nitrogen fertilizer business produced 963,715 tons of UAN and 388,923 tons of ammonia. Approximately 97% of the produced ammonia tons and the majority of the purchased ammonia were upgraded into UAN.

We have two business segments: petroleum and nitrogen fertilizer. For the fiscal years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, we generated consolidated net sales of \$9.1 billion, \$9.0 billion and \$8.6 billion, respectively, and operating income of \$264.3 million, \$710.5 million and \$1,034.9 million, respectively. The petroleum business generated \$8.8 billion, \$8.7 billion and \$8.3 billion of net sales and the nitrogen fertilizer business generated \$298.7 million, \$323.7 million and \$302.3 million of net sales, in each case, for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The petroleum business generated operating income of \$207.2 million, \$603.0 million and \$1,012.5 million and the nitrogen fertilizer business generated operating income of \$82.8 million, \$124.9 million and \$115.8 million, in each case, for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Our consolidated results of operations include certain other unallocated corporate activities and the elimination of intercompany transactions and, therefore, are not a sum of the operating results of the petroleum and nitrogen fertilizer businesses.

Our History

The Coffeyville refinery, which began operations in 1906, and the nitrogen fertilizer plant, built in 2000, were operated as components of Farmland Industries, Inc. ("Farmland") until March 3, 2004, the date on which Coffeyville Resources, LLC ("CRLLC") completed the acquisition of these assets through a bankruptcy court auction.

On June 24, 2005, Coffeyville Acquisition LLC ("CALLC"), which was formed by certain funds affiliated with Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Kelso & Company, L.P. (the "Goldman Sachs Funds" and the "Kelso Funds," respectively), acquired these businesses. CALLC operated our business from June 24, 2005 until CVR Energy's initial public offering in October 2007.

CVR Energy was formed in September 2006 as a subsidiary of CALLC in order to consummate an initial public offering of its businesses. CVR Energy consummated its initial public offering on October 26, 2007. The Goldman Sachs Funds and the Kelso Funds completely sold their ownership interests by February 2011 and May 2011, respectively.

On April 13, 2011, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership completed the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership IPO. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership sold 22,080,000 common units at a price of \$16.00 per common unit, resulting in gross proceeds of \$353.3 million. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's common units are listed on the NYSE and are traded under the symbol "UAN." In connection with the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership IPO, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership paid approximately \$24.7 million in underwriting fees and incurred approximately \$4.4 million of other offering costs. As a result of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership IPO and through May 27, 2013, CVR Energy indirectly owned approximately 70% of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's outstanding common units and 100% of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner with its non-economic general partner interest.

On December 15, 2011, CVR Energy acquired all of the issued and outstanding shares of WEC. Assets acquired include a 70,000 bpcd rated capacity refinery in Wynnewood, Oklahoma and approximately 2.0 million barrels of company-owned storage tanks.

On April 18, 2012, CVR Energy entered into a Transaction Agreement (the "Transaction Agreement") with an affiliate of Icahn Enterprises L.P. ("IEP"). Pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, IEP's affiliate offered (the "Offer") to purchase all of the issued and outstanding shares of CVR Energy's common stock for a price of \$30.00 per share in cash, without interest, less any applicable withholding taxes, plus one non-transferable contingent cash payment ("CCP") right for each share, which represented the contractual right to receive an additional cash payment per share if a definitive agreement for the sale of CVR Energy was executed on or before August 18, 2013 and such transaction closed. As no sale of the Company was executed by the date outlined in the Transaction Agreement, the CCPs expired on August 19, 2013.

In May 2012, IEP's affiliate acquired a majority of the common stock of CVR Energy through the Offer. As of December 31, 2014, IEP and its affiliates owned approximately 82% of CVR Energy's outstanding common stock.

On January 23, 2013, the Refining Partnership completed the Refining Partnership IPO. The Refining Partnership sold 24,000,000 common units at a price of \$25.00 per unit, resulting in gross proceeds of \$600.0 million. Of the common units issued, 4,000,000 units were purchased by an affiliate of IEP. Additionally, on January 30, 2013, the underwriters closed their option to purchase an additional 3,600,000 common units at a price of \$25.00 per unit resulting in gross proceeds of \$90.0 million. The common units, which are listed on the NYSE, began trading on January 17, 2013 under the symbol "CVR." In connection with the Refining Partnership IPO, the Refining Partnership paid approximately \$32.5 million in underwriting fees and incurred approximately \$3.9 million of other offering costs.

Following the Refining Partnership IPO and through May 19, 2013, CVR Energy indirectly owned approximately 81% of the total Refining Partnership common units and 100% of the Refining Partnership's general partner, which holds a non-economic general partner interest. Prior to the Refining Partnership IPO, CVR owned 100% of the Refining Partnership and net income earned during this period was fully attributable to the Company. Accordingly, our financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2012 contained in this Report do not reflect any noncontrolling interest in the Refining Partnership.

On May 20, 2013, the Refining Partnership completed an underwritten offering (the "Underwritten Offering") by selling 12,000,000 common units to the public at a price of \$30.75 per unit. American Entertainment Properties Corporation ("AEP"), an affiliate of IEP, also purchased an additional 2,000,000 common units at the public offering price in a privately negotiated transaction with a subsidiary of CVR Energy, which was completed on May 29, 2013. In connection with the Underwritten Offering, on June 10, 2013, the Refining Partnership sold an additional 1,209,236 common units to the public at a price of \$30.75 per unit in connection with a partial exercise by the underwriters of their option to purchase additional common units. The transactions described in this paragraph are collectively referred to as the "Transactions." In connection with the

Transactions, the Refining Partnership paid approximately \$12.2 million in underwriting fees and approximately \$0.4 million in offering costs.

The Refining Partnership utilized proceeds of approximately \$394.0 million from the Underwritten Offering (including the underwriters' option) to redeem 13,209,236 common units from CVR Refining Holdings, LLC ("CVR Refining Holdings"), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of CVR Energy. The net proceeds to a subsidiary of CVR Energy from the sale of 2,000,000 common units to AEPC were approximately \$61.5 million. The Refining Partnership did not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of common units by CVR Energy to AEPC.

Following the closing of the Transactions and prior to June 30, 2014, public security holders held approximately 29% of the total Refining Partnership common units (including units owned by affiliates of IEP representing 4% of total Refining Partnership common units), and CVR Refining Holdings held approximately 71% of the total Refining Partnership common units.

On May 28, 2013, CRLLC completed a registered public offering (the "Secondary Offering") whereby it sold 12,000,000 Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership common units to the public at a price of \$25.15 per unit. The net proceeds to CRLLC from the Secondary Offering were approximately \$292.6 million, after deducting approximately \$9.2 million in underwriting discounts and commissions. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership did not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of common units by CRLLC. In connection with the Secondary Offering, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership incurred approximately \$0.5 million in offering costs.

Subsequent to the closing of the Secondary Offering and as of December 31, 2014, public security holders held approximately 47% of the total Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership common units, and CRLLC held approximately 53% of the total Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership common units. In addition, CRLLC owns 100% of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner, CVR GP, LLC, which only holds a non-economic general partner interest.

On June 30, 2014, the Refining Partnership completed a second underwritten offering (the "Second Underwritten Offering") by selling 6,500,000 common units to the public at a price of \$26.07 per unit. The Refining Partnership paid approximately \$5.3 million in underwriting fees and approximately \$0.5 million in offering costs. The Refining Partnership utilized net proceeds of approximately \$164.1 million from the Second Underwritten Offering to redeem 6,500,000 common units from CVR Refining Holdings. Subsequent to the closing of the Second Underwritten Offering and through July 23, 2014, public security holders held approximately 33% of the total Refining Partnership common units, and CVR Refining Holdings held approximately 67% of the total Refining Partnership common units.

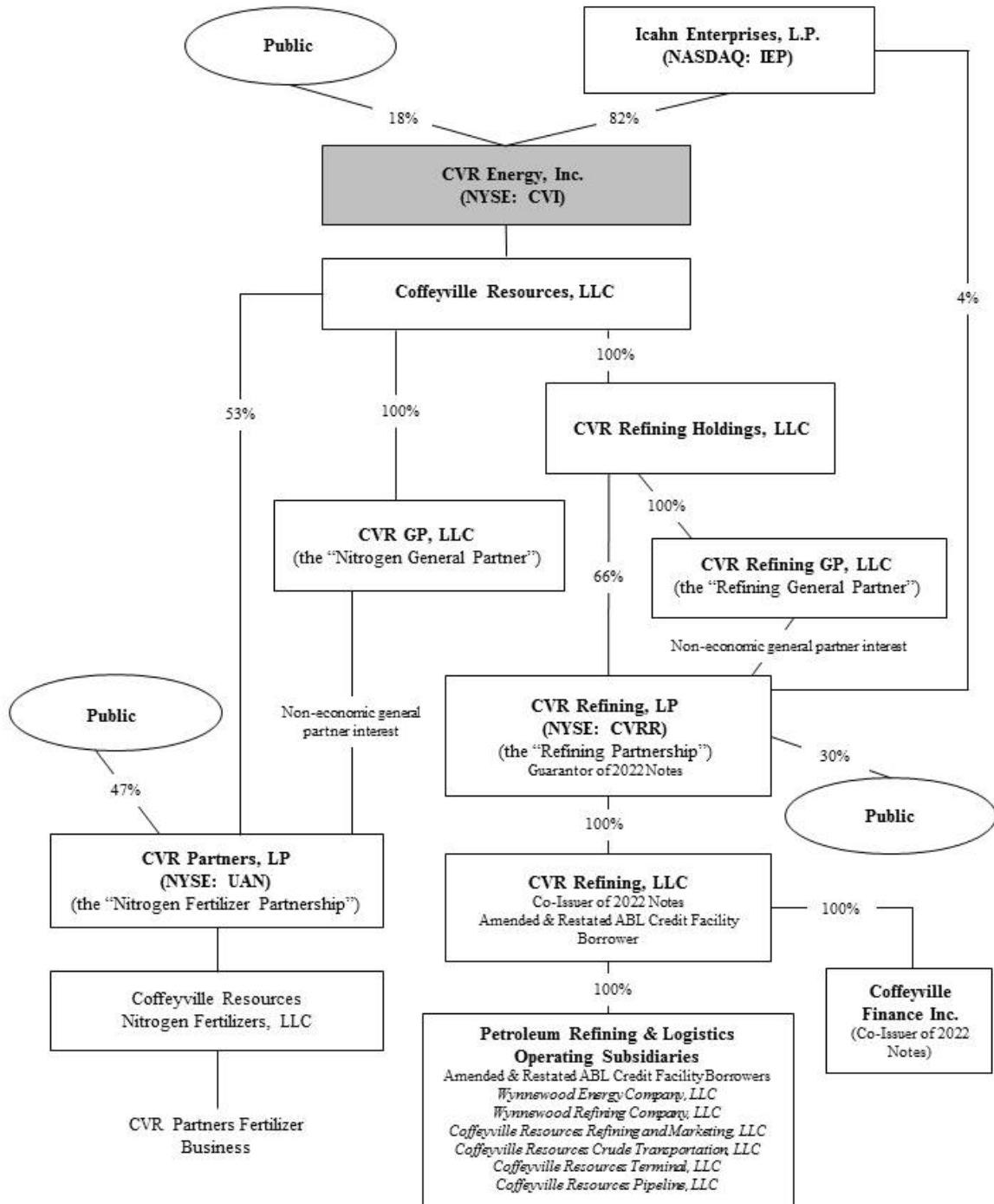
On July 24, 2014, the Refining Partnership sold an additional 589,100 common units to the public at a price of \$26.07 per unit in connection with the underwriters' exercise of their option to purchase additional common units. The Refining Partnership utilized net proceeds of approximately \$14.9 million from the underwriters' exercise of their option to purchase additional common units to redeem an equal amount of common units from CVR Refining Holdings. Additionally, on July 24, 2014, CVR Refining Holdings sold 385,900 common units to the public at a price of \$26.07 per unit in connection with the underwriters' exercise of their remaining option to purchase additional common units. CVR Refining Holdings received net proceeds of \$9.7 million.

Subsequent to the closing of the underwriters' option for the Second Underwritten Offering and as of December 31, 2014, public security holders held approximately 34% of the total Refining Partnership common units (including units owned by affiliates of IEP, representing 4% of the total Refining Partnership common units), and CVR Refining Holdings held approximately 66% of the total Refining Partnership common units, in addition to owning 100% of the Refining Partnership's general partner.

We operate under two business segments: petroleum (the petroleum and related businesses operated by the Refining Partnership) and nitrogen fertilizer (the nitrogen fertilizer business operated by the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership). Throughout the remainder of this document, our business segments are referred to as the "petroleum business" and the "nitrogen fertilizer business," respectively.

Organizational Structure and Related Ownership

The following chart illustrates our organizational structure and the organizational structure of the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership as of the date of this Report.



Petroleum Business

The petroleum business includes a complex full coking medium-sour crude oil refinery in Coffeyville, Kansas with a rated capacity of 115,000 bpcd and a complex crude oil refinery in Wynnewood, Oklahoma with a rated capacity of 70,000 bpcd capable of processing 20,000 bpcd of light sour crude oil (within its rated capacity of 70,000 bpcd). The combined crude capacity represents approximately 22% of the region's refining capacity. The Coffeyville refinery located in southeast Kansas is approximately 100 miles from Cushing, Oklahoma, a major crude oil trading and storage hub. The Wynnewood refinery is located approximately 65 miles south of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and approximately 130 miles from Cushing, Oklahoma.

For the year ended December 31, 2014, the Coffeyville refinery's product yield included gasoline (49%), diesel fuel (primarily ultra-low sulfur diesel) (43%), and pet coke and other refined products such as natural gas liquids ("NGL") (propane and butane), slurry, sulfur and gas oil (8%). The Wynnewood refinery's product yield included gasoline (49%), diesel fuel (primarily ultra-low sulfur diesel) (36%), asphalt (7%), jet fuel (4%) and other products (4%).

The petroleum business also includes the following auxiliary operating assets:

- *Crude Oil Gathering System.* The petroleum business owns and operates a crude oil gathering system serving Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Missouri and Texas. The system has field offices in Bartlesville and Pauls Valley, Oklahoma and Plainville, Winfield and Iola, Kansas. The gathering system includes approximately 336 miles of owned and leased pipelines and approximately 150 crude oil transports and associated storage facilities, which allows it to gather crude oils from independent crude oil producers. The crude oil gathering system has a gathering capacity of approximately 60,000 bpd. Gathered crude oil provides an attractive and competitive base supply of crude oil for the Coffeyville and Wynnewood refineries. During 2014, the petroleum business gathered an average of approximately 59,000 bpd. The petroleum business also has 35,000 bpd of contracted capacity on the Keystone and Spearhead pipelines that allow it to supply price-advantaged Canadian and Bakken crudes to its refineries. By the third quarter of 2015, the petroleum business' contracted capacity will expand by approximately 6,700 bpd through new capacity on the Pony Express and White Cliffs pipelines, which will provide it with additional supplies of Bakken and Niobrara crudes to its refineries.
- *Pipelines and Storage Tanks.* The petroleum business owns a proprietary pipeline system capable of transporting approximately 170,000 bpd of crude oil from its Broome Station facility located near Caney, Kansas to its Coffeyville refinery. Crude oils sourced outside of the proprietary gathering system are delivered by common carrier pipelines into various terminals in Cushing, Oklahoma, where they are blended and then delivered to the Broome Station tank farm via a pipeline owned by Plains Pipeline L.P. ("Plains"). The petroleum business owns approximately (i) 1.4 million barrels of crude oil storage capacity that supports the gathering system and the Coffeyville refinery, (ii) 0.9 million barrels of crude oil storage capacity at the Wynnewood refinery and (iii) 1.0 million barrels of crude oil storage capacity in Cushing, Oklahoma. The petroleum business also leases additional crude oil storage capacity of approximately 2.8 million barrels in Cushing and approximately 0.1 million barrels at the Wynnewood refinery. In addition to crude oil storage, the petroleum business owns approximately 4.5 million barrels of combined refinery related storage capacity.

The refineries' complexity allows the petroleum business to optimize the yields (the percentage of refined product that is produced from crude oil and other feedstocks) of higher value transportation fuels (gasoline and diesel). Complexity is a measure of a refinery's ability to process lower quality crude oil and feedstocks in an economic manner. The two refineries' capacity weighted average complexity is 13.0. As a result of key investments in its refining assets and the addition of process units to comply with gasoline quality regulations, both of the refinery's complexities have increased. The Coffeyville refinery's complexity score has increased to 13.3, and the Wynnewood refinery's complexity is now 12.6. The petroleum business' higher complexity provides it the flexibility to increase its refining margin over comparable refiners with lower complexities. The petroleum business has achieved significant increases in its refinery crude throughput rates over historical levels. As a result of the increasing complexities, the petroleum business is capable of processing a variety of crudes, including WTS, WTI, sweet and sour Canadian, and locally gathered crudes.

Crude and Feedstock Supply

The Coffeyville refinery has the capability to process blends of a variety of crude oil ranging from heavy sour to light sweet crude oil. Currently, the Coffeyville refinery crude oil slate consists of a blend of mid-continent domestic grades and various Canadian medium and heavy sour, and it has recently introduced North Dakota Bakken and other similarly sourced crudes into its crude slate. While crude oil has historically constituted over 90% of the Coffeyville refinery's total throughput

over the last five years, other feedstock inputs include normal butane, natural gasoline, alkylation feeds, naphtha, gas oil and vacuum tower bottoms.

The Wynnewood refinery has the capability to process blends of a variety of crude oil ranging from medium sour to light sweet crude oil, although isobutane, gasoline components, and normal butane are also typically used. Historically most of the Wynnewood refinery's crude oil has been acquired domestically, mainly from Texas and Oklahoma, but it can also access and process various light and medium Canadian grades.

Crude oil is supplied to the Coffeyville and Wynnewood refineries through the wholly-owned gathering system and by pipeline. The petroleum business has continued to increase the number of barrels of crude oil supplied through its crude oil gathering system in 2014 and it now has the capacity of supplying approximately 60,000 bpd of crude oil to the refineries. For the year ended December 31, 2014, the gathering system supplied approximately 37% of the Coffeyville refinery's crude oil demand and 21% of the Wynnewood refinery's crude oil demand, respectively. Locally produced crude oils are delivered to the refineries at a discount to WTI, and although sometimes slightly heavier and more sour, offer good economics to the refineries. These crude oils are light and sweet enough to allow the refineries to blend higher percentages of lower cost crude oils such as heavy sour Canadian crude oil while maintaining their target medium sour blend with an API gravity of between 28 and 36 degrees and between 0.9% and 1.2% sulfur. Crude oils sourced outside of the proprietary gathering system are delivered to Cushing, Oklahoma by various pipelines including the Keystone and Spearhead pipelines, and subsequently to the Broome Station facility via the Plains pipeline. By the third quarter of 2015, the petroleum business' contracted capacity is expected to grow to include the Pony Express and White Cliffs pipelines. From the Broome Station facility, crude oil is delivered to the Coffeyville refinery via the petroleum business' 170,000 bpd proprietary pipeline system. Crude oils are delivered to the Wynnewood refinery by three separate pipelines, and received into storage tanks at terminals located on or near the refinery.

For the year ended December 31, 2014, the Coffeyville refinery's crude oil supply blend was comprised of approximately 86% light sweet crude oil, 13% heavy sour crude oil and 1% light/medium sour crude oil. For the year ended December 31, 2014, the Wynnewood refinery's crude oil supply blend was comprised of approximately 99% sweet crude oil and 1% light/medium sour crude oil. The light sweet crude oil supply blend includes its locally gathered crude oil.

The Coffeyville refinery is connected to the mid-continent natural gas liquids commercial hub of Conway, Kansas by the inbound Enterprise Pipeline Blue Line. Natural gas liquids feedstock supplies such as butanes and natural gasoline are sourced and delivered directly into the refinery. In addition, Coffeyville's proximity to Conway provides access to the natural gas liquid and liquid petroleum gas ("LPG") fractionation and storage capabilities as well as the commercial markets available at Conway.

Crude Oil Supply Agreement

In August 2012, the petroleum business entered into a Crude Oil Supply Agreement (the "Vitol Agreement") with Vitol Inc. ("Vitol"). Under the Vitol Agreement, Vitol supplies the petroleum business with crude oil and intermediation logistics, which helps the petroleum business to reduce its inventory position and mitigate crude oil pricing risk. The Vitol Agreement had an initial term commencing August 31, 2012 and extending through December 31, 2014 (the "Initial Term"). Following the Initial Term, the Vitol Agreement will automatically renew for successive one-year terms (each such term, a "Renewal Term") unless either party provides the other with notice of nonrenewal at least 180 days prior to expiration of the Initial Term or any Renewal Term. The Vitol Agreement was extended for a one-year Renewal Term through December 31, 2015.

Marketing and Distribution

The petroleum business focuses its Coffeyville petroleum product marketing efforts in the central mid-continent area, because of its relative proximity to the refinery and pipeline access. Coffeyville also has access to the Rocky Mountain area. Coffeyville engages in rack marketing, which is the supply of product through tanker trucks directly to customers located in close geographic proximity to the refinery and to customers at throughput terminals on the refined products distribution systems of Magellan and NuStar. Coffeyville also makes bulk sales (sales into third-party pipelines) into the mid-continent markets and other destinations utilizing the product pipeline networks owned by Magellan, Enterprise and NuStar. The outbound Enterprise Pipeline Red Line provides Coffeyville with access to the NuStar Refined Products Pipeline system. This allows gasoline and ULSD product sales from Kansas up into North Dakota.

The Wynnewood refinery ships its finished product via pipeline, railcar, and truck. It focuses its efforts in the southern portion of the Magellan system which covers all of Oklahoma, parts of Arkansas as well as eastern Missouri, and all other Magellan terminals. The pipeline system is also able to flow in the opposite direction, providing access to Texas markets as well as some adjoining states with pipeline connections. Wynnewood also sells jet fuel to the U.S. Department of Defense via its segregated truck rack and can offer asphalts, solvents and other specialty products via both truck and rail.

Customers

Customers for the refined petroleum products primarily include retailers, railroads, and farm cooperatives and other refiners/marketers in Group 3 of the PADD II region because of their relative proximity to the refineries and pipeline access. The petroleum business sells bulk products to long-standing customers at spot market prices based on a Group 3 basis differential to prices quoted on the New York Mercantile Exchange ("NYMEX"), which are reported by industry market related indices such as Platts and Oil Price Information Service.

The petroleum business also has a rack marketing business supplying product through tanker trucks directly to customers located in proximity to the Coffeyville and Wynnewood refineries, as well as to customers located at throughput terminals on refined products distribution systems run by Magellan and NuStar. Rack sales are at posted prices that are influenced by competitor pricing and Group 3 spot market differentials. Additionally, the Wynnewood refinery supplies jet fuel to the U.S. Department of Defense. For the year ended December 31, 2014, the two largest customers accounted for approximately 13% and 9% of the petroleum business net sales and approximately 48% of the petroleum business net sales were made to its ten largest customers.

Competition

The petroleum business competes primarily on the basis of price, reliability of supply, availability of multiple grades of products and location. The principal competitive factors affecting its refining operations are cost of crude oil and other feedstock costs, refinery complexity, refinery efficiency, refinery product mix and product distribution and transportation costs. The location of the refineries provides the petroleum business with a reliable supply of crude oil and a transportation cost advantage over its competitors. The petroleum business primarily competes against five refineries operated in the mid-continent region. In addition to these refineries, the refineries compete against trading companies, as well as other refineries located outside the region that are linked to the mid-continent market through an extensive product pipeline system. These competitors include refineries located near the Gulf Coast and the Texas panhandle region. The petroleum business refinery competition also includes branded, integrated and independent oil refining companies, such as Phillips 66, HollyFrontier, NCRA, Valero and Flint Hills Resources.

Seasonality

The petroleum business experiences seasonal effects as demand for gasoline products is generally higher during the summer months than during the winter months due to seasonal increases in highway traffic and road construction work. Demand for diesel fuel is higher during the planting and harvesting seasons. As a result, the petroleum business' results of operations for the first and fourth calendar quarters are generally lower compared to its results for the second and third calendar quarters. In addition, unseasonably cool weather in the summer months and/or unseasonably warm weather in the winter months in the markets in which the petroleum business sells its petroleum products can impact the demand for gasoline and diesel fuel. The demand for asphalt is also seasonal and is generally higher during the months of March through October.

Nitrogen Fertilizer Business

The nitrogen fertilizer business, operated by the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership, is the only nitrogen fertilizer plant in North America that utilizes a pet coke gasification process to produce nitrogen fertilizer products, which are used primarily by farmers to improve the yield and quality of their crops. The nitrogen fertilizer business' principal products are UAN and ammonia. These products are manufactured at its facility in Coffeyville, Kansas. The nitrogen fertilizer business' product sales are heavily weighted toward UAN and all of its products are sold on a wholesale basis.

Raw Material Supply

The nitrogen fertilizer facility's primary input is pet coke. On average, during the past five years, over 70% of the nitrogen fertilizer business' pet coke requirements were supplied by CVR Refining's adjacent crude oil refinery pursuant to a renewable long-term agreement. Historically the nitrogen fertilizer business has obtained the remainder of its pet coke requirements from third parties such as other Midwestern refineries or pet coke brokers at spot-prices. During 2012, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership entered into a pet coke supply agreement with HollyFrontier Corporation. The term of this renewed agreement expires in December 2015 and may be renewed. If necessary, the gasification process can be modified to operate on coal as an alternative, which provides an additional raw material source. There are significant supplies of coal within a 60-mile radius of the nitrogen fertilizer plant.

Linde LLC ("Linde") owns, operates, and maintains the air separation plant that provides contract volumes of oxygen, nitrogen, and compressed dry air to the gasifiers for a monthly fee. The nitrogen fertilizer business provides and pays for all utilities required for operation of the air separation plant. The agreement with Linde expires in 2020.

Although the nitrogen fertilizer plant has its own boiler that is used to create start-up steam, it also has the ability to import start-up steam for the nitrogen fertilizer plant from the adjacent Coffeyville crude oil refinery and then export steam back to the adjacent crude oil refinery once all units in the nitrogen fertilizer plant are in service. Monthly charges and credits are recorded with steam valued at the natural gas price for the month.

Nitrogen Production Process

The nitrogen fertilizer plant was completed in 2000 with two separate gasifiers to provide redundancy and reliability. The plant uses a gasification process to convert pet coke to high purity hydrogen for subsequent conversion to ammonia. The nitrogen fertilizer plant is capable of processing approximately 1,400 tons per day of pet coke from the Coffeyville crude oil refinery and third-party sources and converting it into approximately 1,225 tons per day of ammonia. Substantially all of the ammonia produced is converted to approximately 3,000 tons per day of UAN. Typically 0.41 tons of ammonia is required to produce one ton of UAN. The nitrogen fertilizer business completed a significant two-year plant expansion in February 2013, which increased UAN production capacity by 400,000 tons or approximately 50%, per year. The expanded facility was operating at full rates at the end of the first quarter of 2013.

The nitrogen fertilizer business schedules and provides routine maintenance to its critical equipment using its own maintenance technicians. Pursuant to a Technical Services Agreement with an affiliate of the General Electric Company ("General Electric"), which licenses the gasification technology to the nitrogen fertilizer business, General Electric experts provide technical advice and technological updates from their ongoing research as well as other licensees' operating experiences. The pet coke gasification process is licensed from General Electric pursuant to a license agreement that is fully paid. The license grants the nitrogen fertilizer business perpetual rights to use the pet coke gasification process on specified terms and conditions.

Distribution, Sales and Marketing

The primary geographic markets for the nitrogen fertilizer business' fertilizer products are Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, Colorado and Texas. The nitrogen fertilizer business markets the UAN products to agricultural customers and the ammonia products to industrial and agricultural customers.

UAN and ammonia are distributed by truck or by railcar. If delivered by truck, products are sold on a freight-on-board basis, and freight is normally arranged by the customer. The nitrogen fertilizer business leases and owns a fleet of railcars for use in product delivery. The nitrogen fertilizer business incurs costs to maintain and repair its railcar fleet that include expenses related to regulatory inspections and repairs. For example, many of the nitrogen fertilizer business' railcars require specific regulatory inspections and repairs due on a ten-year interval. The extent and frequency of railcar fleet maintenance and repair costs are generally expected to change based partially on when regulatory inspections and repairs are due for its railcars under the relevant regulations. The nitrogen fertilizer business operates eight rail loading and two truck loading racks for UAN. It also operates four rail loading and two truck loading racks for ammonia.

The nitrogen fertilizer business owns all of the truck and rail loading equipment at the nitrogen fertilizer facility. The nitrogen fertilizer business also utilizes two separate UAN storage tanks and related truck and railcar load-out facilities. Each of these facilities, located in Phillipsburg and Dartmouth, Kansas, has a UAN storage tank that has a capacity of two million gallons, or approximately 10,000 tons. The Phillipsburg property that the terminal was constructed on is owned by a subsidiary of CVR Refining, which operates the terminal. The Dartmouth terminal is located on leased property owned by the Pawnee County Cooperative Association, which operates the terminal. The purpose of the UAN terminals is to collectively distribute approximately 40,000 tons of UAN fertilizer annually. These UAN terminals are currently operational.

The nitrogen fertilizer business markets agricultural products to destinations that produce strong margins. The UAN market is primarily located near the Union Pacific Railroad lines or destinations that can be supplied by truck. The ammonia market is primarily located near the Burlington Northern Santa Fe or Kansas City Southern Railroad lines or destinations that can be supplied by truck.

The nitrogen fertilizer business uses forward sales of fertilizer products to optimize its asset utilization, planning process and production scheduling. These sales are made by offering customers the opportunity to purchase product on a forward basis at prices and delivery dates that it proposes. The nitrogen fertilizer business uses this program to varying degrees during the

year and between years depending on market conditions and has the flexibility to increase or decrease forward sales depending on management's view as to whether price environments will be increasing or decreasing. Fixing the selling prices of nitrogen fertilizer products months in advance of their ultimate delivery to customers typically causes the nitrogen fertilizer business reported selling prices and margins to differ from spot market prices and margins available at the time of shipment. Cash received as a result of prepayments is recognized as deferred revenue on the Consolidated Balance Sheet upon receipt, and revenue and resultant net income and EBITDA are recorded as the product is actually delivered to the customer.

Customers

The nitrogen fertilizer business sells UAN products to retailers and distributors. In addition, it sells ammonia to agricultural and industrial customers. Some of its larger customers include Gaviion Fertilizer, LLC, United Suppliers, Inc., Crop Production Services, Inc., J.R. Simplot, Inc., Interchem and MFA. Given the nature of its business, and consistent with industry practice, the nitrogen fertilizer business does not have long-term minimum purchase contracts with any of its UAN and ammonia customers.

For the year ended December 31, 2014, the top five customers in the aggregate represented 41% of the nitrogen fertilizer business' net sales. The nitrogen fertilizer business' top two customers on a consolidated basis accounted for approximately 17% and 10%, respectively, of the nitrogen fertilizer business' net sales.

Competition

Competition in the nitrogen fertilizer industry is dominated by price considerations. However, during the spring and fall application seasons, farming activities intensify and delivery capacity is a significant competitive factor. The nitrogen fertilizer business maintains a large fleet of leased and owned railcars and seasonally adjusts inventory to enhance its manufacturing and distribution operations.

The nitrogen fertilizer business' major competitors include Agrium, Inc.; Koch Nitrogen Company, LLC; Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan, Inc.; CF Industries Holdings, Inc. and Terra Nitrogen Company, LP. Domestic competition is intense due to customers' sophisticated buying tendencies and competitor strategies that focus on cost and service. Also, foreign competition can exist from producers of fertilizer products manufactured in countries with lower cost natural gas supplies. In certain cases, foreign producers of fertilizer who export to the United States may be subsidized by their respective governments.

Based on third-party expert data regarding total United States demand for UAN and ammonia, we estimate that the nitrogen fertilizer plant's UAN production in 2014 represented approximately 7% of total U.S. UAN use and that the net ammonia produced and marketed at Coffeyville represented less than 1% of total U.S. ammonia use.

Seasonality

Because the nitrogen fertilizer business primarily sells agricultural commodity products, its business is exposed to seasonal fluctuations in demand for nitrogen fertilizer products in the agricultural industry. As a result, the nitrogen fertilizer business typically generates greater net sales in the first half of each calendar year, which is referred to as the planting season, and its net sales tend to be lower during the second half of each calendar year, which is referred to as the fall season.

Environmental Matters

The petroleum and nitrogen fertilizer businesses are subject to extensive and frequently changing federal, state and local, environmental and health and safety laws and regulations governing the emission and release of hazardous substances into the environment, the treatment and discharge of waste water, the storage, handling, use and transportation of petroleum and nitrogen products, and the characteristics and composition of gasoline and diesel fuels. These laws and regulations, their underlying regulatory requirements and the enforcement thereof impact the petroleum business and operations and the nitrogen fertilizer business and operations by imposing:

- restrictions on operations or the need to install enhanced or additional controls;
- the need to obtain and comply with permits, licenses and authorizations;
- requirements for the investigation and remediation of contaminated soil and groundwater at current and former facilities (if any) and liability for off-site waste disposal locations; and

- specifications for the products marketed by the petroleum business and the nitrogen fertilizer business, primarily gasoline, diesel fuel, UAN and ammonia.

Our operations require numerous permits, licenses and authorizations. Failure to comply with these permits or environmental laws and regulations could result in fines, penalties or other sanctions or a revocation of our permits. In addition, the laws and regulations to which we are subject are often evolving and many of them have become more stringent or have become subject to more stringent interpretation or enforcement by federal or state agencies. The ultimate impact on our business of complying with evolving laws and regulations is not always clearly known or determinable due in part to the fact that our operations may change over time and certain implementing regulations for laws, such as the federal Clean Air Act, have not yet been finalized, are under governmental or judicial review or are being revised. These laws and regulations could result in increased capital, operating and compliance costs.

The principal environmental risks associated with our businesses are outlined below.

The Federal Clean Air Act

The federal Clean Air Act and its implementing regulations, as well as the corresponding state laws and regulations that regulate emissions of pollutants into the air, affect the petroleum business and the nitrogen fertilizer business both directly and indirectly. Direct impacts may occur through the federal Clean Air Act's permitting requirements and/or emission control requirements relating to specific air pollutants, as well as the requirement to maintain a risk management program to help prevent accidental releases of certain regulated substances. The federal Clean Air Act indirectly affects the petroleum business and the nitrogen fertilizer business by extensively regulating the air emissions of sulfur dioxide ("SO₂"), volatile organic compounds, nitrogen oxides and other substances, including those emitted by mobile sources, which are direct or indirect users of our products.

Some or all of the standards promulgated pursuant to the federal Clean Air Act, or any future promulgations of standards, may require the installation of controls or changes to the petroleum business or the nitrogen fertilizer facilities in order to comply. If new controls or changes to operations are needed, the costs could be material. These new requirements, other requirements of the federal Clean Air Act, or other presently existing or future environmental regulations could cause us to expend substantial amounts to comply and/or permit our facilities to produce products that meet applicable requirements.

The regulation of air emissions under the federal Clean Air Act requires that we obtain various construction and operating permits and incur capital expenditures for the installation of certain air pollution control devices at the petroleum and nitrogen fertilizer operations when regulations change or we add new equipment or modify existing equipment. Various regulations specific to our operations have been implemented, such as National Emission Standard for Hazardous Air Pollutants ("NESHAP"), New Source Performance Standards ("NSPS") and New Source Review/Prevention of Significant Deterioration ("NSR"). We have incurred, and expect to continue to have to make, substantial capital expenditures to attain or maintain compliance with these and other air emission regulations that have been promulgated or may be promulgated or revised in the future.

On September 12, 2012, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (the "EPA") published in the Federal Register final revisions to its NSPS for process heaters and flares at petroleum refineries. The EPA originally issued final standards in June 2008, but the portions of the rule relating to process heaters and flares were stayed pending reconsideration of certain provisions. The final standards regulate emissions of nitrogen oxide from process heaters and emissions of SO₂ from flares, as well as require certain work practice and monitoring standards for flares. We do not believe that the costs of complying with the rule will be material.

On August 14, 2012, the EPA sent both the Wynnewood and Coffeyville refineries letters regarding the EPA's 2012 enforcement alert entitled *EPA Enforcement Targets Flaring Efficiency Violations* signaling the agency's intention to begin a national enforcement program to conduct compliance evaluations and take enforcement actions against petroleum refining companies that operate flares that are not in compliance with standards articulated in the Enforcement Alert. The Enforcement Alert identified new standards that refiners are required to meet for flaring combustion efficiency. The EPA has already commenced enforcement against several refining companies and we understand that other settlement negotiations are underway. Because the EPA has not specifically told us that our operations are not in compliance, we cannot say with certainty whether or when we may become an enforcement target under this initiative.

In March 2004, Coffeyville Resources Refining & Marketing, LLC ("CRRM") and Coffeyville Resources Terminal, LLC ("CRT") entered into a Consent Decree (the "2004 Consent Decree") with the EPA and the Kansas Department of Health and

Environment (the "KDHE") to resolve air compliance concerns raised by the EPA and KDHE related to Farmland's prior ownership and operation of the Coffeyville crude oil refinery and the now-closed Phillipsburg terminal facilities. Under the 2004 Consent Decree, CRRM agreed to install controls to reduce emissions of SO₂, nitrogen oxides and particulate matter from its fluid catalytic cracking unit ("FCCU") by January 1, 2011. In addition, pursuant to the 2004 Consent Decree, CRRM and CRT assumed clean-up obligations at the Coffeyville refinery and the now-closed Phillipsburg terminal facilities.

In March 2012, CRRM entered into a second consent decree (the "Second Consent Decree") with the EPA, which replaces the 2004 Consent Decree, as amended (other than certain financial provisions associated with corrective action at the refinery and terminal under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA")). The Second Consent Decree was entered by the U.S. District Court for the District of Kansas on April 19, 2012. The Second Consent Decree gives CRRM more time to install the FCCU controls from the 2004 Consent Decree and expands the scope of the settlement so that it is now considered a "global settlement" under the EPA's "National Petroleum Refining Initiative." Under the National Petroleum Refining Initiative, the EPA alleged industry-wide non-compliance with four "marquee" issues under the Clean Air Act: New Source Review, Flaring, Leak Detection and Repair, and Benzene Waste Operations NESHAP. The National Petroleum Refining Initiative has resulted in most U.S. refineries (representing more than 90% of the US refining capacity) entering into consent decrees requiring the payment of civil penalties and the installation of air pollution control equipment and enhanced operating procedures. The EPA has indicated that it will seek to have all refiners enter into "global settlements" pertaining to all "marquee" issues. Under the Second Consent Decree, CRRM was required to pay a civil penalty of approximately \$0.7 million, complete the installation of FCCU controls required under the 2004 Consent Decree, add controls to certain heaters and boilers and enhance certain work practices relating to wastewater and fugitive emissions. The remaining costs of complying with the Second Consent Decree are expected to be approximately \$44.0 million. Additional incremental capital expenditures associated with the Second Consent Decree will not be material and will be limited primarily to the retrofit and replacement of heaters and boilers over a several year timeframe.

Wynnewood Refining Company, LLC ("WRC") entered into a Consent Order with the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality ("ODEQ") in August 2011 (the "Wynnewood Consent Order"). The Wynnewood Consent Order addresses certain historic Clean Air Act compliance issues related to the operations of the refinery by the prior owner. Under the Wynnewood Consent Order, WRC paid a civil penalty of \$950,000, and agreed to install certain controls, enhance certain compliance programs, and undertake additional testing and auditing. A substantial portion of the costs of complying with the Wynnewood Consent Order were expended during the last turnaround. The remaining costs are expected to be approximately \$3.0 million. In consideration for entering into the Wynnewood Consent Order, WRC received a release from liability from ODEQ for the matters described in the ODEQ order.

From time to time, ODEQ conducts air inspections of the Wynnewood refinery and pursues enforcement related to any alleged non-compliance with the Clean Air Act seeking civil penalties and injunctive relief, which may necessitate the installation of controls. In January 2014, ODEQ issued a full compliance evaluation ("FCE") report covering the period from December 2010 through June 2013, which covered periods of the previous owner's ownership and operation and, in some cases, continued into CVR Refining's ownership of the Wynnewood refinery. In addition, on April 11, 2014, WRC received a partial compliance evaluation ("PCE") report from ODEQ alleging violations of the Clean Air Act. ODEQ conducted a follow-up inspection on June 30, 2014. WRC has responded to both the FCE and PCE. The costs of any enforcement that may arise as a result of the FCE or the PCE cannot be predicted at this time. However, based on our experience related to Clean Air Act enforcement and control requirements, we do not anticipate that the costs of any civil penalties, required additional controls or operational changes would be material.

On September 23, 2011, the United States Department of Justice ("DOJ"), acting on behalf of the EPA and the United States Coast Guard, filed suit against CRRM in the United States District Court for the District of Kansas seeking recovery from CRRM related to alleged non-compliance with the Clean Air Act's Risk Management Program ("RMP"), the Clean Water Act ("CWA") and the Oil Pollution Act ("OPA") (in addition to other matters described below, (see "— Environmental Remediation")). DOJ's CWA and OPA claims related to a flood and oil spill at the refinery that occurred on June 30/July 1, 2007. CRRM reached an agreement with the DOJ to resolve its claims under the CWA and the OPA. The agreement was memorialized in a Consent Decree that was filed with and approved by the Court on February 12, 2013 and March 25, 2013, respectively (the "2013 Consent Decree"). On April 19, 2013, CRRM paid a civil penalty (including accrued interest) in the amount of \$0.6 million related to the CWA claims and reimbursed the Coast Guard for oversight costs under OPA in the amount of \$1.7 million. The 2013 Consent Decree also requires CRRM to make small capital upgrades to the Coffeyville refinery crude oil tank farm, develop flood procedures and provide employee training, the majority of which have already been completed.

The parties also reached an agreement to settle DOJ's claims related to alleged non-compliance with RMP. The agreement was memorialized in a separate consent decree that was filed with and approved by the Court on May 21, 2013 and July 2, 2013, respectively (the "RMP Consent Decree"), and provided for a civil penalty of \$0.3 million. On July 29, 2013, CRRM

paid the civil penalty related to the RMP claims. In 2014, CRRM completed several audits required by the RMP Consent Decree, which were related to compliance with RMP requirements.

The Coffeyville refinery's Clean Air Act Title V operating permit has expired, and has not yet been re-issued. The Coffeyville refinery submitted an application for renewal and currently operates under a permit shield, which authorizes permittees who timely submit their renewal application, to continue operations until the permit is re-issued. The permit renewal process has begun, and capital costs or expenses, if any, related to changes to these permits are not known yet, but are not expected to be material.

The Federal Clean Water Act

The federal Clean Water Act and its implementing regulations, as well as the corresponding state laws and regulations that regulate the discharge of pollutants into the water, affect the petroleum business and the nitrogen fertilizer business. Direct impacts occur through the federal Clean Water Act's permitting requirements, which establish discharge limitations based on technology standards, water quality standards, and restrictions on the total maximum daily load ("TMDL") of pollutants that may be released to a particular water body based on its use. In addition, water resources are becoming and in the future may become scarcer, and many refiners, including CRRM and WRC, are subject to restrictions on their ability to use water in the event of low availability conditions. Both CRRM and WRC have contracts in place to receive additional water during low-flow conditions, but these conditions could change over time if water becomes scarce.

The Wynnewood refinery's CWA permit ("OPDES permit") has expired. The refinery currently operates under a permit shield, which authorizes permittees who timely submit their renewal application to continue discharging under an expired permit until the permitting authority re-issues the permit. Capital costs or expenses related to changes to this permit, if any, are not expected to be material.

WRC has entered into a series of CWA consent orders with ODEQ. The latest consent order (the "CWA Consent Order"), which superseded other consent orders, became effective in September 2011. The CWA Consent Order addressed alleged non-compliance by WRC with its OPDES permit limits. The CWA Consent Order required WRC to take corrective action steps, including undertaking studies to determine whether the Wynnewood refinery's wastewater treatment plant capacity is sufficient. WRC completed its obligations under the CWA Consent Order, and ODEQ notified WRC that the CWA Consent Order is closed.

Release Reporting

The release of hazardous substances or extremely hazardous substances into the environment is subject to release reporting requirements under federal and state environmental laws. Our facilities periodically experience releases of hazardous substances and extremely hazardous substances. For example, the nitrogen fertilizer facility periodically experiences minor releases of hazardous and extremely hazardous substances from its equipment. Our facilities periodically have excess emission events from flaring and other planned and unplanned start-up, shutdown and malfunction events. Such releases are reported to the EPA and relevant state and local agencies. From time to time, the EPA has conducted inspections and issued information requests to us with respect to our compliance with release reporting requirements under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA") and the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act. If we fail to timely or properly report a release, or if the release violates the law or our permits, it could cause us to become the subject of a governmental enforcement action or third-party claims. Government enforcement or third-party claims relating to releases of hazardous or extremely hazardous substances could result in significant expenditures and liability.

Fuel Regulations

Tier 2, Low Sulfur Fuels. In February 2000, the EPA promulgated the Tier 2 Motor Vehicle Emission Standards Final Rule for all passenger vehicles, establishing standards for sulfur content in gasoline that were required to be met by 2006. In addition, in January 2001, the EPA promulgated its on-road diesel regulations, which required a 97% reduction in the sulfur content of diesel fuel sold for highway use by June 1, 2006, with full compliance by January 1, 2010. The refineries are in compliance with the EPA's low sulfur gasoline and diesel fuel standards.

Tier 3. In April 2014, the EPA promulgated the Tier 3 Motor Vehicle Emission and Fuel Standards, which will require that gasoline contain no more than ten parts per million of sulfur on an annual average basis. Refineries must be in compliance with the more stringent emission standards by January 1, 2017; however, compliance with the rule is extended until January 1, 2020 for approved small volume refineries and small refiners. The Wynnewood refinery has submitted an application to EPA

requesting "small volume refinery" status. It is not anticipated that the refineries will require additional controls or capital expenditures to meet the anticipated new standard.

Mobile Source Air Toxic II Emissions

In 2007, the EPA promulgated the Mobile Source Air Toxic II ("MSAT II") rule that requires the reduction of benzene in gasoline by 2011. The MSAT II projects for CRRM and WRC were completed within the compliance deadline of November 1, 2014. The projects were completed at a total cost of approximately \$47.6 million and \$88.3 million, excluding capitalized interest, by CRRM and WRC, respectively.

Renewable Fuel Standards

In 2007, the EPA promulgated the Renewable Fuel Standard ("RFS"), which requires refiners to either blend "renewable fuels" in with their transportation fuels or purchase renewable fuel credits, known as renewable identification numbers ("RINs") in lieu of blending. Due to mandates in the RFS requiring increasing volumes of renewable fuels to replace petroleum products in the U.S. motor fuel market, there may be a decrease in demand for petroleum products. The EPA is required to determine and publish the applicable annual renewable fuel percentage standards for each compliance year by November 30 of the prior year. The percentage standards represent the ratio of renewable fuel volume to gasoline and diesel volume. Beginning in 2011, the Coffeyville refinery was required to blend renewable fuels into its gasoline and diesel fuel or purchase RINs in lieu of blending. In 2013, the Wynnewood refinery was subject to the RFS for the first time. However, because the cost of purchasing RINs had been extremely volatile and had significantly increased, the Wynnewood refinery petitioned the EPA as a "small refinery" for hardship relief from the RFS requirements in 2013 based on the "disproportionate economic hardship" of the rule on the Wynnewood refinery. The EPA denied the petition in a letter dated September 5, 2014.

During 2013, the cost of RINs became extremely volatile as the EPA's proposed renewable fuel volume mandates approached the "blend wall." The blend wall refers to the point at which refiners are required to blend more ethanol into the transportation fuel supply than can be supported by the demand for E10 gasoline (gasoline containing 10 percent ethanol by volume). In November 2013, the EPA published the annual renewable fuel percentage standards for 2014, which acknowledged the blend wall and were generally lower than the volumes for 2013 and lower than statutory mandates. The price of RINs decreased significantly after the 2014 proposed percentage standards were published; however, RIN prices remained volatile and increased subsequently in 2014. In May 2014, the EPA lowered the 2013 cellulosic biofuel standard to 0.0005%, and, in June 2014, the EPA extended the compliance demonstration deadline for the 2013 RFS to September 30, 2014. In August 2014, the EPA further extended the compliance demonstration deadline for the 2013 RFS to 30 days following the publication of the final 2014 annual renewable fuel percentage standards. In November 2014, the EPA announced that it would not finalize the 2014 annual renewable fuel percentage standards before the end of 2014, thereby extending the compliance deadline for the 2013 RFS as well.

The future cost of RINs for the petroleum business going forward is difficult to estimate, particularly until such time that the 2014 renewable fuel percentage standards are finalized and the 2015 renewable fuel percentage standards are announced. Additionally, the cost of RINs is dependent upon a variety of factors, which include EPA regulations, the availability of RINs for purchase, the price at which RINs can be purchased, transportation fuel production levels, the mix of the petroleum business' petroleum products, as well as the fuel blending performed at the refineries, all of which can vary significantly from quarter to quarter.

Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Various regulatory and legislative measures to address greenhouse gas ("GHG") emissions (including carbon dioxide ("CO₂"), methane and nitrous oxides) are in different phases of implementation or discussion. In the aftermath of its 2009 "endangerment finding" that GHG emissions pose a threat to public health and welfare, the EPA has begun to regulate GHG emissions under the authority granted to it under the federal Clean Air Act.

In October 2009, the EPA finalized a rule requiring certain large emitters of GHGs to inventory and report their GHG emissions to the EPA. In accordance with the rule, we have begun monitoring and reporting our GHG emissions to the EPA. In May 2010, the EPA finalized the "Greenhouse Gas Tailoring Rule," which established new GHG emissions thresholds that determine when stationary sources, such as the refineries and the nitrogen fertilizer plant, must obtain permits under the NSR and Title V programs of the federal Clean Air Act. The significance of the permitting requirements is that, in cases where a new source is constructed or an existing major source undergoes a major modification, the facilities are required to undergo NSR review and evaluate and install air pollution controls to reduce GHG emissions. A major modification resulting in a significant

increase in GHG emissions at the nitrogen fertilizer plant or the refineries may require the installation of air pollution controls as part of the permitting process.

In the meantime, in December 2010, the EPA reached a settlement agreement with numerous parties under which it agreed to promulgate NSPS to regulate GHG emissions from petroleum refineries and electric utilities by November 2012. Although the EPA has proposed standards for electric utilities, it has not yet proposed NSPS standards to regulate GHG emissions from petroleum refineries. In September 2014, the EPA indicated that the petroleum refining sector risk rule, proposed in June 2014 to address air toxics and volatile organic compounds from refineries, may make it unnecessary for the EPA to regulate GHG emissions from petroleum refineries at this time. The proposed sector risk rule would place additional emission control requirements on storage tanks, flares and coking units at petroleum refineries. Therefore, we expect that the EPA will not be issuing NSPS standards to regulate GHG from the refineries at this time but that it may do so in the future.

During a State of the Union address in January 2014 and again in January 2015, President Obama indicated that the United States should take action to address climate change. At the federal legislative level, this could mean Congressional passage of legislation adopting some form of federal mandatory GHG emission reduction, such as a nationwide cap-and-trade program. It is also possible that Congress may pass alternative climate change bills that do not mandate a nationwide cap-and-trade program and instead focus on promoting renewable energy and energy efficiency.

In addition to potential federal legislation, a number of states have adopted regional GHG initiatives to reduce CO₂ and other GHG emissions. In 2007, a group of Midwest states, including Kansas (where the Coffeyville refinery and the nitrogen fertilizer facility are located), formed the Midwestern Greenhouse Gas Reduction Accord, which calls for the development of a cap-and-trade system to control GHG emissions and for the inventory of such emissions. However, the individual states that have signed on to the accord must adopt laws or regulations implementing the trading scheme before it becomes effective, and it is unclear whether Kansas intends to do so.

Alternatively, the EPA may take further steps to regulate GHG emissions. The implementation of EPA regulations and/or the passage of federal or state climate change legislation may result in increased costs to (i) operate and maintain our facilities, (ii) install new emission controls on our facilities and (iii) administer and manage any GHG emissions program. Increased costs associated with compliance with any current or future legislation or regulation of GHG emissions, if it occurs, may have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

In addition, climate change legislation and regulations may result in increased costs not only for our business but also users of our refined and fertilizer products, thereby potentially decreasing demand for our products. Decreased demand for our products may have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

RCRA

Our operations are subject to the RCRA requirements for the generation, transportation, treatment, storage and disposal of solid and hazardous wastes. When feasible, RCRA-regulated materials are recycled instead of being disposed of on-site or off-site. RCRA establishes standards for the management of solid and hazardous wastes. Besides governing current waste disposal practices, RCRA also addresses the environmental effects of certain past waste disposal practices, the recycling of wastes and the regulation of underground storage tanks containing regulated substances.

In January 2014, the EPA issued an inspection report to the Wynnewood refinery related to a RCRA compliance evaluation inspection conducted in March 2013. In February 2014, ODEQ notified WRC that it concurred with the EPA's inspection findings and would be pursuing enforcement. WRC and ODEQ currently are engaged in settlement discussions related to a civil penalty and injunctive relief. The costs of any related enforcement action cannot be predicted at this time. However, based on our experiences related to RCRA enforcement, we do not anticipate that the costs of any civil penalties, required additional controls or operational changes would be material.

Waste Management. There are two closed hazardous waste units at the Coffeyville refinery and eight other hazardous waste units in the process of being closed pending state agency approval. There is one closed hazardous waste unit and one active hazardous waste storage tank at the Wynnewood refinery. In addition, one closed interim status hazardous waste land farm located at the now-closed Phillipsburg terminal is under long-term post closure care.

Impacts of Past Manufacturing. The 2004 Consent Decree that CRRM signed with the EPA and KDHE required us to assume two RCRA corrective action orders issued to Farmland, the prior owner of the Coffeyville refinery. We are subject to a 1994 EPA administrative order related to investigation of possible past releases of hazardous materials to the environment at the Coffeyville refinery. In accordance with the order, we have documented existing soil and groundwater conditions, which

require investigation or remediation projects. The now-closed Phillipsburg terminal is subject to a 1996 EPA administrative order related to investigation of releases of hazardous materials to the environment at the Phillipsburg terminal, which operated as a refinery until 1991. Remediation at both sites, if necessary, will be based on the results of the investigations. The Wynnewood refinery operates under a RCRA permit. A RCRA facility investigation has been completed in accordance with the terms of the permit. Based on the facility investigation and other available information, ODEQ has required further investigations of groundwater conditions. Remediation, if necessary, will be based upon the results of further investigation.

The anticipated investigation and remediation costs through 2018 were estimated, as of December 31, 2014, to be as follows:

Facility	Site Investigation Costs	Capital Costs	Total Operation & Maintenance Costs Through 2018	Total Estimated Costs Through 2018
(in millions)				
Coffeyville Refinery	\$ 0.6	\$ —	\$ 0.7	\$ 1.3
Phillipsburg Terminal	0.6	—	1.3	1.9
Wynnewood Refinery	0.2	—	1.1	1.3
Total Estimated Costs	<u>\$ 1.4</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 3.1</u>	<u>\$ 4.5</u>

These estimates are based on current information and could increase or decrease as additional information becomes available through our ongoing remediation and investigation activities. At this point, we have estimated that, over ten years starting in 2015, we will spend approximately \$6.3 million to remedy impacts from past manufacturing activity at the Coffeyville refinery and to address existing soil and groundwater contamination at the now-closed Phillipsburg terminal and at the Wynnewood refinery. It is possible that additional costs will be required after this ten year period. We spent approximately \$1.3 million in 2014 associated with related remediation.

Financial Assurance. We are required under the 2004 Consent Decree to establish financial assurance to secure the projected clean-up costs posed by the Coffeyville and the now-closed Phillipsburg facilities in the event we fail to fulfill our clean-up obligations. In accordance with the 2004 Consent Decree as modified by a 2010 agreement between CRRM, CRT, the EPA and the KDHE, this financial assurance is currently provided by a bond in the amount of \$4.5 million for clean-up obligations at the Phillipsburg terminal and a letter of credit in the amount of \$0.2 million for estimated costs to close regulated hazardous waste management units at the Coffeyville refinery. Additional self-funded financial assurance of approximately \$4.8 million and \$2.4 million is required by our post-closure care obligations and the 2004 Consent Decree for clean-up costs at the Coffeyville refinery and Phillipsburg terminal, respectively. The \$4.5 million bond amount is reduced each year based on actual expenditures for corrective actions and the letter of credit and the self-funded mechanisms are re-evaluated and adjusted on an annual basis. Current RCRA financial assurance requirements for the Wynnewood refinery total \$0.3 million for hazardous waste storage tank closure and post-closure monitoring of a closed storm water retention pond.

Environmental Remediation

Under the CERCLA, RCRA, and related state laws, certain persons may be liable for the release or threatened release of hazardous substances. These persons include the current owner or operator of property where a release or threatened release occurred, any persons who owned or operated the property when the release occurred, and any persons who disposed of, or arranged for the transportation or disposal of, hazardous substances at a contaminated property. Liability under CERCLA is strict, and under certain circumstances, joint and several, so that any responsible party may be held liable for the entire cost of investigating and remediating the release of hazardous substances. Similarly, the OPA of 1990 generally subjects owners and operators of facilities to strict, joint and several liability for all containment and clean-up costs, natural resource damages, and potential governmental oversight costs arising from oil spills into the waters of the United States, which has been broadly interpreted to include most water bodies including intermittent streams.

In connection with the discharge of crude oil on July 1, 2007, CRRM reached an agreement with the DOJ to resolve its claims under the CWA and the OPA. The agreement is memorialized in the 2013 Consent Decree. See "— The Federal Clean Air Act" above.

As is the case with all companies engaged in similar industries, we face potential exposure from future claims and lawsuits involving environmental matters, including soil and water contamination, personal injury or property damage allegedly caused by crude oil or hazardous substances that we manufactured, handled, used, stored, transported, spilled, disposed of or released.

We cannot assure you that we will not become involved in future proceedings related to our release of hazardous or extremely hazardous substances or crude oil or that, if we were held responsible for damages in any existing or future proceedings, such costs would be covered by insurance or would not be material.

Environmental Insurance

We are covered by a site pollution legal liability insurance policy with an aggregate limit of \$50.0 million per pollution condition, subject to a self-insured retention of \$1.0 million. The policy includes business interruption coverage, subject to a 5-day waiting period deductible. This insurance expires on March 1, 2015 and is expected to be renewed without any material changes in terms. The policy insures any location owned, leased or rented or operated by the Company, including the Coffeyville refinery, the Wynnewood refinery and the nitrogen fertilizer facility. The policy insures certain pollution conditions at or migrating from a covered location, certain waste transportation and disposal activities and business interruption.

In addition to the site pollution legal liability insurance policy, we maintain umbrella and excess casualty insurance policies having an aggregate and occurrence limit of \$150.0 million, subject to a self-insured retention of \$2.0 million. This insurance provides coverage due to named perils for claims involving pollutants where the discharge is sudden and accidental and first commenced at a specific day and time during the policy period. The casualty insurance policies, including umbrella and excess policies, expire on March 1, 2015 and are expected to be renewed or replaced by insurance policies containing equivalent sudden and accidental pollution coverage with no reduction in limits.

The site pollution legal liability policy and the pollution coverage provided in the casualty insurance policies contain discovery requirements, reporting requirements, exclusions, definitions, conditions and limitations that could apply to a particular pollution claim, and there can be no assurance such claim will be adequately insured for all potential damages.

Safety, Health and Security Matters

We are subject to a number of federal and state laws and regulations related to safety, including the Occupational Safety and Health Act ("OSHA") and comparable state statutes, the purpose of which are to protect the health and safety of workers. We also are subject to OSHA Process Safety Management regulations, which are designed to prevent or minimize the consequences of catastrophic releases of toxic, reactive, flammable or explosive chemicals.

We operate a comprehensive safety, health and security program, with participation by employees at all levels of the organization. We have developed comprehensive safety programs aimed at preventing OSHA recordable incidents. Despite our efforts to achieve excellence in our safety and health performance, there can be no assurances that there will not be accidents resulting in injuries or even fatalities. We routinely audit our programs and consider improvements in our management systems.

The Wynnewood refinery has been the subject of a number of OSHA inspections since 2006. As a result of these inspections, the Wynnewood refinery has entered into four OSHA settlement agreements in 2008, pursuant to which it has agreed to undertake certain studies, conduct abatement activities, and revise and enhance certain OSHA compliance programs. The remaining costs associated with implementing these studies, abatement activities and program revisions are not expected to exceed \$1.0 million.

On September 28, 2012, the Wynnewood refinery experienced an explosion in a boiler unit during startup after a short outage as part of the turnaround process. Two employees were fatally injured. Damage at the refinery was limited to the boiler. Additionally, there has been no evidence of environmental impact. The refinery was in the final stages of shutdown for turnaround maintenance at the time of the incident. The petroleum business completed an internal investigation of the incident and cooperated with OSHA in its investigation. OSHA also conducted a general inspection of the facility during the boiler incident investigation. In March 2013, OSHA completed its investigation and communicated its citations to WRC. OSHA also placed WRC in its Severe Violators Enforcement Program ("SVEP"). WRC is vigorously contesting the citations and OSHA's placement of WRC in the SVEP. Any penalties associated with OSHA's citations are not expected to have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial statements. On September 25, 2013, WRC agreed to pay a small civil penalty to settle rather than defend claims alleged by the EPA under the Clean Air Act's general duty clause related to the boiler incident. In addition to the above, the spouses of the two employees fatally injured have filed a civil lawsuit against WRC, CVR Refining and CVR Energy in Fort Bend County, Texas. The civil suit is in discovery and the companies will vigorously defend the suit. It is currently too early to assess a potential outcome in the matter.

Process Safety Management. We maintain a process safety management ("PSM") program. This program is designed to address all aspects of the OSHA guidelines for developing and maintaining a comprehensive PSM program. We will continue to audit our programs and consider improvements in our management systems as well as our operations.

Emergency Planning and Response. We have an emergency response plan that describes the organization, responsibilities and plans for responding to emergencies in our facilities. This plan is communicated to local regulatory and community groups. We have on-site warning siren systems and personal radios. We will continue to audit our programs and consider improvements in our management systems and equipment.

Employees

As of December 31, 2014, 982 employees were employed by the petroleum business, 144 were employed by the nitrogen fertilizer business and 172 employees were employed by the Company at our offices in Sugar Land, Texas and Kansas City, Kansas. As of December 31, 2014, these employees are covered by health insurance, disability and retirement plans established by the Company.

As of December 31, 2014, the Coffeyville refinery employed 662 of the petroleum business employees, about 51% of whom were covered by a collective bargaining agreement. These employees are affiliated with five unions of the Metal Trades Department of the AFL-CIO ("Metal Trade Unions") and the United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union, AFL-CIO-CLC ("United Steelworkers"). The petroleum business is a party to a collective bargaining agreement with the Metal Trade Unions covering union members who work directly at the Coffeyville refinery. The agreement expires in March 2019. In addition, a collective bargaining agreement with the United Steelworkers, which covers the balance of the petroleum business' unionized employees who work in crude transportation and related operations, expires in March 2017 and automatically renews on an annual basis thereafter unless a written notice is received sixty days in advance of the relevant expiration date.

As of December 31, 2014, the Wynnewood refinery employed 320 people, about 59% of whom were represented by the International Union of Operating Engineers. The collective bargaining agreement with the International Union of Operating Engineers with respect to the Wynnewood refinery expires in June 2017. We believe that our relationship with our employees is good.

Available Information

Our website address is www.cvrenergy.com. Our annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and all amendments to those reports, are available free of charge through our website under "Investor Relations," as soon as reasonably practicable after the electronic filing of these reports is made with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). In addition, our Corporate Governance Guidelines, Codes of Ethics and Charters of the Audit Committee, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors are available on our website. These guidelines, policies and charters are also available in print without charge to any stockholder requesting them. Our SEC filings, including exhibits filed therewith, are also available at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. You may obtain and copy any document we furnish or file with the SEC at the SEC's public reference room at 100 F Street, NE, Room 1580, Washington, DC 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the SEC's public reference facilities by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. You may request copies of these documents, upon payment of a duplicating fee, by writing to the SEC at its principal office at 100 F Street, NE, Room 1580, Washington, DC 20549.

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Item 1A. Risk Factors

You should carefully consider each of the following risks together with the other information contained in this Report and all of the information set forth in our filings with the SEC. If any of the following risks and uncertainties develops into actual events, our business, financial condition or results of operations could be materially adversely affected.

Risks Related to the Petroleum Business

The price volatility of crude oil and other feedstocks, refined products and utility services may have a material adverse effect on the petroleum business' earnings, profitability and cash flows.

The petroleum business' financial results are primarily affected by the relationship, or margin, between refined product prices and the prices for crude oil and other feedstocks. When the margin between refined product prices and crude oil and other feedstock prices tightens, the petroleum business' earnings, profitability and cash flows are negatively affected. Refining margins historically have been volatile and are likely to continue to be volatile, as a result of a variety of factors including fluctuations in prices of crude oil, other feedstocks and refined products. Continued future volatility in refining industry margins may cause a decline in the petroleum business' results of operations, since the margin between refined product prices and crude oil and other feedstock prices may decrease below the amount needed for the petroleum business to generate net cash flow sufficient for its needs. Although an increase or decrease in the price for crude oil generally results in a similar increase or decrease in prices for refined products, there is normally a time lag in the realization of the similar increase or decrease in prices for refined products. The effect of changes in crude oil prices on the petroleum business' results of operations therefore depends in part on how quickly and how fully refined product prices adjust to reflect these changes. A substantial or prolonged increase in crude oil prices without a corresponding increase in refined product prices, or a substantial or prolonged decrease in refined product prices without a corresponding decrease in crude oil prices, could have a significant negative impact on the petroleum business' earnings, results of operations and cash flows.

Profitability is also impacted by the ability to purchase crude oil at a discount to benchmark crude oils, such as WTI, as the petroleum business does not produce any crude oil and must purchase all of the crude oil it refines. Crude oil differentials can fluctuate significantly based upon overall economic and crude oil market conditions. Declines in crude oil differentials can adversely impact refining margins, earnings and cash flows. In addition, the petroleum business' purchases of crude oil, although based on WTI prices, have historically been at a discount to WTI because of the proximity of the refineries to the sources, existing logistics infrastructure and quality differences. Any change in the sources of crude oil, infrastructure or logistical improvements or quality differences could result in a reduction of the petroleum business' historical discount to WTI and may result in a reduction of the petroleum business' cost advantage.

Refining margins are also impacted by domestic and global refining capacity. Downturns in the economy reduce the demand for refined fuels and, in turn, generate excess capacity. In addition, the expansion and construction of refineries domestically and globally can increase refined fuel production capacity. Excess capacity can adversely impact refining margins, earnings and cash flows.

The petroleum business is significantly affected by developments in the markets in which it operates. For example, numerous pipeline projects in 2014 expanded the connectivity of the Cushing and Permian Basin markets to the gulf coast, resulting in a decrease in the domestic crude advantage. Additionally, in late 2014, market factors resulted in a rapid downward price adjustment in the oil and gas industry. The resultant spike in volatility continuing in 2015 has caused major adjustments in oil debt markets as well as announced and expected cuts in 2015 budgets in both North American shale and Canadian projects. The refining industry is directly impacted by these events and has seen a downward movement in refining margins as a result. A significant and/or prolonged deterioration in market conditions would have a material adverse effect on the petroleum business' earnings, results of operations and cash flows.

Volatile prices for natural gas and electricity also affect the petroleum business' manufacturing and operating costs. Natural gas and electricity prices have been, and will continue to be, affected by supply and demand for fuel and utility services in both local and regional markets.

If the petroleum business is required to obtain its crude oil supply without the benefit of a crude oil supply agreement, its exposure to the risks associated with volatile crude oil prices may increase and its liquidity may be reduced.

Since December 31, 2009, the petroleum business has obtained substantially all of its crude oil supply for the Coffeyville refinery, other than the crude oil it gathers, through the Vitol Agreement. The Vitol Agreement was amended and restated on August 31, 2012 to include the provision of crude oil intermediation services to the Wynnewood refinery. The agreement, which currently extends through December 31, 2015, minimizes the amount of in-transit inventory and mitigates crude oil pricing risk by ensuring pricing takes place close to the time the crude oil is refined and the yielded products are sold. If the petroleum business were required to obtain its crude oil supply without the benefit of a supply intermediation agreement, its exposure to crude oil pricing risk may increase, despite any hedging activity in which it may engage, and its liquidity would be negatively impacted due to increased inventory and the negative impact of market volatility. There is no assurance that the petroleum business will be able to renew or extend the Vitol Agreement beyond December 31, 2015.

Disruption of the petroleum business' ability to obtain an adequate supply of crude oil could reduce its liquidity and increase its costs.

In addition to the crude oil the petroleum business gathers locally in Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Nebraska and Texas, it also purchased additional crude oil to be refined into liquid fuels in 2014. In 2014, the Coffeyville refinery purchased an additional 75,000 to 80,000 bpd of crude oil while the Wynnewood refinery purchased approximately 55,000 to 60,000 bpd of crude oil. The Wynnewood refinery has historically acquired most of its crude oil from Texas and Oklahoma with smaller amounts purchased from other regions. The Coffeyville refinery obtained a portion of its non-gathered crude oil, approximately 22% in 2014, from foreign sources, and the Wynnewood refinery obtained approximately 1% of its non-gathered crude oil from foreign sources as well. The majority of these foreign sourced crude oil barrels were derived from Canada. The actual amount of foreign crude oil the petroleum business purchases is dependent on market conditions and will vary from year to year. The petroleum business is subject to the political, geographic, and economic risks attendant to doing business with foreign suppliers. Disruption of production in any of these regions for any reason could have a material impact on other regions and the petroleum business. In the event that one or more of its traditional suppliers becomes unavailable, the petroleum business may be unable to obtain an adequate supply of crude oil, or it may only be able to obtain crude oil at unfavorable prices. As a result, the petroleum business may experience a reduction in its liquidity and its results of operations could be materially adversely affected.

If our access to the pipelines on which the petroleum business relies for the supply of its crude oil and the distribution of its products is interrupted, its inventory and costs may increase and it may be unable to efficiently distribute its products.

If one of the pipelines on which either of the Coffeyville or Wynnewood refineries relies for supply of crude oil becomes inoperative, the petroleum business would be required to obtain crude oil through alternative pipelines or from additional tanker trucks, which could increase its costs and result in lower production levels and profitability. Similarly, if a major refined fuels pipeline becomes inoperative, the petroleum business would be required to keep refined fuels in inventory or supply refined fuels to its customers through an alternative pipeline or by additional tanker trucks, which could increase the petroleum business' costs and result in a decline in profitability.

The geographic concentration of the petroleum business' refineries and related assets creates an exposure to the risks of the local economy in which we operate and other local adverse conditions. The location of its refineries also creates the risk of increased transportation costs should the supply/demand balance change in its region such that regional supply exceeds regional demand for refined products.

As the petroleum business' refineries are both located in the southern portion of Group 3 of the PADD II region, the petroleum business primarily markets its refined products in a relatively limited geographic area. As a result, it is more susceptible to regional economic conditions than the operations of more geographically diversified competitors, and any unforeseen events or circumstances that affect its operating area could also materially adversely affect its revenues and cash flows. These factors include, among other things, changes in the economy, weather conditions, demographics and population, increased supply of refined products from competitors and reductions in the supply of crude oil.

Should the supply/demand balance shift in its region as a result of changes in the local economy, an increase in refining capacity or other reasons, resulting in supply in the region exceeding demand, the petroleum business may have to deliver refined products to customers outside of the region and thus incur considerably higher transportation costs, resulting in lower refining margins, if any.

If sufficient RINs are unavailable for purchase, if the petroleum business has to pay a significantly higher price for RINs or if the petroleum business is otherwise unable to meet the EPA's Renewable Fuels Standard (RFS) mandates, the petroleum business' financial condition and results of operations could be materially adversely affected.

Pursuant to the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007, the EPA has promulgated the RFS, which requires refiners to either blend "renewable fuels," such as ethanol, into their petroleum fuels or purchase renewable fuel credits, known as RINs, in lieu of blending. Under the RFS, the volume of renewable fuels refineries like Coffeyville and Wynnewood are obligated to blend into their finished petroleum products is adjusted annually. The petroleum business currently purchases RINs for some fuel categories on the open market, as well as waiver credits for cellulosic biofuels from the EPA, in order to comply with the RFS. Existing laws or regulations could change, and the minimum volumes of renewable fuels that must be blended with refined petroleum products may increase. In the future, the petroleum business may be required to purchase additional RINs on the open market and waiver credits from the EPA in order to comply with the RFS. During 2013, the price of RINs was extremely volatile as the EPA's proposed renewable fuel volume mandates approached the "blend wall." The blend wall refers to the point at which refiners are required to blend more ethanol into the transportation fuel supply than can be supported by the demand for E10 gasoline (gasoline containing 10 percent ethanol by volume). In November 2013, the EPA published the annual renewable fuel percentage standards for 2014, which acknowledged the blend wall and were generally lower than the volumes for 2013 and lower than statutory mandates. The price of RINs decreased significantly after the 2014 percentage standards were published; however, RIN prices remained volatile and increased subsequently in 2014. In May 2014, the EPA lowered the 2013 cellulosic biofuel standard to 0.0005%, and, in June 2014, the EPA extended the compliance demonstration deadline for the 2013 RFS to September 30, 2014. In August 2014, the EPA further extended the compliance demonstration deadline for the 2013 RFS to 30 days following the publication of the final 2014 annual renewable fuel percentage standards. In November 2014, the EPA announced that it would not finalize the 2014 annual renewable fuel percentage standards before the end of 2014 thereby extending the compliance deadlines for the 2013 RFS as well.

The petroleum business cannot predict the future prices of RINs or waiver credits, particularly until such time that the 2014 renewable fuel percentage standards are finalized and the 2015 renewable fuel percentage standards are announced. Additionally, as the cost of RINs is dependent upon a variety of factors, which include EPA regulations, the availability of RINs for purchase, the price at which RINs can be purchased, transportation fuel production levels, the mix of the petroleum business' petroleum products, as well as the fuel blending performed at the refineries, all of which can vary significantly from quarter to quarter. However, the costs to obtain the necessary number of RINs and waiver credits could be material. Additionally, because the petroleum business does not produce renewable fuels, increasing the volume of renewable fuels that must be blended into its products displaces an increasing volume of the refineries' product pool, potentially resulting in lower earnings and materially adversely affecting the petroleum business' cash flows. If sufficient RINs are unavailable for purchase, if the petroleum business has to pay a significantly higher price for RINs or if the petroleum business is otherwise unable to meet the EPA's RFS mandates, its business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially adversely affected.

The petroleum business faces significant competition, both within and outside of its industry. Competitors who produce their own supply of crude oil or other feedstocks, have extensive retail outlets, make alternative fuels or have greater financial resources than it does may have a competitive advantage.

The refining industry is highly competitive with respect to both crude oil and other feedstock supply and refined product markets. The petroleum business may be unable to compete effectively with competitors within and outside of the industry, which could result in reduced profitability. The petroleum business competes with numerous other companies for available supplies of crude oil and other feedstocks and for outlets for its refined products. The petroleum business is not engaged in the petroleum exploration and production business and therefore it does not produce any of its crude oil feedstocks. It does not have a retail business and therefore is dependent upon others for outlets for its refined products. It does not have any long-term arrangements (those exceeding more than a twelve-month period) for much of its output. Many of its competitors obtain significant portions of their crude oil and other feedstocks from company-owned production and have extensive retail outlets. Competitors that have their own production or extensive retail outlets with brand-name recognition are at times able to offset losses from refining operations with profits from producing or retailing operations, and may be better positioned to withstand periods of depressed refining margins or feedstock shortages.

A number of the petroleum business' competitors also have materially greater financial and other resources than it does. These competitors may have a greater ability to bear the economic risks inherent in all aspects of the refining industry. An expansion or upgrade of its competitors' facilities, price volatility, international political and economic developments and other factors are likely to continue to play an important role in refining industry economics and may add additional competitive pressure.

In addition, the petroleum business competes with other industries that provide alternative means to satisfy the energy and fuel requirements of its industrial, commercial and individual customers. There are presently significant governmental incentives and consumer pressures to increase the use of alternative fuels in the United States. The more successful these alternatives become as a result of governmental incentives or regulations, technological advances, consumer demand, improved pricing or otherwise, the greater the negative impact on pricing and demand for the petroleum business' products and profitability.

Changes in the petroleum business' credit profile may affect its relationship with its suppliers, which could have a material adverse effect on its liquidity and its ability to operate the refineries at full capacity.

Changes in the petroleum business' credit profile may affect the way crude oil suppliers view its ability to make payments and may induce them to shorten the payment terms for purchases or require it to post security prior to payment. Given the large dollar amounts and volume of the petroleum business' crude oil and other feedstock purchases, a burdensome change in payment terms may have a material adverse effect on the petroleum business' liquidity and its ability to make payments to its suppliers. This, in turn, could cause it to be unable to operate the refineries at full capacity. A failure to operate the refineries at full capacity could adversely affect the petroleum business' profitability and cash flows.

The petroleum business' commodity derivative contracts may limit its potential gains, exacerbate potential losses and involve other risks.

The petroleum business enters into commodity derivatives contracts to mitigate crack spread risk with respect to a portion of its expected refined products production. However, its hedging arrangements may fail to fully achieve this objective for a variety of reasons, including its failure to have adequate hedging contracts, if any, in effect at any particular time and the failure of its hedging arrangements to produce the anticipated results. The petroleum business may not be able to procure adequate hedging arrangements due to a variety of factors. Moreover, such transactions may limit its ability to benefit from favorable changes in margins. In addition, the petroleum business' hedging activities may expose it to the risk of financial loss in certain circumstances, including instances in which:

- the volumes of its actual use of crude oil or production of the applicable refined products is less than the volumes subject to the hedging arrangement;
- accidents, interruptions in transportation, inclement weather or other events cause unscheduled shutdowns or otherwise adversely affect its refinery or suppliers or customers;
- the counterparties to its futures contracts fail to perform under the contracts; or
- a sudden, unexpected event materially impacts the commodity or crack spread subject to the hedging arrangement.

As a result, the effectiveness of the petroleum business' risk mitigation strategy could have a material adverse impact on the petroleum business' financial results and cash flows.

The adoption of derivatives legislation by the U.S. Congress could have an adverse effect on the petroleum business' ability to hedge risks associated with its business.

The U.S. Congress has adopted the Dodd-Frank Act, comprehensive financial reform legislation that establishes federal oversight and regulation of the over-the-counter derivatives market and entities, such as the petroleum business, that participate in that market, and requires the Commodities Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC") to institute broad new position limits for futures and options traded on regulated exchanges. The Dodd-Frank Act requires the CFTC, the SEC and other regulators to promulgate rules and regulations implementing the new legislation. The Dodd-Frank Act and implementing rules and regulations also require certain swap participants to comply with, among other things, certain margin requirements and clearing and trade-execution requirements in connection with certain derivative activities. The rulemaking process is still ongoing, and the petroleum business cannot predict the ultimate outcome of the rulemakings. New regulations in this area may result in increased costs and cash collateral requirements for derivative instruments the petroleum business may use to hedge and otherwise manage its financial risks related to volatility in oil and gas commodity prices.

If the petroleum business reduces its use of derivatives as a result of the Dodd-Frank Act and any new rules and regulations, its results of operations may become more volatile and its cash flows may be less predictable, which could adversely affect its ability to satisfy its debt obligations or plan for and fund capital expenditures. Increased volatility may make

the petroleum business less attractive to certain types of investors. Finally, the Dodd-Frank Act was intended, in part, to reduce the volatility of oil and natural gas prices. If the Dodd-Frank Act and any new regulations result in lower commodity prices, the petroleum business' revenues could be adversely affected. Any of these consequences could adversely affect the petroleum business' financial condition and results of operations and therefore could have an adverse effect on its ability to satisfy its debt obligations.

The petroleum business' commodity derivative activities could result in period-to-period volatility.

The petroleum business does not apply hedge accounting to its commodity derivative contracts and, as a result, unrealized gains and losses are charged to its earnings based on the increase or decrease in the market value of the unsettled position. Such gains and losses are reflected in its income statement in periods that differ from when the underlying hedged items (i.e., gross margins) are reflected in its income statement. Such derivative gains or losses in earnings may produce significant period-to-period earnings volatility that is not necessarily reflective of the petroleum business' operational performance.

Existing design, operational, and maintenance issues associated with acquisitions may not be identified immediately and may require unanticipated capital expenditures that could adversely impact our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

Our due diligence associated with acquisitions may result in our assuming liabilities associated with unknown conditions or deficiencies, as well as known but undisclosed conditions and deficiencies, where we may have limited, if any, recourse for cost recovery. Such conditions and deficiencies may not become evident until sometime after cost recovery provisions, if any, have expired.

The petroleum business must make substantial capital expenditures on its refineries and other facilities to maintain their reliability and efficiency. If the petroleum business is unable to complete capital projects at their expected costs and/or in a timely manner, or if the market conditions assumed in project economics deteriorate, the petroleum business' financial condition, results of operations or cash flows could be adversely affected.

Delays or cost increases related to the engineering, procurement and construction of new facilities, or improvements and repairs to the petroleum business' existing facilities and equipment, could have a material adverse effect on the petroleum business' financial condition, results of operations or cash flows. Such delays or cost increases may arise as a result of unpredictable factors in the marketplace, many of which are beyond its control, including:

- denial or delay in obtaining regulatory approvals and/or permits;
- unplanned increases in the cost of equipment, materials or labor;
- disruptions in transportation of equipment and materials;
- severe adverse weather conditions, natural disasters or other events (such as equipment malfunctions, explosions, fires or spills) affecting the petroleum business' facilities, or those of its vendors and suppliers;
- shortages of sufficiently skilled labor, or labor disagreements resulting in unplanned work stoppages;
- market-related increases in a project's debt or equity financing costs; and/or
- nonperformance or force majeure by, or disputes with, the petroleum business' vendors, suppliers, contractors or sub-contractors.

The Coffeyville and Wynnewood refineries have been in operation for many years. Equipment, even if properly maintained, may require significant capital expenditures and expenses to keep it operating at optimum efficiency. For example, the petroleum business incurred approximately \$88.8 million associated with the 2011/2012 turnaround completed at the Coffeyville refinery and incurred approximately \$102.5 million associated with the turnaround for the Wynnewood refinery, which the petroleum business completed in December 2012. These costs do not result in increases in unit capacities, but rather are focused on trying to maintain safe, reliable operations. The first phase of the Coffeyville refinery's next turnaround is scheduled to begin in late 2015, with the second phase scheduled to begin in early 2016. During the outage at the Coffeyville refinery as a result of the isomerization unit fire in the third quarter of 2014, the petroleum business accelerated certain planned 2015 turnaround activities and incurred approximately \$5.5 million in turnaround expenses. During the FCCU outage at the Wynnewood refinery in the fourth quarter of 2014, the petroleum business accelerated certain planned 2016 turnaround

activities and incurred approximately \$1.3 million in turnaround expenses. Based on engineering and safety analysis of the equipment and as a result of other work performed, the petroleum business is currently considering moving the next scheduled turnaround at the Wynnewood refinery to the first quarter of 2017.

Any one or more of these occurrences noted above could have a significant impact on the petroleum business. If the petroleum business was unable to make up for the delays or to recover the related costs, or if market conditions change, it could materially and adversely affect the petroleum business' financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

The petroleum business' plans to expand the gathering assets making up part of its supporting logistics businesses, which assist it in reducing costs and increasing processing margins, may expose it to significant additional risks, compliance costs and liabilities.

The petroleum business plans to continue to make investments to enhance the operating flexibility of its refineries and to improve its crude oil sourcing advantage through additional investments in gathering and logistics operations. If it is able to successfully increase the effectiveness of the supporting logistics businesses, including the crude oil gathering operations, the petroleum business believes it will be able to enhance crude oil sourcing flexibility and reduce related crude oil purchasing and delivery costs. However, the acquisition of infrastructure assets to expand gathering operations may expose the petroleum business to risks in the future that are different than or incremental to the risks it faces with respect to its refineries and existing gathering and logistics operations. The storage and transportation of liquid hydrocarbons, including crude oil and refined products, are subject to stringent federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing the discharge of materials into the environment, operational safety and related matters. Compliance with these laws and regulations could adversely affect the petroleum business' operating results, financial condition and cash flows. Moreover, failure to comply with these laws and regulations may result in the assessment of administrative, civil, and criminal penalties, the imposition of investigatory and remedial liabilities, the issuance of injunctions that may restrict or prohibit the petroleum business' operations, or claims of damages to property or persons resulting from its operations.

Any businesses or assets that the petroleum business may acquire in connection with an expansion of its crude oil gathering operations could expose it to the risk of releasing hazardous materials into the environment. These releases would expose the petroleum business to potentially substantial expenses, including clean-up and remediation costs, fines and penalties, and third-party claims for personal injury or property damage related to past or future releases. Accordingly, if the petroleum business does acquire any such businesses or assets, it could also incur additional expenses not covered by insurance which could be material.

More stringent trucking regulations may increase the petroleum business' costs and negatively impact its results of operations.

In connection with the trucking operations conducted by its crude gathering division, the petroleum business operates as a motor carrier and therefore is subject to regulation by the U.S. Department of Transportation and various state agencies. These regulatory authorities exercise broad powers, governing activities such as the authorization to engage in motor carrier operations and regulatory safety, and hazardous materials labeling, placarding and marking. There are additional regulations specifically relating to the trucking industry, including testing and specification of equipment and product handling requirements. The trucking industry is subject to possible regulatory and legislative changes that may affect the economics of the industry by requiring changes in operating practices or by changing the demand for common or contract carrier services or the cost of providing truckload services. Some of these possible changes include increasingly stringent environmental regulations, changes in the hours of service regulations that govern the amount of time a driver may drive in any specific period, onboard black box recorder devices or limits on vehicle weight and size.

To a large degree, intrastate motor carrier operations are subject to state safety regulations that mirror federal regulations. Such matters as weight and dimension of equipment are also subject to federal and state regulations. Furthermore, from time to time, various legislative proposals are introduced, such as proposals to increase federal, state or local taxes, including taxes on motor fuels, which may increase the petroleum business' costs or adversely impact the recruitment of drivers. The petroleum business cannot predict whether, or in what form, any increase in such taxes will be enacted or the extent to which they will apply to the petroleum business and its operations.

Risks Related to the Nitrogen Fertilizer Business

The nitrogen fertilizer business is, and nitrogen fertilizer prices are, cyclical and highly volatile, and the nitrogen fertilizer business has experienced substantial downturns in the past. Cycles in demand and pricing could potentially expose the nitrogen fertilizer business to significant fluctuations in its operating and financial results and have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

The nitrogen fertilizer business is exposed to fluctuations in nitrogen fertilizer demand in the agricultural industry. These fluctuations historically have had and could in the future have significant effects on prices across all nitrogen fertilizer products and, in turn, our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

Nitrogen fertilizer products are commodities, the price of which can be highly volatile. The prices of nitrogen fertilizer products depend on a number of factors, including general economic conditions, cyclical trends in end-user markets, supply and demand imbalances, governmental policies and weather conditions, which have a greater relevance because of the seasonal nature of fertilizer application. If seasonal demand exceeds the projections on which the nitrogen fertilizer business bases production, customers may acquire nitrogen fertilizer products from competitors, and the profitability of the nitrogen fertilizer business will be negatively impacted. If seasonal demand is less than expected, the nitrogen fertilizer business will be left with excess inventory that will have to be stored or liquidated.

Demand for nitrogen fertilizer products is dependent on demand for crop nutrients by the global agricultural industry. The international market for nitrogen fertilizers is influenced by such factors as the relative value of the U.S. dollar and its impact upon the cost of importing nitrogen fertilizers, foreign agricultural policies, the existence of, or changes in, import or foreign currency exchange barriers in certain foreign markets, changes in the hard currency demands of certain countries and other regulatory policies of foreign governments, as well as the laws and policies of the United States affecting foreign trade and investment. Nitrogen-based fertilizers are currently in high demand, driven by a growing world population, changes in dietary habits and an expanded use of corn for the production of ethanol. Supply is affected by available capacity and operating rates, raw material costs, government policies and global trade. A decrease in nitrogen fertilizer prices would have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

The costs associated with operating the nitrogen fertilizer plant are largely fixed. If nitrogen fertilizer prices fall below a certain level, the nitrogen fertilizer business may not generate sufficient revenue to operate profitably or cover its costs.

Unlike our competitors, whose primary costs are related to the purchase of natural gas and whose costs are therefore largely variable, the nitrogen fertilizer business has largely fixed costs that are not dependent on the price of natural gas because it uses pet coke as the primary feedstock in the nitrogen fertilizer plant. As a result of the fixed cost nature of its operations, downtime, interruptions or low productivity due to reduced demand, adverse weather conditions, equipment failure, a decrease in nitrogen fertilizer prices or other causes can result in significant operating losses which could have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

Continued low natural gas prices could impact the nitrogen fertilizer business' relative competitive position when compared to other nitrogen fertilizer producers.

Most nitrogen fertilizer manufacturers rely on natural gas as their primary feedstock, and the cost of natural gas, which approached ten-year lows at the beginning of 2015, is a large component of the total production cost for natural gas-based nitrogen fertilizer manufacturers. Low natural gas prices benefit the nitrogen fertilizer business' competitors and disproportionately impact our operations by making the nitrogen fertilizer business less competitive with natural gas-based nitrogen fertilizer manufacturers. Continued low natural gas prices could impair the nitrogen fertilizer business' ability to compete with other nitrogen fertilizer producers who utilize natural gas as their primary feedstock if nitrogen fertilizer pricing drops as a result of low natural gas prices, and therefore have a material adverse impact on the cash flows of the nitrogen fertilizer business. In addition, if low natural gas prices in the United States were to prompt those U.S. producers who have permanently or temporarily closed production facilities to resume fertilizer production, this would likely contribute to a global supply/demand imbalance that could negatively affect nitrogen fertilizer prices and therefore have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

Any decline in U.S. agricultural production or limitations on the use of nitrogen fertilizer for agricultural purposes could have a material adverse effect on the sales of nitrogen fertilizer, and on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

Conditions in the U.S. agricultural industry significantly impact the operating results of the nitrogen fertilizer business. The U.S. agricultural industry can be affected by a number of factors, including weather patterns and field conditions, current and projected grain inventories and prices, domestic and international population changes, demand for U.S. agricultural products and U.S. and foreign policies regarding trade in agricultural products.

The Agricultural Act of 2014 (the "2014 Farm Bill") ends direct subsidies to agricultural producers for owning farmland, and funds a new crop insurance program in its place. As part of the conservation title of the 2014 Farm Bill, agricultural producers must meet a minimum standard of environmental protection in order to receive federal crop insurance on sensitive lands. The 2014 Farm Bill also discourages producers from converting native grasslands to farmland by limiting crop insurance subsidies for the first few years for newly converted lands. These changes may have a negative impact on fertilizer sales and on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

State and federal governmental policies, including farm and biofuel subsidies and commodity support programs, as well as the prices of fertilizer products, may also directly or indirectly influence the number of acres planted, the mix of crops planted and the use of fertilizers for particular agricultural applications. Developments in crop technology, such as nitrogen fixation (the conversion of atmospheric nitrogen into compounds that plants can assimilate), could also reduce the use of chemical fertilizers and adversely affect the demand for nitrogen fertilizer. In addition, from time to time various state legislatures have considered limitations on the use and application of chemical fertilizers due to concerns about the impact of these products on the environment. Unfavorable state and federal governmental policies could negatively affect nitrogen fertilizer prices and therefore have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

A major factor underlying the current high level of demand for nitrogen-based fertilizer products is the production of ethanol. A decrease in ethanol production, an increase in ethanol imports or a shift away from corn as a principal raw material used to produce ethanol could have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

A major factor underlying the current high level of demand for nitrogen-based fertilizer products produced by the nitrogen fertilizer business is the production of ethanol in the United States and the use of corn in ethanol production. Ethanol production in the United States is highly dependent upon a myriad of federal statutes and regulations, and is made significantly more competitive by various federal and state incentives and mandated usage of renewable fuels pursuant to the RFS. The RFS required 16.55 billion gallons of renewable fuel usage in 2013, increasing to 36.0 billion gallons by 2022. To date, the RFS has been satisfied primarily with fuel ethanol blended into gasoline. However, a number of factors, including the continuing "food versus fuel" debate and studies showing that expanded ethanol usage may increase the level of greenhouse gases in the environment as well as be unsuitable for small engine use, have resulted in calls to reduce subsidies for ethanol, allow increased ethanol imports and to repeal or waive (in whole or in part) the current RFS, any of which could have an adverse effect on corn-based ethanol production, planted corn acreage and fertilizer demand. For example, in December 2013, a bipartisan bill was introduced in Congress to eliminate the ethanol mandate from the RFS. Therefore, ethanol incentive programs may not be renewed, or if renewed, they may be renewed on terms significantly less favorable to ethanol producers than current incentive programs.

In November 2013, the EPA proposed the 2014 annual renewable fuel percentage standards, including a reduced corn-based ethanol volume due in part to the concerns regarding the ethanol "blend wall," the point at which refiners are required to blend more ethanol into the transportation fuel supply than can be supported by the demand for E10 gasoline (gasoline containing 10 percent ethanol by volume). In January 2015, the EPA announced that its goal was to release the final 2015 RFS volume mandates in the spring of 2015. If finalized, as originally proposed, this rulemaking could have a material adverse effect on ethanol production in the United States, which could have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and ability to make cash distributions. In other action, the US Court of Appeals upheld an EPA waiver allowing the sale of E15 (gasoline blends containing up to 15% ethanol) on later model year cars, but this issue may continue to be challenged through legislative action.

Further, while most ethanol is currently produced from corn and other raw grains, such as milo or sorghum, the current RFS mandate requires a portion of the overall RFS mandate to come from advanced biofuels, including cellulose-based biomass, such as agricultural waste, forest residue, municipal solid waste and energy crops (plants grown for use to make biofuels or directly exploited for their energy content) and biomass-based diesel. In addition, there is a continuing trend to

encourage the use of products other than corn and raw grains for ethanol production. For example, the 2014 Farm Bill provides authorization for funding of advanced biofuels. If this trend is successful, the demand for corn may decrease significantly, which could reduce demand for nitrogen fertilizer products and have an adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows. This potential impact on the demand for nitrogen fertilizer products, however, could be slightly offset by the potential market for nitrogen fertilizer product usage in connection with the production of cellulosic biofuels.

Nitrogen fertilizer products are global commodities, and the nitrogen fertilizer business faces intense competition from other nitrogen fertilizer producers.

The nitrogen fertilizer business is subject to intense price competition from both U.S. and foreign sources, including competitors operating in the Middle East, the Asia-Pacific region, the Caribbean, Russia and the Ukraine. Fertilizers are global commodities, with little or no product differentiation, and customers make their purchasing decisions principally on the basis of delivered price and availability of the product. Increased global supply may put downward pressure on fertilizer prices. Furthermore, in recent years the price of nitrogen fertilizer in the United States has been substantially driven by pricing in the global fertilizer market. The nitrogen fertilizer business competes with a number of U.S. producers and producers in other countries, including state-owned and government-subsidized entities. Some competitors have greater total resources and are less dependent on earnings from fertilizer sales, which makes them less vulnerable to industry downturns and better positioned to pursue new expansion and development opportunities. Increased local supply may put downward pressure on fertilizer prices. Additionally, the nitrogen fertilizer business' competitors utilizing different corporate structures may be better able to withstand lower cash flows than the nitrogen fertilizer business can as a limited partnership. The nitrogen fertilizer business' competitive position could suffer to the extent it is not able to expand its resources either through investments in new or existing operations or through acquisitions, joint ventures or partnerships. An inability to compete successfully could result in a loss of customers, which could adversely affect the sales, profitability and the cash flows of the nitrogen fertilizer business and therefore have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

The nitrogen fertilizer business is seasonal, which may result in it carrying significant amounts of inventory and seasonal variations in working capital. Our inability to predict future seasonal nitrogen fertilizer demand accurately may result in excess inventory or product shortages.

The nitrogen fertilizer business is seasonal. Farmers tend to apply nitrogen fertilizer during two short application periods, one in the spring and the other in the fall. The strongest demand for nitrogen fertilizer products typically occurs during the planting season. In contrast, the nitrogen fertilizer business and other nitrogen fertilizer producers generally produce products throughout the year. As a result, the nitrogen fertilizer business and its customers generally build inventories during the low demand periods of the year in order to ensure timely product availability during the peak sales seasons. The seasonality of nitrogen fertilizer demand results in sales volumes and net sales being highest during the North American spring season and working capital requirements typically being highest just prior to the start of the spring season.

If seasonal demand exceeds projections, the nitrogen fertilizer business will not have enough product and its customers may acquire products from its competitors, which would negatively impact profitability. If seasonal demand is less than expected, the nitrogen fertilizer business will be left with excess inventory and higher working capital and liquidity requirements.

The degree of seasonality of the nitrogen fertilizer business can change significantly from year to year due to conditions in the agricultural industry and other factors. As a consequence of such seasonality, it is expected that the distributions we receive from the nitrogen fertilizer business will be volatile and will vary quarterly and annually.

Adverse weather conditions during peak fertilizer application periods may have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows, because the agricultural customers of the nitrogen fertilizer business are geographically concentrated.

The nitrogen fertilizer business' sales to agricultural customers are concentrated in the Great Plains and Midwest states and are seasonal in nature. The nitrogen fertilizer business' quarterly results may vary significantly from one year to the next due largely to weather-related shifts in planting schedules and purchase patterns. For example, the nitrogen fertilizer business generates greater net sales and operating income in the first half of the year, which is referred to herein as the planting season, compared to the second half of the year. Accordingly, an adverse weather pattern affecting agriculture in these regions or during the planting season could have a negative effect on fertilizer demand, which could, in turn, result in a material decline in the nitrogen fertilizer business' net sales and margins and otherwise have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer

business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows. The nitrogen fertilizer business' quarterly results may vary significantly from one year to the next due largely to weather-related shifts in planting schedules and purchase patterns. As a result, it is expected that the nitrogen fertilizer business' distributions to holders of its common units (including us) will be volatile and will vary quarterly and annually.

The nitrogen fertilizer business' operations are dependent on third-party suppliers, including Linde, which owns an air separation plant that provides oxygen, nitrogen and compressed dry air to its gasifiers, and the City of Coffeyville, which supplies the nitrogen fertilizer business with electricity. A deterioration in the financial condition of a third-party supplier, a mechanical problem with the air separation plant, or the inability of a third-party supplier to perform in accordance with its contractual obligations could have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

The operations of the nitrogen fertilizer business depend in large part on the performance of third-party suppliers, including Linde for the supply of oxygen, nitrogen and compressed dry air, and the City of Coffeyville for the supply of electricity. With respect to Linde, operations could be adversely affected if there were a deterioration in Linde's financial condition such that the operation of the air separation plant located adjacent to the nitrogen fertilizer plant was disrupted. Additionally, this air separation plant in the past has experienced numerous short-term interruptions, causing interruptions in gasifier operations. With respect to electricity, in 2010, the nitrogen fertilizer business entered into an amended and restated electric services agreement with the City of Coffeyville, Kansas, which gives the nitrogen fertilizer business an option to extend the term of such agreement through June 30, 2024. Should Linde, the City of Coffeyville or any of its other third-party suppliers fail to perform in accordance with existing contractual arrangements, operations could be forced to halt. Alternative sources of supply could be difficult to obtain. Any shutdown of operations at the nitrogen fertilizer plant, even for a limited period, could have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

The nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows may be adversely affected by the supply and price levels of pet coke.

The profitability of the nitrogen fertilizer business is directly affected by the price and availability of pet coke obtained from the Coffeyville refinery pursuant to a long-term agreement and pet coke purchased from third parties, both of which vary based on market prices. Pet coke is a key raw material used by the nitrogen fertilizer business in the manufacture of nitrogen fertilizer products. If pet coke costs increase, the nitrogen fertilizer business may not be able to increase its prices to recover these increased costs, because market prices for nitrogen fertilizer products are not correlated with pet coke prices.

The nitrogen fertilizer business may not be able to maintain an adequate supply of pet coke. In addition, it could experience production delays or cost increases if alternative sources of supply prove to be more expensive or difficult to obtain. The nitrogen fertilizer business currently purchases 100% of the pet coke the Coffeyville refinery produces. Accordingly, if the nitrogen fertilizer business increases production, it will be more dependent on pet coke purchases from third-party suppliers at open market prices. The nitrogen fertilizer business entered into a pet coke supply agreement with HollyFrontier Corporation which became effective on March 1, 2012. The current term ends in December 2015 and may be renewed. There is no assurance that the nitrogen fertilizer business would be able to purchase pet coke on comparable terms from third parties or at all.

The nitrogen fertilizer business relies on third-party providers of transportation services and equipment, which subjects it to risks and uncertainties beyond its control that may have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

The nitrogen fertilizer business relies on railroad and trucking companies to ship finished products to its customers. The nitrogen fertilizer business also leases railcars from railcar owners in order to ship its finished products. These transportation operations, equipment and services are subject to various hazards, including extreme weather conditions, work stoppages, delays, spills, derailments and other accidents and other operating hazards.

These transportation operations, equipment and services are also subject to environmental, safety and other regulatory oversight. Due to concerns related to terrorism or accidents, local, state and federal governments could implement new regulations affecting the transportation of the nitrogen fertilizer business' finished products. In addition, new regulations could be implemented affecting the equipment used to ship its finished products.

Any delay in the nitrogen fertilizer business' ability to ship its finished products as a result of these transportation companies' failure to operate properly, the implementation of new and more stringent regulatory requirements affecting

transportation operations or equipment, or significant increases in the cost of these services or equipment could have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

Ammonia can be very volatile and extremely hazardous. Any liability for accidents involving ammonia or other products the nitrogen fertilizer business produces or transports that cause severe damage to property or injury to the environment and human health could have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows. In addition, the costs of transporting ammonia could increase significantly in the future.

The nitrogen fertilizer business manufactures, processes, stores, handles, distributes and transports ammonia, which can be very volatile and extremely hazardous. Major accidents or releases involving ammonia could cause severe damage or injury to property, the environment and human health, as well as a possible disruption of supplies and markets. Such an event could result in civil lawsuits, fines, penalties and regulatory enforcement proceedings, all of which could lead to significant liabilities. Any damage to persons, equipment or property or other disruption of the ability of the nitrogen fertilizer business to produce or distribute its products could result in a significant decrease in operating revenues and significant additional cost to replace or repair and insure its assets, which could have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows. The nitrogen fertilizer facility periodically experiences minor releases of ammonia related to leaks from its equipment. It experienced more significant ammonia releases in August and September 2010 due to a heat exchanger leak and a UAN vessel rupture. Similar events may occur in the future and could have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

In addition, the nitrogen fertilizer business may incur significant losses or costs relating to the operation of railcars used for the purpose of carrying various products, including ammonia. Due to the dangerous and potentially toxic nature of the cargo, in particular ammonia, on board railcars, a railcar accident may result in fires, explosions and pollution. These circumstances may result in sudden, severe damage or injury to property, the environment and human health. In the event of pollution, the nitrogen fertilizer business may be held responsible even if it is not at fault and it complied with the laws and regulations in effect at the time of the accident. Litigation arising from accidents involving ammonia and other products the nitrogen fertilizer business produces or transports may result in the nitrogen fertilizer business or us being named as a defendant in lawsuits asserting claims for large amounts of damages, which could have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

Given the risks inherent in transporting ammonia, the costs of transporting ammonia could increase significantly in the future. Ammonia is most typically transported by pipeline and railcar. A number of initiatives are underway in the railroad and chemical industries that may result in changes to railcar design in order to minimize railway accidents involving hazardous materials. In addition, in the future, laws may more severely restrict or eliminate the ability of the nitrogen fertilizer business to transport ammonia via railcar. If any railcar design changes are implemented, or if accidents involving hazardous freight increase the insurance and other costs of railcars, freight costs of the nitrogen fertilizer business could significantly increase.

Environmental laws and regulations on fertilizer end-use and application and numeric nutrient water quality criteria could have a material adverse impact on fertilizer demand in the future.

Future environmental laws and regulations on the end-use and application of fertilizers could cause changes in demand for the nitrogen fertilizer business' products. In addition, future environmental laws and regulations, or new interpretations of existing laws or regulations, could limit the ability of the nitrogen fertilizer business to market and sell its products to end users. From time to time, various state legislatures have proposed bans or other limitations on fertilizer products. The EPA is encouraging states to adopt state-wide numeric water quality criteria for total nitrogen and total phosphorus, which are present in the nitrogen fertilizer business' fertilizer products. A number of states have adopted or proposed numeric nutrient water quality criteria for nitrogen and phosphorus. The adoption of stringent state criteria for nitrogen and phosphorus could reduce the demand for nitrogen fertilizer products in those states. If such laws, rules, regulations or interpretations to significantly curb the end-use or application of fertilizers were promulgated in the nitrogen fertilizer business' marketing areas, it could result in decreased demand for its products and have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

If licensed technology were no longer available, the nitrogen fertilizer business may be adversely affected.

The nitrogen fertilizer business has licensed, and may in the future license, a combination of patent, trade secret and other intellectual property rights of third parties for use in its business. In particular, the gasification process it uses to convert pet coke to high purity hydrogen for subsequent conversion to ammonia is licensed from General Electric. The license, which is fully paid, grants the nitrogen fertilizer business perpetual rights to use the pet coke gasification process on specified terms and conditions and is integral to the operations of the nitrogen fertilizer facility. If this license or any other license agreements on

which the nitrogen fertilizer business' operations rely, were to be terminated, licenses to alternative technology may not be available, or may only be available on terms that are not commercially reasonable or acceptable. In addition, any substitution of new technology for currently-licensed technology may require substantial changes to manufacturing processes or equipment and may have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

The nitrogen fertilizer business may face third-party claims of intellectual property infringement, which if successful could result in significant costs.

Although there are currently no pending claims relating to the infringement of any third-party intellectual property rights, in the future the nitrogen fertilizer business may face claims of infringement that could interfere with its ability to use technology that is material to its business operations. Any litigation of this type, whether successful or unsuccessful, could result in substantial costs and diversions of resources, either of which could have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows. In the event a claim of infringement against the nitrogen fertilizer business is successful, it may be required to pay royalties or license fees for past or continued use of the infringing technology, or it may be prohibited from using the infringing technology altogether. If it is prohibited from using any technology as a result of such a claim, it may not be able to obtain licenses to alternative technology adequate to substitute for the technology it can no longer use, or licenses for such alternative technology may only be available on terms that are not commercially reasonable or acceptable. In addition, any substitution of new technology for currently licensed technology may require the nitrogen fertilizer business to make substantial changes to its manufacturing processes or equipment or to its products, and could have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

There can be no assurance that the transportation costs of the nitrogen fertilizer business' competitors will not decline.

The nitrogen fertilizer plant is located within the U.S. farm belt, where the majority of the end users of its nitrogen fertilizer products grow their crops. Many of its competitors produce fertilizer outside of this region and incur greater costs in transporting their products over longer distances via rail, ships and pipelines. There can be no assurance that competitors' transportation costs will not decline or that additional pipelines will not be built, lowering the price at which competitors can sell their products, which would have a material adverse effect on the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

Risks Related to Our Entire Business

Instability and volatility in the capital, credit and commodity markets in the global economy could negatively impact our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Our business, financial condition and results of operations could be negatively impacted by difficult conditions and volatility in the capital, credit and commodities markets and in the global economy. For example:

- Although we believe the petroleum business has sufficient liquidity under its ABL credit facility and the intercompany credit facility to operate both the Coffeyville and Wynnewood refineries, and that the nitrogen fertilizer business has sufficient liquidity under its revolving credit facility to run the nitrogen fertilizer business, under extreme market conditions there can be no assurance that such funds would be available or sufficient, and in such a case, we may not be able to successfully obtain additional financing on favorable terms, or at all. Furthermore, the nitrogen fertilizer business' credit facility matures in April 2016 and there can be no assurance that it will be able to refinance its \$125.0 million of outstanding term loan debt or obtain a new revolving credit facility on similar terms or at all.
- Market volatility could exert downward pressure on the price of the Refining Partnership's or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's common units, which may make it more difficult for either or both of them to raise additional capital and thereby limit their ability to grow, which could in turn cause our stock price to drop.
- The petroleum business' and nitrogen fertilizer business' credit facilities contain various covenants that must be complied with, and if either business is not in compliance, there can be no assurance that either business would be able to successfully amend the agreement in the future. Further, any such amendment may be expensive. In addition, any new credit facility the petroleum business or nitrogen fertilizer business may enter into may require them to agree to additional covenants.

- Market conditions could result in significant customers experiencing financial difficulties. We are exposed to the credit risk of our customers, and their failure to meet their financial obligations when due because of bankruptcy, lack of liquidity, operational failure or other reasons could result in decreased sales and earnings for us.

The refineries and nitrogen fertilizer facility face significant risks due to physical damage hazards, environmental liability risk exposure, and unplanned or emergency partial or total plant shutdowns resulting in business interruptions. We could incur potentially significant costs to the extent there are unforeseen events which cause property damage and a material decline in production which are not fully insured. The commercial insurance industry engaged in underwriting energy industry risk is specialized and there is finite capacity; therefore, the industry may limit or curtail coverage, may modify the coverage provided or may substantially increase premiums in the future.

If any of our production plants, logistics assets, key pipeline operations serving our plants, or key suppliers sustains a catastrophic loss and operations are shutdown or significantly impaired, it would have a material adverse impact on our operations, financial condition and cash flows. In addition, the risk exposures we have at the Coffeyville, Kansas plant complex are greater due to production facilities for refinery and fertilizer production, distribution and storage being in relatively close proximity and potentially exposed to damage from one incident, such as resulting damages from the perils of explosion, windstorm, fire, or flood. Operations at either or both of the refineries and the nitrogen fertilizer plant could be curtailed, limited or completely shut down for an extended period of time as the result of one or more unforeseen events and circumstances, which may not be within our control, including:

- major unplanned maintenance requirements
- catastrophic events caused by mechanical breakdown, electrical injury, pressure vessel rupture, explosion, contamination, fire, or natural disasters, including, floods, windstorms and other similar events;
- labor supply shortages, or labor difficulties that result in a work stoppage or slowdown;
- cessation or suspension of a plant or specific operations dictated by environmental authorities; and
- an event or incident involving a large clean-up, decontamination, or the imposition of laws and ordinances regulating the cost and schedule of demolition or reconstruction, which can cause significant delays in restoring property to its pre-loss condition.

We have sustained losses over the past ten-year period at our plants, which are illustrative of the types of risks and hazards that exist. These losses or events resulted in costs assumed by us that were not fully insured due to policy retentions or applicable exclusions. These events were as follows:

- June 2007: Coffeyville refinery and nitrogen fertilizer plant; flood
- September 2010: Nitrogen fertilizer plant; secondary urea reactor rupture
- December 2010: Coffeyville refinery; FCCU fire
- December 2010: Wynnewood refinery; hydrocracker unit fire
- September 2012: Wynnewood refinery; boiler explosion
- July/August 2013: Coffeyville refinery; FCCU outage
- July 2014: Coffeyville refinery; isomerization unit fire

Currently, we are insured under casualty, environmental, property and business interruption insurance policies. The property and business interruption coverage has a combined policy limit of \$1.0 billion. The property and business interruption insurance policies contain limits and sub-limits which insure all CVR Energy assets. There is potential for a common occurrence to impact both the nitrogen fertilizer plant and Coffeyville refinery in which case the insurance limitations would apply to all damages combined. Under this insurance program, there is a \$10.0 million property damage retention for all properties (\$2.5 million in respect of the nitrogen fertilizer plant). For business interruption losses, the insurance program has a 45-day waiting period retention for any one occurrence. In addition, the insurance policies contain a schedule of sub-limits which apply to certain specific perils or areas of coverage. Sub-limits which may be of importance depending on the nature and

extent of a particular insured occurrence are: flood, earthquake, contingent business interruption insuring key suppliers, pipelines and customers, debris removal, decontamination, demolition and increased cost of construction due to law and ordinance, and others. Such conditions, limits and sub-limits could materially impact insurance recoveries and potentially cause us to assume losses which could impair earnings.

There is finite capacity in the commercial insurance industry engaged in underwriting energy industry risk, and there are risks associated with the commercial insurance industry reducing capacity, changing the scope of insurance coverage offered, and substantially increasing premiums due to adverse loss experience or other financial circumstances. Factors that impact insurance cost and availability include, but are not limited to: industry wide losses, natural disasters, specific losses incurred by us and the investment returns earned by the insurance industry. If the supply of commercial insurance is curtailed due to highly adverse financial results, we may not be able to continue our present limits of insurance coverage or obtain sufficient insurance capacity to adequately insure our risks for property damage or business interruption.

Environmental laws and regulations could require us to make substantial capital expenditures to remain in compliance or to remediate current or future contamination that could give rise to material liabilities.

Our operations are subject to a variety of federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations relating to the protection of the environment, including those governing the emission or discharge of pollutants into the environment, product specifications and the generation, treatment, storage, transportation, disposal and remediation of solid and hazardous wastes. Violations of these laws and regulations or permit conditions can result in substantial penalties, injunctive orders compelling installation of additional controls, civil and criminal sanctions, permit revocations and/or facility shutdowns.

In addition, new environmental laws and regulations, new interpretations of existing laws and regulations, increased governmental enforcement of laws and regulations or other developments could require us to make additional unforeseen expenditures. Many of these laws and regulations are becoming increasingly stringent, and the cost of compliance with these requirements can be expected to increase over time. The requirements to be met, as well as the technology and length of time available to meet those requirements, continue to develop and change. These expenditures or costs for environmental compliance could have a material adverse effect on our business' results of operations, financial condition and profitability.

Our facilities operate under a number of federal and state permits, licenses and approvals with terms and conditions containing a significant number of prescriptive limits and performance standards in order to operate. All of these permits, licenses, approvals, limits and standards require a significant amount of monitoring, record keeping and reporting in order to demonstrate compliance with the underlying permit, license, approval, limit or standard. Non-compliance or incomplete documentation of our compliance status may result in the imposition of fines, penalties and injunctive relief. Additionally, due to the nature of our manufacturing and refining processes, there may be times when we are unable to meet the standards and terms and conditions of our permits, licenses and approvals due to operational upsets or malfunctions, which may lead to the imposition of fines and penalties or operating restrictions that may have a material adverse effect on our ability to operate our facilities and accordingly our financial performance. For a discussion of environmental laws and regulations and their impact on our business and operations, please see "Business — Environmental Matters."

We could incur significant cost in cleaning up contamination at our refineries, terminals, fertilizer plant and off-site locations.

Our businesses are subject to the occurrence of accidental spills, discharges or other releases of petroleum or hazardous substances into the environment. Past or future spills related to any of our current or former operations, including the refineries, pipelines, product terminals, fertilizer plant or transportation of products or hazardous substances from those facilities, may give rise to liability (including strict liability, or liability without fault, and potential clean-up responsibility) to governmental entities or private parties under federal, state or local environmental laws, as well as under common law. For example, we could be held strictly liable under CERCLA, and similar state statutes for past or future spills without regard to fault or whether our actions were in compliance with the law at the time of the spills. Pursuant to CERCLA and similar state statutes, we could be held liable for contamination associated with facilities we currently own or operate (whether or not such contamination occurred prior to our acquisition thereof), facilities we formerly owned or operated (if any) and facilities to which we transported or arranged for the transportation of wastes or byproducts containing hazardous substances for treatment, storage, or disposal.

The potential penalties and clean-up costs for past or future releases or spills, liability to third parties for damage to their property or exposure to hazardous substances, or the need to address newly discovered information or conditions that may require response actions could be significant and could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows. In addition, we may incur liability for alleged personal injury or property damage due to exposure to

chemicals or other hazardous substances located at or released from our facilities. We may also face liability for personal injury, property damage, natural resource damage or for clean-up costs for the alleged migration of contamination or other hazardous substances from our facilities to adjacent and other nearby properties.

Four of our facilities, including the Coffeyville refinery, the now-closed Phillipsburg terminal (which operated as a refinery until 1991), the Wynnewood refinery and the nitrogen fertilizer plant, have environmental contamination. We have assumed Farmland's responsibilities under certain administrative orders under the RCRA related to contamination at or that originated from the Coffeyville refinery and the Phillipsburg terminal. The Coffeyville refinery has agreed to assume liability for contamination that migrated from the refinery onto the nitrogen fertilizer plant property while Farmland owned and operated the properties. At the Wynnewood refinery, known areas of contamination have been partially addressed but corrective action has not been completed, and some portions of the Wynnewood refinery have not yet been investigated to determine whether corrective action is necessary. If significant unknown liabilities are identified at or migrating from any of our facilities, that liability could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows and may not be covered by insurance.

We may incur future liability relating to the off-site disposal of hazardous wastes. Companies that dispose of, or arrange for the treatment, transportation or disposal of, hazardous substances at off-site locations may be held jointly and severally liable for the costs of investigation and remediation of contamination at those off-site locations, regardless of fault. We could become involved in litigation or other proceedings involving off-site waste disposal and the damages or costs in any such proceedings could be material.

We may be unable to obtain or renew permits necessary for our operations, which could inhibit our ability to do business.

Our businesses hold numerous environmental and other governmental permits and approvals authorizing operations at our facilities. Future expansion of our operations is predicated upon securing the necessary environmental or other permits or approvals. A decision by a government agency to deny or delay issuing a new or renewed material permit or approval, or to revoke or substantially modify an existing permit or approval, could have a material adverse effect on our ability to continue operations and on our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. For example, WRC's OPDES permit has expired and is in the renewal process. At this time, the Wynnewood refinery is operating under expired permit terms and conditions (called a permit shield) until the state regulatory agency renews the permit. The renewal permit may contain different terms and conditions that would require unplanned or unanticipated costs.

Climate change laws and regulations could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

Various regulatory and legislative measures to address GHG emissions (including CO₂, methane and nitrous oxides) are in different phases of implementation or discussion. In the aftermath of its 2009 "endangerment finding" that GHG emissions pose a threat to public health and welfare, the EPA has begun to regulate GHG emissions under the Clean Air Act.

In October 2009, the EPA finalized a rule requiring certain large emitters of GHGs to inventory and report their GHG emissions to the EPA. In accordance with the rule, we have begun monitoring and reporting our GHG emissions to the EPA. In May 2010, the EPA finalized the "Greenhouse Gas Tailoring Rule," which established new GHG emissions thresholds that determine when stationary sources, such as the refineries and the nitrogen fertilizer plant, must obtain permits under NSR and Title V programs of the federal Clean Air Act. The significance of the permitting requirement is that, in cases where a new source is constructed or an existing major source undergoes a major modification, facilities are required to undergo NSR review and evaluate and install air pollution controls to reduce GHG emissions. A major modification resulting in a significant increase in GHG emissions at the nitrogen fertilizer plant or the refineries may require the installation of air pollution controls as part of the permitting process.

In the meantime, in December 2010, the EPA reached a settlement agreement with numerous parties under which it agreed to promulgate NSPS to regulate GHG emissions from petroleum refineries and electric utilities by November 2012. Although the EPA has proposed standards for electric utilities, it has not yet proposed NSPS standards to regulate GHG emissions from petroleum refineries. In September 2014, the EPA indicated that the petroleum refining sector risk rule, proposed in June 2014 to address air toxics and volatile organic compounds from refineries, may make it unnecessary for the EPA to regulate GHG emissions from petroleum refineries at this time. The proposed sector risk rule would place additional emission control requirements on storage tanks, flares and coking units at petroleum refineries. Therefore, we expect that the EPA will not be issuing NSPS standards to regulate GHG from the refineries at this time but that it may do so in the future.

During a State of the Union address in January 2014 and again in January 2015, President Obama indicated that the United States should take action to address climate change. At the federal legislative level, this could mean Congressional passage of legislation adopting some form of federal mandatory GHG emission reduction, such as a nationwide cap-and-trade program. It is also possible that Congress may pass alternative climate change bills that do not mandate a nationwide cap-and-trade program and instead focus on promoting renewable energy and energy efficiency.

In addition to potential federal legislation, a number of states have adopted regional greenhouse gas initiatives to reduce CO₂ and other GHG emissions. In 2007, a group of Midwest states, including Kansas (where the Coffeyville refinery and the nitrogen fertilizer facility are located), formed the Midwestern Greenhouse Gas Reduction Accord, which calls for the development of a cap-and-trade system to control GHG emissions and for the inventory of such emissions. However, the individual states that have signed on to the accord must adopt laws or regulations implementing the trading scheme before it becomes effective, and it is unclear whether Kansas intends to do so.

Alternatively, the EPA may take further steps to regulate GHG emissions. The implementation of EPA regulations and/or the passage of federal or state climate change legislation may result in increased costs to (i) operate and maintain our facilities, (ii) install new emission controls on our facilities and (iii) administer and manage any GHG emissions program. Increased costs associated with compliance with any current or future legislation or regulation of GHG emissions, if it occurs, may have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

In addition, climate change legislation and regulations may result in increased costs not only for our business but also users of our refined and fertilizer products, thereby potentially decreasing demand for our products. Decreased demand for our products may have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

We are subject to strict laws and regulations regarding employee and process safety, and failure to comply with these laws and regulations could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition and profitability.

We are subject to the requirements of OSHA and comparable state statutes that regulate the protection of the health and safety of workers, and the proper design, operation and maintenance of our equipment. In addition, OSHA and certain environmental regulations require that we maintain information about hazardous materials used or produced in our operations and that we provide this information to employees and state and local governmental authorities. Failure to comply with these requirements, including general industry standards, record keeping requirements and monitoring and control of occupational exposure to regulated substances, may result in significant fines or compliance costs, which could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

Security breaches and other disruptions could compromise our information and expose us to liability, which would cause our business and reputation to suffer.

In the ordinary course of our business, we collect and store sensitive data, including intellectual property, our proprietary business information and that of our customers and suppliers, and personally identifiable information of our employees, in our facilities and on our networks. The secure processing, maintenance and transmission of this information is critical to our operations. Despite our security measures, our information technology and infrastructure may be vulnerable to attacks by hackers or breached due to employee error, malfeasance or other disruptions. Any such breach could compromise our networks and the information stored there could be accessed, publicly disclosed, lost or stolen. Any such access, disclosure or other loss of information could result in legal claims or proceedings, disrupt our operations, damage our reputation, and cause a loss of confidence, which could adversely affect our business.

Deliberate, malicious acts, including terrorism, could damage our facilities, disrupt our operations or injure employees, contractors, customers or the public and result in liability to us.

Intentional acts of destruction could hinder our sales or production and disrupt our supply chain. Our facilities could be damaged or destroyed, reducing our operational production capacity and requiring us to repair or replace our facilities at substantial cost. Employees, contractors and the public could suffer substantial physical injury for which we could be liable. Governmental authorities may impose security or other requirements that could make our operations more difficult or costly. The consequences of any such actions could adversely affect our operating results, financial condition and cash flows.

Both the petroleum and nitrogen fertilizer businesses depend on significant customers and the loss of several significant customers may have a material adverse impact on our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

The petroleum and nitrogen fertilizer businesses both have a significant concentration of customers. The five largest customers of the petroleum business represented 35% of its petroleum net sales for the year ended December 31, 2014. The five largest customers of the nitrogen fertilizer business represented approximately 41% of its net sales for the year ended December 31, 2014. One significant petroleum customer and two significant nitrogen fertilizer customers each account for more than 10% of petroleum and nitrogen fertilizer net sales. Given the nature of our businesses, and consistent with industry practice, we do not have long-term minimum purchase contracts with any of our customers. The loss of several of these significant customers, or a significant reduction in purchase volume by several of them, could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

The acquisition and expansion strategy of the petroleum business and the nitrogen fertilizer business involves significant risks.

Both the petroleum business and the nitrogen fertilizer business will consider pursuing acquisitions and expansion projects in order to continue to grow and increase profitability. However, we may not be able to consummate such acquisitions or expansions, due to intense competition for suitable acquisition targets, the potential unavailability of financial resources necessary to consummate acquisitions and expansions, difficulties in identifying suitable acquisition targets and expansion projects or in completing any transactions identified on sufficiently favorable terms and the failure to obtain requisite regulatory or other governmental approvals. In addition, any future acquisitions and expansions may entail significant transaction costs and risks associated with entry into new markets and lines of business.

In February 2013, the nitrogen fertilizer business completed a significant two-year plant expansion designed to increase its UAN production capacity by 400,000 tons, or approximately 50%, per year. The UAN expansion provides the nitrogen fertilizer business with the ability to upgrade substantially all of its ammonia production to UAN. If the premium that UAN currently earns over ammonia decreases, this expansion project may not yield the economic benefits and accretive effects that the nitrogen fertilizer business currently anticipates.

In addition to the risks involved in identifying and completing acquisitions described above, even when acquisitions are completed, integration of acquired entities can involve significant difficulties, such as:

- unforeseen difficulties in the integration of the acquired operations and disruption of the ongoing operations of our business;
- failure to achieve cost savings or other financial or operating objectives contributing to the accretive nature of an acquisition;
- strain on the operational and managerial controls and procedures of the petroleum business and the nitrogen fertilizer business, and the need to modify systems or to add management resources;
- difficulties in the integration and retention of customers or personnel and the integration and effective deployment of operations or technologies;
- assumption of unknown material liabilities or regulatory non-compliance issues;
- amortization of acquired assets, which would reduce future reported earnings;
- possible adverse short-term effects on our cash flows or operating results; and
- diversion of management's attention from the ongoing operations of our business.

In addition, in connection with any potential acquisition or expansion project, each of the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership (as applicable) will need to consider whether a business it intends to acquire or expansion project it intends to pursue could affect its tax treatment as a partnership for federal income tax purposes. If the petroleum business or the nitrogen fertilizer business is otherwise unable to conclude that the activities of the business being acquired or the expansion project would not affect its treatment as a partnership for federal income tax purposes, it may elect to seek a ruling from the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS"). Seeking such a ruling could be costly or, in the case of competitive acquisitions, place the business in a competitive disadvantage compared to other potential acquirers who do not seek such a ruling. If the petroleum business or the nitrogen fertilizer business is unable to conclude that an activity would not affect its

treatment as a partnership for federal income tax purposes, and is unable or unwilling to obtain an IRS ruling, the petroleum business or the nitrogen fertilizer business may choose to acquire such business or develop such expansion project in a corporate subsidiary, which would subject the income related to such activity to entity-level taxation, which would reduce the amount of cash available for distribution to its unitholders and would likely cause a substantial reduction in the value of its common units.

Failure to manage these acquisition and expansion growth risks could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows. There can be no assurance that we will be able to consummate any acquisitions or expansions, successfully integrate acquired entities, or generate positive cash flow at any acquired company or expansion project.

We are a holding company and depend upon our subsidiaries for our cash flow.

Our two principal subsidiaries are publicly traded partnerships, and a portion of their common units trade on the NYSE. We are a holding company, and these subsidiaries conduct all of our operations and own substantially all of our assets. Consequently, our cash flow and our ability to meet our obligations or to pay dividends or make other distributions in the future will depend upon the cash flow of our subsidiaries and the payment of funds by our subsidiaries to us in the form of distributions on their common units. The ability of the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership to make any payments to us will depend on, among other things, their earnings, the terms of their indebtedness, tax considerations and legal restrictions.

In particular, the indenture governing the Refining Partnership's 6.5% senior notes prohibits it from making distributions to unitholders (including us) if any default or event of default (as defined in the indenture) exists. In addition, the indenture governing the Refining Partnership's 6.5% senior notes contains covenants limiting the Refining Partnership's ability to pay distributions to unitholders. The covenants will apply differently depending on the Refining Partnership's fixed charge coverage ratio (as defined in the indenture). If the fixed charge coverage ratio is not less than 2.5 to 1.0, the Refining Partnership will generally be permitted to make restricted payments, including distributions to its unitholders, without substantive restriction. If the fixed charge coverage ratio is less than 2.5 to 1.0, the Refining Partnership will generally be permitted to make restricted payments, including distributions to its unitholders, up to an aggregate \$100.0 million basket plus certain other amounts referred to as "incremental funds" under the indenture. In addition, the Refining Partnership's Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility requires it to maintain a minimum excess availability under the facility as a condition to the payment of distributions to its unitholders. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's credit facility requires that, before the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership can make distributions to us, it must be in compliance with leverage ratio and interest coverage ratio tests. Any new indebtedness could have similar or greater restrictions.

Internally generated cash flows and other sources of liquidity may not be adequate for the capital needs of our businesses.

Our businesses are capital intensive, and working capital needs may vary significantly over relatively short periods of time. For instance, crude oil price volatility can significantly impact working capital on a week-to-week and month-to-month basis. If we cannot generate adequate cash flow or otherwise secure sufficient liquidity to meet our working capital needs or support our short-term and long-term capital requirements, we may be unable to meet our debt obligations, pursue our business strategies or comply with certain environmental standards, which would have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

A substantial portion of our workforce is unionized and we are subject to the risk of labor disputes and adverse employee relations, which may disrupt our business and increase our costs.

As of December 31, 2014, approximately 51% of the employees at the Coffeyville refinery and 59% of the employees at the Wynnewood refinery were represented by labor unions under collective bargaining agreements. At Coffeyville, the collective bargaining agreement with five Metal Trades Unions (which covers union represented employees who work directly at the Coffeyville refinery) expires in March 2019. The collective bargaining agreement with the United Steelworkers (which covers the balance of the petroleum business' unionized employees, who work in crude transportation and related operations) expires in March 2017, and automatically renews on an annual basis thereafter unless a written notice is received sixty days in advance of the relevant expiration date. The collective bargaining agreement with the International Union of Operating Engineers with respect to the Wynnewood refinery expires in June 2017. We may not be able to renegotiate our collective bargaining agreements when they expire on satisfactory terms or at all. A failure to do so may increase our costs. In addition, our existing labor agreements may not prevent a strike or work stoppage at any of our facilities in the future, and any work stoppage could negatively affect our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

Our business may suffer if any of our key senior executives or other key employees unexpectedly discontinues employment with us. Furthermore, a shortage of skilled labor or disruptions in our labor force may make it difficult for us to maintain labor productivity.

Our future success depends to a large extent on the services of our key senior executives and key senior employees. Our business depends on our continuing ability to recruit, train and retain highly qualified employees in all areas of our operations, including accounting, business operations, finance and other key back-office and mid-office personnel. Furthermore, our operations require skilled and experienced employees with proficiency in multiple tasks. In particular, the nitrogen fertilizer facility relies on gasification technology that requires special expertise to operate efficiently and effectively. The competition for these employees is intense, and the loss of these executives or employees could harm our business. If any of these executives or other key personnel resign unexpectedly or become unable to continue in their present roles and are not adequately replaced, our business operations could be materially adversely affected. We do not maintain any "key man" life insurance for any executives.

New regulations concerning the transportation, storage and handling of hazardous chemicals, risks of terrorism and the security of chemical manufacturing facilities could result in higher operating costs.

The costs of complying with future regulations relating to the transportation, storage and handling of hazardous chemicals and security associated with the refining and nitrogen fertilizer facilities may have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows. Targets such as refining and chemical manufacturing facilities may be at greater risk of future terrorist attacks than other targets in the United States. As a result, the petroleum and chemical industries have responded to the issues that arose due to the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001 by starting new initiatives relating to the security of petroleum and chemical industry facilities and the transportation of hazardous chemicals in the United States. Future terrorist attacks could lead to even stronger, more costly initiatives that could result in a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows. The 2013 fertilizer plant explosion in West, Texas has generated consideration of more restrictive measures in storage, handling and transportation of crop production materials, including fertilizers.

Compliance with and changes in the tax laws could adversely affect our performance.

We are subject to extensive tax liabilities, including United States and state income taxes and transactional taxes such as excise, sales/use, payroll, franchise and withholding taxes. New tax laws and regulations are continuously being enacted or proposed that could result in increased expenditures for tax liabilities in the future.

The Refining Partnership's and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's level of indebtedness may increase, which would reduce their financial flexibility and the distributions they make on their common units.

As of the date of this Report, the Refining Partnership had (i) \$500.0 million aggregate principal amount of 6.5% senior notes due 2022 (the "2022 Notes") outstanding, (ii) availability under the Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility of \$372.4 million, with letters of credit outstanding of approximately \$27.6 million and (iii) \$31.5 million borrowed under an intercompany credit facility with availability under the intercompany credit facility of \$218.5 million, and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership had \$125.0 million of outstanding term loan borrowings, with availability of up to \$25.0 million under its revolving credit facility. In the future, the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership may incur additional significant indebtedness in order to make future acquisitions, expand their businesses or develop their properties. Their level of indebtedness could affect their operations in several ways, including the following:

- a significant portion of their cash flows could be used to service their indebtedness, reducing available cash and their ability to make distributions on their common units (including distributions to us);
- a high level of debt would increase their vulnerability to general adverse economic and industry conditions;
- the covenants contained in their debt agreements will limit their ability to borrow additional funds, dispose of assets, pay distributions and make certain investments;
- a high level of debt may place them at a competitive disadvantage compared to competitors that are less leveraged and who therefore may be able to take advantage of opportunities that their indebtedness would prevent them from pursuing;
- their debt covenants may also affect flexibility in planning for, and reacting to, changes in the economy and in their industries;

- a high level of debt may make it more likely that a reduction in the petroleum business' borrowing base following a periodic redetermination could require the Refining Partnership to repay a portion of its then-outstanding bank borrowings under its ABL credit facility; and
- a high level of debt may impair their ability to obtain additional financing in the future for working capital, capital expenditures, debt service requirements, acquisitions, general corporate or other purposes.

In addition, borrowings under their respective credit facilities and other credit facilities they may enter into in the future will bear interest at variable rates. If market interest rates increase, such variable-rate debt will create higher debt service requirements, which could adversely affect their ability to make distributions to common unitholders (including us).

In addition to debt service obligations, their operations require substantial investments on a continuing basis. Their ability to make scheduled debt payments, to refinance debt obligations and to fund capital and non-capital expenditures necessary to maintain the condition of operating assets, properties and systems software, as well as to provide capacity for the growth of their businesses, depends on their respective financial and operating performance. General economic conditions and financial, business and other factors affect their operations and their future performance. Many of these factors are beyond their control. They may not be able to generate sufficient cash flows to pay the interest on their debt, and future working capital, borrowings or equity financing may not be available to pay or refinance such debt.

In addition, the bank borrowing base under the Refining Partnership's Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility will be subject to periodic redeterminations. It could be forced to repay a portion of its bank borrowings due to redeterminations of its borrowing base. If it is forced to do so, it may not have sufficient funds to make such repayments. If the Refining Partnership does not have sufficient funds and is otherwise unable to negotiate renewals of its borrowings or arrange new financing, it may have to sell significant assets. Any such sale could have a material adverse effect on the Refining Partnership's business and financial condition and, as a result, its ability to make distributions to common unitholders (including us).

The Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership may not be able to generate sufficient cash to service all of their indebtedness and may be forced to take other actions to satisfy their debt obligations that may not be successful.

The Refining Partnership's and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's ability to satisfy their debt obligations will depend upon, among other things:

- their future financial and operating performance, which will be affected by prevailing economic conditions and financial, business, regulatory and other factors, many of which are beyond our control; and
- the Refining Partnership's ability to borrow under its Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility and the intercompany credit facility between the Refining Partnership and us, and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's ability to borrow under its revolving credit facility, the availability of which depends on, among other things, compliance with their respective covenants.

We cannot offer any assurance that our businesses will generate sufficient cash flow from operations, or that the Refining Partnership will be able to draw under its Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility or the intercompany credit facility, or that the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership will be able to draw under its revolving credit facility, or from other sources of financing, in an amount sufficient to fund their respective liquidity needs.

If cash flows and capital resources are insufficient to service their indebtedness, the Refining Partnership or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership may be forced to reduce or delay capital expenditures, sell assets, seek additional capital or restructure or refinance their indebtedness. These alternative measures may not be successful and may not permit them to meet their scheduled debt service obligations. Their ability to restructure or refinance debt will depend on the condition of the capital markets and their financial condition at such time. Any refinancing of their debt could be at higher interest rates and may require them to comply with more onerous covenants, which could further restrict their business operations, and the terms of existing or future debt agreements may restrict us from adopting some of these alternatives. In addition, in the absence of adequate cash flows or capital resources, they could face substantial liquidity problems and might be required to dispose of material assets or operations, or sell equity, in order to meet their debt service and other obligations. They may not be able to consummate those dispositions for fair market value or at all. The Refining Partnership's Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility and the indenture governing its 6.5% senior notes and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's credit facility may restrict, or market or business conditions may limit, their ability to avail themselves of some or all of these options. Furthermore, any

proceeds that we realize from any such dispositions may not be adequate to meet their debt service obligations when due. None of the Company's stockholders or any of their respective affiliates has any continuing obligation to provide us with debt or equity financing.

The borrowings under the Refining Partnership's Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility and intercompany credit facility and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's revolving credit facility bear interest at variable rates and other debt we or they incur could likewise be variable-rate debt. If market interest rates increase, variable-rate debt will create higher debt service requirements, which could adversely affect their respective distributions to us. The Refining Partnership or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership may enter into agreements limiting their exposure to higher interest rates, but any such agreements may not offer complete protection from this risk.

Covenants in our subsidiaries' debt instruments could limit their ability to incur additional indebtedness and engage in certain transactions, which could adversely affect our liquidity and our ability to pursue our business strategies.

The indenture governing the Refining Partnership's 6.5% senior notes and the Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's credit facility contain a number of restrictive covenants that will impose significant operating and financial restrictions on them and their subsidiaries and may limit their ability to engage in acts that may be in their long-term best interest, including restrictions on their ability, among other things, to:

- incur, assume or guarantee additional debt or issue redeemable or preferred units
- make distributions or prepay, redeem, or repurchase certain debt;
- enter into agreements that restrict distributions from restricted subsidiaries;
- incur liens;
- sell or otherwise dispose of assets, including capital stock of subsidiaries;
- enter into transactions with affiliates; and
- merge, consolidate or sell substantially all of their assets.

In particular, the indenture governing the Refining Partnership's 6.5% senior notes prohibits it from making distributions to unitholders (including us) if any default or event of default (as defined in the indenture) exists. In addition, the indenture governing the Refining Partnership's 6.5% senior notes contains covenants limiting the Refining Partnership's ability to pay distributions to unitholders. The covenants will apply differently depending on the Refining Partnership's fixed charge coverage ratio (as defined in the indenture). If the fixed charge coverage ratio is not less than 2.5 to 1.0, the Refining Partnership will generally be permitted to make restricted payments, including distributions to its unitholders, without substantive restriction. If the fixed charge coverage ratio is less than 2.5 to 1.0, the Refining Partnership will generally be permitted to make restricted payments, including distributions to its unitholders, up to an aggregate \$100.0 million basket plus certain other amounts referred to as "incremental funds" under the indenture. In addition, the Refining Partnership's Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility requires it to maintain a minimum excess availability under the facility as a condition to the payment of distributions to its unitholders. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's credit facility requires that, before the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership can make distributions to us, it must be in compliance with leverage ratio and interest coverage ratio tests. Any new indebtedness could have similar or greater restrictions.

A breach of the covenants under the foregoing debt instruments could result in an event of default. Upon a default, unless waived, the holders of the Refining Partnership's 6.5% senior notes and lenders under the Refining Partnership's Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's credit facility would have all remedies available to a secured lender, and could elect to terminate their commitments, cease making further loans, institute foreclosure proceedings against the Refining Partnership or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership (as applicable) or its respective subsidiaries' assets, and force it and its subsidiaries into bankruptcy or liquidation, subject to intercreditor agreements. In addition, any defaults could trigger cross defaults under other or future credit agreements or indentures. The Refining Partnership's or Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's operating results may not be sufficient to service their indebtedness or to fund our other expenditures and they may not be able to obtain financing to meet these requirements. As a result of these restrictions, they may be limited in how they conduct their respective businesses, unable to raise additional debt or equity financing to operate during general economic or business downturns or unable to compete effectively or to take advantage of new business opportunities.

Despite their indebtedness, the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership may still be able to incur significantly more debt, including secured indebtedness. This could intensify the risks described above.

The Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership may be able to incur substantially more debt in the future, including secured indebtedness. Although the Refining Partnership's Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility and its 6.5% senior notes and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's credit facility contain restrictions on the incurrence of additional indebtedness, these restrictions are subject to a number of qualifications and exceptions and, under certain circumstances, indebtedness incurred in compliance with these restrictions could be substantial. Also, these restrictions may not prevent them from incurring obligations that do not constitute indebtedness. To the extent such new debt or new obligations are added to their existing indebtedness, the risks described above could substantially increase.

Mr. Carl C. Icahn exerts significant influence over the Company and his interests may conflict with the interest of the Company's other stockholders.

Mr. Carl C. Icahn indirectly controls approximately 82% of the voting power of the Company's capital stock and, by virtue of such stock ownership, is able to control or exert substantial influence over the Company, including:

- the election and appointment of directors;
- business strategy and policies;
- mergers or other business combinations;
- acquisition or disposition of assets;
- future issuances of common stock, common units or other securities;
- incurrence of debt or obtaining other sources of financing; and
- the payment of dividends on the Company's common stock and distributions on the common units of the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership.

The existence of a controlling stockholder may have the effect of making it difficult for, or may discourage or delay, a third party from seeking to acquire a majority of the Company's outstanding common stock, which may adversely affect the market price of the Company's common stock.

Mr. Icahn's interests may not always be consistent with the Company's interests or with the interests of the Company's other stockholders. Mr. Icahn and entities controlled by him may also pursue acquisitions or business opportunities in industries in which we compete, and there is no requirement that any additional business opportunities be presented to us. We also have and may in the future enter into transactions to purchase goods or services with affiliates of Mr. Icahn. To the extent that conflicts of interest may arise between the Company and Mr. Icahn and his affiliates, those conflicts may be resolved in a manner adverse to the Company or its other stockholders.

In addition, if Mr. Icahn were to sell, or otherwise transfer, some or all of his interests in us to an unrelated party or group, a change of control could be deemed to have occurred under the terms of the indentures governing the Refining Partnership's 6.5% senior notes, which would require it to offer to repurchase all outstanding notes at 101% of their principal amount plus accrued interest to the date of repurchase, and an event of default could be deemed to have occurred under the Refining Partnership's Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility, which would allow lenders to accelerate indebtedness owed to them. However, it is possible that the Refining Partnership will not have sufficient funds at the time of the change of control to make the required repurchase of notes or repay amounts outstanding under the Refining Partnership's Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility, if any.

The Company's common stock price may decline due to sales of shares by Mr. Carl C. Icahn.

Sales of substantial amounts of the Company's common stock, or the perception that these sales may occur, may adversely affect the price of the Company's common stock and impede its ability to raise capital through the issuance of equity securities in the future. Mr. Icahn could elect in the future to request that the Company file a registration statement to enable him to sell shares of the Company's common stock. If Mr. Icahn were to sell a large number of shares into the public markets, Mr. Icahn could cause the price of the Company's common stock to decline.

We are a "controlled company" within the meaning of the NYSE rules and, as a result, qualify for, and are relying on, exemptions from certain corporate governance requirements.

A company of which more than 50% of the voting power is held by an individual, a group or another company is a "controlled company" within the meaning of the NYSE rules and may elect not to comply with certain corporate governance requirements of the NYSE, including:

- the requirement that a majority of our board of directors consist of independent directors;
- the requirement that we have a nominating/corporate governance committee that is composed entirely of independent directors; and
- the requirement that we have a compensation committee that is composed entirely of independent directors.

We are relying on all of these exemptions as a controlled company. Accordingly, you may not have the same protections afforded to stockholders of companies that are subject to all of the corporate governance requirements of the NYSE. In addition, both the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership are relying on exemptions from the same NYSE corporate governance requirements described above.

We may be subject to the pension liabilities of our affiliates.

Mr. Icahn, through certain affiliates, owns approximately 82% of the Company's capital stock. Applicable pension and tax laws make each member of a "controlled group" of entities, generally defined as entities in which there is at least an 80% common ownership interest, jointly and severally liable for certain pension plan obligations of any member of the controlled group. These pension obligations include ongoing contributions to fund the plan, as well as liability for any unfunded liabilities that may exist at the time the plan is terminated. In addition, the failure to pay these pension obligations when due may result in the creation of liens in favor of the pension plan or the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation ("PBGC") against the assets of each member of the controlled group.

As a result of the more than 80% ownership interest in us by Mr. Icahn's affiliates, we are subject to the pension liabilities of all entities in which Mr. Icahn has a direct or indirect ownership interest of at least 80%. Two such entities, ACF Industries LLC ("ACF") and Federal-Mogul, are the sponsors of several pension plans. All the minimum funding requirements of the Code and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended by the Pension Protection Act of 2006, for these plans have been met as of December 31, 2014. If the ACF and Federal-Mogul plans were voluntarily terminated, they would be collectively underfunded by approximately \$473.8 million and \$591.8 million as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. These results are based on the most recent information provided to us by Mr. Icahn's affiliates based on information from the plans' actuaries. These liabilities could increase or decrease, depending on a number of factors, including future changes in benefits, investment returns, and the assumptions used to calculate the liability. As members of the controlled group, we would be liable for any failure of ACF and Federal-Mogul to make ongoing pension contributions or to pay the unfunded liabilities upon a termination of their respective pension plans. In addition, other entities now or in the future within the controlled group that includes us may have pension plan obligations that are, or may become, underfunded, and we would be liable for any failure of such entities to make ongoing pension contributions or to pay the unfunded liabilities upon a termination of such plans. The current underfunded status of the ACF and Federal-Mogul pension plans requires such entities to notify the PBGC of certain "reportable events," such as if we cease to be a member of the controlled group, or if we make certain extraordinary dividends or stock redemptions. The obligation to report could cause us to seek to delay or reconsider the occurrence of such reportable events.

Risks Related to Our Common Stock

We have various mechanisms in place to discourage takeover attempts, which may reduce or eliminate our stockholders' ability to sell their shares for a premium in a change of control transaction.

Various provisions of our certificate of incorporation and bylaws and of Delaware corporate law may discourage, delay or prevent a change in control or takeover attempt of our Company by a third party that our management and board of directors determines is not in the best interest of our Company and its stockholders. Public stockholders who might desire to participate in such a transaction may not have the opportunity to do so. These anti-takeover provisions could substantially impede the ability of public stockholders to benefit from a change of control or change in our management and board of directors. These provisions include:

- preferred stock that could be issued by our board of directors to make it more difficult for a third party to acquire, or to discourage a third party from acquiring, a majority of our outstanding voting stock;
- limitations on the ability of stockholders to call special meetings of stockholders;
- limitations on the ability of stockholders to act by written consent in lieu of a stockholders' meeting; and
- advance notice requirements for nominations of candidates for election to our board of directors or for proposing matters that can be acted upon by our stockholders at stockholder meetings.

We are authorized to issue up to a total of 350 million shares of common stock and 50 million shares of preferred stock, potentially diluting equity ownership of current holders and the share price of our common stock.

We believe that it is necessary to maintain a sufficient number of available authorized shares of our common stock and preferred stock in order to provide us with the flexibility to issue common stock or preferred stock for business purposes that may arise as deemed advisable by our board of directors. These purposes could include, among other things, (i) future stock dividends or stock splits, which may increase the liquidity of our shares; (ii) the sale of stock to obtain additional capital or to acquire other companies or businesses, which could enhance our growth strategy or allow us to reduce debt if needed; (iii) for use in additional stock incentive programs and (iv) for other bona fide purposes. Our board of directors may authorize the Company to issue the available authorized shares of common stock or preferred stock without notice to, or further action by, our stockholders, unless stockholder approval is required by law or the rules of the NYSE. The issuance of additional shares of common stock or preferred stock may significantly dilute the equity ownership of the current holders of our common stock.

Our ability to pay dividends on our common stock is subject to market conditions and numerous other factors.

In January 2013, our board of directors adopted a quarterly dividend policy. We began paying regular quarterly dividends in the second quarter of 2013. Dividends are subject to change at the discretion of the board of directors and may change from quarter to quarter. Our ability to continue paying dividends is subject to our ability to continue to generate sufficient cash flow, and the amount of dividends we are able to pay each year may vary, possibly substantially, based on market conditions, crack spreads, our capital expenditure and other business needs, covenants contained in any debt agreements we may enter into in the future, covenants contained in the debt agreements of CVR Partners, LP and CVR Refining, LP, and the amount of distributions we receive from CVR Partners, LP and CVR Refining, LP. We may not be able to continue paying dividends at the rate we currently pay dividends, or at all. If the amount of our dividends decreases, the trading price of our common stock could be materially adversely affected as a result.

Risks Inherent In the Limited Partnership Structures Through Which We Currently Hold Our Interests in the Refinery Business and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Business

Both the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership have in place policies to distribute an amount equal to the "available cash" each generates each quarter, which could limit their ability to grow and make acquisitions.

The current policies of both the board of directors of the Refining Partnership's general partner and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner is to distribute an amount equal to the available cash generated by each partnership each quarter to their respective unitholders. As a result of their respective cash distribution policies, the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership will rely primarily upon external financing sources, including commercial bank borrowings and the issuance of debt and equity securities, to fund acquisitions and expansion capital expenditures. As such, to the extent they are unable to finance growth externally, their respective cash distribution policies will significantly impair their ability to grow. The board of directors of the general partner of either the Refining Partnership or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership may modify or revoke its cash distribution policy at any time at its discretion, including in such a manner that would result in an elimination of cash distributions regardless of the amount of available cash they generate. Each board of directors will determine the cash distribution policy it deems advisable for them on an independent basis.

In addition, because of their respective distribution policies, their growth, if any, may not be as robust as that of businesses that reinvest their available cash to expand ongoing operations. To the extent either issues additional units in connection with any acquisitions or expansion capital expenditures or as in-kind distributions, current unitholders will experience dilution and the payment of distributions on those additional units will decrease the amount each distributes in respect of each of its outstanding units. There are no limitations in their respective partnership agreements on either the Refining Partnership's or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's ability to issue additional units, including units ranking senior to the outstanding common

units. The incurrence of additional commercial borrowings or other debt to finance their growth strategy would result in increased interest expense, which, in turn, would reduce the available cash they have to distribute to unitholders (including us).

Each of the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership may not have sufficient available cash to pay any quarterly distribution on their respective common units. Furthermore, neither is required to make distributions to holders of its common units on a quarterly basis or otherwise, and both may elect to distribute less than all of their respective available cash.

Either or both of the Refining Partnership or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership may not have sufficient available cash each quarter to enable the payment of distributions to common unitholders. The Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership are separate public companies, and available cash generated by one of them will not be used to make distributions to common unitholders of the other. Furthermore, their respective partnership agreements do not require either to pay distributions on a quarterly basis or otherwise. The board of directors of the general partner of either the Refining Partnership or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership may at any time, for any reason, change its cash distribution policy or decide not to make any distribution. The amount of cash they will be able to distribute in respect of their common units principally depends on the amount of cash they generate from operations, which is directly dependent upon the margins each business generates. Please see "— Risks Related to the Petroleum Business — The price volatility of crude oil and other feedstocks, refined products and utility services may have a material adverse effect on our profitability and our ability to pay distributions to unitholders" and "— Risks Related to the Nitrogen Fertilizer Business — The nitrogen fertilizer business is, and nitrogen fertilizer prices are, cyclical and highly volatile, and the nitrogen fertilizer business has experienced substantial downturns in the past. Cycles in demand and pricing could potentially expose the nitrogen fertilizer business to significant fluctuations in its operating and financial results and have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows."

If either the Refining Partnership or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership were to be treated as a corporation, rather than as a partnership, for U.S. federal income tax purposes or if either partnership were otherwise subject to entity-level taxation, such entity's cash available for distribution to its common unitholders, including to us, would be reduced, likely causing a substantial reduction in the value of such entity's common units, including the common units held by us.

Current law requires the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership to derive at least 90% of their respective annual gross income from certain specified activities in order to continue to be treated as a partnership, rather than as a corporation, for U.S. federal income tax purposes. One or both of them may not find it possible to meet this qualifying income requirement, or may inadvertently fail to meet this qualifying income requirement. If either the Refining Partnership or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership were to be treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, they would pay U.S. federal income tax on all of their taxable income at the corporate tax rate, which is currently a maximum of 35%, they would likely pay additional state and local income taxes at varying rates, and distributions to their common unitholders, including to us, would generally be taxed as corporate distributions.

If the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership were to be treated as corporations, rather than as partnerships, for U.S. federal income tax purposes or if they were otherwise subject to entity-level taxation, their cash available for distribution to their common unitholders, including to us, and the value of their common units, including the common units held by us, could be substantially reduced.

Increases in interest rates could adversely impact the price of the Refining Partnership's or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's common units and the Refining Partnership's or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's ability to issue additional equity to make acquisitions, incur debt or for other purposes.

We expect that the price of the Refining Partnership's or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's common units will be impacted by the level of the Refining Partnership's or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's quarterly cash distributions and implied distribution yield. The distribution yield is often used by investors to compare and rank related yield-oriented securities for investment decision-making purposes. Therefore, changes in interest rates may affect the yield requirements of investors who invest in the Refining Partnership's or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's common units, and a rising interest rate environment could have a material adverse impact on the price of the Refining Partnership's or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's common units (and therefore the value of our investment in the Refining Partnership and/or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership) as well as the Refining Partnership's or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's ability to issue additional equity to make acquisitions or to incur debt.

We may have liability to repay distributions that are wrongfully distributed to us.

Under certain circumstances, we may, as a holder of common units in the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership, have to repay amounts wrongfully returned or distributed to us. Under the Delaware Revised Uniform Limited Partnership Act, a partnership may not make distributions to its unitholders if the distribution would cause its liabilities to exceed the fair value of its assets. Delaware law provides that for a period of three years from the date of an impermissible distribution, limited partners who received the distribution and who knew at the time of the distribution that it violated Delaware law will be liable to the company for the distribution amount.

Public investors own approximately 47% of the nitrogen fertilizer business through the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership and approximately 34% of the petroleum business through the Refining Partnership. Although we own the majority of the common units and the general partner of both the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership, the general partners owe a duty of good faith to public unitholders, which could cause them to manage their respective businesses differently than if there were no public unitholders.

Public investors own approximately 47% of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's common units and approximately 34% of the Refining Partnership's common units. We are not entitled to receive all of the cash generated by the nitrogen fertilizer business or the petroleum business or freely transfer money from the nitrogen fertilizer business to finance operations at the petroleum business or vice versa. Furthermore, although we continue to own the majority of the common units and the general partner of both the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership, the general partners are subject to certain fiduciary duties, which may require the general partners to manage their respective businesses in a way that may differ from our best interests.

The general partners of the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership have limited their liability, replaced default fiduciary duties and restricted the remedies available to common unitholders, including us, for actions that, without these limitations and reductions might otherwise constitute breaches of fiduciary duty.

The respective partnership agreements of the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership limit the liability and replace the fiduciary duties of their respective general partner, while also restricting the remedies available to each partnership's common unitholders, including us, for actions that, without these limitations and reductions, might constitute breaches of fiduciary duty. Delaware partnership law permits such contractual reductions of fiduciary duty. The partnership agreements contain provisions that replace the standards to which each general partner would otherwise be held by state fiduciary duty law. For example:

- The partnership agreements permit each partnership's general partner to make a number of decisions in its individual capacity, as opposed to its capacity as general partner. This entitles its general partner to consider only the interests and factors that it desires, and means that it has no duty or obligation to give any consideration to any interest of, or factors affecting, any limited partner.
- The partnership agreements provide that each partnership's general partner will not have any liability to unitholders for decisions made in its capacity as general partner so long as (i) in the case of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership, it acted in good faith, meaning it believed that the decision was in the best interest of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership and (ii) in the case of the Refining Partnership, it did not make such decisions in bad faith, meaning it believed that the decisions were adverse to the Refining Partnership's interests.
- The partnership agreements provide that each partnership's general partner and the officers and directors of its general partner will not be liable for monetary damages to common unitholders, including us, for any acts or omissions unless there has been a final and non-appealable judgment entered by a court of competent jurisdiction determining that (i) in the case of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership, the general partner or its officers or directors acted in bad faith or engaged in fraud or willful misconduct, or in, the case of a criminal matter, acted with knowledge that the conduct was criminal and (ii) in the case of the Refining Partnership, such losses or liabilities were the result of the conduct of our general partner or such officer or director engaged in by it in bad faith or with respect to any criminal conduct, with the knowledge that its conduct was unlawful.

In addition, the Refining Partnership's partnership agreement provides that its general partner will not be in breach of its obligations thereunder or its duties to the Refining Partnership or its limited partners if a transaction with an affiliate or the resolution of a conflict of interest is either (i) approved by the conflicts committee of its board of directors of the general partner, although the general partner is not obligated to seek such approval; or (ii) approved by the vote of a majority of the outstanding units, excluding any units owned by the general partner and its affiliates. In addition, the Nitrogen Fertilizer

Partnership's partnership agreement (i) generally provides that affiliated transactions and resolutions of conflicts of interest not approved by the conflicts committee of the board of directors of its general partner and not involving a vote of unitholders must be on terms no less favorable to the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership than those generally being provided to or available from unrelated third parties or be "fair and reasonable" to the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership, as determined by its general partner in good faith, and that, in determining whether a transaction or resolution is "fair and reasonable," the general partner may consider the totality of the relationships between the parties involved, including other transactions that may be particularly advantageous or beneficial to affiliated parties, including us and (ii) provides that in resolving conflicts of interest, it will be presumed that in making its decision, the general partner or its conflicts committee acted in good faith, and in any proceeding brought by or on behalf of any holder of common units, the person bringing or prosecuting such proceeding will have the burden of overcoming such presumption.

With respect to the common units that we own, we have agreed to be bound by the provisions set forth in each partnership agreement, including the provisions described above.

The Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership are managed by the executive officers of their general partners, some of whom are employed by and serve as part of the senior management team of the Company. Conflicts of interest could arise as a result of this arrangement.

The Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership is each managed by the executive officers of their general partners, some of whom are employed by and serve as part of the senior management team of the Company. Furthermore, although both the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership have entered into services agreements with the Company under which they compensate the Company for the services of its management, the Company's management is not required to devote any specific amount of time to the petroleum business or the nitrogen fertilizer business and may devote a substantial majority of their time to the business of the Company. Moreover the Company may terminate the services agreement with the Refining Partnership and/or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership at any time, in each case subject to a 180-day notice period. In addition, key executive officers of the Company, including its president and chief executive officer, chief financial officer and general counsel, will face conflicts of interest if decisions arise in which the Refining Partnership or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership and the Company have conflicting points of view or interests.

Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

None.

Item 2. Properties

The following table contains certain information regarding our principal properties:

Location	Acres	Own/Lease	Use
Coffeyville, KS	440	Own	Refining Partnership: oil refinery and office buildings Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership: fertilizer plant
Wynnewood, OK	400	Own	Oil refinery, office buildings, refined oil storage
Montgomery County, KS (Coffeyville Station)	20	Own	Crude oil storage
Montgomery County, KS (Broome Station)	20	Own	Crude oil storage
Cowley County, KS (Hooser Station)	80	Own	Crude oil storage
Cushing, OK	138	Own	Crude oil storage

We also lease property for our executive office which is located at 2277 Plaza Drive in Sugar Land, Texas. Additionally, other corporate office space is leased in Kansas City, Kansas.

As of December 31, 2014, the petroleum business owns crude oil storage capacity of approximately (i) 1.4 million barrels that supports the gathering system and the Coffeyville refinery, (ii) 0.9 million barrels at the Wynnewood refinery and (iii) 1.0 million barrels in Cushing, Oklahoma. The petroleum business leases additional crude oil storage capacity of approximately 2.8 million barrels in Cushing and 0.1 million barrels at the Wynnewood refinery. In addition to crude oil storage, the petroleum business owns approximately 4.5 million barrels of combined refinery related storage capacity.

Item 3. *Legal Proceedings*

We are, and will continue to be, subject to litigation from time to time in the ordinary course of our business, including matters such as those described under "Business — Environmental Matters." We also incorporate by reference into this Part I, Item 3 of this Report, the information regarding the lawsuits and proceedings described and referenced in Note 14 ("Commitments and Contingencies") to our Consolidated Financial Statements as set forth in Part II, Item 8 of this Report. In accordance with GAAP, we record a liability when it is both probable that a liability has been incurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. These provisions are reviewed at least quarterly and adjusted to reflect the impacts of negotiations, settlements, rulings, advice of legal counsel, and other information and events pertaining to a particular case. Although we cannot predict with certainty the ultimate resolution of lawsuits, investigations or claims asserted against us, we do not believe that any currently pending legal proceeding or proceedings to which we are a party will have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

Item 4. *Mine Safety Disclosures*

None.

PART II

Item 5. Market For Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities**Market Information**

Our common stock, which is listed on the NYSE under the symbol "CVI" commenced trading on October 23, 2007. The table below sets forth, for the quarter indicated, the high and low sales prices per share of our common stock for our most recent fiscal years:

<u>2014</u>	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>
First Quarter	\$ 43.96	\$ 34.89
Second Quarter	51.44	41.06
Third Quarter	50.99	44.25
Fourth Quarter	49.64	36.70

<u>2013</u>	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>
First Quarter	\$ 62.50	\$ 46.29
Second Quarter	72.32	44.95
Third Quarter	49.94	38.06
Fourth Quarter	43.44	33.03

Holders of Record

As of February 17, 2015, there were 132 holders of record of our common stock. Because many of our shares of common stock are held by brokers and other institutions on behalf of stockholders, we are unable to estimate the total number of beneficial owners represented by these record holders.

CVR Energy, Inc. Dividend Policy

On January 24, 2013, the board of directors of the Company adopted a quarterly cash dividend policy. Dividends are subject to change at the discretion of the board of directors. The Company began paying regular quarterly dividends in the second quarter of 2013. Additionally, the Company declared and paid one special cash dividend during the year ended December 31, 2014 and two special cash dividends during the year ended December 31, 2013.

The following is a summary of the quarterly and special dividends paid to stockholders during the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013:

	<u>December 31, 2013</u>	<u>March 31, 2014</u>	<u>June 30, 2014</u>	<u>July 17, 2014</u>	<u>September 30, 2014</u>	<u>Total Dividends Paid in 2014</u>
	(in millions, except per share data)					
Dividend type	Quarterly	Quarterly	Quarterly	Special	Quarterly	
Amount paid to IEP	\$ 53.4	\$ 53.4	\$ 53.4	\$ 142.4	\$ 53.4	\$ 356.0
Amounts paid to public stockholders	11.7	11.7	11.7	31.3	11.7	78.2
Total amount paid	\$ 65.1	\$ 65.1	\$ 65.1	\$ 173.7	\$ 65.1	\$ 434.2
Per common share	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.75	\$ 2.00	\$ 0.75	\$ 5.00
Shares outstanding	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.8	

	February 19, 2013	March 31, 2013	June 10, 2013	June 30, 2013	September 30, 2013	Total Dividends Paid in 2013
(in millions, except per share data)						
Dividend type	Special	Quarterly	Special	Quarterly	Quarterly	
Amount paid to IEP	\$ 391.6	\$ 53.4	\$ 462.8	\$ 53.4	\$ 53.4	\$ 1,014.6
Amounts paid to public stockholders	86.0	11.7	101.6	11.7	11.7	222.7
Total amount paid	\$ 477.6	\$ 65.1	\$ 564.4	\$ 65.1	\$ 65.1	\$ 1,237.3
Per common share	\$ 5.50	\$ 0.75	\$ 6.50	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.75	\$ 14.25
Shares outstanding	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.8	

On February 18, 2015, the board of directors of the Company declared a cash dividend for the fourth quarter of 2014 to the Company's stockholders of \$0.50 per share, or \$43.4 million in aggregate. The dividend will be paid on March 9, 2015 to stockholders of record at the close of business on March 2, 2015.

Our ability to pay cash dividends is dependent on the ability of our subsidiaries to make distributions to us. The cash distribution policies of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership and the Refining Partnership are described below. Furthermore, the ability of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership and the Refining Partnership to make distributions to us is limited by the Refining Partnership's Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility and the 2022 Notes. See Part II, Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations — Liquidity and Capital Resources" for a discussion of those limitations.

CVR Partners, LP Cash Distribution Policy

The current policy of the board of directors of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner is to distribute all available cash the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership generates each quarter. Available cash for each quarter is determined by the board of directors of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner following the end of such quarter. Beginning with the first quarter of 2013, the board of directors of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner adopted an amended policy to calculate available cash starting with Adjusted Nitrogen Fertilizer EBITDA reduced for cash needed for (i) net interest expense (excluding capitalized interest) and debt service and other contractual obligations, (ii) maintenance capital expenditures and, (iii) to the extent applicable, major scheduled turnaround expense incurred and reserves for future operating or capital needs that the board of directors of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner deems necessary or appropriate, if any. Available cash for distributions may be increased by previously established cash reserves, if any, at the discretion of the board of directors of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership does not intend to maintain excess distribution coverage for the purpose of maintaining stability or growth in its quarterly distribution or otherwise to reserve cash for distributions, nor does the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership intend to incur debt to pay quarterly distributions. As of the date of this Report, we own approximately 53% of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's common units, and are entitled to a pro rata percentage of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's distributions in respect of its common units.

The following is a summary of cash distributions paid by the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership to unitholders during the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 for the respective quarters to which the distributions relate:

	December 31, 2013	March 31, 2014	June 30, 2014	September 30, 2014	Total Cash Distributions Paid in 2014
(in millions, except per common unit data)					
Amount paid to CRLLC	\$ 16.7	\$ 14.8	\$ 12.8	\$ 10.5	\$ 54.9
Amounts paid to public unitholders	14.7	13.0	11.3	9.2	48.2
Total amount paid	\$ 31.4	\$ 27.8	\$ 24.1	\$ 19.7	\$ 103.1
Per common unit	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.33	\$ 0.27	\$ 1.41
Common units outstanding	73.1	73.1	73.1	73.1	

	December 31, 2012	March 31, 2013	June 30, 2013	September 30, 2013	Total Cash Distributions Paid in 2013
(in millions, except per common unit data)					
Amount paid to CRLLC	\$ 9.8	\$ 31.1	\$ 22.7	\$ 14.0	\$ 77.5
Amounts paid to public unitholders	4.2	13.5	19.9	12.3	50.0
Total amount paid	\$ 14.0	\$ 44.6	\$ 42.6	\$ 26.3	\$ 127.5
Per common unit	\$ 0.192	\$ 0.610	\$ 0.583	\$ 0.360	\$ 1.745
Common units outstanding	73.1	73.1	73.1	73.1	

On February 18, 2015, the board of directors of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner declared a cash distribution for the fourth quarter of 2014 to the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's unitholders of \$0.41 per unit, or \$30.0 million in aggregate. The cash distribution will be paid on March 9, 2015 to unitholders of record at the close of business on March 2, 2015. Total cash distributions paid and to be paid based upon available cash for 2014 were \$1.39 per common unit.

CVR Refining, LP Cash Distribution Policy

The current policy of the board of directors of the Refining Partnership's general partner is to distribute all of the available cash the Refining Partnership generates each quarter. Available cash for each quarter will be determined by the board of directors of the Refining Partnership's general partner following the end of such quarter and will generally equal Adjusted Petroleum EBITDA reduced for (i) cash needed for debt service, (ii) reserves for environmental and maintenance capital expenditures, (iii) reserves for future major scheduled turnaround expenses and, (iv) to the extent applicable, reserves for future operating or capital needs that the board of directors of the Refining Partnership's general partner deems necessary or appropriate, if any. Available cash for distributions may be increased by previously established cash reserves, if any, and other excess cash, at the discretion of the board of directors of the Refining Partnership's general partner. The Refining Partnership does not intend to maintain excess distribution coverage for the purpose of maintaining stability or growth in its quarterly distribution or otherwise to reserve cash for distributions, nor do they intend to incur debt to pay quarterly distributions. Further, it is the Refining Partnership's intent, subject to market conditions, to finance growth capital externally, and not to reserve cash for unspecified potential future needs. As of the date of this Report, we own approximately 66% of the Refining Partnership's common units, and are entitled to a pro rata percentage of the Refining Partnership's distributions in respect of its common units.

The following is a summary of cash distributions paid by the Refining Partnership to unitholders during the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 for the respective quarters to which the distributions relate:

	December 31, 2013	March 31, 2014	June 30, 2014	September 30, 2014	Total Cash Distributions Paid in 2014
(in millions, except per common unit data)					
Amount paid to CVR Refining Holdings, LLC	\$ 47.1	\$ 102.8	\$ 93.4	\$ 52.5	\$ 295.8
Amounts paid to public unitholders	19.3	41.9	48.3	27.2	136.7
Total amount paid	\$ 66.4	\$ 144.7	\$ 141.7	\$ 79.7	\$ 432.5
Per common unit	\$ 0.45	\$ 0.98	\$ 0.96	\$ 0.54	\$ 2.93
Common units outstanding	147.6	147.6	147.6	147.6	

	March 31, 2013 ⁽¹⁾	June 30, 2013	September 30, 2013	Total Cash Distributions Paid in 2013
(in millions, except per common unit data)				
Amount paid to CVR Refining Holdings, LLC	\$ 189.6	\$ 141.5	\$ 31.4	\$ 362.5
Amounts paid to public unitholders	43.6	57.8	12.9	114.2
Total amount paid	\$ 233.2	\$ 199.3	\$ 44.3	\$ 476.7
Per common unit	\$ 1.58	\$ 1.35	\$ 0.30	\$ 3.23
Common units outstanding	147.6	147.6	147.6	

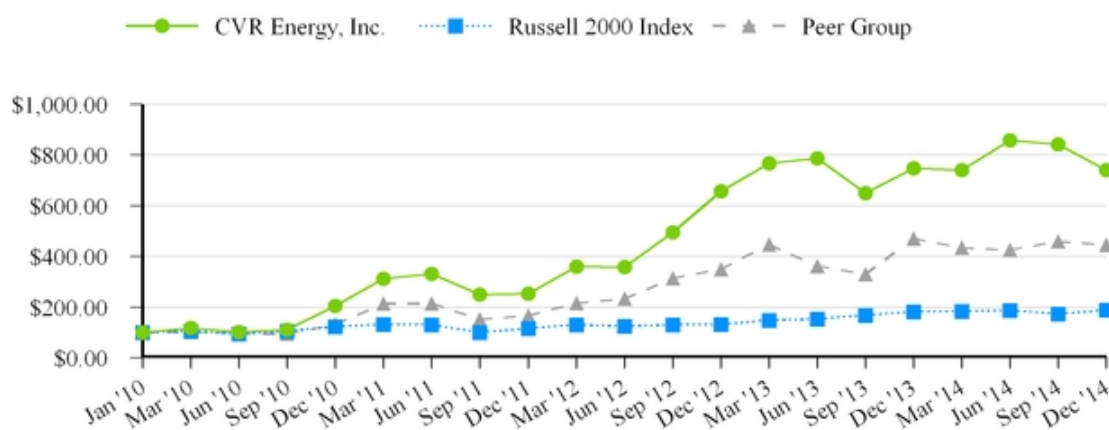
(1) The distribution for the period ended March 31, 2013 was adjusted to exclude the period from January 1, 2013 through January 22, 2013 (the period preceding the closing of the Refining Partnership IPO).

On February 18, 2015, the board of directors of the Refining Partnership's general partner declared a cash distribution for the fourth quarter of 2014 to the Refining Partnership's unitholders of \$0.37 per common unit, or \$54.6 million in aggregate. The cash distribution will be paid on March 9, 2015 to unitholders of record at the close of business on March 2, 2015. Total cash distributions paid and to be paid based upon available cash for 2014 were \$2.85 per common unit.

Stock Performance Graph

The following graph sets forth the cumulative return on our common stock between January 1, 2010 and December 31, 2014, as compared to the cumulative return of the Russell 2000 Index and an industry peer group consisting of Alon USA Energy, Inc., Delek US Holdings, Inc., HollyFrontier Corporation, Tesoro Corporation, Valero Energy Corporation and Western Refining, Inc. The graph assumes an investment of \$100 on January 1, 2010 in our common stock, the Russell 2000 Index and the industry peer group, and assumes the reinvestment of dividends where applicable. The closing market price for our common stock on December 31, 2014 was \$38.71. The stock price performance shown on the graph is not intended to forecast and does not necessarily indicate future price performance.

**COMPARISON OF CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURN
BETWEEN JANUARY 1, 2010 AND DECEMBER 31, 2014
among CVR Energy, Inc., Russell 2000 Index and a peer group**



This performance graph shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that Section, and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), or the Exchange Act.

	Jan '10	Mar '10	Jun '10	Sep '10	Dec '10	Mar '11	Jun '11	Sep '11	Dec '11	Mar '12	Jun '12
CVR Energy, Inc.	100.00	117.78	101.15	111.09	204.21	311.66	331.36	248.51	252.01	360.04	357.74
Russell 2000 Index	100.00	106.02	95.22	105.63	122.43	131.78	129.27	100.63	115.75	129.71	124.74
Peer Group	100.00	101.51	93.48	94.74	131.98	212.87	213.05	152.00	166.40	215.45	232.35

	Sep '12	Dec '12	Mar '13	Jun '13	Sep '13	Dec '13	Mar '14	Jun '14	Sep '14	Dec '14
CVR Energy, Inc.	494.65	656.60	766.35	786.23	649.33	747.42	740.34	857.36	842.07	740.15
Russell 2000 Index	130.83	132.69	148.65	152.71	167.75	181.79	183.26	186.37	172.11	188.20
Peer Group	313.31	348.86	447.49	361.03	329.84	470.01	433.62	425.33	459.69	445.40

Purchases of Equity Securities by the Issuer

We did not repurchase any of our common stock during the fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2014.

Item 6. Selected Financial Data

You should read the selected historical consolidated financial data presented below in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and our consolidated financial statements and the related notes included elsewhere in this Report.

The selected consolidated financial information presented below under the caption "Statements of Operations Data" for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 and the selected consolidated financial information presented below under the caption "Balance Sheet Data" as of December 31, 2014 and 2013 has been derived from our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this Report. Grant Thornton LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm, audited our consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, and KPMG LLP, our predecessor independent registered public accounting firm, audited our consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2012. The consolidated financial information presented below under the caption "Statements of Operations Data" for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 and the consolidated financial information presented below under the caption "Balance Sheet Data" at December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, is derived from our audited consolidated financial statements that are not included in this Report.

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2014	2013	2012	2011(1)	2010
(in millions, except per share data)					
Statements of Operations Data					
Net sales	\$ 9,109.5	\$ 8,985.8	\$ 8,567.3	\$ 5,029.1	\$ 4,079.8
Cost of product sold(2)	8,066.0	7,563.2	6,696.9	3,943.5	3,568.1
Direct operating expenses(2)	515.1	455.8	522.1	334.1	239.8
Insurance recovery-business interruption	—	—	—	(3.4)	—
Selling, general and administrative expenses(2)	109.7	113.5	183.4	98.0	92.0
Depreciation and amortization	154.4	142.8	130.0	90.3	86.8
Operating income	\$ 264.3	\$ 710.5	\$ 1,034.9	\$ 566.6	\$ 93.1
Interest expense and other financing costs	(40.0)	(50.5)	(75.4)	(55.8)	(50.3)
Interest income	0.9	1.2	0.9	0.5	2.2
Gain (loss) on derivatives, net	185.6	57.1	(285.6)	78.1	(1.5)
Loss on extinguishment of debt	—	(26.1)	(37.5)	(2.1)	(16.6)
Other income (expense), net	(3.7)	13.5	0.9	0.8	1.2
Income before income tax expense	\$ 407.1	\$ 705.7	\$ 638.2	\$ 588.1	\$ 28.1
Income tax expense	97.7	183.7	225.6	209.5	13.8
Net income	309.4	522.0	412.6	378.6	14.3
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	135.5	151.3	34.0	32.8	—
Net income attributable to CVR Energy stockholders	\$ 173.9	\$ 370.7	\$ 378.6	\$ 345.8	\$ 14.3
Basic earnings per share	\$ 2.00	\$ 4.27	\$ 4.36	\$ 4.00	\$ 0.17
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 2.00	\$ 4.27	\$ 4.33	\$ 3.94	\$ 0.16
Dividends declared per share	\$ 5.00	\$ 14.25	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Weighted-average common shares outstanding:					
Basic	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.5	86.3
Diluted	86.8	86.8	87.4	87.8	86.8

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2014	2013	2012	2011(1)	2010
	(in millions)				
Balance Sheet Data					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 753.7	\$ 842.1	\$ 896.0	\$ 388.3	\$ 200.0
Working capital	1,033.0	1,230.2	1,135.4	769.2	333.6
Total assets	3,462.5	3,665.8	3,610.9	3,119.3	1,740.2
Total debt, including current portion	674.9	676.2	898.2	863.8	477.0
Total CVR stockholders' equity	988.1	1,188.6	1,525.1	1,151.6	689.6
Cash Flow Data					
Net cash flow provided by (used in):					
Operating activities	640.3	440.1	762.6	278.6	225.4
Investing activities	(296.6)	(250.3)	(210.7)	(674.4)	(31.3)
Financing activities	(432.1)	(243.7)	(44.2)	584.1	(31.0)
Net cash flow	(88.4)	(53.9)	507.7	188.3	163.1
Capital expenditures for property, plant and equipment	218.4	256.5	212.2	91.2	32.4

(1) We acquired WEC on December 15, 2011 and its results of operations are included from the date of acquisition.

(2) Amounts are shown exclusive of depreciation and amortization.

Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

You should read the following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations in conjunction with our financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this Report.

Forward-Looking Statements

This Report, including, without limitation, the sections captioned "Business" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," contains "forward-looking statements" as defined by the SEC, including statements concerning contemplated transactions and strategic plans, expectations and objectives for future operations. Forward-looking statements include, without limitation:

- statements, other than statements of historical fact, that address activities, events or developments that we expect, believe or anticipate will or may occur in the future;
- statements relating to future financial or operational performance, future dividends, future capital sources and capital expenditures; and
- any other statements preceded by, followed by or that include the words "anticipates," "believes," "expects," "plans," "intends," "estimates," "projects," "could," "should," "may," or similar expressions.

Although we believe that our plans, intentions and expectations reflected in or suggested by the forward-looking statements we make in this Report, including this Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, are reasonable, we can give no assurance that such plans, intentions or expectations will be achieved. These statements are based on assumptions made by us based on our experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions, expected future developments and other factors that we believe are appropriate in the circumstances. Such statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond our control. You are cautioned that any such statements are not guarantees of future performance and that actual results or developments may differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements as a result of various factors, including but not limited to those set forth under the section captioned "Risk Factors" and contained elsewhere in this Report.

All forward-looking statements contained in this Report only speak as of the date of this Report. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances that occur after the date of this Report, or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events, except to the extent required by law.

Overview and Executive Summary

We are a diversified holding company primarily engaged in the petroleum refining and nitrogen fertilizer manufacturing industries through our holdings in the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership. The Refining Partnership is an independent petroleum refiner and marketer of high value transportation fuels. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership produces nitrogen fertilizers in the form of UAN and ammonia. We own the general partner and a majority of the common units representing limited partner interests in each of the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership.

We operate under two business segments: petroleum and nitrogen fertilizer. For the fiscal years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, we generated consolidated net sales of \$9.1 billion, \$9.0 billion and \$8.6 billion, respectively, and operating income of \$264.3 million, \$710.5 million and \$1,034.9 million, respectively. The petroleum business generated net sales of \$8.8 billion, \$8.7 billion and \$8.3 billion, and the nitrogen fertilizer business generated net sales of \$298.7 million, \$323.7 million and \$302.3 million in each case for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The petroleum business generated operating income of \$207.2 million, \$603.0 million and \$1,012.5 million for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The nitrogen fertilizer business generated operating income of \$82.8 million, \$124.9 million and \$115.8 million for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Petroleum business. The petroleum business consists of our interests in the Refining Partnership. We own the general partner and approximately 66% of the common units of the Refining Partnership. The petroleum business consists of a 115,000 bpcd rated capacity complex full coking medium-sour crude oil refinery in Coffeyville, Kansas and a 70,000 bpcd rated capacity complex crude oil refinery in Wynnewood, Oklahoma capable of processing 20,000 bpcd of light sour crude oil (within its rated capacity of 70,000 bpcd). In addition, its supporting businesses include (1) a crude oil gathering system with a gathering capacity of approximately 60,000 bpd serving Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Missouri and Texas, (2) a 170,000 bpd pipeline system (supported by approximately 336 miles of Company owned and leased pipelines) that transports crude oil to the Coffeyville refinery from the Broome Station facility located near Caney, Kansas (3) over 6.0 million barrels of owned and leased crude oil storage, (4) a rack marketing business supplying refined petroleum product through tanker trucks directly to customers located in close geographic proximity to Coffeyville, Kansas and Wynnewood, Oklahoma and at throughput terminals on Magellan and NuStar's refined petroleum products distribution systems and (5) approximately 4.5 million barrels of combined refinery related storage capacity.

The Coffeyville refinery is situated approximately 100 miles northeast of Cushing, Oklahoma, one of the largest crude oil trading and storage hubs in the United States and the Wynnewood refinery is approximately 130 miles southwest of Cushing. Cushing is supplied by numerous pipelines from U.S. domestic locations and Canada. In addition to rack sales (sales which are made at terminals into third-party tanker trucks), Coffeyville makes bulk sales (sales through third-party pipelines) into the mid-continent markets and other destinations utilizing the product pipeline networks owned by Magellan, Enterprise, and NuStar.

Crude oil is supplied to the Coffeyville refinery through the gathering system and by a pipeline owned by Plains that runs from Cushing to its Broome Station facility. The petroleum business maintains capacity on the Keystone and Spearhead pipelines from Canada to Cushing, and by the third quarter of 2015, it will maintain contracted capacity on the Pony Express and White Cliffs pipelines both originating in Colorado and extending to Cushing. It also maintains leased and owned storage in Cushing to facilitate optimal crude oil purchasing and blending. The Coffeyville refinery blend consists of a combination of crude oil grades, including domestic grades and various Canadian medium and heavy sours. Crude oil is supplied to the Wynnewood refinery through three third-party pipelines operated by Sunoco Pipeline, Excel Pipeline and Blueknight Pipeline and historically has mainly been sourced from Texas and Oklahoma. The Wynnewood refinery is capable of processing a variety of crudes, including WTS, WTI, sweet and sour Canadian and other U.S. domestically produced crude oils. The petroleum business incurred total costs of approximately \$44.0 million, excluding capitalized interest, on a hydrocracker project, which was completed in the fourth quarter of 2014. The hydrocracker project will increase the conversion capability and the ULSD yield of the Wynnewood refinery. The access to a variety of crude oils coupled with the complexity of the refineries allows the petroleum business to purchase crude oil at a discount to WTI. The consumed crude oil cost discount to WTI for 2014 was \$0.54 per barrel compared to consumed crude oil cost discounts of \$2.57 per barrel in 2013 and \$2.26 per barrel in 2012.

Nitrogen fertilizer business. The nitrogen fertilizer business consists of our interests in the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership. We own the general partner and approximately 53% of the common units of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership. The nitrogen fertilizer business consists of a nitrogen fertilizer manufacturing facility that is the only operation in North America that utilizes a petroleum coke, or pet coke, gasification process to produce nitrogen fertilizer. The facility includes a 1,225 ton-per-day ammonia unit, a 3,000 ton-per-day UAN unit and a gasifier complex having a capacity of 84 million standard cubic feet per day of hydrogen. The gasifier is a dual-train facility, with each gasifier able to function independently of the other, thereby providing redundancy and improving reliability. In 2014, the nitrogen fertilizer business produced 963,715 tons of UAN and 388,923 tons of ammonia. Approximately 97% of the produced ammonia tons and the majority of the purchased ammonia were upgraded into UAN.

The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership will continue to expand the nitrogen fertilizer business' existing asset base to execute its growth strategy. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's growth strategy includes expanding production of UAN and acquiring additional infrastructure and production assets. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership completed a significant two-year plant expansion in February 2013, which increased its UAN production capacity by 400,000 tons, or approximately 50%, per year. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership now upgrades substantially all of the ammonia it produces into higher margin UAN fertilizer.

The primary raw material feedstock utilized in the nitrogen fertilizer production process is pet coke, which is produced during the crude oil refining process. In contrast, all of the competitors of the nitrogen fertilizer business use natural gas as their primary raw material feedstock. The nitrogen fertilizer business currently purchases most of its pet coke from the Refining Partnership pursuant to a long-term agreement having an initial term that ends in 2027, subject to renewal. On average, during the past five years, over 70% of the pet coke utilized by the nitrogen fertilizer plant was produced and supplied by the Refining Partnership's crude oil refinery in Coffeyville.

Transaction Agreement

On April 18, 2012, CVR Energy entered into a Transaction Agreement (the "Transaction Agreement") with an affiliate of Icahn Enterprises L.P. ("IEP"). Pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, IEP's affiliate offered (the "Offer") to purchase all of the issued and outstanding shares of CVR Energy's common stock for a price of \$30.00 per share in cash, without interest, less any applicable withholding taxes, plus one non-transferable contingent cash payment ("CCP") right for each share, which represented the contractual right to receive an additional cash payment per share if a definitive agreement for the sale of CVR Energy was executed on or before August 18, 2013 and such transaction closed. As no sale of the Company was executed by the date outlined in the Transaction Agreement, the CCPs expired on August 19, 2013.

In May 2012, IEP's affiliate acquired a majority of the common stock of CVR Energy through the Offer. As of December 31, 2014, IEP and its affiliates owned approximately 82% of CVR Energy's outstanding common stock.

Refining Partnership Initial Public Offering

On January 23, 2013, the Refining Partnership completed the Refining Partnership IPO. The Refining Partnership sold 24,000,000 common units at a price of \$25.00 per unit, resulting in gross proceeds of \$600.0 million. Of the common units issued, 4,000,000 units were purchased by an affiliate of IEP. Additionally, on January 30, 2013, the underwriters closed their option to purchase an additional 3,600,000 common units at a price of \$25.00 per unit resulting in gross proceeds of \$90.0 million. The common units, which are listed on the NYSE, began trading on January 17, 2013 under the symbol "CVRR." In connection with the Refining Partnership IPO, the Refining Partnership paid approximately \$32.5 million in underwriting fees and incurred approximately \$3.9 million of other offering costs.

Prior to the Refining Partnership IPO, CVR owned 100% of the Refining Partnership and net income earned during this period was fully attributable to the Company. Following the Refining Partnership IPO and through May 19, 2013, CVR Energy indirectly owned approximately 81% of the Refining Partnership's outstanding common units and 100% of the Refining Partnership's general partner, which holds a non-economic general partner interest.

Refining Partnership Underwritten Offering

On May 20, 2013, the Refining Partnership completed the Underwritten Offering by selling 12,000,000 common units to the public at a price of \$30.75 per unit. American Entertainment Properties Corporation ("AEP"), an affiliate of IEP, also purchased an additional 2,000,000 common units at the public offering price in a privately negotiated transaction with a subsidiary of CVR Energy, which was completed on May 29, 2013. In connection with the Underwritten Offering, on June 10, 2013, the Refining Partnership sold an additional 1,209,236 common units to the public at a price of \$30.75 per unit in

connection with the exercise by the underwriters of their option to purchase additional common units. The transactions described in this paragraph are collectively referred to as the "Transactions."

The Refining Partnership utilized proceeds of approximately \$394.0 million from the Underwritten Offering (including the underwriters' option) to redeem 13,209,236 common units from CVR Refining Holdings, LLC ("CVR Refining Holdings"), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of CVR Energy. The net proceeds to a subsidiary of CVR Energy from the sale of 2,000,000 common units to AEPC were approximately \$61.5 million. The Refining Partnership did not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of common units by CVR Energy to AEPC.

Following the closing of the Transactions and prior to June 30, 2014, public security holders held approximately 29% of total Refining Partnership common units (including units owned by affiliates of IEP, representing approximately 4% of total Refining Partnership common units), and CVR Refining Holdings held approximately 71% of total Refining Partnership common units.

Refining Partnership Second Underwritten Offering

On June 30, 2014, the Refining Partnership completed a second underwritten offering (the "Second Underwritten Offering") by selling 6,500,000 common units to the public at a price of \$26.07 per unit. The Refining Partnership paid approximately \$5.3 million in underwriting fees and approximately \$0.5 million in offering costs. The Refining Partnership utilized net proceeds of approximately \$164.1 million from the Second Underwritten Offering to redeem 6,500,000 common units from CVR Refining Holdings. Subsequent to the closing of the Second Underwritten Offering and through July 23, 2014, public security holders held approximately 33% of the total Refining Partnership common units, and CVR Refining Holdings held approximately 67% of the total Refining Partnership common units.

On July 24, 2014, the Refining Partnership sold an additional 589,100 common units to the public at a price of \$26.07 per unit in connection with the underwriters' exercise of their option to purchase additional common units. The Refining Partnership utilized net proceeds of approximately \$14.9 million from the underwriters' exercise of their option to purchase additional common units to redeem an equal amount of common units from CVR Refining Holdings. Additionally, on July 24, 2014, CVR Refining Holdings sold 385,900 common units to the public at a price of \$26.07 per unit in connection with the underwriters' exercise of their remaining option to purchase additional common units. CVR Refining Holdings received net proceeds of \$9.7 million.

Subsequent to the closing of the underwriters' option for the Second Underwritten Offering and as of December 31, 2014, public security holders held approximately 34% of total Refining Partnership common units (including units held by affiliates of IEP, representing approximately 4% of total Refining Partnership common units), and CVR Refining Holdings held approximately 66% of total Refining Partnership common units in addition to owning 100% of the Refining Partnership's general partner.

Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership Secondary Offering

On May 28, 2013, Coffeyville Resources, LLC ("CRLLC"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of CVR Energy, completed the Secondary Offering in which it sold 12,000,000 Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership common units to the public at a price of \$25.15 per unit. The net proceeds to CRLLC from the Secondary Offering were approximately \$292.6 million, after deducting approximately \$9.2 million in underwriting discounts and commissions. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership did not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of common units by CRLLC.

Following the closing of the Secondary Offering and as of December 31, 2014, public security holders held approximately 47% of total Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership common units, and CRLLC held approximately 53% of total Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership common units in addition to owning 100% of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner.

Major Influences on Results of Operations

Petroleum Business

The earnings and cash flows of the petroleum business are primarily affected by the relationship between refined product prices and the prices for crude oil and other feedstocks that are processed and blended into refined products. The cost to acquire crude oil and other feedstocks and the price for which refined products are ultimately sold depend on factors beyond its control, including the supply of and demand for crude oil, as well as gasoline and other refined products which, in turn, depend on, among other factors, changes in domestic and foreign economies, weather conditions, domestic and foreign political affairs, production levels, the availability of imports, the marketing of competitive fuels and the extent of government regulation. Because the petroleum business applies first-in, first-out ("FIFO") accounting to value its inventory, crude oil price movements may impact net income in the short term because of changes in the value of its unhedged on-hand inventory. The effect of changes in crude oil prices on our results of operations is influenced by the rate at which the prices of refined products adjust to reflect these changes.

The prices of crude oil and other feedstocks and refined product prices are also affected by other factors, such as product pipeline capacity, local market conditions and the operating levels of competing refineries. Crude oil costs and the prices of refined products have historically been subject to wide fluctuations. Widespread expansion or upgrades of competitors' facilities, price volatility, international political and economic developments and other factors are likely to continue to play an important role in refining industry economics. These factors can impact, among other things, the level of inventories in the market, resulting in price volatility and a reduction in product margins. Moreover, the refining industry typically experiences seasonal fluctuations in demand for refined products, such as increases in the demand for gasoline during the summer driving season and for home heating oil during the winter, primarily in the Northeast. In addition to current market conditions, there are long-term factors that may impact the demand for refined products. These factors include mandated renewable fuels standards, proposed climate change laws and regulations, and increased mileage standards for vehicles. The petroleum business is also subject to the EPA's Renewable Fuel Standard ("RFS"), which requires it to either blend "renewable fuels" in with its transportation fuels or purchase renewable fuel credits, known as renewable identification numbers ("RINs"), in lieu of blending.

The EPA is required to determine and publish the applicable annual renewable fuel percentage standards for each compliance year by November 30 for the forthcoming year. The percentage standards represent the ratio of renewable fuel volume to gasoline and diesel volume. Beginning in 2011, the Coffeyville refinery was required to blend renewable fuels into its gasoline and diesel fuel or purchase RINs in lieu of blending. In 2013, the Wynnewood refinery was subject to the RFS for the first time.

During 2013, the cost of RINs became extremely volatile as the EPA's proposed renewable fuel volume mandates approached the "blend wall." The blend wall refers to the point at which refiners are required to blend more ethanol into the transportation fuel supply than can be supported by the demand for E10 gasoline (gasoline containing 10 percent ethanol by volume). In November 2013, the EPA published the annual renewable fuel percentage standards for 2014, which acknowledged the blend wall and were generally lower than the volumes for 2013 and lower than statutory mandates. The price of RINs decreased significantly after the 2014 proposed mandate was published; however, RIN prices remained volatile and increased subsequently in 2014. In May 2014, the EPA lowered the 2013 cellulosic biofuel standard to 0.0005%, and, in June 2014, the EPA extended the compliance demonstration deadline for the 2013 RFS to September 30, 2014. In August 2014, the EPA further extended the compliance demonstration deadline for the 2013 RFS to 30 days following the publication of the final 2014 annual renewable fuel percentage standards. In November 2014, the EPA announced that it would not finalize the 2014 annual renewable fuel percentage standards before the end of 2014, thereby extending the compliance deadline for the 2013 RFS as well.

The cost of RINs for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 was approximately \$127.2 million, \$180.5 million and \$21.0 million, respectively. The future cost of RINs for the petroleum business is difficult to estimate, particularly until such time that the 2014 renewable fuel percentage standards are finalized and the 2015 renewable fuel percentage standards are announced. Additionally, the cost of RINs is dependent upon a variety of factors, which include EPA regulations, the availability of RINs for purchase, the price at which RINs can be purchased, transportation fuel production levels, the mix of the petroleum business' petroleum products, as well as the fuel blending performed at its refineries, all of which can vary significantly from quarter to quarter. Based upon recent market prices of RINs and current estimates related to the other variable factors, the petroleum business estimates that the total cost of RINs will be approximately \$95.0 million to \$170.0 million for the year ending December 31, 2015.

If sufficient RINs are unavailable for purchase at times when the petroleum business seeks to purchase RINs, or if the

petroleum business has to pay a significantly higher price for RINs or if the petroleum business is subject to penalties as a result of delays in its ability to timely deliver RINs to the EPA, its business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially adversely affected. Many petroleum refiners blend renewable fuel into their transportation fuels and do not have to pass on the costs of compliance through the purchase of RINs to their customers. Therefore, it may be significantly harder for the petroleum business to pass on the costs of compliance with RFS to its customers.

In order to assess the operating performance of the petroleum business, we compare net sales, less cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization), or the refining margin, against an industry refining margin benchmark. The industry refining margin benchmark is calculated by assuming that two barrels of benchmark light sweet crude oil is converted into one barrel of conventional gasoline and one barrel of distillate. This benchmark is referred to as the 2-1-1 crack spread. Because we calculate the benchmark margin using the market value of NYMEX gasoline and heating oil against the market value of NYMEX WTI, we refer to the benchmark as the NYMEX 2-1-1 crack spread, or simply, the 2-1-1 crack spread. The 2-1-1 crack spread is expressed in dollars per barrel and is a proxy for the per barrel margin that a sweet crude oil refinery would earn assuming it produced and sold the benchmark production of gasoline and distillate.

Although the 2-1-1 crack spread is a benchmark for the refinery margin, because the refineries have certain feedstock costs and logistical advantages as compared to a benchmark refinery and their product yield is less than total refinery throughput, the crack spread does not account for all the factors that affect refinery margin. The Coffeyville refinery is able to process a blend of crude oil that includes quantities of heavy and medium sour crude oil that has historically cost less than WTI. The Wynnewood refinery has the capability to process blends of a variety of crude oil ranging from medium sour to light sweet crude oil, although isobutene, gasoline components, and normal butane are also typically used. We measure the cost advantage of the crude oil slate by calculating the spread between the price of the delivered crude oil and the price of WTI. The spread is referred to as the consumed crude oil differential. The refinery margin can be impacted significantly by the consumed crude oil differential. The consumed crude oil differential will move directionally with changes in the WTS differential to WTI and the WCS differential to WTI as both these differentials indicate the relative price of heavier, more sour, slate to WTI. The correlation between the consumed crude oil differential and published differentials will vary depending on the volume of light medium sour crude oil and heavy sour crude oil the petroleum business purchases as a percent of its total crude oil volume and will correlate more closely with such published differentials the heavier and more sour the crude oil slate.

The petroleum business produces a high volume of high value products, such as gasoline and distillates. The petroleum business benefits from the fact that its marketing region consumes more refined products than it produces, resulting in prices that reflect the logistics cost for U.S. Gulf Coast refineries to ship into its region. The result of this logistical advantage and the fact that the actual product specifications used to determine the NYMEX 2-1-1 crack spread are different from the actual production in its refineries is that prices the petroleum business realizes are different than those used in determining the 2-1-1 crack spread. The difference between its price and the price used to calculate the 2-1-1 crack spread is referred to as gasoline PADD II, Group 3 vs. NYMEX basis, or gasoline basis, and Ultra-Low Sulfur Diesel PADD II, Group 3 vs. NYMEX basis, or Ultra-Low Sulfur Diesel basis. If both gasoline and Ultra-Low Sulfur Diesel basis are greater than zero, this means that prices in its marketing area exceed those used in the 2-1-1 crack spread.

The petroleum business is significantly affected by developments in the markets in which it operates. For example, numerous pipeline projects in 2014 expanded the connectivity of the Cushing and Permian Basin markets to the gulf coast, resulting in a decrease in the domestic crude advantage. Additionally, in late 2014, market factors resulted in a rapid downward price adjustment in the oil and gas industry. The resultant spike in volatility continuing in 2015 has caused major adjustments in oil debt markets as well as announced and expected cuts in 2015 budgets in both North American shale and Canadian projects. The refining industry is directly impacted by these events and has seen a downward movement in refining margins as a result.

The direct operating expense structure is also important to the petroleum business' profitability. Major direct operating expenses include energy, employee labor, maintenance, contract labor, and environmental compliance. The predominant variable cost is energy, which is comprised primarily of electrical cost and natural gas. The petroleum business is therefore sensitive to the movements of natural gas prices. Assuming the same rate of consumption of natural gas for the year ended December 31, 2014, a \$1.00 change in natural gas prices would have increased or decreased the petroleum business' natural gas costs by approximately \$10.3 million.

Because crude oil and other feedstocks and refined products are commodities, the petroleum business has no control over the changing market. Therefore, the lower target inventory it is able to maintain significantly reduces the impact of commodity price volatility on its petroleum product inventory position relative to other refiners. This target inventory position is generally not hedged. To the extent its inventory position deviates from the target level, the petroleum business considers risk mitigation activities usually through the purchase or sale of futures contracts on the NYMEX. Its hedging activities carry customary time, location and product grade basis risks generally associated with hedging activities. Because most of its titled inventory is

valued under the FIFO costing method, price fluctuations on its target level of titled inventory have a major effect on the petroleum business' financial results.

Safe and reliable operations at the refineries are key to the petroleum business' financial performance and results of operations. Unplanned downtime at the refineries may result in lost margin opportunity, increased maintenance expense and a temporary increase in working capital investment and related inventory position. The petroleum business seeks to mitigate the financial impact of planned downtime, such as major turnaround maintenance, through a diligent planning process that takes into account the margin environment, the availability of resources to perform the needed maintenance, feedstock logistics and other factors. The refineries generally require a facility turnaround every four to five years. The length of the turnaround is contingent upon the scope of work to be completed. The Coffeyville refinery completed the first phase of a two phase turnaround during the fourth quarter of 2011. The second phase was completed during the first quarter of 2012, and the first phase of its next turnaround is scheduled to begin in late 2015, with the second phase scheduled to begin in early 2016. During the outage at the Coffeyville refinery in the third quarter of 2014 as discussed further below, the petroleum business accelerated certain planned 2015 turnaround activities and incurred approximately \$5.5 million of turnaround expenses for the year ended December 31, 2014. The Wynnewood Refinery completed a turnaround in December 2012. During the outage at the Wynnewood refinery in the fourth quarter of 2014 as discussed further below, the petroleum business accelerated certain planned 2016 turnaround activities and incurred approximately \$1.3 million of turnaround expenses for the year ended December 31, 2014. Based on engineering and safety analysis of the equipment and as a result of other work performed, the petroleum business is currently considering moving the next scheduled turnaround at the Wynnewood refinery to the first quarter of 2017.

During the third quarter of 2013, the fluid catalytic cracking unit ("FCCU") at the Coffeyville refinery was offline for approximately 55 days for necessary repairs. As a result of the FCCU outage, crude throughput and production at the Coffeyville refinery was significantly reduced during the third quarter of 2013. Additionally, the Refining Partnership incurred approximately \$21.1 million in costs to repair the FCCU for the year ended December 31, 2013. These costs are included in direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

On July 29, 2014, the Coffeyville refinery experienced a fire at its isomerization unit. Four employees were injured in the fire, including one employee who was fatally injured. The fire was extinguished, and the refinery was subsequently shut down due to a failure of its plant-wide Distributed Control System, which was directly caused by the fire. The Coffeyville refinery returned to operations in mid-August, with all units except the isomerization unit in operation by August 23, 2014. The isomerization unit started operating on October 12, 2014. This interruption adversely impacted production of refined products for the petroleum business in the third quarter of 2014. Total gross repair and other costs recorded related to the incident for the year ended December 31, 2014 were approximately \$6.3 million.

The Refining Partnership is covered by property damage insurance policies which have an associated deductible of \$5.0 million for the Coffeyville refinery. The Refining Partnership anticipates amounts in excess of the \$5.0 million deductible related to the isomerization unit fire incident will be recoverable under the property insurance policies. As of December 31, 2014, the Refining Partnership recorded an insurance receivable related to the incident of approximately \$1.3 million, which is included in prepaid expenses and other current assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The recording of the receivable resulted in a reduction of direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization). The Refining Partnership also maintains workers' compensation insurance with a \$0.5 million per accident deductible.

During the fourth quarter of 2014, the FCCU at the Wynnewood refinery was offline for approximately 16 days for necessary repairs. As a result of the FCCU outage, crude throughput and production at the Wynnewood refinery was significantly reduced during the fourth quarter of 2014. Additionally, the Refining Partnership incurred approximately \$8.5 million in costs to repair the FCCU for the year ended December 31, 2014. These costs are included in direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Nitrogen Fertilizer Business

In the nitrogen fertilizer business, earnings and cash flows from operations are primarily affected by the relationship between nitrogen fertilizer product prices, on-stream factors and direct operating expenses. Unlike its competitors, the nitrogen fertilizer business does not use natural gas as a feedstock and uses a minimal amount of natural gas as an energy source in its operations. As a result, volatile swings in natural gas prices have a minimal impact on its results of operations. Instead, the adjacent Coffeyville refinery supplies the nitrogen fertilizer business with most of the pet coke feedstock it needs pursuant to a 20 year pet coke supply agreement entered into in October 2007. The price at which nitrogen fertilizer products are ultimately sold depends on numerous factors, including the global supply and demand for nitrogen fertilizer products which, in turn, depends on, among other factors, world grain demand and production levels, changes in world population, the cost and

availability of fertilizer transportation infrastructure, weather conditions, the availability of imports, and the extent of government intervention in agriculture markets.

Nitrogen fertilizer prices are also affected by local factors, including local market conditions and the operating levels of competing facilities. An expansion or upgrade of competitors' facilities, political and economic developments and other factors are likely to continue to play an important role in nitrogen fertilizer industry economics. These factors can impact, among other things, the level of inventories in the market, resulting in price volatility and a reduction in product margins. Moreover, the industry typically experiences seasonal fluctuations in demand for nitrogen fertilizer products.

In addition, the demand for fertilizers is affected by the aggregate crop planting decisions and fertilizer application rate decisions of individual farmers. Individual farmers make planting decisions based largely on the prospective profitability of a harvest, while the specific varieties and amounts of fertilizer they apply depend on factors like crop prices, their current liquidity, soil conditions, weather patterns and the types of crops planted.

Natural gas is the most significant raw material required in its competitors' production of nitrogen fertilizers. Over the past several years, natural gas prices have experienced high levels of price volatility. This pricing and volatility has a direct impact on the nitrogen fertilizer business' competitors' cost of producing nitrogen fertilizer.

In order to assess the operating performance of the nitrogen fertilizer business, the nitrogen fertilizer business calculates the product pricing at gate as an input to determine its operating margin. Product pricing at gate per ton represents net sales less freight revenue divided by product sales volume in tons. The nitrogen fertilizer business believes product pricing at gate is a meaningful measure because it sells products at its plant gate and terminal locations' gates (sold gate) and delivered to the customer's designated delivery site (sold delivered). The relative percentage of sold gate versus sold delivered can change period to period. The product pricing at gate provides a measure that is consistently comparable period to period.

The nitrogen fertilizer business and other competitors in the U.S. farm belt share a significant transportation cost advantage when compared to out-of-region competitors in serving the U.S. farm belt agricultural market. In 2014, approximately 49% of the corn planted in the United States was grown within an estimated \$45 per UAN ton freight train rate of the nitrogen fertilizer plant. The nitrogen fertilizer business is therefore able to cost-effectively sell substantially all of its products in the higher margin agricultural market, whereas a significant portion of its competitors' revenues are derived from the lower margin industrial market. The nitrogen fertilizer business' products leave the plant either in railcars for destinations located principally on the Union Pacific Railroad or in trucks for direct shipment to customers. The nitrogen fertilizer business does not currently incur significant intermediate transfer, storage, barge freight or pipeline freight charges; however, it does incur costs to maintain and repair its railcar fleet. Selling products to customers within economic rail transportation limits of the nitrogen fertilizer plant and keeping transportation costs low are keys to maintaining profitability.

As a result of the UAN expansion project completed in 2013, the nitrogen fertilizer business will continue to upgrade substantially all of its ammonia production into UAN for as long as it makes economic sense to do so. The value of nitrogen fertilizer products is also an important consideration in understanding the nitrogen fertilizer business' results. For the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, the nitrogen fertilizer business upgraded approximately 97% and 95%, respectively, of its ammonia production into UAN, a product that presently generates greater profit than ammonia.

The high fixed cost of the nitrogen fertilizer business' direct operating expense structure also directly affects its profitability. Using a pet coke gasification process, the nitrogen fertilizer business has a significantly higher percentage of fixed costs than a natural gas-based fertilizer plant. Major fixed operating expenses include electrical energy, employee labor, maintenance, including contract labor, and outside services. The nitrogen fertilizer business estimates fixed costs averaged approximately 80% of direct operating expenses over the 24 months ended December 31, 2014.

The nitrogen fertilizer business' largest raw material expense used in the production of ammonia is pet coke, which it purchases from the petroleum business and third parties. For the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, the nitrogen fertilizer business incurred approximately \$13.6 million, \$14.6 million and \$16.2 million, respectively, for pet coke, which equaled an average cost per ton of \$28, \$30 and \$33, respectively.

The nitrogen fertilizer business obtains most (over 70% on average during the last five years) of the pet coke it needs from the adjacent Coffeyville crude oil refinery pursuant to the pet coke supply agreement, and procures the remainder on the open market. The price the nitrogen fertilizer business pays pursuant to the pet coke supply agreement is based on the lesser of a pet coke price derived from the price received for UAN, or the UAN-based price, and a pet coke price index. The UAN-based price begins with a pet coke price of \$25 per ton based on a price per ton for UAN (exclusive of transportation cost), or netback

price, of \$205 per ton, and adjusts up or down \$0.50 per ton for every \$1.00 change in the netback price. The UAN-based price has a ceiling of \$40 per ton and a floor of \$5 per ton.

Safe and reliable operations at the nitrogen fertilizer plant are critical to its financial performance and results of operations. Unplanned downtime of the nitrogen fertilizer plant may result in lost margin opportunity, increased maintenance expense and a temporary increase in working capital investment and related inventory position. The financial impact of planned downtime, such as major turnaround maintenance, is mitigated through a diligent planning process that takes into account margin environment, the availability of resources to perform the needed maintenance, feedstock logistics and other factors. The nitrogen fertilizer plant generally undergoes a full facility turnaround every two to three years. Turnarounds are expected to last 14-21 days and the nitrogen fertilizer business generally anticipates that the costs will range from approximately \$5.0 million to \$6.0 million. A less involved facility shutdown was performed during the second quarter of 2014 and included both the installation of a waste heat boiler and the completion of several key tasks in order to upgrade the pressure swing adsorption ("PSA") unit, which is projected to increase hydrogen recovery enough to allow the nitrogen fertilizer business to produce approximately 7,000 to 9,000 additional tons of ammonia annually. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership is planning to undergo the next full facility turnaround in the third quarter of 2015.

Agreements With the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership

In connection with our initial public offering and the transfer of the nitrogen fertilizer business to the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership in October 2007, we entered into a number of agreements with the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership that govern the business relations among the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership and its affiliates on the one hand and us and our other affiliates on the other hand. In connection with the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership IPO, we directly or through our subsidiaries amended and restated certain of the intercompany agreements and entered into several new agreements with the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership. In connection with the Refining Partnership IPO, some of our subsidiaries party to these agreements became subsidiaries of the Refining Partnership.

These intercompany agreements include (i) the pet coke supply agreement mentioned above, under which the petroleum business sells pet coke to the nitrogen fertilizer business; (ii) a services agreement, pursuant to which our management operates the nitrogen fertilizer business; (iii) a feedstock and shared services agreement, which governs the provision of feedstocks, including, but not limited to, hydrogen, high-pressure steam, nitrogen, instrument air, oxygen and natural gas; (iv) a raw water and facilities sharing agreement, which allocates raw water resources between the two businesses; (v) an easement agreement; (vi) an environmental agreement; and (vii) a lease agreement pursuant to which the petroleum business leases office space and laboratory space to the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership. These agreements were not the result of arm's-length negotiations and the terms of these agreements are not necessarily at least as favorable to the parties to these agreements as terms which could have been obtained from unaffiliated third parties.

In connection with the Refining Partnership IPO, we entered into a number of agreements with the Refining Partnership, including (i) a \$150.0 million intercompany credit facility between CRLLC and the Refining Partnership, which was subsequently expanded to \$250.0 million on October 29, 2014 and (ii) a services agreement, pursuant to which our management operates the petroleum business.

Crude Oil Supply Agreement

On August 31, 2012, CRRM and Vitol Inc. ("Vitol") entered into an Amended and Restated Crude Oil Supply Agreement (the "Vitol Agreement"). Under the Vitol Agreement, Vitol supplies the petroleum business with crude oil and intermediation logistics, which helps the petroleum business to reduce its inventory position and mitigate crude oil pricing risk. The Vitol Agreement had an initial term commencing on August 31, 2012 and extending through December 31, 2014 (the "Initial Term"). Following the Initial Term, the Vitol Agreement will automatically renew for successive one-year terms (each such term, a "Renewal Term") unless either party provides the other with notice of nonrenewal at least 180 days prior to expiration of the Initial Term or any Renewal Term. The Vitol Agreement was extended for a one-year Renewal Term through December 31, 2015.

Factors Affecting Comparability

Our historical results of operations for the periods presented may not be comparable with prior periods or to our results of operations in the future for the reasons presented and discussed below.

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(in millions)		
Loss on extinguishment of debt (a)	\$ —	\$ 26.1	\$ 37.5
Transaction expenses (b)	—	—	44.2
Expenses associated with the acquisition of Gary-Williams (c)	—	—	11.0
Share-based compensation (d)	12.3	18.4	39.1
(Gain) loss on derivatives, net	(185.6)	(57.1)	285.6
Major scheduled turnaround expenses (e)	6.8	—	128.5

- (a) Represents (1) for 2013, the write-off of previously deferred financing costs, unamortized original issue discount and the premium paid related to the extinguishment of CRLLC's second lien notes (the "Second Lien Notes") and (2) for 2012, the write-off of previously deferred financing costs, unamortized premium/discount and premiums paid upon the extinguishment of CRLLC's first lien notes (the "First Lien Notes" and, together with the Second Lien Notes, the "Old Notes"), which contributed approximately \$33.4 million of the loss on extinguishment of debt, and the write-off of a portion of previously deferred financing costs associated with our prior ABL credit facility, which was replaced with an Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility and contributed \$4.1 million of the loss on extinguishment of debt.
- (b) In February 2012, an affiliate of IEP commenced a tender offer to acquire all of the outstanding shares of common stock of our Company. On April 18, 2012, we entered into a transaction agreement and on May 7, 2012, IEP's affiliate announced that control of the Company had been acquired. CVR incurred costs for the year ended December 31, 2012 related to the proxy contest that did not occur in 2013 or 2014. We are currently appealing a majority of the expenses charged and, if we are successful, such expenses would be reversed and have a favorable impact to our results of operations.
- (c) As a result of the acquisition of the Wynnewood refinery in December 2011, we incurred integration expenses during the year ended December 31, 2012. We did not incur such expenses for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2014 as the operations were fully integrated.
- (d) Represents impact of share-based compensation awards.
- (e) Represents expense associated with major scheduled turnaround activities performed at the Coffeyville refinery (\$5.5 million in 2014 and \$21.2 million in 2012), the Wynnewood refinery (\$1.3 million in 2014 and \$102.5 million in 2012) and the nitrogen fertilizer plant (\$4.8 million in 2012).

Noncontrolling Interest

Prior to the Refining Partnership IPO on January 23, 2013, the noncontrolling interest reflected in our consolidated financial statements represented the approximately 30% interest in the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership held by public common unitholders, which was adjusted each reporting period for the noncontrolling ownership percentage of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's net income and related distributions. As a result of the Refining Partnership IPO, CVR Energy recorded an additional noncontrolling interest for the Refining Partnership common units sold to the public, which represented an approximately 19% interest of the Refining Partnership. Effective with the Refining Partnership's IPO, the noncontrolling interest reflected on the Consolidated Balance Sheets was impacted additionally by the noncontrolling ownership percentage of the net income of the Refining Partnership and related distributions for each future reporting period. As a result of the Refining Partnership's closing of the Underwritten Offering, the noncontrolling interest related to the Refining Partnership reflected in our consolidated financial statements subsequent to the completion of the offering in the second quarter of 2013 and prior to June 30, 2014 was approximately 29%. Upon completion of the Second Underwritten Offering on June 30, 2014 through July 23, 2014, the non-controlling interest reflected in our consolidated financial statements was approximately 33%. On July 24, 2014, upon exercise of the underwriters' option associated with the Second Underwritten Offering, the noncontrolling interest

reflected in our consolidated financial statements is approximately 34%. Additionally, as a result of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's Secondary Offering, the noncontrolling interest related to the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership reflected in our consolidated financial statements subsequent to the completion of the Secondary Offering on May 28, 2013 and as of December 31, 2014 is approximately 47%.

The revenue and expenses from the Refining Partnership and Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership are consolidated with CVR Energy's Consolidated Statements of Operations because each of the general partners is owned by CVR Refining Holdings and CRLLC, respectively, wholly-owned subsidiaries of CVR Energy. Therefore, CVR Energy has the ability to control the activities of the Refining Partnership and Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership. However, the percentage of ownership held by the public unitholders for the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership is reflected as net income attributable to noncontrolling interest in our Consolidated Statements of Operations and reduces consolidated net income to derive net income attributable to CVR Energy.

Publicly Traded Partnership Expenses

Our general and administrative expenses have increased or will increase in part due to the costs of the Refining Partnership operating as a publicly traded company, including costs associated with SEC reporting requirements (including annual and quarterly reports to unitholders), tax return and Schedule K-1 preparation and distribution, independent auditor fees, investor relations activities and registrar and transfer agent fees. We estimate that these incremental general and administrative expenses, which also include increased personnel costs, approximate \$5.0 million per year, excluding the costs associated with the initial implementation of the Refining Partnership's Sarbanes-Oxley Section 404 internal controls review and testing in 2013. These increased costs are paid by the Refining Partnership. Our historical consolidated financial statements for periods ended prior to January 23, 2013 do not reflect the impact of these expenses, which affects the comparability of the post-Refining Partnership IPO results with our financial statements from periods prior to the completion of the Refining Partnership IPO.

Fertilizer Plant Property Taxes

CRNF received a ten year property tax abatement from Montgomery County, Kansas in connection with the construction of the nitrogen fertilizer plant that expired on December 31, 2007. In connection with the expiration of the abatement, the county reclassified and reassessed CRNF's nitrogen fertilizer plant for property tax purposes. The reclassification and reassessment resulted in an increase in CRNF's annual property tax expense by an average of approximately \$10.7 million per year for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2009, \$11.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2010, \$11.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 and \$11.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. CRNF protested the classification and resulting valuation for each of those years to the Kansas Court of Tax Appeals ("COTA"), followed by an appeal to the Kansas Court of Appeals. However, CRNF fully accrued and paid the property taxes the county claimed were owed for the years ended December 31, 2008 through 2012. The Kansas Court of Appeals, in a memorandum opinion dated August 9, 2013, reversed the COTA decision in part and remanded the case to COTA, instructing COTA to classify each asset on an asset by asset basis instead of making a broad determination that the entire plant was real property as COTA did originally. The County filed a motion for rehearing with the Kansas Court of Appeals and a petition for review with the Kansas Supreme Court, both of which have been denied. CRNF believes that when that asset by asset determination is done, the majority of the plant will be classified as personal property which would result in significantly lower property taxes for CRNF for 2008 and for those years after the conclusion of the property tax settlement noted below as compared to the taxes paid by CRNF prior to the settlement.

On February 25, 2013, Montgomery County and CRNF agreed to a settlement for tax years 2009 through 2012, which has lowered and will lower CRNF's property taxes by about \$10.7 million per year (as compared to the 2012 tax year) for tax years 2013 through 2016 based on current mill levy rates. In addition, the settlement provides that Montgomery County will support CRNF's application before COTA for a ten year tax exemption for the UAN expansion. Finally, the settlement provides that CRNF will continue its appeal of the 2008 reclassification and reassessment discussed above.

Distributions to CVR Partners Unitholders

The current policy of the board of directors of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner is to distribute all of the available cash the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership generates each quarter. Available cash for each quarter will be determined by the board of directors of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner following the end of such quarter. Beginning with the first quarter of 2013, the board of directors of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner adopted an amended policy to calculate available cash starting with Adjusted Nitrogen Fertilizer EBITDA reduced for (i) cash needed for net interest expense (excluding capitalized interest) and debt service and other contractual obligations, (ii) maintenance capital expenditures and, (iii) to the extent applicable, major scheduled turnaround expense incurred and reserves for future operating

or capital needs that the board of directors of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner deems necessary or appropriate, if any. Available cash for distributions may be increased by previously established cash reserves, if any, at the discretion of the board of directors of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner. Actual distributions are set by the board of directors of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner. The board of directors of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership may modify the cash distribution policy at any time, and the partnership agreement does not require the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership to make distributions at all.

The following is a summary of cash distributions paid to Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership unitholders during the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 for the respective quarters to which the distributions relate:

	December 31, 2013	March 31, 2014	June 30, 2014	September 30, 2014	Total Cash Distributions Paid in 2014
(in millions, except per common unit data)					
Amount paid to CRLLC	\$ 16.7	\$ 14.8	\$ 12.8	\$ 10.5	\$ 54.9
Amounts paid to public unitholders	14.7	13.0	11.3	9.2	48.2
Total amount paid	\$ 31.4	\$ 27.8	\$ 24.1	\$ 19.7	\$ 103.1
Per common unit	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.33	\$ 0.27	\$ 1.41
Common units outstanding	73.1	73.1	73.1	73.1	

	December 31, 2012	March 31, 2013	June 30, 2013	September 30, 2013	Total Cash Distributions Paid in 2013
(in millions, except per common unit data)					
Amount paid to CRLLC	\$ 9.8	\$ 31.1	\$ 22.7	\$ 14.0	\$ 77.5
Amounts paid to public unitholders	4.2	13.5	19.9	12.3	50.0
Total amount paid	\$ 14.0	\$ 44.6	\$ 42.6	\$ 26.3	\$ 127.5
Per common unit	\$ 0.192	\$ 0.610	\$ 0.583	\$ 0.360	\$ 1.745
Common units outstanding	73.1	73.1	73.1	73.1	

On February 18, 2015, the board of directors of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner declared a cash distribution for the fourth quarter of 2014 to the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's unitholders of \$0.41 per unit, or \$30.0 million in aggregate. The cash distribution will be paid on March 9, 2015 to unitholders of record at the close of business on March 2, 2015. We will receive \$16.0 million in respect of our common units. Total cash distributions paid and to be paid based upon available cash for 2014 were \$1.39 per common unit.

Distributions to CVR Refining Unitholders

The current policy of the board of directors of the Refining Partnership's general partner is to distribute all of the available cash the Refining Partnership generates each quarter. Available cash for each quarter will be determined by the board of directors of the Refining Partnership's general partner following the end of such quarter and will generally equal Adjusted Petroleum EBITDA reduced for (i) cash needed for debt service, (ii) reserves for environmental and maintenance capital expenditures, (iii) reserves for future major scheduled turnaround expenses and, (iv) to the extent applicable, reserves for future operating or capital needs that the board of directors of the Refining Partnership's general partner deems necessary or appropriate, if any. Available cash for distributions may be increased by previously established cash reserves, if any, and other excess cash, at the discretion of the board of directors of the Refining Partnership's general partner. Actual distributions are set by the board of directors of the Refining Partnership's general partner. The board of directors of the Refining Partnership's general partner may modify the cash distribution policy at any time, and the partnership agreement does not require the Refining Partnership to make distributions at all.

The following is a summary of cash distributions paid to Refining Partnership unitholders during the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 for the respective quarters to which the distributions relate:

	December 31, 2013	March 31, 2014	June 30, 2014	September 30, 2014	Total Cash Distributions Paid in 2014
(in millions, except per common unit data)					
Amount paid to CVR Refining Holdings, LLC	\$ 47.1	\$ 102.8	\$ 93.4	\$ 52.5	\$ 295.8
Amounts paid to public unitholders	19.3	41.9	48.3	27.2	136.7
Total amount paid	<u>\$ 66.4</u>	<u>\$ 144.7</u>	<u>\$ 141.7</u>	<u>\$ 79.7</u>	<u>\$ 432.5</u>
Per common unit	<u>\$ 0.45</u>	<u>\$ 0.98</u>	<u>\$ 0.96</u>	<u>\$ 0.54</u>	<u>\$ 2.93</u>
Common units outstanding	<u>147.6</u>	<u>147.6</u>	<u>147.6</u>	<u>147.6</u>	

	March 31, 2013 ⁽¹⁾	June 30, 2013	September 30, 2013	Total Cash Distributions Paid in 2013
(in millions, except per common unit amounts)				
Amount paid to CVR Refining Holdings, LLC	\$ 189.6	\$ 141.5	\$ 31.4	\$ 362.5
Amounts paid to public unitholders	43.6	57.8	12.9	114.2
Total amount paid	<u>\$ 233.2</u>	<u>\$ 199.3</u>	<u>\$ 44.3</u>	<u>\$ 476.7</u>
Per common unit	<u>\$ 1.58</u>	<u>\$ 1.35</u>	<u>\$ 0.30</u>	<u>\$ 3.23</u>
Common units outstanding	<u>147.6</u>	<u>147.6</u>	<u>147.6</u>	

(1) The distribution for the period ended March 31, 2013 was adjusted to exclude the period from January 1, 2013 through January 22, 2013 (the period preceding the closing of the Refining Partnership IPO).

On February 18, 2015, the board of directors of the Refining Partnership's general partner declared a cash distribution for the fourth quarter of 2014 to the Refining Partnership's unitholders of \$0.37 per common unit, or \$54.6 million in aggregate. The cash distribution will be paid on March 9, 2015 to unitholders of record at the close of business on March 2, 2015. We will receive \$36.0 million in respect of our common units. Total cash distributions paid and to be paid based upon available cash for 2014 were \$2.85 per common unit.

CVR Energy Dividends

On January 24, 2013, our board of directors adopted a quarterly cash dividend policy. Dividends are subject to change at the discretion of the board of directors. We began paying regular quarterly dividends in the second quarter of 2013. Additionally, we declared and paid one special cash dividend during the year ended December 31, 2014 and two special cash dividends during the year ended December 31, 2013.

The following is a summary of the quarterly and special dividends paid to stockholders during the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013:

	December 31, 2013	March 31, 2014	June 30, 2014	July 17, 2014	September 30, 2014	Total Dividends Paid in 2014
(in millions, except per share data)						
Dividend type	Quarterly	Quarterly	Quarterly	Special	Quarterly	
Amount paid to IEP	\$ 53.4	\$ 53.4	\$ 53.4	\$ 142.4	\$ 53.4	\$ 356.0
Amounts paid to public stockholders	11.7	11.7	11.7	31.3	11.7	78.2
Total amount paid	\$ 65.1	\$ 65.1	\$ 65.1	\$ 173.7	\$ 65.1	\$ 434.2
Per common share	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.75	\$ 2.00	\$ 0.75	\$ 5.00
Shares outstanding	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.8	

	February 19, 2013	March 31, 2013	June 10, 2013	June 30, 2013	September 30, 2013	Total Dividends Paid in 2013
(in millions, except per share data)						
Dividend type	Special	Quarterly	Special	Quarterly	Quarterly	
Amount paid to IEP	\$ 391.6	\$ 53.4	\$ 462.8	\$ 53.4	\$ 53.4	\$ 1,014.6
Amounts paid to public stockholders	86.0	11.7	101.6	11.7	11.7	222.7
Total amount paid	\$ 477.6	\$ 65.1	\$ 564.4	\$ 65.1	\$ 65.1	\$ 1,237.3
Per common share	\$ 5.50	\$ 0.75	\$ 6.50	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.75	\$ 14.25
Shares outstanding	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.8	

On February 18, 2015, the board of directors of the Company declared a cash dividend for the fourth quarter of 2014 to the Company's stockholders of \$0.50 per share, or \$43.4 million in aggregate. The dividend will be paid on March 9, 2015 to stockholders of record at the close of business on March 2, 2015.

Industry Factors

Petroleum Business

Earnings for the petroleum business depend largely on its refining margins, which have been and continue to be volatile. Refining margins are impacted primarily by the relationship or spread between crude oil and refined product prices. The petroleum business' refineries reside in the Group 3 marketing region and are supplied with advantaged domestic and Canadian crudes while the region remains a net importer of transportation fuels on an annualized basis.

Crude oil discounts are a major contributor to the petroleum business earnings. Canadian heavy sour crude oil production continues to grow and with limited export capacity provides an advantaged crude to the mid-continent refiners. As a result of an expansion project, the petroleum business increased its ability to process higher volumes of heavy sour crude oil and take advantage of this opportunity.

Additionally, the relationship between current spot prices and future prices can impact profitability. As such, the petroleum business believes that its over 6.0 million barrels of crude oil storage in Cushing, Oklahoma and other locations allows it to take advantage of the contango market when such conditions exist. Contango markets are generally characterized by prices for future delivery that are higher than the current, or spot, price of a commodity. This condition provides economic incentive to hold or carry a commodity in inventory.

Nitrogen Fertilizer Business

Global demand for fertilizers is driven primarily by population growth, dietary changes in the developing world and increased consumption of bio-fuels. According to the International Fertilizer Industry Association, from 1972 to 2012, global fertilizer demand grew 2.1% annually. Fertilizer use is projected to increase by 45% between 2005 and 2030 to meet global food demand according to a study funded by the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations. Currently, the

developed world uses fertilizer more intensively than the developing world, but sustained economic growth in emerging markets is increasing food demand and fertilizer use. As an example, China's wheat and coarse grains production increased 51% between 2004 and 2014, but still failed to keep pace with increases in demand, prompting China to grow its grain imports by more than 51% over the same period, according to the United States Department of Agriculture.

World grain demand increased 11%, from 2010 to 2014, leading to a tight grain supply environment and significant increases in grain prices that is highly supportive of fertilizer prices. For example, according to estimates from Blue, Johnson Associates, Inc., average annual corn belt UAN prices increased 17% from \$266 per ton in 2010 to \$312 per ton in 2014.

Nitrogen fertilizer prices have decoupled from their historical correlation with natural gas prices and are now driven primarily by demand dynamics. From 2010 to 2014, corn prices in Illinois have averaged \$5.40 per bushel, an increase of 49% above the average price of \$3.62 per bushel during the preceding five years. At existing grain prices and prices implied by futures markets, farmers are expected to generate substantial profits, leading to relatively inelastic demand for fertilizers.

The United States is the world's largest exporter of coarse grains, accounting for 34% of world exports and 30% of world production, according to the USDA. Fertecon estimates the United States is the world's third largest consumer of nitrogen fertilizer and historically the world's first or second largest importer of nitrogen fertilizer, importing approximately 44% of its nitrogen fertilizer needs. North American producers have a significant and sustainable cost advantage over European producers that export to the U.S. market. Over the last decade, the North American nitrogen fertilizer market has experienced significant consolidation through plant closures and corporate consolidation.

Unlike ammonia and urea, UAN can be applied throughout the growing season and can be applied in tandem with pesticides and herbicides, providing farmers with flexibility and cost savings. As a result of these factors, UAN typically commands a premium price to urea and ammonia, on a nitrogen equivalent basis.

Results of Operations

In this "Results of Operations" section, we first review our business on a consolidated basis, and then separately review the results of operations of each of our petroleum and nitrogen fertilizer businesses on a standalone basis.

Consolidated Results of Operations

The period to period comparisons of our results of operations have been prepared using the historical periods included in our consolidated financial statements. This "Results of Operations" section compares the year ended December 31, 2014 with the year ended December 31, 2013 and the year ended December 31, 2013 with the year ended December 31, 2012.

Net sales consist principally of sales of refined fuel and nitrogen fertilizer products. For the petroleum business, net sales are mainly affected by crude oil and refined product prices, changes to the input mix and volume changes caused by operations. Product mix refers to the percentage of production represented by higher value light products, such as gasoline, rather than lower value finished products, such as pet coke. In the nitrogen fertilizer business, net sales are primarily impacted by manufactured tons and nitrogen fertilizer prices.

Industry-wide petroleum results are driven and measured by the relationship, or margin, between refined products and the prices for crude oil referred to as crack spreads. See " — Major Influences on Results of Operations." We discuss the results of the petroleum business in the context of per barrel consumed crack spreads and the relationship between net sales and cost of product sold.

Our consolidated results of operations include certain other unallocated corporate activities and the elimination of intercompany transactions and therefore do not equal the sum of the operating results of the petroleum and nitrogen fertilizer businesses.

The following table provides an overview of our results of operations during the past three fiscal years:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
(in millions, except per share data)			
Statements of Operations Data			
Net sales	\$ 9,109.5	\$ 8,985.8	\$ 8,567.3
Cost of product sold(1)	8,066.0	7,563.2	6,696.9
Direct operating expenses(1)	515.1	455.8	522.1
Selling, general and administrative expenses(1)	109.7	113.5	183.4
Depreciation and amortization(1)	154.4	142.8	130.0
Operating income	\$ 264.3	\$ 710.5	\$ 1,034.9
Interest expense and other financing costs	(40.0)	(50.5)	(75.4)
Interest income	0.9	1.2	0.9
Gain (loss) on derivatives, net	185.6	57.1	(285.6)
Loss on extinguishment of debt	—	(26.1)	(37.5)
Other income (expense), net	(3.7)	13.5	0.9
Income before income tax expense	\$ 407.1	\$ 705.7	\$ 638.2
Income tax expense	97.7	183.7	225.6
Net income	309.4	522.0	412.6
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	135.5	151.3	34.0
Net income attributable to CVR Energy stockholders	\$ 173.9	\$ 370.7	\$ 378.6
Basic earnings per share	\$ 2.00	\$ 4.27	\$ 4.36
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 2.00	\$ 4.27	\$ 4.33
Dividends declared per share	\$ 5.00	\$ 14.25	\$ —
Adjusted EBITDA(2)	\$ 473.5	\$ 659.7	\$ 1,264.5
Weighted-average common shares outstanding:			
Basic	86.8	86.8	86.8
Diluted	86.8	86.8	87.4

(1) Amounts are shown exclusive of depreciation and amortization.

Depreciation and amortization is comprised of the following components as excluded from cost of product sold, direct operating expense and selling, general and administrative expense:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
(in millions)			
Depreciation and amortization excluded from cost of product sold	\$ 6.3	\$ 5.0	\$ 3.7
Depreciation and amortization excluded from direct operating expenses	141.8	134.5	124.1
Depreciation and amortization excluded from selling, general and administrative expense	6.3	3.3	2.2
Total depreciation and amortization	\$ 154.4	\$ 142.8	\$ 130.0

(2) EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA. EBITDA represents net income before (i) interest expense and other financing costs, net of interest income, (ii) income tax expense and (iii) depreciation and amortization. Adjusted EBITDA represents EBITDA adjusted for FIFO impacts (favorable) unfavorable, share-based compensation, major scheduled turnaround expenses, gain (loss) on derivatives, net, current period settlements on derivative contracts, loss on extinguishment of

debt and expenses associated with the acquisition of Gary-Williams. EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are not recognized terms under GAAP and should not be substituted for net income or cash flow from operations. Management believes that EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA enables investors to better understand and evaluate our ongoing operating results and allows for greater transparency in reviewing our overall financial, operational and economic performance. EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA presented by other companies may not be comparable to our presentation, since each company may define these terms differently. Below is a reconciliation of net income to EBITDA and EBITDA to Adjusted EBITDA for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(in millions)		
	(unaudited)		
Net income attributable to CVR Energy stockholders	\$ 173.9	\$ 370.7	\$ 378.6
Add:			
Interest expense and other financing costs, net of interest income	39.1	49.3	74.5
Income tax expense	97.7	183.7	225.6
Depreciation and amortization	154.4	142.8	130.0
EBITDA adjustments included in noncontrolling interest	(65.2)	(50.1)	(7.4)
EBITDA	399.9	696.4	801.3
Add:			
FIFO impacts, (favorable) unfavorable	160.8	(21.3)	58.4
Share-based compensation	12.3	18.4	39.1
Major scheduled turnaround expenses	6.8	—	128.5
(Gain) loss on derivatives, net	(185.6)	(57.1)	285.6
Current period settlement on derivative contracts (a)	122.2	6.4	(137.6)
Loss on extinguishment of debt	—	26.1	37.5
Expenses associated with proxy matter	—	—	44.2
Expenses associated with the acquisition of Gary-Williams (b)	—	—	11.0
Adjustments included in noncontrolling interest	(42.9)	(9.2)	(3.5)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 473.5	\$ 659.7	\$ 1,264.5

(a) Represents the portion of gain (loss) on derivatives, net related to contracts that matured during the respective periods and settled with counterparties. There are no premiums paid or received at inception of the derivative contracts and upon settlement, there is no cost recovery associated with these contracts.

(b) Legal, professional and integration expenses related to the December 2011 acquisition.

Year Ended December 31, 2014 Compared to the Year Ended December 31, 2013 (Consolidated)

Net Sales. Consolidated net sales were \$9,109.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, compared to \$8,985.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The increase of \$123.7 million was primarily the result of an increase in petroleum net sales of \$146.2 million due to higher overall sales volumes largely offset by lower sales prices for gasoline and distillates. The petroleum segment's average sales price per gallon for the year ended December 31, 2014 of \$2.53 for gasoline and \$2.81 for distillate each decreased by 7.0%, as compared to the year ended December 31, 2013. The nitrogen fertilizer segment net sales decreased by \$25.0 million due to lower UAN sales prices and lower ammonia sales volumes, partially offset by higher UAN sales volumes.

Cost of Product Sold (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization). Consolidated cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) was \$8,066.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, as compared to \$7,563.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The increase of \$502.8 million primarily resulted from an increase of \$486.7 million in cost of product sold at the petroleum segment. The increase at the petroleum segment was due to increases in the cost of consumed crude oil and higher refined fuels purchased for resale. The increase in consumed crude costs was due to higher consumed volumes, partially offset by lower crude oil prices. The nitrogen fertilizer segment cost of product sold (exclusive of

depreciation and amortization) also increased by \$13.9 million primarily as a result of increased distribution costs due to increased railcar regulatory inspections and repairs and increased ammonia purchases.

Direct Operating Expenses (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization). Consolidated direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) were \$515.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, as compared to \$455.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The increase of \$59.3 million was primarily due to an increase at the petroleum segment for expenses related to energy and utility costs, repairs and maintenance and labor. The nitrogen fertilizer segment also had an increase in direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization), which was primarily the result of higher energy and utility costs and refractory brick amortization.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization). Consolidated selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) were \$109.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, as compared to \$113.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The decrease of \$3.8 million was primarily the result of lower share-based compensation and personnel costs, IT-related costs and consulting, partially offset by higher legal costs.

Operating Income. Consolidated operating income was \$264.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, as compared to operating income of \$710.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2013, a decrease of \$446.2 million. Petroleum segment operating income decreased \$395.8 million primarily due to lower refining margins and higher direct operating expenses. Nitrogen fertilizer segment operating income decreased \$42.1 million primarily as a result of lower net sales and higher cost of product sold.

Interest Expense. Consolidated interest expense for the year ended December 31, 2014 was \$40.0 million as compared to \$50.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The decrease of \$10.5 million resulted primarily from interest expense on the outstanding 2022 Notes (as defined below) for the year ended December 31, 2014 as compared to interest expense for the year ended December 31, 2013 related to both the Second Lien Notes (prior to their extinguishment in the first quarter of 2013) and the 2022 Notes and higher capitalized interest for the year ended December 31, 2014.

Gain (Loss) on Derivatives, Net. For the year ended December 31, 2014, the petroleum segment recorded a \$185.6 million net gain on derivatives compared to a \$57.1 million net gain on derivatives for the year ended December 31, 2013. The change in gain (loss) on derivatives was primarily due to changes in crack spreads during the period. The petroleum segment enters into over-the-counter commodity swap contracts to fix the margin on a portion of its future gasoline and distillate production.

Loss on Extinguishment of Debt. For the year ended December 31, 2013, the petroleum segment incurred a \$26.1 million loss on extinguishment of debt. The loss on extinguishment of debt was the result of the extinguishment of the Second Lien Notes and included amounts related to the premium paid, the write-off of previously deferred financing costs and the write-off of the unamortized original issue discount.

Income Tax Expense. Income tax expense for the year ended December 31, 2014 was \$97.7 million or 24.0% of income before income taxes, as compared to income tax expense for the year ended December 31, 2013 of \$183.7 million or 26.0% of income before income taxes. This is in comparison to a combined federal and state expected statutory rate of 39.6% for both 2014 and 2013. Our 2014 effective tax rate is lower than the expected statutory rate primarily due to the reduction of income subject to tax associated with the noncontrolling ownership interests in CVR Refining's and CVR Partners' earnings and the benefits related to the domestic production activities deduction and state income tax credits.

Net Income Attributable to Noncontrolling Interest. Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest represents the 47% interest in the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership held by public unitholders from May 28, 2013 through December 31, 2014. Prior to May 28, 2013, public unitholders held a 30% interest in the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership. Additionally, it represents the 34% interest in the Refining Partnership held by public unitholders from July 24, 2014 through December 31, 2014, the 33% interest held by public unitholders from June 30, 2014 through July 23, 2014, the 29% interest held by public unitholders from May 20, 2013 through June 29, 2014 and the 19% interest held by public unitholders from the Refining Partnership IPO through May 19, 2013.

Net Income Attributable to CVR Stockholders. For the year ended December 31, 2014, net income attributable to CVR stockholders decreased to \$173.9 million as compared to net income of \$370.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2013.

Year Ended December 31, 2013 Compared to the Year Ended December 31, 2012 (Consolidated)

Net Sales. Consolidated net sales were \$8,985.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2013, compared to \$8,567.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. The increase of \$418.5 million was primarily due to an increase in petroleum net sales of \$402.0 million that resulted from higher overall sales volumes, which was partially offset by lower product prices. The higher overall sales volume was primarily due to downtime associated with the Coffeyville refinery's turnaround during the first quarter of 2012 and the Wynnewood refinery's turnaround in the fourth quarter of 2012. The petroleum segment's average sales price per gallon for the year ended December 31, 2013 of \$2.72 for gasoline and \$3.02 for distillates decreased by 4.9% and 1.9% respectively, as compared to the year ended December 31, 2012. The nitrogen fertilizer segment net sales increased by \$21.4 million due to higher UAN sales volumes as a result of the completion of the UAN expansion and higher ammonia sales prices, partially offset by lower UAN sales prices and lower ammonia sales volumes.

Cost of Product Sold (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization). Consolidated cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) was \$7,563.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2013, as compared to \$6,696.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. The increase of \$866.3 million primarily resulted from an increase in the cost of consumed crude oil due to an increase in consumed volumes and crude oil prices and an increase in the cost of RINs at the petroleum segment. The nitrogen fertilizer segment cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) also increased due to higher freight costs as a result of increased UAN sales volumes and increased ammonia purchases.

Direct Operating Expenses (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization). Consolidated direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) were \$455.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2013, as compared to \$522.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. The decrease of \$66.3 million was primarily due to a decrease in the petroleum segment for expenses related to major scheduled turnarounds performed in the prior year, partially offset by increases in general repairs and maintenance, energy and utility costs, labor and outside services. The nitrogen fertilizer segment also had a decrease in direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization), which was primarily the result of decreases in property taxes and the major scheduled turnaround performed in the prior year, partially offset by increases in utilities, catalyst amortization, insurance, repairs and maintenance and chemical costs.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization). Consolidated selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) were \$113.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2013, as compared to \$183.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. The decrease of \$69.9 million was primarily the result of a decrease of \$44.2 million related to costs incurred in the prior year associated with the tender offer by certain entities affiliated with IEP and a decrease in share-based compensation of approximately \$20.6 million, primarily related to the modification of restricted shares to liability-classified restricted stock unit awards during the year ended December 31, 2012.

Operating Income. Consolidated operating income was \$710.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2013, as compared to operating income of \$1,034.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2012, a decrease of \$324.4 million. Petroleum segment operating income decreased \$409.5 million primarily as a result of lower refining margins. Nitrogen fertilizer segment operating income increased \$9.1 million primarily as a result of higher net sales, partially offset by higher cost of products sold. In addition, decreased corporate selling, general and administrative expenses partially offset the decrease in petroleum segment operating income for the period due to the decreases associated with the tender offer in the prior year and decreases in share-based compensation.

Interest Expense. Consolidated interest expense for the year ended December 31, 2013 was \$50.5 million as compared to \$75.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. The decrease of \$24.9 million resulted primarily from lower interest expense on the outstanding 2022 Notes for the year ended December 31, 2013 as compared to the interest expense incurred during the year ended December 31, 2012 related to the First Lien Notes prior to their extinguishment in the fourth quarter of 2012, the Second Lien Notes and the 2022 Notes issued in October 2012.

Gain (Loss) on Derivatives, Net. For the year ended December 31, 2013, the petroleum segment recorded a \$57.1 million net gain on derivatives. This compares to a \$285.6 million net loss on derivatives for the year ended December 31, 2012. The change in gain (loss) on derivatives was primarily due to changes in crack spreads during the period. The petroleum segment enters into over-the-counter commodity swap contracts to fix the margin on a portion of its future gasoline and distillate production.

Loss on Extinguishment of Debt. For the year ended December 31, 2013, the petroleum segment incurred a \$26.1 million loss on extinguishment of debt compared to \$37.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. In 2013, the loss on extinguishment of debt was the result of the extinguishment of the Second Lien Notes during the first quarter. In 2012, the loss

on extinguishment of debt was the result of the extinguishment of the First Lien Notes (\$33.4 million) and the write-off of deferred financing costs (\$4.1 million) associated with the amendment of the then-existing ABL credit facility, both of which occurred during the fourth quarter.

Income Tax Expense. Income tax expense for the year ended December 31, 2013 was \$183.7 million or 26.0% of income before income taxes, as compared to income tax expense for the year ended December 31, 2012 of \$225.6 million or 35.3% of income before income taxes. This is in comparison to a combined federal and state expected statutory rate of 39.6% for 2013 and 39.2% for 2012. Our 2013 effective tax rate is lower than the expected statutory rate primarily due to the reduction of income subject to tax associated with our noncontrolling ownership interest in CVR Refining's and CVR Partners' earnings and the benefits related to the domestic production activities deduction. We also recognized state income tax credits, net of federal expense, of approximately \$9.0 million and recognized a state income tax benefit, net of federal expense, of \$14.7 million related to the sale of a portion of our investments in CVR Partners and CVR Refining. Offsetting these benefits, we recognized a state income tax expense, net of federal benefit, of approximately \$5.9 million related to an increase to our overall state effective tax rate.

Net Income Attributable to Noncontrolling Interest. Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest represents the 30% interest in the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership held by public unitholders through May 27, 2013 and the 47% interest in the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership held by public unitholders from May 28, 2013 through December 31, 2013. Additionally, it represents the 19% interest in the Refining Partnership held by public unitholders from the Refining Partnership IPO through May 19, 2013 and the 29% interest in the Refining Partnership held by public unitholders from May 20, 2013 through December 31, 2013.

Net Income Attributable to CVR Stockholders. For the year ended December 31, 2013, net income attributable to CVR stockholders decreased to \$370.7 million as compared to net income of \$378.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2012.

Petroleum Business Results of Operations

The petroleum business includes the operations of both the Coffeyville and Wynnewood refineries. The following tables below provide an overview of the petroleum business' results of operations, relevant market indicators and its key operating statistics for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(in millions)		
Consolidated Petroleum Business Financial Results			
Net sales	\$ 8,829.7	\$ 8,683.5	\$ 8,281.5
Cost of product sold(1)	8,013.4	7,526.7	6,667.3
Direct operating expenses(1)(2)	409.2	361.7	302.8
Major scheduled turnaround expenses	6.8	—	123.7
Depreciation and amortization	122.5	114.3	107.6
Gross profit(3)	\$ 277.8	\$ 680.8	\$ 1,080.1
Plus:			
Direct operating expenses and major scheduled turnaround expenses(1)	416.0	361.7	426.5
Depreciation and amortization	122.5	114.3	107.6
Refining margin(4)	\$ 816.3	\$ 1,156.8	\$ 1,614.2
Operating income	\$ 207.2	\$ 603.0	\$ 1,012.5
Adjusted Petroleum EBITDA(5)	\$ 621.6	\$ 712.0	\$ 1,178.9

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(dollars per barrel)		
Key Operating Statistics			
Per crude oil throughput barrel:			
Refining margin(4)	\$ 11.38	\$ 16.90	\$ 26.04
Gross profit(3)	\$ 3.87	\$ 9.94	\$ 17.42
Direct operating expenses and major scheduled turnaround expenses(1)(2)	\$ 5.80	\$ 5.28	\$ 6.88
Direct operating expenses and major scheduled turnaround expenses per barrel sold(1)(6)	\$ 5.44	\$ 5.00	\$ 6.38
Barrels sold (barrels per day)(6)	209,669	198,142	182,701

	Year Ended December 31,					
	2014		2013		2012	
		%		%		%
Refining Throughput and Production Data (bpd)						
Throughput:						
Sweet	179,059	86.2	149,147	75.4	130,414	72.4
Medium	2,022	1.0	19,151	9.7	21,334	11.8
Heavy sour	15,464	7.4	19,270	9.8	17,608	9.8
Total crude oil throughput	196,545	94.6	187,568	94.9	169,356	94.0
All other feedstocks and blendstocks	11,284	5.4	10,121	5.1	10,791	6.0
Total throughput	207,829	100.0	197,689	100.0	180,147	100.0
Production:						
Gasoline	102,275	48.9	94,561	47.7	89,787	49.9
Distillate	87,639	41.9	82,089	41.4	72,804	40.6
Other (excluding internally produced fuel)	19,149	9.2	21,617	10.9	17,262	9.5
Total refining production (excluding internally produced fuel)	209,063	100.0	198,267	100.0	179,853	100.0
Product price (dollars per gallon):						
Gasoline	\$ 2.53		\$ 2.72		\$ 2.86	
Distillate	2.81		3.02		3.08	

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
Market Indicators (dollars per barrel)			
West Texas Intermediate (WTI) NYMEX	\$ 92.91	\$ 98.05	\$ 94.15
Crude Oil Differentials:			
WTI less WTS (light/medium sour)	5.95	2.64	5.40
WTI less WCS (heavy sour)	18.48	24.58	22.53
NYMEX Crack Spreads:			
Gasoline	17.29	21.44	28.55
Heating Oil	23.59	27.60	32.94
NYMEX 2-1-1 Crack Spread	20.44	24.52	30.75
PADD II Group 3 Basis:			
Gasoline	(4.45)	(4.54)	(3.11)
Ultra-Low Sulfur Diesel	0.75	0.58	2.17
PADD II Group 3 Product Crack Spread:			
Gasoline	12.84	16.90	25.45
Ultra-Low Sulfur Diesel	24.34	28.18	35.11
PADD II Group 3 2-1-1	18.59	22.54	30.28

- (1) Amounts are shown exclusive of depreciation and amortization.
- (2) Direct operating expense is presented on a per crude oil throughput barrel basis. In order to derive the direct operating expenses per crude oil throughput barrel, we utilize the total direct operating expenses, which does not include depreciation or amortization expense, and divide by the applicable number of crude oil throughput barrels for the period.
- (3) Gross profit is a measurement calculated as the difference between net sales and cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization), direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization), major scheduled turnaround expenses and depreciation and amortization. Each of the components used in this calculation are taken directly from the petroleum business' financial results. In order to derive the gross profit per crude oil throughput barrel, we utilize the total dollar figures for gross profit as derived above and divide by the applicable number of crude oil throughput barrels for the period.
- (4) Refining margin per crude oil throughput barrel is a measurement calculated as the difference between net sales and cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization). Refining margin is a non-GAAP measure that we believe is important to investors in evaluating the refineries' performance as a general indication of the amount above the cost of product sold that it is able to sell refined products. Each of the components used in this calculation (net sales and cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)) are taken directly from the petroleum business' financial results. Our calculation of refining margin may differ from similar calculations of other companies in the industry, thereby limiting its usefulness as a comparative measure. In order to derive the refining margin per crude oil throughput barrel, we utilize the total dollar figures for refining margin as derived above and divide by the applicable number of crude oil throughput barrels for the period. We believe that refining margin and refining margin per crude oil throughput barrel is important to enable investors to better understand and evaluate the petroleum business' ongoing operating results and allow for greater transparency in the review of our overall business, financial, operational and economic performance.
- (5) Adjusted Petroleum EBITDA represents operating income for the petroleum segment adjusted for (i) FIFO impacts (favorable) unfavorable, (ii) share-based compensation, non-cash, (iii) major scheduled turnaround expenses, (iv) current period settlements on derivatives contracts, (v) depreciation and amortization and (vi) and other income (expense), net. We present Adjusted Petroleum EBITDA because it is the starting point for the Refining Partnership's available cash for distribution. Adjusted Petroleum EBITDA is not a recognized term under GAAP and should not be substituted for operating income as a measure of performance. Management believes that Adjusted Petroleum EBITDA enables investors to better understand the Refining Partnership's ability to make distributions to its common

unitholders, evaluate the petroleum segment's ongoing operating results and allows for greater transparency in reviewing our overall financial, operational and economic performance. Adjusted Petroleum EBITDA presented by other companies may not be comparable to our presentation, since each company may define these terms differently. Below is a reconciliation of operating income for the petroleum segment to Adjusted Petroleum EBITDA for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(in millions)		
	(unaudited)		
Petroleum:			
Petroleum operating income	\$ 207.2	\$ 603.0	\$ 1,012.5
FIFO impacts (favorable), unfavorable(a)	160.8	(21.3)	58.4
Share-based compensation, non-cash	2.3	9.5	13.5
Major scheduled turnaround expenses(b)	6.8	—	123.7
Current period settlements on derivative contracts(c)	122.2	6.4	(137.6)
Depreciation and amortization	122.5	114.3	107.6
Other income (expense), net	(0.2)	0.1	0.8
Adjusted Petroleum EBITDA	<u>\$ 621.6</u>	<u>\$ 712.0</u>	<u>\$ 1,178.9</u>

- (a) FIFO is the petroleum business' basis for determining inventory value on a GAAP basis. Changes in crude oil prices can cause fluctuations in the inventory valuation of crude oil, work in process and finished goods, thereby resulting in favorable FIFO impacts when crude oil prices increase and unfavorable FIFO impacts when crude oil prices decrease. The FIFO impact is calculated based upon inventory values at the beginning of the accounting period and at the end of the accounting period.
- (b) Represents expense associated with a major scheduled turnaround activities performed at the Coffeyville refinery (\$5.5 million in 2014 and \$21.2 million in 2012) and the Wynnewood refinery (\$1.3 million in 2014 and \$102.5 million in 2012).
- (c) Represents the portion of gain (loss) on derivatives, net related to contracts that matured during the respective periods and settled with counterparties. There are no premiums paid or received at the inception of the derivative contracts and upon settlement, there is no cost recovery associated with these contracts.
- (6) Direct operating expense is presented on a per barrel sold basis. Barrels sold are derived from the barrels produced and shipped from the refineries. We utilize total direct operating expenses, which does not include depreciation or amortization expense, and divide by the applicable number of barrels sold for the period to derive the metric.

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(in millions)		
Coffeyville Refinery Financial Results			
Net sales	\$ 5,755.5	\$ 5,370.8	\$ 5,692.4
Cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	5,254.9	4,648.6	4,566.0
Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	223.6	219.4	189.1
Major scheduled turnaround expenses	5.5	—	21.2
Depreciation and amortization	73.6	70.8	69.6
Gross profit	<u>\$ 197.9</u>	<u>\$ 432.0</u>	<u>\$ 846.5</u>
Plus:			
Direct operating expenses and major scheduled turnaround expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	229.1	219.4	210.3
Depreciation and amortization	73.6	70.8	69.6
Refining margin	<u>\$ 500.6</u>	<u>\$ 722.2</u>	<u>\$ 1,126.4</u>

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(dollars per barrel)		
Coffeyville Refinery Key Operating Statistics			
Per crude oil throughput barrel:			
Refining margin	\$ 11.46	\$ 17.90	\$ 26.81
Gross profit	\$ 4.53	\$ 10.71	\$ 20.15
Direct operating expenses and major scheduled turnaround expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	\$ 5.24	\$ 5.44	\$ 5.01
Direct operating expenses and major scheduled turnaround expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) per barrel sold	\$ 4.73	\$ 5.00	\$ 4.66
Barrels sold (barrels per day)	132,791	120,166	123,418

	Year Ended December 31,					
	2014		2013		2012	
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Coffeyville Refinery Throughput and Production Data (bpd)						
Throughput:						
Sweet	103,018	80.0	90,818	77.1	91,580	74.3
Medium	1,222	1.0	453	0.4	5,601	4.6
Heavy sour	15,464	12.0	19,270	16.3	17,608	14.3
Total crude oil throughput	119,704	93.0	110,541	93.8	114,789	93.2
All other feedstocks and blendstocks	9,047	7.0	7,253	6.2	8,412	6.8
Total throughput	128,751	100.0	117,794	100.0	123,201	100.0
Production:						
Gasoline	64,002	48.6	56,262	46.8	61,998	49.6
Distillate	56,381	42.8	50,353	41.9	52,429	41.9
Other (excluding internally produced fuel)	11,314	8.6	13,499	11.3	10,629	8.5
Total refining production (excluding internally produced fuel)	131,697	100.0	120,114	100.0	125,056	100.0

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(in millions)		
Wynnewood Refinery Financial Results			
Net sales	\$ 3,069.8	\$ 3,308.4	\$ 2,587.6
Cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	2,758.1	2,877.5	2,101.4
Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	185.5	142.4	113.7
Major scheduled turnaround expenses	1.3	—	102.5
Depreciation and amortization	41.8	38.6	34.5
Gross profit	\$ 83.1	\$ 249.9	\$ 235.5
Plus:			
Direct operating expenses and major scheduled turnaround expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	186.8	142.4	216.2
Depreciation and amortization	41.8	38.6	34.5
Refining margin	\$ 311.7	\$ 430.9	\$ 486.2

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(dollars per barrel)		
Wynnewood Refinery Key Operating Statistics			
Per crude oil throughput barrel:			
Refining margin	\$ 11.11	\$ 15.33	\$ 24.34
Gross profit	\$ 2.96	\$ 8.89	\$ 11.79
Direct operating expenses and major scheduled turnaround expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	\$ 6.66	\$ 5.06	\$ 10.83
Direct operating expenses and major scheduled turnaround expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) per barrel sold	\$ 6.66	\$ 5.00	\$ 9.96
Barrels sold (barrels per day)	76,878	77,976	59,282

	Year Ended December 31,					
	2014		2013		2012	
		%		%		%
Wynnewood Refinery Throughput and Production Data (bpd)						
Throughput:						
Sweet	76,041	96.2	58,329	73.0	38,834	68.2
Medium	800	1.0	18,698	23.4	15,733	27.6
Heavy sour	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total crude oil throughput	76,841	97.2	77,027	96.4	54,567	95.8
All other feedstocks and blendstocks	2,237	2.8	2,868	3.6	2,379	4.2
Total throughput	79,078	100.0	79,895	100.0	56,946	100.0
Production:						
Gasoline	38,273	49.5	38,299	49.0	27,789	50.6
Distillate	31,258	40.4	31,736	40.6	20,375	37.2
Other (excluding internally produced fuel)	7,835	10.1	8,118	10.4	6,633	12.2
Total refining production (excluding internally produced fuel)	77,366	100.0	78,153	100.0	54,797	100.0

Year Ended December 31, 2014 Compared to the Year Ended December 31, 2013 (Petroleum Business)

Net Sales. Petroleum net sales were \$8,829.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, compared to \$8,683.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The increase of \$146.2 million was primarily the result of higher overall sales volumes largely offset by lower sales prices for gasoline and distillates. Overall sales volume increased 8.4% for the year ended December 31, 2014 compared to the year ended December 31, 2013. Current year sales volumes were impacted by reduced crude oil throughput and production as a result of the Coffeyville refinery shutdown following the isomerization unit fire during the third quarter of 2014 and the FCCU outage at the Wynnewood refinery during the fourth quarter of 2014. Sales volumes for 2013 were impacted by downtime associated with the FCCU outage at the Coffeyville refinery in the third quarter of 2013. The average sales price per gallon for the year ended December 31, 2014 for gasoline of \$2.53 and distillate of \$2.81 each decreased by approximately 7.0% as compared to the year ended December 31, 2013.

	Year Ended December 31, 2014			Year Ended December 31, 2013			Total Variance		Price Variance	Volume Variance
	Volume(1)	\$ per barrel	Sales \$(2)	Volume(1)	\$ per barrel	Sales \$(2)	Volume(1)	Sales \$(2)		
	(in millions)									
Gasoline	40.3	\$ 106.21	\$ 4,282.2	37.8	\$ 114.29	\$ 4,330.0	2.5	\$ (47.8)	\$ (325.9)	\$ 278.1
Distillate	34.9	\$ 118.09	\$ 4,122.3	30.6	\$ 126.79	\$ 3,880.6	4.3	\$ 241.7	\$ (303.5)	\$ 545.2

(1) Barrels in millions

(2) Sales dollars in millions

Cost of Product Sold (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization). Cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) includes cost of crude oil, other feedstocks and blendstocks, purchased products for resale, RINs and transportation and distribution costs. Petroleum cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) was \$8,013.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, compared to \$7,526.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The increase of \$486.7 million was primarily the result of an increase in the cost of consumed crude oil and refined fuels purchased for resale. The increase in consumed crude oil cost was due to a 4.8% increase in consumed volumes, which was partially offset by lower crude oil prices. The average cost per barrel of crude oil consumed for the year ended December 31, 2014 was \$92.57 compared to \$95.05 for the year ended December 31, 2013, a decrease of approximately 2.6%. Sales volumes of refined fuels increased by approximately 8.4%. The impact of FIFO accounting also impacted cost of product sold during the comparable periods. Under the FIFO accounting method, changes in crude oil prices can cause fluctuations in the inventory valuation of crude oil, work in process and finished goods, thereby resulting in a favorable FIFO inventory impact when crude oil prices increase and an unfavorable FIFO inventory impact when crude oil prices decrease. For the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, the petroleum business had an unfavorable FIFO inventory impact of \$160.8 million compared to a favorable FIFO inventory impact of \$21.3 million, respectively. The major factor contributing to the unfavorable FIFO impact for the year ended December 31, 2014 was the decline in the market price of WTI from \$95.44 at the beginning of 2014 to \$53.27 on December 31, 2014. The FIFO inventory impact for 2014 includes a lower of cost or market write-down of \$36.8 million, which was recorded in the fourth quarter as a result of the significant decline in the market price of crude oil.

Refining margin per barrel of crude oil throughput decreased to \$11.38 for the year ended December 31, 2014 from \$16.90 for the year ended December 31, 2013. Refining margin adjusted for FIFO impact was \$13.62 per crude oil throughput barrel for the year ended December 31, 2014, as compared to \$16.59 per crude oil throughput barrel for the year ended December 31, 2013. Gross profit per barrel decreased to \$3.87 for the year ended December 31, 2014, as compared to gross profit per barrel of \$9.94 in the equivalent period in 2013. The decrease in refining margin and gross profit per barrel was primarily due to a decrease in sales prices for gasoline and distillate. The average sales price for both gasoline and distillates declined approximately 7.0% for the year ended December 31, 2014 as compared to the same period last year.

Direct Operating Expenses (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization). Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) for the petroleum business include costs associated with the actual operations of the refineries, such as energy and utility costs, property taxes, catalyst and chemical costs, repairs and maintenance, labor and environmental compliance costs. Petroleum direct operating expenses and major scheduled turnaround expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) were \$416.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, compared to direct operating expenses of \$361.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The increase of \$54.3 million was primarily the result of the increase in expenses associated with energy and utility costs (\$18.1 million), repairs and maintenance (\$10.2 million), labor (\$8.9 million), certain turnaround activities performed at the Coffeyville and Wynnewood refineries (\$6.8 million), production chemicals (\$4.7 million) and rental costs (\$4.5 million). The increase in energy and utility costs was primarily due to a 27.3% increase in natural gas cost per unit and a 12.5% increase in natural gas consumption. The increase in repairs and maintenance and turnaround costs was due to opportunity maintenance and turnaround activities performed at the Coffeyville refinery during the shutdown following the isomerization fire in the third quarter of 2014 and during the FCCU outage at the Wynnewood refinery during the fourth quarter of 2014. Direct operating expenses per barrel of crude oil throughput for the year ended December 31, 2014 increased to \$5.80 per barrel as compared to \$5.28 per barrel for the year ended December 31, 2013. The increase in the direct operating expenses per barrel of crude oil throughput was primarily a function of higher overall expenses.

Operating Income. Petroleum operating income was \$207.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, as compared to operating income of \$603.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The decrease of \$395.8 million was the result of a decrease in the refining margin (\$340.5 million) and increases in direct operating expense (\$54.3 million) and depreciation and amortization (\$8.2 million), partially offset by a decrease in selling, general and administrative expenses (\$7.2 million).

Year Ended December 31, 2013 Compared to the Year Ended December 31, 2012 (Petroleum Business)

Net Sales. Petroleum net sales were \$8,683.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2013, compared to \$8,281.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. The increase of \$402.0 million was the result of higher overall sales volumes, which was partially offset by lower product prices. The higher sales volume is due to the downtime associated with the completion of the second phase of the Coffeyville refinery's turnaround in the first quarter of 2012 and the Wynnewood refinery's turnaround in the fourth quarter of 2012, which decreased products available for sale in the prior year. Current year sales volumes were impacted by the downtime associated with the FCCU outage at the Coffeyville refinery during the third quarter of 2013. The average sales price per gallon for the year ended December 31, 2013 for gasoline of \$2.72 and distillate of \$3.02 decreased by approximately 4.9% and 1.9%, respectively, as compared to the year ended December 31, 2012.

	Year Ended December 31, 2013			Year Ended December 31, 2012			Total Variance		Price Variance	Volume Variance
	Volume(1)	\$ per barrel	Sales \$(2)	Volume(1)	\$ per barrel	Sales \$(2)	Volume(1)	Sales \$(2)		
	(in millions)									
Gasoline	37.8	\$ 114.29	\$ 4,330.0	35.6	\$ 120.14	\$ 4,283.1	2.2	\$ 46.9	\$ (221.8)	\$ 268.7
Distillate	30.6	\$ 126.79	\$ 3,880.6	27.5	\$ 129.51	\$ 3,563.9	3.1	\$ 316.7	\$ (83.4)	\$ 400.1

(1) Barrels in millions

(2) Sales dollars in millions

Cost of Product Sold (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization). Cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) includes cost of crude oil, other feedstocks and blendstocks, purchased products for resale, RINs and transportation and distribution costs. Petroleum cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) was \$7,526.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2013, compared to \$6,667.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. The increase of \$859.4 million was primarily the result of an increase in the cost of consumed crude oil and the cost of RINs. The increase in the consumed crude oil cost was due to an increase in consumed volumes and crude oil prices. The average cost per barrel of crude oil consumed for the year ended December 31, 2013 was \$95.05 compared to \$91.69 for the year ended December 31, 2012, an increase of approximately 3.7%. Consumed crude volume increased by approximately 10.5% primarily due to the downtime associated with the Wynnewood refinery turnaround in the fourth quarter of the prior year. The impact of FIFO accounting also impacted cost of product sold during the comparable periods. Under the FIFO accounting method, changes in crude oil prices can cause fluctuations in the inventory valuation of crude oil, work in process and finished goods, thereby resulting in a favorable FIFO inventory impact when crude oil prices increase and an unfavorable FIFO inventory impact when crude oil prices decrease. For the year ended December 31, 2013, the petroleum business had a favorable FIFO inventory impact of \$21.3 million compared to an unfavorable FIFO inventory impact of \$58.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2012.

Refining margin per barrel of crude oil throughput decreased from \$26.04 for the year ended December 31, 2012 to \$16.90 for the year ended December 31, 2013. Refining margin adjusted for FIFO impact was \$16.59 per crude oil throughput barrel for the year ended December 31, 2013, as compared to \$26.98 per crude oil throughput barrel for the year ended December 31, 2012. Gross profit per barrel decreased to \$9.94 for the year ended December 31, 2013, as compared to gross profit per barrel of \$17.42 in the equivalent period in 2012. The decrease in refining margin and gross profit per barrel is due to an decrease in sales prices of gasoline and distillates and an increase in the per barrel cost of consumed crude oil. Consumed crude oil costs increased due primarily to a 4.1% increase in WTI for the year ended December 31, 2013, over the year ended December 31, 2012.

Direct Operating Expenses (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization). Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) for the petroleum business include costs associated with the actual operations of the refineries, such as energy and utility costs, property taxes, catalyst and chemical costs, repairs and maintenance, labor and environmental compliance costs. Petroleum direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) were \$361.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2013, compared to direct operating expenses plus major scheduled turnaround expenses of \$426.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. The decrease of \$64.8 million was primarily the result of the decrease in expenses associated with major scheduled turnaround (\$123.7 million). The Coffeyville refinery completed the second phase of its planned turnaround in the first quarter of 2012 and the Wynnewood refinery completed its turnaround in the fourth quarter of 2012. The decrease was partially offset by increases in general repairs and maintenance (\$39.4 million), energy and utility costs (\$13.4 million) and labor (\$11.4 million). The increase in repairs and maintenance were primarily due to the FCCU outage and repair at the Coffeyville refinery during the third quarter of 2013. Direct operating expenses per barrel of crude oil

throughput for the year ended December 31, 2013 decreased to \$5.28 per barrel as compared to \$6.88 per barrel for the year ended December 31, 2012. The decrease in the direct operating expenses per barrel of crude oil throughput is a function of the lower overall expenses.

Operating Income. Petroleum operating income was \$603.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2013, as compared to operating income of \$1,012.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. The decrease of \$409.5 million was the result of a decrease in the refining margin (\$457.4 million), an increase in selling, general and administrative expenses (\$10.2 million) and an increase in depreciation and amortization (\$6.7 million), partially offset by a decrease in direct operating expenses (\$64.8 million).

Nitrogen Fertilizer Business Results of Operations

The tables below provide an overview of the nitrogen fertilizer business' results of operations, relevant market indicators and its key operating statistics for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(in millions)		
<u>Nitrogen Fertilizer Business Financial Results</u>			
Net sales	\$ 298.7	\$ 323.7	\$ 302.3
Cost of product sold(1)	72.0	58.1	46.1
Direct operating expenses(1)	98.9	94.1	90.8
Major scheduled turnaround expenses	—	—	4.8
Selling, general and administrative(1)	17.7	21.0	24.1
Depreciation and amortization	27.3	25.6	20.7
Operating income	\$ 82.8	\$ 124.9	\$ 115.8
Adjusted Nitrogen Fertilizer EBITDA(2)	\$ 110.3	\$ 152.8	\$ 148.2

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
Key Operating Statistics			
Production (thousand tons):			
Ammonia (gross produced)(3)	388.9	402.0	390.0
Ammonia (net available for sale)(3)(4)	28.3	37.9	124.6
UAN	963.7	930.6	643.8
Pet coke consumed (thousand tons)	489.7	487.0	487.3
Pet coke (cost per ton)	\$ 28	\$ 30	\$ 33
Sales (thousand tons)(5):			
Ammonia	24.4	40.5	127.8
UAN	951.0	904.6	643.5
Product pricing at gate (dollars per ton)(5):			
Ammonia	\$ 518	\$ 643	\$ 613
UAN	\$ 259	\$ 282	\$ 303
On-stream factors(6):			
Gasification	96.8%	95.6%	92.6%
Ammonia	92.6%	94.4%	91.1%
UAN	92.0%	91.9%	86.4%
Reconciliation to net sales (dollars in millions):			
Sales net at gate	\$ 259.3	\$ 281.5	\$ 273.5
Freight in revenue	27.5	30.2	22.4
Hydrogen revenue	10.1	11.4	6.4
Other revenue	1.8	0.6	—
Total net sales	\$ 298.7	\$ 323.7	\$ 302.3

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
Market Indicators			
Natural gas NYMEX (dollars per MMBtu)	\$ 4.26	\$ 3.73	\$ 2.83
Ammonia — Southern Plains (dollars per ton)	539	581	647
UAN — Corn belt (dollars per ton)	314	337	369

(1) Amounts are shown exclusive of depreciation and amortization.

(2) Adjusted Nitrogen Fertilizer EBITDA represents operating income adjusted for (i) share-based compensation, non-cash, (ii) major scheduled turnaround expenses, (iii) depreciation and amortization and (iv) other income (expense). The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership recorded share-based compensation, non-cash, in each of the periods presented below and its plant generally undergoes a major scheduled turnaround every two to three years. We present Adjusted Nitrogen Fertilizer EBITDA because we have found it helpful to consider an operating measure that excludes expenses, such as major scheduled turnaround expense, relating to transactions not reflective of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's core operations. In addition, we believe that it is useful to exclude from Adjusted Nitrogen Fertilizer EBITDA share-based compensation, non-cash, although it is a recurring cost incurred in the ordinary course of business. We believe share-based compensation, non-cash, reflects a non-cash cost which may obscure, for a given period, trends in the underlying business, due to the timing and nature of the equity awards. We also present Adjusted Nitrogen Fertilizer EBITDA because it is the starting point for the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's available cash for distribution.

Adjusted Nitrogen Fertilizer EBITDA is not a recognized term under GAAP and should not be substituted for operating income as a measure of performance. Management believes that Adjusted Nitrogen Fertilizer EBITDA enables investors and analysts to better understand the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's ability to make distributions to its common unitholders, helps investors and analysts evaluate its ongoing operating results and allows for greater transparency in reviewing our overall financial, operational and economic performance by allowing investors to evaluate the same information used by management. Adjusted Nitrogen Fertilizer EBITDA presented by other companies may not be comparable to our presentation, since each company may define those terms differently. Below is a reconciliation of operating income to Adjusted Nitrogen Fertilizer EBITDA for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(in millions)		
	(unaudited)		
Nitrogen Fertilizer:			
Nitrogen fertilizer operating income	\$ 82.8	\$ 124.9	\$ 115.8
Share-based compensation, non-cash	0.2	2.2	6.8
Depreciation and amortization	27.3	25.6	20.7
Major scheduled turnaround expenses(a)	—	—	4.8
Other income, net	—	0.1	0.1
Adjusted Nitrogen Fertilizer EBITDA	<u>\$ 110.3</u>	<u>\$ 152.8</u>	<u>\$ 148.2</u>

(a) Represents expense associated with a major scheduled turnaround at the nitrogen fertilizer plant.

- (3) Gross tons produced for ammonia represent the total ammonia produced, including ammonia produced that was upgraded into UAN. As a result of the completion of the UAN expansion project in February 2013, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership now upgrades substantially all of the ammonia it produces into UAN. Net tons available for sale represent the ammonia available for sale that was not upgraded into UAN.
- (4) In addition to produced ammonia, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership acquired approximately 33,600 and 17,300 tons of ammonia during the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. The Partnership has upgraded or expects to upgrade the majority of purchased ammonia to UAN. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership did not purchase ammonia during the year ended December 31, 2012.
- (5) Product pricing at gate per ton represents net sales less freight revenue divided by product sales volume in tons and is shown in order to provide a pricing measure that is comparable across the fertilizer industry.
- (6) On-stream factor is the total number of hours operated divided by the total number of hours in the reporting period and is a measure of operating efficiency.

Excluding the impact of the downtime associated with the installation of the waste heat boiler, the PSA unit upgrade and the Linde air separation unit maintenance, (i) the on-stream factors in 2014 would have been 98.2% for gasifier, 94.3% for ammonia and 93.7% for UAN. Excluding the impact of the UAN expansion coming online, the planned downtime associated with the replacement of damaged catalyst, the unplanned Linde air separation unit outages and the unplanned downtime associated with weather issues (ii) the on-stream factors in 2013 would have been 99.5% for gasifier, 98.9% for ammonia and 98.0% for UAN. Excluding the impact of the Linde air separation unit outage and the major scheduled turnaround, (iii) the on-stream factors in 2012 would have been 98.1% for gasifier, 97.1% for ammonia and 92.8% for UAN.

Year Ended December 31, 2014 compared to the Year Ended December 31, 2013 (Nitrogen Fertilizer Business)

Net Sales. Nitrogen fertilizer net sales were \$298.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, compared to \$323.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The net sales decrease of \$25.0 million was the result of lower UAN sales prices (\$25.8 million), lower ammonia sales volumes (\$10.7 million) and lower ammonia sales prices (\$3.0 million), partially offset by higher UAN sales volumes (\$14.6 million). For the year ended December 31, 2014, UAN, ammonia and hydrogen made up \$273.7 million, \$13.1 million and \$10.1 million of the nitrogen fertilizer business' net sales, respectively. This

compared to UAN, ammonia and hydrogen net sales of \$284.9 million, \$26.8 million and \$11.4 million, respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2013. The following table demonstrates the impact of changes in sales volumes and sales price for UAN, ammonia and hydrogen for the year ended December 31, 2014 compared to the year ended December 31, 2013:

	Year Ended December 31, 2014			Year Ended December 31, 2013			Total Variance		Price Variance	Volume Variance
	Volume(1)	\$ per ton(2)	Sales \$(3)	Volume(1)	\$ per ton(2)	Sales \$(3)	Volume(1)	Sales \$(3)		
	(in millions)									
UAN	951,043	\$ 288	\$ 273.7	904,596	\$ 315	\$ 284.9	46,447	\$ (11.2)	\$ (25.8)	\$ 14.6
Ammonia	24,378	\$ 536	\$ 13.1	40,535	\$ 660	\$ 26.8	(16,157)	\$ (13.7)	\$ (3.0)	\$ (10.7)
Hydrogen	996,516	\$ 10	\$ 10.1	1,165,300	\$ 10	\$ 11.4	(168,784)	\$ (1.3)	\$ 0.3	\$ (1.6)

(1) UAN and ammonia sales volumes are in tons. Hydrogen sales volumes are in MSCF.

(2) Includes freight charges. Hydrogen is based on \$ per MSCF.

(3) Sales dollars in millions.

For the year ended December 31, 2014, the nitrogen fertilizer segment's operations experienced an increase of 5.1% in UAN sales unit volumes and a decrease of 39.9% in ammonia sales unit volumes. The increase in UAN and decrease in ammonia sales volume for the year ended December 31, 2014 compared to the year ended December 31, 2013 was partially attributable to the UAN expansion being available for the full period in 2014.

Product pricing at gate per ton represents net sales less freight revenue divided by product sales volume in tons. The nitrogen fertilizer business believes product pricing at gate is meaningful because it sells products both at its plant gate and terminal locations' gates (sold gate) and delivered to the customer's designated delivery site (sold delivered). The relative percentage of sold gate versus sold delivered can change period to period. The product pricing at gate provides a measure that is consistently comparable period to period. Product pricing at gate for the year ended December 31, 2014 compared to the year ended December 31, 2013 decreased approximately 8.2% for UAN and 19.4% for ammonia, respectively.

Cost of Product Sold (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization). Nitrogen fertilizer cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) includes cost of freight and distribution expenses, pet coke expense and purchased ammonia. Cost of product sold excluding depreciation and amortization for the year ended December 31, 2014 was \$72.0 million, compared to \$58.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The \$13.9 million increase resulted from \$15.3 million in higher costs from transactions with third parties, which is offset by lower costs from transactions with affiliates of \$1.4 million. The higher third-party costs incurred during the year ended December 31, 2014 were primarily the result of increased distribution costs (\$10.5 million) mostly due to the increase in railcar regulatory inspections and repairs as well as increased ammonia purchases (\$6.5 million), partially offset by lower freight and pet coke expenses. The increase in railcar regulatory inspections and repairs is related to a larger portion of the nitrogen fertilizer business' fleet due for regulatory inspections and related repairs during the year ended December 31, 2014 as compared to the prior year.

Direct Operating Expenses (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization). Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) for the nitrogen fertilizer business consist primarily of energy and utility costs, direct costs of labor, property taxes, plant-related maintenance services and environmental and safety compliance costs as well as catalyst and chemical costs. Nitrogen fertilizer direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) for the year ended December 31, 2014 were \$98.9 million, as compared to \$94.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The total increase of \$4.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, as compared to the year ended December 31, 2013, was comprised of a \$5.9 million increase in costs from transactions with third parties, partially offset by a \$1.1 million decrease in direct operating costs from affiliates. The increase resulted primarily from higher utilities, net (\$1.3 million), refractory brick amortization (\$2.7 million), repairs and maintenance (\$1.2 million), partially offset by lower insurance costs (\$1.1 million). The increased utility costs were largely due to higher electrical and natural gas prices, partially offset by lower electrical volumes. The increase in refractory brick amortization is primarily due to a decrease in the estimated useful life to reflect higher estimated rates of use in the production process.

Operating Income. Nitrogen fertilizer operating income was \$82.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, as compared to operating income of \$124.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The decrease of \$42.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 as compared to the year ended December 31, 2013 was the result of the decrease in net sales (\$25.0 million) and increases in cost of product sold (\$13.9 million), direct operating expenses (\$4.8 million) and depreciation and amortization (\$1.7 million), partially offset by a decrease in selling, general and administrative expense (\$3.3 million).

Year Ended December 31, 2013 compared to the Year Ended December 31, 2012 (Nitrogen Fertilizer Business)

Net Sales. Nitrogen fertilizer net sales were \$323.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2013, compared to \$302.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. The net sales increase of \$21.4 million was the result of higher sales volumes for UAN (\$82.2 million), higher hydrogen sales volumes to the Refining Partnership's refinery (\$5.3 million) and higher prices for ammonia (\$3.6 million), offset by lower sales volumes for ammonia (\$57.6 million) and lower prices for UAN (\$12.4 million). For the year ended December 31, 2013, UAN, ammonia and hydrogen made up \$284.9 million, \$26.8 million and \$11.4 million of the nitrogen fertilizer business' net sales, respectively. This compared to UAN, ammonia and hydrogen net sales of \$215.1 million, \$80.8 million and \$6.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2012, respectively. Sales of both UAN and ammonia for the year ended December 31, 2012 were negatively impacted by the downtime associated with the major scheduled turnaround in 2012. The following table demonstrates the impact of changes in sales volumes and sales price for UAN, ammonia and hydrogen for the year ended December 31, 2013 compared to the year ended December 31, 2012:

	Year Ended December 31, 2013			Year Ended December 31, 2012			Total Variance		Price Variance	Volume Variance
	Volume(1)	\$ per ton(2)	Sales \$(3)	Volume(1)	\$ per ton(2)	Sales \$(3)	Volume(1)	Sales \$(3)		
										(in millions)
UAN	904,596	\$ 315	\$ 284.9	643,514	\$ 334	\$ 215.1	261,082	\$ 69.8	\$ (12.4)	\$ 82.2
Ammonia	40,535	\$ 660	\$ 26.8	127,843	\$ 632	\$ 80.8	(87,308)	\$ (54.0)	\$ 3.6	\$ (57.6)
Hydrogen	1,165,300	\$ 10	\$ 11.4	624,242	\$ 10	\$ 6.4	541,058	\$ 5.0	\$ (0.3)	\$ 5.3

(1) Ammonia and UAN sales volumes are in tons. Hydrogen sales volumes are in MSCF.

(2) Includes freight charges. Hydrogen is based on \$ per MSCF.

(3) Sales dollars in millions.

For the year ended December 31, 2013, the nitrogen fertilizer business experienced an increase of 40.6% in UAN sales unit volumes and a decrease of 68.3% in ammonia sales unit volumes. The increase in UAN and ammonia sales volumes for the year ended December 31, 2013 compared to the year ended December 31, 2012 was primarily attributable to the UAN expansion coming online in February 2013.

Product pricing at gate per ton represents net sales less freight revenue divided by product sales volume in tons. The nitrogen fertilizer business believes product pricing at gate is meaningful because it sells products both at its plant gate and terminal locations' gates (sold gate) and delivered to the customer's designated delivery site (sold delivered). The relative percentage of sold gate versus sold delivered can change period to period. The product pricing at gate provides a measure that is consistently comparable period to period. Product pricing at gate for ammonia increased approximately 4.9% for the year ended December 31, 2013 as compared to the year ended December 31, 2012 and product pricing at gate for UAN decreased approximately 6.9% for the year ended December 31, 2013 as compared to the year ended December 31, 2012.

Cost of Product Sold (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization). Nitrogen fertilizer cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) includes cost of freight and distribution expenses, pet coke expense and purchased ammonia. Cost of product sold excluding depreciation and amortization for the year ended December 31, 2013 was \$58.1 million, compared to \$46.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. The \$12.0 million increase resulted from \$12.7 million in higher costs from transactions with third parties, which is offset by lower costs from transactions with affiliates of \$0.7 million. The higher third-party costs incurred during the year ended December 31, 2013 were primarily the result of increased purchased ammonia expenses compared to 2012 and increased freight costs primarily associated with increased sales volumes. These costs were partially offset by lower pet coke costs per ton.

Direct Operating Expenses (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization). Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) for the nitrogen fertilizer business consist primarily of energy and utility costs, direct costs of labor, property taxes, plant-related maintenance services and environmental and safety compliance costs as well as catalyst and chemical costs. Nitrogen fertilizer direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) for the year ended December 31, 2013 were \$94.1 million, as compared to \$95.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. The total decrease of \$1.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2013, as compared to the year ended December 31, 2012, was comprised of a \$3.3 million decrease in costs from transactions with third parties, partially offset by a \$1.8 million increase in direct operating costs from affiliates. The overall decrease resulted primarily from lower property taxes (\$11.7 million) and the 2012 turnaround costs (\$4.8 million), partially offset by higher utilities (\$7.5 million), catalyst amortization (\$2.5 million),

insurance (\$1.1 million), repairs and maintenance (\$1.0 million) and reduced operating expenses during 2012 from the receipt of the reactor rupture insurance proceeds (\$1.0 million). The decrease in taxes was due to a settlement between Montgomery County and the nitrogen fertilizer business during the year ended December 31, 2013, which has lowered and will lower the nitrogen fertilizer business' property taxes. The increased utility costs were largely due to the UAN expansion, which came online in February 2013. The increase in the catalyst amortization is largely the result of the planned replacement of damaged catalyst.

Operating Income. Nitrogen fertilizer operating income was \$124.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2013, as compared to operating income of \$115.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. The increase of \$9.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2013 as compared to the year ended December 31, 2012 was primarily the result of the increase in net sales (\$21.4 million) and decreases in selling, general and administrative expense (\$3.1 million) and direct operating expenses (\$1.5 million), partially offset by increases in cost of products sold (\$12.0 million) and depreciation and amortization (\$4.9 million). Depreciation and amortization expense was higher for the year ended December 31, 2013 as compared to the year ended December 31, 2012 primarily due to the UAN expansion coming online in February 2013.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Although results are consolidated for financial reporting, CVR Energy, CVR Refining and CVR Partners are independent business entities and operate with independent capital structures. Since the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's IPO in April 2011, with the exception of cash distributions paid to us by the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership, the cash needs of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership have been met independently from the cash needs of CVR Energy and the refining business with a combination of existing cash and cash equivalent balances, cash generated from operating activities and credit facility borrowings. Prior to December 31, 2012, CVR Energy provided cash as needed to support the Refining Partnership's operations. Subsequent to December 31, 2012, CVR Energy and the Refining Partnership also operate with independent capital structures. The Refining Partnership's and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's ability to generate sufficient cash flows from their respective operating activities and to then make distributions on their common units, including to us (which we will need to pay salaries, reporting expenses and other expenses as well as dividends on our common stock) will continue to be primarily dependent on producing or purchasing, and selling, sufficient quantities of refined and nitrogen fertilizer products at margins sufficient to cover fixed and variable expenses.

We believe that the petroleum business and the nitrogen fertilizer business' cash flows from operations and existing cash and cash equivalents, along with borrowings under their respective existing credit facilities as necessary, will be sufficient to satisfy the anticipated cash requirements associated with their existing operations for at least the next twelve months, and that we have sufficient cash resources to fund our operations for at least the next twelve months. However, future capital expenditures and other cash requirements could be higher than we currently expect as a result of various factors. Additionally, the ability to generate sufficient cash from operating activities depends on future performance, which is subject to general economic, political, financial, competitive, and other factors outside our control.

Cash Balances and Other Liquidity

As of December 31, 2014, we had consolidated cash and cash equivalents of \$753.7 million. Of that amount, \$303.6 million was cash and cash equivalents of CVR Energy, \$370.2 million was cash and cash equivalents of the Refining Partnership and \$79.9 million was cash and cash equivalents of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership. As of February 17, 2015, we had consolidated cash and cash equivalents of approximately \$886.4 million.

The Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility provides the Refining Partnership with borrowing availability of up to \$400.0 million with an incremental facility, subject to compliance with a borrowing base. The Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility is scheduled to mature on December 20, 2017. The proceeds of the loans may be used for capital expenditures and working capital and general corporate purposes of the Refining Partnership and the credit facility provides for loans and letters of credit in an amount up to the aggregate availability under the facility, subject to meeting certain borrowing base conditions, with sub-limits of 10% of the total facility commitment for swingline loans and 90% of the total facility commitment for letters of credit. As of February 17, 2015, the Refining Partnership had \$372.4 million available under the Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility.

The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's credit facility includes a term loan facility of \$125.0 million and a revolving credit facility of \$25.0 million with an uncommitted incremental facility of up to \$50.0 million. The facility, which matures in April 2016, is used to finance on-going working capital, capital expenditures, letter of credit issuances and general needs of CRNF. As of February 17, 2015, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership had \$25.0 million available under the credit facility.

The Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership have distribution policies in which they generally distribute all of their available cash each quarter, within 60 days after the end of each quarter. The Refining Partnership's distributions began with the quarter ended March 31, 2013 and were adjusted to exclude the period from January 1, 2013 through January 22, 2013 (the period preceding the closing of the Refining Partnership IPO). The distributions are made to all common unitholders. As of December 31, 2014, we currently hold approximately 66% and 53% of the Refining Partnership's and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's common units outstanding, respectively. The amount of each distribution will be determined pursuant to each general partner's calculation of available cash for the applicable quarter. The general partner of each partnership, as a non-economic interest holder, is not entitled to receive cash distributions. As a result of each general partner's distribution policy, funds held by the Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership will not be available for our use, and we as a unitholder will receive our applicable percentage of the distribution of funds within 60 days following each quarter. The Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership do not have a legal obligation to pay distributions and there is no guarantee that they will pay any distributions on the units in any quarter.

Borrowing Activities

2022 Notes. On October 23, 2012, CVR Refining, LLC ("Refining LLC") and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Coffeyville Finance Inc. ("Coffeyville Finance"), issued \$500.0 million aggregate principal amount of the 2022 Notes. A portion of the net proceeds from the offering approximating \$348.1 million were used to purchase approximately \$323.0 million of the First Lien Notes pursuant to a tender offer and to settle accrued interest of approximately \$1.8 million through October 23, 2012 and to pay related fees and expenses. Tendered notes were purchased at a premium of approximately \$23.2 million in aggregate amount. The remaining proceeds from the offering were used to fund a completed and settled redemption of the remaining \$124.1 million of outstanding First Lien Notes and to settle accrued interest of approximately \$1.6 million through November 23, 2012. Redeemed notes were purchased at a premium of approximately \$8.4 million in aggregate amount.

Previously deferred financing charges and unamortized original issuance premium related to the First Lien Notes totaled approximately \$8.1 million and \$6.3 million, respectively. As a result of these transactions, a loss on extinguishment of debt of \$33.4 million was recorded in the Consolidated Statement of Operations in the fourth quarter of 2012, which includes the total premiums paid of \$31.6 million and the write-off of previously deferred financing charges of \$8.1 million, partially offset by the write-off of the unamortized original issuance premium of \$6.3 million.

The debt issuance costs of the 2022 Notes totaled approximately \$8.7 million and are being amortized over the term of the 2022 Notes as interest expense using the effective-interest amortization method. As of December 31, 2014, the 2022 Notes had an aggregate principal balance and a net carrying value of \$500.0 million.

The 2022 Notes were issued by Refining LLC and Coffeyville Finance and are fully and unconditionally guaranteed by CVR Refining and each of Refining LLC's existing domestic subsidiaries (other than the co-issuer, Coffeyville Finance) on a joint and several basis. CVR Refining has no independent assets or operations and Refining LLC is a 100% owned finance subsidiary of CVR Refining. Prior to the satisfaction and discharge of the Second Lien Notes, which occurred on January 23, 2013, the 2022 Notes were also guaranteed by CRLLC. CVR Energy, CVR Partners and CRNF are not guarantors. The 2022 Notes were secured by substantially the same assets that secured the then outstanding Second Lien Notes, subject to exceptions, until such time that the outstanding Second Lien Notes were satisfied and discharged in full, which occurred on January 23, 2013. Accordingly, the 2022 Notes were no longer secured as of and after January 23, 2013.

On September 17, 2013, Refining LLC and Coffeyville Finance consummated a registered exchange offer, whereby all \$500.0 million of the outstanding 2022 Notes were exchanged for an equal principal amount of notes with identical terms that were registered under the Securities Act of 1933. The exchange offer fulfilled the Refining Partnership's obligations contained in the registration rights agreement entered into in connection with the issuance of the 2022 Notes. The Refining Partnership incurred approximately \$0.4 million of debt registration costs related to the registration and exchange offer during the year ended December 31, 2013, respectively, which are being amortized over the term of the 2022 Notes as interest expense using the effective-interest amortization method.

The 2022 Notes bear interest at a rate of 6.5% per annum and mature on November 1, 2022, unless earlier redeemed or repurchased by the issuers. Interest is payable on the 2022 Notes semi-annually on May 1 and November 1 of each year, to holders of record at the close of business on April 15 and October 15, as the case may be, immediately preceding each such interest payment date.

The issuers have the right to redeem the 2022 Notes at a redemption price of (i) 103.250% of the principal amount thereof, if redeemed during the twelve-month period beginning on November 1, 2017; (ii) 102.167% of the principal amount thereof, if redeemed during the twelve-month period beginning on November 1, 2018; (iii) 101.083% of the principal amount thereof, if

redeemed during the twelve-month period beginning on November 1, 2019; and (iv) 100% of the principal amount, if redeemed on or after November 1, 2020, in each case, plus any accrued and unpaid interest.

Prior to November 1, 2015, up to 35% of the 2022 Notes may be redeemed with the proceeds from certain equity offerings at a redemption price of 106.5% of the principal amount thereof, plus any accrued and unpaid interest. Prior to November 1, 2017, some or all of the 2022 Notes may be redeemed at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof, plus a make-whole premium and any accrued and unpaid interest.

In the event of a "change of control," the issuers are required to offer to buy back all of the 2022 Notes at 101% of their principal amount. A change of control is generally defined as (1) the direct or indirect sale or transfer (other than by a merger) of all or substantially all of the assets of Refining LLC to any person other than qualifying owners (as defined in the indenture), (2) liquidation or dissolution of Refining LLC, or (3) any person, other than a qualifying owner, directly or indirectly acquiring 50% of the voting stock of Refining LLC.

The indenture governing the 2022 Notes imposes covenants that restrict the ability of the issuers and subsidiary guarantors to (i) issue debt, (ii) incur or otherwise cause liens to exist on any of their property or assets, (iii) declare or pay dividends, repurchase equity, or make payments on subordinated or unsecured debt, (iv) make certain investments, (v) sell certain assets, (vi) merge, consolidate with or into another entity, or sell all or substantially all of their assets, and (vii) enter into certain transactions with affiliates. Most of the foregoing covenants would cease to apply at such time that the 2022 Notes are rated investment grade by both Standard & Poor's Rating Services and Moody's Investors Services, Inc. However, such covenants would be reinstated if the 2022 Notes subsequently lost their investment grade rating. In addition, the indenture contains customary events of default, the occurrence of which would result in, or permit the trustee or the holders of at least 25% of the 2022 Notes to cause, the acceleration of the 2022 Notes, in addition to the pursuit of other available remedies.

The indenture governing the 2022 Notes prohibits the Refining Partnership from making distributions to its unitholders if any default or event of default (as defined in the indenture) exists. In addition, the indenture limits the Refining Partnership's ability to pay distributions to unitholders. The covenants will apply differently depending on the Refining Partnership's fixed charge coverage ratio (as defined in the indenture). If the fixed charge coverage ratio is not less than 2.5 to 1.0, the Refining Partnership will generally be permitted to make restricted payments, including distributions to its unitholders, without substantive restriction. If the fixed charge coverage ratio is less than 2.5 to 1.0, the Refining Partnership will generally be permitted to make restricted payments, including distributions to its unitholders, up to an aggregate \$100.0 million basket plus certain other amounts referred to as "incremental funds" under the indenture. The Refining Partnership was in compliance with the covenants as of December 31, 2014, and the ratio was satisfied (not less than 2.5 to 1.0).

Amended and Restated Asset Based (ABL) Credit Facility. On December 20, 2012, CRLLC and certain subsidiaries (collectively, the "Credit Parties") entered into the Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as administrative agent and collateral agent for a syndicate of lenders. The Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility replaced our prior ABL credit facility. Under the Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility, the Refining Partnership assumed our position as borrower and our obligations under the Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility upon the closing of the Refining Partnership IPO on January 23, 2013. The Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility is a \$400.0 million asset-based revolving credit facility, with sub-limits for letters of credit and swing line loans of \$360.0 million and \$40.0 million, respectively. The Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility also includes a \$200.0 million uncommitted incremental facility. The Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility permits the payment of distributions, subject to the following conditions: (i) no default or event of default exists, (ii) excess availability and projected excess availability at all times during the three-month period following the distribution exceeds 20% of the lesser of the borrowing base and the total commitments; provided, that, if excess availability and projected excess availability for the six-month period following the distribution is greater than 25% at all times, then the following condition in clause (iii) will not apply, and (iii) the fixed charge coverage ratio for the immediately preceding twelve-month period shall be equal to or greater than 1.10 to 1.00. The Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility has a five-year maturity and may be used for working capital and other general corporate purposes (including permitted acquisitions).

Borrowings under the Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility bear interest at either a base rate or LIBOR plus an applicable margin. The applicable margin is (i) (a) 1.75% for LIBOR borrowings and (b) 0.75% for prime rate borrowings, in each case if quarterly average excess availability exceeds 50% of the lesser of the borrowing base and the total commitments and (ii) (a) 2.00% for LIBOR borrowings and (b) 1.00% for prime rate borrowings, in each case if quarterly average excess availability is less than or equal to 50% of the lesser of the borrowing base and the total commitments. The Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility also requires the payment of customary fees, including an unused line fee of (i) 0.40% if the daily average amount of loans and letters of credit outstanding is less than 50% of the lesser of the borrowing base and the total commitments and (ii) 0.30% if the daily average amount of loans and letters of credit outstanding is equal to or greater than

50% of the lesser of the borrowing base and the total commitments. The Refining Partnership is also required to pay customary letter of credit fees equal to, for standby letters of credit, the applicable margin on LIBOR loans on the maximum amount available to be drawn under and, for commercial letters of credit, the applicable margin on LIBOR loans less 0.50% on the maximum amount available to be drawn under, and customary facing fees equal to 0.125% of the face amount of, each letter of credit.

The Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility also contains customary covenants for a financing of this type that limit the ability of the Credit Parties and their subsidiaries to, among other things, incur liens, engage in a consolidation, merger, purchase or sale of assets, pay dividends, incur indebtedness, make advances, investment and loans, enter into affiliate transactions, issue equity interests, or create subsidiaries and unrestricted subsidiaries. The amended and restated facility also contains a fixed charge coverage ratio financial covenant, as defined under the facility. The Refining Partnership was in compliance with the covenants of the Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility as of December 31, 2014.

Old Notes. On April 6, 2010, CRLLC and its then wholly-owned subsidiary, Coffeyville Finance completed the private offering of \$275.0 million aggregate principal amount of First Lien Notes and \$225.0 million aggregate principal amount of Second Lien Notes. The First Lien Notes were issued at 99.511% of their principal amount and the Second Lien Notes were issued at 98.811% of their principal amount. On December 30, 2010, we made a voluntary unscheduled principal payment of \$27.5 million on our First Lien Notes. On May 16, 2011, we repurchased \$2.7 million of the Notes at a purchase price of 103% of the outstanding principal amount. On December 15, 2011, we issued an additional \$200.0 million aggregate principal amount of First Lien Notes to partially fund the Wynnewood Acquisition. The additional First Lien Notes were issued at 105% of their principal amount. On October 23, 2012, we repurchased approximately \$323.0 million of our First Lien Notes pursuant to a tender offer, and on November 23, 2013, we redeemed the remaining \$124.1 million of outstanding First Lien Notes. We redeemed all outstanding Second Lien Notes on January 23, 2013, following the closing of the Refining Partnership IPO, with a combination of proceeds from the Refining Partnership IPO and cash on hand.

Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership Credit Facility. On April 13, 2011, CRNF, as borrower, and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership, as guarantor, entered into a credit facility (the "Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership credit facility") with a group of lenders including Goldman Sachs Lending Partners LLC, as administrative and collateral agent. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership credit facility includes a term loan facility of \$125.0 million and a revolving credit facility of \$25.0 million with an uncommitted incremental facility of up to \$50.0 million. There is no scheduled amortization and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership credit facility matures in April 2016. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership credit facility is available to finance on-going working capital, capital expenditures, letter of credit issuances and the general needs of CRNF.

Borrowings under the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership credit facility bear interest based on a pricing grid determined by the trailing four quarter leverage ratio. The initial pricing for Eurodollar rate loans under the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership credit facility is the Eurodollar rate plus a margin of 3.50%, or for base rate loans, the prime rate plus 2.50%. Under its terms, the lenders under the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership credit facility were granted a perfected, first priority security interest (subject to certain customary exceptions) in substantially all of the assets of CRNF and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership and all of the capital stock of CRNF and each domestic subsidiary owned by the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership or CRNF. CRNF is the borrower under the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership credit facility. All obligations under the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership credit facility are unconditionally guaranteed by the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership and substantially all of its future, direct and indirect, domestic subsidiaries. Borrowings under the credit facility are non-recourse to the Company and its direct subsidiaries.

As of December 31, 2014, no amounts were drawn under the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's \$25.0 million revolving credit facility.

An event of default under the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership credit facility will be triggered if CVR Energy or any of its subsidiaries (other than the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership and CRNF) terminates or violates any of its covenants in any of the intercompany agreements between the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership and CVR Energy and its subsidiaries (other than the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership and CRNF) and such action has a material adverse effect on the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership. If an event of default occurs, the administrative agent under the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership credit facility would be entitled to take various actions, including the acceleration of amounts due under the credit facility and all actions permitted to be taken by a secured creditor.

Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership Interest Rate Swaps

The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership has determined that the two Interest Rate Swaps agreements entered into in 2011 qualify for hedge accounting treatment. The impact recorded for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 is \$1.1 million, \$1.1 million and \$1.0 million, respectively, in additional interest expense. For the years ended December 31, 2014,

2013 and 2012, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership recorded a decrease in fair market value on the Interest Rate Swaps of \$0.2 million, \$0.2 million and \$1.4 million, respectively, which is unrealized in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) ("AOCI"). The combined fair market value of the interest rate swaps recorded in current and non-current liabilities at December 31, 2014 is \$1.0 million. This amount is unrealized and, therefore, included in AOCI.

Capital Spending

We divide the petroleum business and the nitrogen fertilizer business' capital spending needs into two categories: maintenance and growth. Maintenance capital spending includes only non-discretionary maintenance projects and projects required to comply with environmental, health and safety regulations. We undertake discretionary capital spending based on the expected return on incremental capital employed. Discretionary capital projects generally involve an expansion of existing capacity, improvement in product yields, and/or a reduction in direct operating expenses. Major scheduled turnaround expenses are expensed when incurred.

The following table summarizes our total actual capital expenditures for 2014 and current estimated capital expenditures in 2015 by operating segment and major category. These estimates may change as a result of unforeseen circumstances or a change in our plans, and amounts may not be spent in the manner allocated below:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014 Actual	2015 Estimate	
		Low	High
(in millions)			
Petroleum Business (the Refining Partnership):			
<i>Coffeyville refinery:</i>			
Maintenance	\$ 74.8	\$ 88.0	\$ 98.0
Growth	5.5	82.0	92.0
Coffeyville refinery total capital excluding turnaround expenditures	80.3	170.0	190.0
<i>Wynnewood refinery:</i>			
Maintenance	58.5	50.0	58.0
Growth	38.9	10.0	12.0
Wynnewood refinery total capital excluding turnaround expenditures	97.4	60.0	70.0
<i>Other Petroleum:</i>			
Maintenance	7.0	12.0	14.0
Growth	6.6	8.0	11.0
Other petroleum total capital excluding turnaround expenditures	13.6	20.0	25.0
Petroleum business total capital excluding turnaround expenditures	191.3	250.0	285.0
Nitrogen Fertilizer Business (the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership):			
Maintenance	4.7	10.0	12.0
Growth	16.4	10.0	12.0
Nitrogen fertilizer business total capital excluding turnaround expenditures	21.1	20.0	24.0
Corporate			
Corporate	6.0	10.0	11.0
Total capital spending	\$ 218.4	\$ 280.0	\$ 320.0

The petroleum business' and the nitrogen fertilizer business' estimated capital expenditures are subject to change due to unanticipated increases in the cost, scope and completion time for capital projects. For example, they may experience increases in labor or equipment costs necessary to comply with government regulations or to complete projects that sustain or improve the profitability of the refineries or nitrogen fertilizer plant. Capital spending for the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's nitrogen fertilizer business and the Refining Partnership's petroleum business is determined by each partnership's respective board of directors of its general partner.

In October 2014, the board of directors of the general partner of the Refining Partnership approved the construction of a hydrogen plant at the Coffeyville refinery. The hydrogen plant will increase the overall plant liquid volume recovery and provide additional hydrogen that is needed for environmental compliance. The estimated cost of this project, excluding

capitalized interest, is approximately \$122.5 million with an anticipated completion date in the second quarter of 2016. For the year ended December 31, 2014, the Refining Partnership incurred costs of approximately \$9.8 million, excluding capitalized interest, for the hydrogen plant.

During the second quarter of 2014, the gasification, ammonia and UAN units were taken down at the nitrogen fertilizer business for between 5 to 7 days each to both install a waste heat boiler and upgrade the PSA unit. The upgraded PSA unit is projected to increase hydrogen recovery enough to allow the nitrogen fertilizer business to produce approximately 7,000 to 9,000 additional tons of ammonia fertilizer annually. Total capital expenditures for the upgraded PSA unit are expected to be approximately \$4.2 million, which includes \$3.2 million and \$0.5 million spent during the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

In February 2013, the nitrogen fertilizer business completed a significant two-year plant expansion, which increased its UAN production capacity by 400,000 tons, or approximately 50% per year. The UAN expansion provides the nitrogen fertilizer business with the ability to upgrade substantially all of its ammonia production to UAN. Total capital expenditures associated with the UAN expansion were approximately \$130.0 million, excluding capitalized interest.

Cash Flows

The following table sets forth our consolidated cash flows for the periods indicated below:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(in millions)		
Net cash provided by (used in):			
Operating activities	\$ 640.3	\$ 440.1	\$ 762.6
Investing activities	(296.6)	(250.3)	(210.7)
Financing activities	(432.1)	(243.7)	(44.2)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	\$ (88.4)	\$ (53.9)	\$ 507.7

Cash Flows Provided by Operating Activities

For purposes of this cash flow discussion, we define trade working capital as accounts receivable, inventory and accounts payable. Other working capital is defined as all other current assets and liabilities except trade working capital.

Net cash flows provided by operating activities for the year ended December 31, 2014 were \$640.3 million. The positive cash flow from operating activities generated over this period was primarily driven by \$309.4 million of net income before noncontrolling interest and favorable impacts to trade working capital of \$211.2 million, partially offset by an unfavorable impact to other working capital of \$6.3 million. Trade working capital for the year ended December 31, 2014 resulted in a net cash inflow of \$211.2 million, which was attributable to decreases in inventory (\$197.3 million) and accounts receivable (\$105.7 million), partially offset by a decrease in accounts payable (\$91.8 million). Each of the cash flow impacts in trade working capital were largely attributable to the crude oil pricing environment and significant reduction in pricing during the fourth quarter of 2014. The favorable trade working capital impacts for inventory and accounts receivable resulted from higher product prices and crude oil prices at the end of 2013 as compared to the end of 2014. These favorable trade working capital impacts were partially offset by the decrease in accounts payable at the petroleum business as a result of payables related to crude purchases based on higher crude oil prices at the end of 2013 as compared to the end of 2014, as well as payments for a judgment in an on-going litigation matter during 2014. Other working capital activities resulted in net cash outflow of \$6.3 million, which was primarily related to an increase in the due to (from) parent (\$44.6 million), partially offset by an increase in other current liabilities (\$15.0 million), an increase in deferred revenue (\$12.9 million) and a decrease in prepaid expenses and other current assets (\$10.7 million). The increase in due to (from) parent was the result of overpayments to AEPC under the Tax Allocation Agreement. The increase in other current liabilities was primarily attributable to an increase in accruals related to the biofuel blending obligation as a result of higher RINs prices as of December 31, 2014 as compared to the prior year. The increase in deferred revenue was primarily attributable to higher market demand for prepaid contracts at the nitrogen fertilizer business for the year ended December 31, 2014 compared to the prior period. The decrease in prepaid expenses and other current assets was primarily due to a reduction in prepaid insurance and the timing of payments related to certain other prepaid items.

Net cash flows provided by operating activities for the year ended December 31, 2013 were \$440.1 million. The positive cash flow from operating activities generated over this period was primarily driven by \$522.0 million of net income before noncontrolling interest, partially offset by unfavorable impacts to trade working capital of \$67.4 million and other working capital of \$53.2 million. Trade working capital for the year ended December 31, 2013 resulted in a net cash outflow of \$67.4 million, which was primarily attributable to an increase in accounts receivable (\$30.2 million) and a decrease in accounts payable (\$38.7 million). The increase in accounts receivable primarily resulted from increased sales volumes at the petroleum business as compared to the end of 2012 due to the turnaround at the Wynnewood refinery completed in the fourth quarter of 2012. The decrease in accounts payable was largely the result of a decrease in amounts payable related to the turnaround completed at the Wynnewood refinery in the fourth quarter of 2012, partially offset by increased payables for leased crude purchases due to increased crude gathering capacity and timing of payments. Other working capital activities resulted in net cash outflow of \$53.2 million, which was primarily related to an increase in prepaid expenses and other current assets (\$28.7 million) and a decrease in other current liabilities (\$26.7 million), partially offset by an increase in the due (to) from parent (\$9.1 million). The increase in prepaid expenses and other current assets was primarily due to timing of settlements associated with our crude oil intermediation agreement. The decrease in other current liabilities was primarily attributable to a decrease in liabilities related to share-based compensation, property taxes and interest on borrowings as compared to the prior year-end.

Net cash flows provided by operating activities for the year ended December 31, 2012 were \$762.6 million. The positive cash flow from operating activities generated over this period was primarily driven by \$412.6 million of net income before noncontrolling interest. This positive net income was primarily due to the operating margins for the period, which resulted in \$1,034.9 million in operating income. Trade working capital for the year ended December 31, 2012 resulted in a cash inflow of \$25.5 million, which was attributable to the decrease in inventories (\$108.0 million) and was partially offset by a decrease in accounts payable of (\$54.4 million) and an increase in accounts receivable (\$28.1 million). The decrease in inventory was primarily the result of decreases related to in-process inventory volumes and decreased prices for gasoline, distillates and crude oil at the petroleum business. The decrease in accounts payable was primarily the result of the timing of payments for trade payables and lease crude purchasing at the petroleum business, partially offset by increased payables related to the Wynnewood refinery turnaround in the fourth quarter of 2012. The increase in accounts receivable was primarily the result of increased sales volumes for distillates, natural gas and asphalt at the petroleum business in the fourth quarter of 2012. Other working capital activities resulted in net cash outflow of \$20.6 million primarily related to a decrease in other current liabilities (\$17.3 million), a decrease in deferred revenue (\$8.1 million), an increase in prepaid expenses and other current assets (\$9.6 million) and an increase in due from parent (\$9.2 million), which were partially offset by a decrease in income tax receivable (\$23.6 million). The decrease in other current liabilities was primarily due to payment of certain share-based compensation awards which were converted to liability settled awards during 2012. The decrease in deferred revenue was primarily due to seasonal prepaid shipments at the nitrogen fertilizer business, which resulted in the recognition of previously deferred revenue. The increase in prepaid expenses and other current assets was primarily due to increased prepayments for insurance and increased prepayments under our crude oil intermediation agreement, partially offset by a decrease in the working capital receivable associated with the purchase accounting for the Wynnewood Acquisition in December 2011. The increase in due from parent was due to overpayments of income taxes related to the tax allocation agreement with AEPC, while the decrease in income tax receivable was primarily due to 2011 overpayment refunds received in 2012.

Cash Flows Used In Investing Activities

Net cash used in investing activities for the year ended December 31, 2014 was \$296.6 million compared to \$250.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The increase in cash used in investing activities was primarily the result of purchases of held available-for-sale securities during the year ended December 31, 2014, partially offset by a \$38.1 million decrease in capital spending. The decrease in capital spending was primarily the result of decreases in nitrogen fertilizer capital expenditures of approximately \$22.7 million following the completion of the UAN expansion project in February 2013.

Net cash used in investing activities for the year ended December 31, 2013 was \$250.3 million compared to \$210.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. The increase in cash used in investing activities was primarily the result of an increase in capital expenditures of \$44.3 million. The petroleum business' capital expenditures increased \$84.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2013 compared to the year ended December 31, 2012, largely due to projects at the Wynnewood refinery. This increase was offset by a decrease in nitrogen fertilizer capital expenditures of \$38.4 million primarily related to decreased capital expenditures for the UAN expansion, which was completed in February 2013.

Cash Flows Used In Financing Activities

Net cash used in financing activities for the year ended December 31, 2014 was approximately \$432.1 million as compared to \$243.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The net cash used in financing activities for the year ended December 31, 2014 was primarily attributable to dividend payments to common stockholders of \$434.2 million, distributions to

the Refining Partnership and Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership common unitholders of \$184.9 million, partially offset by proceeds of \$188.3 million from the Refining Partnership's Second Underwritten Offering.

Net cash used in financing activities for the year ended December 31, 2013 was approximately \$243.7 million as compared to \$44.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. The net cash used in financing activities for the year ended December 31, 2013 was primarily attributable to dividend payments of \$1,237.3 million, distributions to the Refining Partnership and Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership common unitholders of \$164.2 million and payments to extinguish the Second Lien Notes of \$243.4 million, largely offset by proceeds from CVR Refining's initial public offering of \$655.7 million, proceeds from CVR Refining's Underwritten Offering of \$393.6 million, proceeds from CVR Energy's sale of CVR Refining's units to AEPC of \$61.5 million and proceeds from the Secondary Offering of CVR Partners' common units of \$292.6 million.

Net cash used in financing activities for the year ended December 31, 2012 was approximately \$44.2 million. The net cash used in financing activities for the year ended December 31, 2012 was primarily attributable to payments of \$478.7 million to extinguish the First Lien Notes, distributions to noncontrolling interest holders at the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership of \$48.8 million and payment of financing costs of approximately \$12.8 million. These cash uses were largely offset by the net proceeds received of \$491.3 million from the issuance of the 2022 Notes.

As of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, there were no borrowings or repayments under the Amended and Restated ABL credit facility or the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership credit facility.

Capital and Commercial Commitments

In addition to long-term debt, we are required to make payments relating to various types of obligations. The following table summarizes our minimum payments as of December 31, 2014 relating to long-term debt outstanding on that date, operating leases, capital lease obligations, unconditional purchase obligations and other specified capital and commercial commitments for the five-year period following December 31, 2014 and thereafter.

	Payments Due by Period						
	Total	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Thereafter
	(in millions)						
Contractual Obligations							
Long-term debt(1)	\$ 625.0	\$ —	\$ 125.0	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 500.0
Operating leases(2)	29.2	8.5	7.3	4.8	3.3	1.5	3.8
Capital lease obligations(3)	49.9	1.4	1.6	1.9	2.1	2.3	40.6
Unconditional purchase obligations(4)	1,271.4	125.6	108.7	107.1	106.3	105.6	718.1
Environmental liabilities(5)	1.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.6
Interest payments(6)	312.1	42.1	38.6	37.1	36.9	36.7	120.7
Total	\$ 2,288.8	\$ 177.8	\$ 281.3	\$ 151.0	\$ 148.7	\$ 146.2	\$ 1,383.8
Other Commercial Commitments							
Standby letters of credit(7)	\$ 27.3	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —

- (1) Consists of the 2022 Notes and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's term loan facility outstanding as of December 31, 2014.
- (2) The Refining Partnership and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership lease various facilities and equipment, including railcars and real property, under operating leases for various periods.
- (3) The amount includes commitments under capital lease arrangements for equipment and for two leases associated with pipelines and storage and terminal equipment at the Wynnewood refinery.
- (4) The amount includes (a) commitments under several agreements for the petroleum operations related to pipeline usage, petroleum products storage and petroleum transportation, (b) commitments under an electric supply agreement with the city of Coffeyville, (c) a product supply agreement with Linde, (d) a pet coke supply agreement with HollyFrontier Corporation with a term ending in December 2015, subject to renewal, (e) commitments related to our

biofuels blending obligation and (f) approximately \$799.6 million payable ratably over sixteen years pursuant to petroleum transportation service agreements between CRRM and each of TransCanada Keystone Pipeline Limited Partnership and TransCanada Keystone Pipeline, LP (together, "TransCanada"). The purchase obligation reflects the exchange rate between the Canadian dollar and the U.S. dollar as of December 31, 2014, where applicable. Under the agreements, CRRM receives transportation of at least 25,000 barrels per day of crude oil with a delivery point at Cushing, Oklahoma for a term of twenty years on TransCanada's Keystone pipeline system. We began receiving crude oil under the agreements in the first quarter of 2011.

- (5) Environmental liabilities represents our estimated payments required by federal and/or state environmental agencies related to closure of hazardous waste management units at our sites in Coffeyville and Phillipsburg, Kansas. We also are required to make payments with respect to other environmental liabilities which are not contractual obligations but which would be necessary for our continued operations. See "Business — Environmental Matters."
- (6) Interest payments are based on stated interest rates for our long-term debt outstanding and interest payments for the capital lease obligations as of December 31, 2014.
- (7) Standby letters of credit issued against our Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility include \$0.2 million of letters of credit issued in connection with environmental liabilities, \$26.3 million in letters of credit to secure transportation services for crude oil and a \$0.8 million letter of credit issued to guarantee a portion of our insurance policy.

The Refining Partnership's and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's ability to make payments on and to refinance their indebtedness, to fund budgeted capital expenditures and to satisfy their other capital and commercial commitments will depend on their respective independent abilities to generate cash flow in the future. Their ability to refinance their respective indebtedness is also subject to the availability of the credit markets, which in recent periods have been extremely volatile. This, to a certain extent, is subject to refining spreads (for the Refining Partnership), fertilizer margins (for the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership) and general economic, financial, competitive, legislative, regulatory and other factors they are unable to control. Our businesses may not generate sufficient cash flow from operations, and future borrowings may not be available to the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership under its revolving credit facility or to the Refining Partnership under the Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility (or other credit facilities our businesses may enter into in the future) in an amount sufficient to enable them to pay indebtedness or to fund other liquidity needs. They may seek to sell assets to fund liquidity needs but may not be able to do so. They may also need to refinance all or a portion of their indebtedness on or before maturity, and may not be able to refinance such indebtedness on commercially reasonable terms or at all.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We do not have any "off-balance sheet arrangements" as such term is defined within the rules and regulations of the SEC.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In July 2013, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued ASU No. 2013-11, "*Presentation of an Unrecognized Tax Benefit When a Net Operating Loss Carryforward, a Similar Tax Loss, or a Tax Credit Carryforward Exists*" ("ASU 2013-11"). ASU 2013-11 requires the netting of unrecognized tax benefits against a deferred tax asset for a loss or other carryforward that would apply in settlement of the uncertain tax positions. The standard is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2013 and is to be applied prospectively with optional retrospective adoption permitted. We adopted this standard prospectively as of January 1, 2014. The adoption of this standard resulted in a reclassification on the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09, "*Revenue from Contracts with Customers*" ("ASU 2014-09"), which requires an entity to recognize the amount of revenue to which it expects to be entitled for the transfer of promised goods or services to customers. ASU 2014-09 will replace most existing revenue recognition guidance in U.S. GAAP when it becomes effective. The standard is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016 and permits the use of either the retrospective or cumulative effect transition method. Early adoption is not permitted. We have not yet selected a transition method and are currently evaluating the standard and the impact on our consolidated financial statements and footnote disclosures.

On February 18, 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-02, "*Consolidations (Topic 810) - Amendments to the Consolidation Analysis*" ("ASU 2015-02"). The new guidance makes amendments to the current consolidation guidance, including introducing a separate consolidation analysis specific to limited partnerships and other similar entities. Under this analysis, limited partnerships and other similar entities will be considered a variable-interest entity ("VIE") unless the limited

partners hold substantive kick-out rights or participating rights. The standard is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2015. We are currently evaluating the standard and the impact, if any, on our consolidated financial statements and footnote disclosures.

Critical Accounting Policies

We prepare our consolidated financial statements in accordance with GAAP. In order to apply these principles, management must make judgments, assumptions and estimates based on the best available information at the time. Actual results may differ based on the accuracy of the information utilized and subsequent events. Our accounting policies are described in the notes to our audited financial statements included elsewhere in this Report. Our critical accounting policies, which are described below, could materially affect the amounts recorded in our financial statements.

Goodwill

To comply with ASC 350, *Intangibles — Goodwill and Other* ("ASC 350"), we perform a test for goodwill impairment annually, or more frequently in the event we determine that a triggering event has occurred. Our annual testing is performed in the fourth quarter of each year. Goodwill and other intangible accounting standards provide that goodwill and other intangible assets with indefinite lives are not amortized but instead are tested for impairment on an annual basis. In accordance with these standards, we complete our annual test for impairment of goodwill as of November 1 each year. For the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, the annual test of impairment indicated that goodwill was not impaired.

In accordance with ASC 350, we identified our reporting units based upon our two key operating segments. These reporting units are our petroleum and nitrogen fertilizer segments. For 2014, 2013 and 2012, the nitrogen fertilizer segment was the only reporting unit that had goodwill.

In testing the nitrogen fertilizer reporting unit goodwill for impairment, we have applied the guidance in ASU 2011-08, "*Testing Goodwill for Impairment*," which allows an alternative in certain situations that simplifies the impairment testing of goodwill. This guidance allows an entity the option to first perform a qualitative evaluation to determine whether it is necessary to perform the quantitative two-step goodwill impairment analysis.

We began the qualitative assessment by analyzing the key drivers and other external factors that impact the business in order to determine if any significant events, transactions or other factors had occurred or are expected to occur that would impair earnings or competitiveness, thereby impairing the fair value of the nitrogen fertilizer segment. The key drivers that were considered in the evaluation of the nitrogen fertilizer segment's fair value included:

- general economic conditions;
- fertilizer pricing;
- input costs; and
- customer outlook.

After assessing the totality of events and circumstances, it was determined that it was not more likely than not that the fair value of the nitrogen fertilizer segment was less than the carrying value, and so it was not necessary to perform the two-step valuation.

Long-Lived Assets

We calculate depreciation and amortization on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the various classes of depreciable assets. When assets are placed in service, we make estimates of what we believe are their reasonable useful lives. We account for impairment of long-lived assets in accordance with ASC Topic 360, *Property, Plant and Equipment — Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets* ("ASC 360"). In accordance with ASC 360, we review long-lived assets (excluding goodwill, intangible assets with indefinite lives, and deferred tax assets) for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset to estimated undiscounted future net cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its estimated undiscounted future net cash flows, an impairment charge is recognized for the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds their fair value. Assets to

be disposed of are reported at the lower of their carrying value or fair value less cost to sell. No impairment charges were recognized for any of the periods presented.

Derivative Instruments and Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The petroleum business uses futures contracts, options, and forward contracts primarily to reduce exposure to changes in crude oil prices and finished goods product prices to provide economic hedges of inventory positions. Although management considers these derivatives economic hedges, these derivative instruments do not qualify as hedges for hedge accounting purposes under ASC Topic 815, *Derivatives and Hedging* ("ASC 815"), and accordingly are recorded at fair value in the balance sheet. Changes in the fair value of these derivative instruments are recorded into earnings as a component of other income (expense) in the period of change. The estimated fair values of forward and swap contracts are based on quoted market prices and assumptions for the estimated forward yield curves of related commodities in periods when quoted market prices are unavailable. The petroleum business recorded net gains (losses) from derivative instruments of \$185.6 million, \$57.1 million and \$(285.6) million for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

The nitrogen fertilizer business uses forward swap contracts primarily to reduce the exposure to changes in interest rates on its debt and to provide a cash flow hedge. These derivative instruments have been designated as hedges for accounting purposes. Accordingly, these instruments are recorded at fair value in the Consolidated Balance Sheets, at each reporting period end. The actual measurement of the cash flow hedge ineffectiveness is recognized in earnings, if applicable. The effective portion of the gain or loss on the swaps is reported in AOCI, in accordance with ASC 815.

Other financial instruments consisting of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, and accounts payable are carried at cost, which approximates fair value, as a result of the short-term nature of the instruments.

Share-Based Compensation

We account for share-based compensation in accordance with ASC Topic 718, *Compensation — Stock Compensation* ("ASC 718"). ASC 718 requires that compensation costs relating to share-based payment transactions be recognized in a company's financial statements. ASC 718 applies to transactions in which an entity exchanges its equity instruments for goods or services and also may apply to liabilities an entity incurs for goods or services that are based on the fair value of those equity instruments. Total share-based compensation expense for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 was \$12.3 million, \$18.4 million and \$39.1 million, respectively.

Income Taxes

We provide for income taxes in accordance with ASC Topic 740, *Income Taxes* ("ASC 740"), accounting for uncertainty in income taxes. We record deferred tax assets and liabilities to account for the expected future tax consequences of events that have been recognized in our financial statements and our tax returns. We routinely assess the realizability of our deferred tax assets and if we conclude that it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized, the deferred tax asset would be reduced by a valuation allowance. We consider future taxable income in making such assessments which requires numerous judgments and assumptions. We record contingent income tax liabilities, interest and penalties, based on our estimate as to whether, and the extent to which, additional taxes may be due.

Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

The risk inherent in our market risk sensitive instruments and positions is the potential loss from adverse changes in commodity prices and interest rates. None of our market risk sensitive instruments are held for trading.

Commodity Price Risk

The petroleum business, as a manufacturer of refined petroleum products, and the nitrogen fertilizer business, as a manufacturer of nitrogen fertilizer products, all of which are commodities, have exposure to market pricing for products sold in the future. In order to realize value from our processing capacity, a positive spread between the cost of raw materials and the value of finished products must be achieved (i.e., gross margin or crack spread). The physical commodities that comprise our raw materials and finished goods are typically bought and sold at a spot or index price that can be highly variable.

The petroleum business uses a crude oil purchasing intermediary, Vitol, to purchase the majority of its non-gathered crude oil inventory for the refineries, which allows it to take title to and price its crude oil at locations in close proximity to the refineries, as opposed to the crude oil origination point, reducing its risk associated with volatile commodity prices by

shortening the commodity conversion cycle time. The commodity conversion cycle time refers to the time elapsed between raw material acquisition and the sale of finished goods. In addition, the petroleum business seeks to reduce the variability of commodity price exposure by engaging in hedging strategies and transactions that will serve to protect gross margins as forecasted in the annual operating plan. Accordingly, the petroleum business uses commodity derivative contracts to economically hedge future cash flows (i.e., gross margin or crack spreads) and product inventories. With regard to its hedging activities, the petroleum business may enter into, or have entered into, derivative instruments which serve to:

- lock in or fix a percentage of the anticipated or planned gross margin in future periods when the derivative market offers commodity spreads that generate positive cash flows;
- hedge the value of inventories in excess of minimum required inventories; and
- manage existing derivative positions related to a change in anticipated operations and market conditions.

Further, the petroleum business intends to engage only in risk mitigating activities directly related to its businesses. The nitrogen fertilizer business has not historically hedged for commodity prices.

Basis Risk. The effectiveness of our derivative strategies is dependent upon the correlation of the price index utilized for the hedging activity and the cash or spot price of the physical commodity for which price risk is being mitigated. Basis risk is a term we use to define that relationship. Basis risk can exist due to several factors including time or location differences between the derivative instrument and the underlying physical commodity. Our selection of the appropriate index to utilize in a hedging strategy is a prime consideration in our basis risk exposure.

Examples of our basis risk exposure are as follows:

- *Time Basis* — In entering over-the-counter swap agreements, the settlement price of the swap is typically the average price of the underlying commodity for a designated calendar period. This settlement price is based on the assumption that the underlying physical commodity will price ratably over the swap period. If the commodity does not move ratably over the periods, then weighted-average physical prices will be weighted differently than the swap price as the result of timing.
- *Location Basis* — In hedging NYMEX crack spreads, we experience location basis as the settlement of NYMEX refined products (related more to New York Harbor cash markets) which may be different than the prices of refined products in our Group 3 pricing area.

Price and Basis Risk Management Activities.

In the event inventories exceed the petroleum business' target base level of inventories, it may enter into commodity derivative contracts to manage price exposure to inventory positions that are in excess of its base level. Excess inventories are typically the result of plant operations, such as a turnaround or other plant maintenance.

To reduce the basis risk between the price of products for Group 3 and that of the NYMEX associated with selling forward derivative contracts for NYMEX crack spreads, the petroleum business may enter into basis swap positions to lock the price difference. If the difference between the price of products on the NYMEX and Group 3 (or some other price benchmark as specified in the swap) is different than the value contracted in the swap, then it will receive from or owe to the counterparty the difference on each unit of product contracted in the swap, thereby completing the locking of its margin. An example of the petroleum business' use of a basis swap is in the winter heating oil season. The risk associated with not hedging the basis when using NYMEX forward contracts to fix future margins is if the crack spread increases based on prices traded on NYMEX while Group 3 pricing remains flat or decreases then we would be in a position to lose money on the derivative position while not earning an offsetting additional margin on the physical position based on the Group 3 pricing.

From time to time, the petroleum business also holds various NYMEX positions through a third-party clearing house. At December 31, 2014, the Refining Partnership had no open commodity positions. At December 31, 2014, the Refining Partnership's account balance maintained at the third-party clearing house totaled approximately \$3.1 million, which is reflected on the Consolidated Balance Sheets in cash and cash equivalents. NYMEX transactions conducted for the year ended December 31, 2014 resulted in gain (loss) on derivatives, net of approximately \$0.3 million.

In addition, the Refining Partnership enters into commodity swap contracts in order to fix the margin on a portion of future production. The physical volumes are not exchanged and these contracts are net settled with cash. The contract fair value of the

commodity swaps is reflected on the Consolidated Balance Sheets with changes in fair value currently recognized in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. At December 31, 2014, the Refining Partnership had open commodity hedging instruments consisting of 9.1 million barrels of crack spreads primarily to fix the margin on a portion of our future gasoline and distillate production. The fair value of the outstanding contracts at December 31, 2014 was a net unrealized gain of \$47.3 million, comprised of both short-term and long-term unrealized gains and losses. A change of \$1.00 per barrel in the fair value of the crack spread swaps would result in an increase or decrease in the related fair values of commodity hedging instruments of \$9.1 million.

Interest Rate Risk

On June 30 and July 1, 2011, CRNF entered into two floating-to-fixed interest rate swap agreements for the purpose of hedging the interest rate risk associated with a portion of the nitrogen fertilizer business' \$125.0 million floating rate term debt which matures in April 2016. The aggregate notional amount covered under these agreements, which commenced on August 12, 2011 and expires on February 12, 2016, totals \$62.5 million (split evenly between the two agreement dates). Under the terms of the interest rate swap agreement entered into on June 30, 2011, CRNF receives a floating rate based on three month LIBOR and pays a fixed rate of 1.94%. Under the terms of the interest rate swap agreement entered into on July 1, 2011, CRNF receives a floating rate based on three month LIBOR and pays a fixed rate of 1.975%. Both swap agreements will be settled every 90 days. The effect of these swap agreements is to lock in a fixed rate of interest of approximately 1.96% plus the applicable margin paid to lenders over three month LIBOR as governed by the CRNF credit agreement. At December 31, 2014, the effective rate was approximately 4.56%. The agreements were designated as cash flow hedges at inception and accordingly, the effective portion of the gain or loss on the swap is reported as a component of AOCI, and will be reclassified into interest expense when the interest rate swap transaction affects earnings. Any ineffective portion of the gain or loss will be recognized immediately in interest expense.

The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership still has exposure to interest rate risk on 50% of its \$125.0 million floating rate term debt. A 1.0% increase over the Eurodollar floor spread of 3.5%, as specified in the credit agreement, would increase interest cost to the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership by approximately \$625,000 on an annualized basis, thus decreasing net income by the same amount.

Foreign Currency Exchange

Given that ours, the petroleum business' and the nitrogen fertilizer business' operations are based entirely in the United States, we are not significantly exposed to foreign currency exchange rate risk. A portion of the petroleum business' Canadian crude oil purchases are conducted in Canadian dollars. Commitments for future periods under this agreement reflect the exchange rate between the Canadian Dollar and the U.S. Dollar as of the end of the reporting period. Based on the short period of time between the delivery and settlement of purchases of crude oil in Canadian dollars, the exposure to foreign currency exchange rate risk and the resulting foreign currency gain (loss) is not material.

Item 8. *Financial Statements and Supplementary Data*

CVR Energy, Inc. and Subsidiaries

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Stockholders of CVR Energy, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of CVR Energy, Inc. (a Delaware corporation) and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, changes in equity, and cash flows for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2014. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of CVR Energy, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2014 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2014, based on criteria established in the 2013 *Internal Control — Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO), and our report dated February 20, 2015 expressed an unqualified opinion.

/s/ GRANT THORNTON LLP

Houston, Texas
February 20, 2015

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Stockholders

CVR Energy, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying CVR Energy, Inc. and subsidiaries (the Company) consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, changes in equity, and cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2012. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, CVR Energy, Inc. and subsidiaries' results of operations and cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2012, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

/s/ KPMG LLP

Houston, Texas

March 14, 2013

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Stockholders of CVR Energy, Inc.

We have audited the internal control over financial reporting of CVR Energy, Inc. (a Delaware corporation) and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2014, based on criteria established in the 2013 *Internal Control — Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying *Management's Report On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting* under Item 9A. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2014, based on criteria established in the 2013 *Internal Control — Integrated Framework* issued by COSO.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated financial statements of the Company as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, and our report dated February 20, 2015 expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements.

/s/ GRANT THORNTON LLP

Houston, Texas
February 20, 2015

CVR Energy, Inc. and Subsidiaries
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	December 31,	
	2014	2013
(in millions, except share data)		
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 753.7	\$ 842.1
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$0.4 and \$0.9, respectively	136.7	241.9
Inventories	329.6	526.6
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	174.7	82.5
Income tax receivable	11.1	10.8
Deferred income taxes	6.3	27.8
Due from parent	44.5	—
Total current assets	1,456.6	1,731.7
Property, plant, and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	1,916.0	1,864.4
Intangible assets, net	0.2	0.3
Goodwill	41.0	41.0
Deferred financing costs, net	8.4	11.2
Other long-term assets	40.3	17.2
Total assets	\$ 3,462.5	\$ 3,665.8
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Note payable and capital lease obligations	\$ 1.4	\$ 1.3
Accounts payable	275.0	377.9
Personnel accruals	38.3	45.8
Accrued taxes other than income taxes	26.7	31.5
Due to parent	—	0.1
Deferred revenue	13.6	0.7
Other current liabilities	68.6	44.2
Total current liabilities	423.6	501.5
Long-term liabilities:		
Long-term debt and capital lease obligations, net of current portion	673.5	674.9
Accrued environmental liabilities, net of current portion	0.9	1.2
Deferred income taxes	638.3	601.7
Other long-term liabilities	50.9	51.1
Total long-term liabilities	1,363.6	1,328.9
Commitments and contingencies		
Equity:		
CVR stockholders' equity:		
Common stock \$0.01 par value per share, 350,000,000 shares authorized, 86,929,660 shares issued	0.9	0.9
Additional paid-in-capital	1,174.7	1,114.4
Retained earnings (deficit)	(184.9)	76.2
Treasury stock, 98,610 shares at cost	(2.3)	(2.3)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax	(0.3)	(0.6)
Total CVR stockholders' equity	988.1	1,188.6
Noncontrolling interest	687.2	646.8
Total equity	1,675.3	1,835.4
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 3,462.5	\$ 3,665.8

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

CVR Energy, Inc. and Subsidiaries

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(in millions, except per share data)		
Net sales	\$ 9,109.5	\$ 8,985.8	\$ 8,567.3
Operating costs and expenses:			
Cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	8,066.0	7,563.2	6,696.9
Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	515.1	455.8	522.1
Selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	109.7	113.5	183.4
Depreciation and amortization	154.4	142.8	130.0
Total operating costs and expenses	8,845.2	8,275.3	7,532.4
Operating income	264.3	710.5	1,034.9
Other income (expense):			
Interest expense and other financing costs	(40.0)	(50.5)	(75.4)
Interest income	0.9	1.2	0.9
Gain (loss) on derivatives, net	185.6	57.1	(285.6)
Loss on extinguishment of debt	—	(26.1)	(37.5)
Other income (expense), net	(3.7)	13.5	0.9
Total other income (expense)	142.8	(4.8)	(396.7)
Income before income taxes	407.1	705.7	638.2
Income tax expense	97.7	183.7	225.6
Net income	309.4	522.0	412.6
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	135.5	151.3	34.0
Net income attributable to CVR Energy Stockholders	\$ 173.9	\$ 370.7	\$ 378.6
Basic earnings per share	\$ 2.00	\$ 4.27	\$ 4.36
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 2.00	\$ 4.27	\$ 4.33
Dividends declared per share	\$ 5.00	\$ 14.25	\$ —
Weighted-average common shares outstanding:			
Basic	86.8	86.8	86.8
Diluted	86.8	86.8	87.4

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

CVR Energy, Inc. and Subsidiaries

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(in millions)		
Net income	\$ 309.4	\$ 522.0	\$ 412.6
Other comprehensive income (loss):			
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities, net of tax of \$0, \$2.4 and \$0, respectively	—	3.7	—
Net gain reclassified into income on sale of available-for-sale-securities, net of tax of \$0, \$(2.4) and \$0, respectively (Note 15)	—	(3.7)	—
Change in fair value of interest rate swaps, net of tax of \$0, \$0 and \$(0.4), respectively	(0.2)	(0.2)	(1.0)
Net loss reclassified into income on settlement of interest rate swaps, net of tax of \$0.2, \$0.3 and \$0.3, respectively (Note 16)	0.9	0.8	0.7
Total other comprehensive income (loss)	0.7	0.6	(0.3)
Comprehensive income	310.1	522.6	412.3
Less: Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interest	135.9	151.5	33.9
Comprehensive income attributable to CVR Energy Stockholders	\$ 174.2	\$ 371.1	\$ 378.4

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

CVR Energy, Inc. and Subsidiaries
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	Common Stockholders									Noncontrolling Interest	Total Equity
	Shares Issued	\$0.01 Par Value Common Stock	Additional Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings (Deficit)	Treasury Stock	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Total CVR Stockholders' Equity				
(in millions, except share data)											
Balance at December 31, 2011	86,906,760	\$ 0.9	\$ 587.2	\$ 566.8	\$ (2.3)	\$ (1.0)	\$ 1,151.6	\$ 148.1	\$ 1,299.7		
Distributions to noncontrolling interest holders	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(48.8)	(48.8)		
Share-based compensation	—	—	5.1	—	—	—	5.1	2.1	7.2		
Modification and reclassification of equity share-based compensation award to liability based award	—	—	(9.9)	—	—	—	(9.9)	—	(9.9)		
Modification and reclassification of subsidiary equity share-based compensation award to liability based award	—	—	(0.3)	—	—	—	(0.3)	(0.2)	(0.5)		
Exercise of stock options	22,900	—	0.4	—	—	—	0.4	—	0.4		
Redemption of common units	—	—	(0.2)	—	—	—	(0.2)	(0.1)	(0.3)		
Net income	—	—	—	378.6	—	—	378.6	34.0	412.6		
Net loss on interest rate swaps, net of tax	—	—	—	—	—	(0.2)	(0.2)	(0.1)	(0.3)		
Balance at December 31, 2012	86,929,660	\$ 0.9	\$ 582.3	\$ 945.4	\$ (2.3)	\$ (1.2)	\$ 1,525.1	\$ 135.0	\$ 1,660.1		
January issuance of CVR Refining's common units to the public, net of \$148.0 tax impact	—	—	229.3	—	—	—	229.3	276.4	505.7		
May issuance of CVR Refining's common units to the public, net of \$96.0 tax impact	—	—	148.9	—	—	—	148.9	148.7	297.6		
Sale of CVR Refining's common units to affiliate, net of \$15.2 tax impact	—	—	23.6	—	—	—	23.6	22.7	46.3		
Secondary offering of CVR Partners' common units to public, net of \$88.5 tax impact	—	—	129.7	—	—	0.2	129.9	74.1	204.0		
Dividends paid to CVR Energy stockholders	—	—	—	(1,237.3)	—	—	(1,237.3)	—	(1,237.3)		
Distributions from CVR Partners to public unitholders	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(50.0)	(50.0)		
Distributions from CVR Refining to public unitholders	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(114.2)	(114.2)		
Share-based compensation	—	—	1.0	(2.6)	—	—	(1.6)	2.8	1.2		
Excess tax deficiency from share-based compensation	—	—	(0.1)	—	—	—	(0.1)	—	(0.1)		
Redemption of common units	—	—	(0.3)	—	—	—	(0.3)	(0.2)	(0.5)		
Net income	—	—	—	370.7	—	—	370.7	151.3	522.0		
Net gain on interest rate swaps, net of tax	—	—	—	—	—	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.6		
Balance at December 31, 2013	86,929,660	\$ 0.9	\$ 1,114.4	\$ 76.2	\$ (2.3)	\$ (0.6)	\$ 1,188.6	\$ 646.8	\$ 1,835.4		
June issuance of CVR Refining's common units to the public, net of \$39.4 tax impact	—	—	60.3	—	—	—	60.3	88.6	148.9		
Dividends paid to CVR Energy stockholders	—	—	—	(434.2)	—	—	(434.2)	—	(434.2)		
Distributions from CVR Partners to public unitholders	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(48.2)	(48.2)		
Distributions from CVR Refining to public unitholders	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(136.7)	(136.7)		
Excess tax deficiency from share-based compensation	—	—	(0.1)	—	—	—	(0.1)	—	(0.1)		
Share-based compensation	—	—	0.1	(0.8)	—	—	(0.7)	0.8	0.1		
Net income	—	—	—	173.9	—	—	173.9	135.5	309.4		
Net gain on interest rate swaps, net of tax	—	—	—	—	—	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.7		
Balance at December 31, 2014	86,929,660	\$ 0.9	\$ 1,174.7	\$ (184.9)	\$ (2.3)	\$ (0.3)	\$ 988.1	\$ 687.2	\$ 1,675.3		

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

CVR Energy, Inc. and Subsidiaries

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(in millions)		
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net income	\$ 309.4	\$ 522.0	\$ 412.6
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	154.4	142.8	130.0
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(0.5)	(1.1)	0.7
Amortization of deferred financing costs	2.8	2.9	7.4
Amortization of original issue discount	—	—	0.5
Amortization of original issue premium	—	—	(2.8)
Deferred income taxes	19.2	(93.3)	(17.3)
Excess income tax deficiency of share-based compensation	0.1	0.1	—
Loss on disposition of assets	0.4	0.1	1.6
Loss on extinguishment of debt	—	26.1	37.5
Share-based compensation	12.3	18.4	39.1
Gain on sale of available-for-sale securities	—	(6.1)	—
(Gain) loss on derivatives, net	(185.6)	(57.1)	285.6
Current period settlements on derivative contracts	122.2	6.4	(137.6)
Changes in assets and liabilities:			
Accounts receivable	105.7	(30.2)	(28.1)
Inventories	197.3	1.5	108.0
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	10.7	(28.7)	(9.6)
Due to (from) parent	(44.6)	9.1	(9.2)
Other long-term assets	(0.8)	(0.5)	0.3
Accounts payable	(91.8)	(38.7)	(54.4)
Accrued income taxes	(0.3)	(6.6)	23.6
Deferred revenue	12.9	(0.3)	(8.1)
Other current liabilities	15.0	(26.7)	(17.3)
Accrued environmental liabilities	(0.3)	(0.4)	0.1
Other long-term liabilities	1.8	0.4	—
Net cash provided by operating activities	640.3	440.1	762.6
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Capital expenditures	(218.4)	(256.5)	(212.2)
Proceeds from sale of assets	0.1	0.1	0.5
Insurance proceeds for UAN reactor rupture	—	—	1.0
Purchase of available-for-sale securities	(78.3)	(18.6)	—
Proceeds from sale of available for-sale securities	—	24.7	—
Net cash used in investing activities	(296.6)	(250.3)	(210.7)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Proceeds, gross on issuance of CVR Refining's senior notes	—	—	500.0
Principal payments on senior secured notes	—	(243.4)	(478.7)
Payment of capital lease obligations	(1.2)	(1.2)	(1.0)
Payment of deferred financing costs	—	(0.4)	(12.8)
Deferred costs of CVR Refining's initial public offering	—	—	(3.0)
Proceeds from CVR Refining's initial public offering, net of offering costs	—	655.7	—
Proceeds from CVR Refining's May 2013 offering, net of offering costs	—	393.6	—
Proceeds from the sale of CVR Refining's common units to affiliate	—	61.5	—
Proceeds from CVR Refining's June 2014 offering, net of offering costs	188.3	—	—
Proceeds from CVR Partners' secondary offering, net of offering costs	—	292.6	—
Dividends to CVR Energy's stockholders	(434.2)	(1,237.3)	—
Distributions to CVR Refining's noncontrolling interest holders	(136.7)	(114.2)	—
Distributions to CVR Partners' noncontrolling interest holders	(48.2)	(50.0)	(48.8)
Excess tax deficiency of share-based compensation	(0.1)	(0.1)	—
Exercise of stock options	—	—	0.4
Redemption of common units	—	(0.5)	(0.3)

Net cash used in financing activities	(432.1)	(243.7)	(44.2)
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(88.4)	(53.9)	507.7
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	842.1	896.0	388.3
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	<u>\$ 753.7</u>	<u>\$ 842.1</u>	<u>\$ 896.0</u>
Supplemental disclosures:			
Cash paid for income taxes, net of refunds (received)	\$ 123.5	\$ 274.5	\$ 228.4
Cash paid for interest net of capitalized interest of \$9.4, \$3.6 and \$10.8 for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively	\$ 37.2	\$ 54.9	\$ 73.9
Non-cash investing and financing activities:			
Construction in process additions included in accounts payable	\$ 21.6	\$ 32.8	\$ 56.2
Change in accounts payable related to construction in process additions	\$ (11.2)	\$ (23.4)	\$ 26.4
Reduction of proceeds for underwriting discount and financing costs	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 7.5

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

CVR Energy, Inc. and Subsidiaries**NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****(1) Organization and History of the Company****Organization**

The "Company" or "CVR" may be used to refer to CVR Energy, Inc. and, unless the context otherwise requires, its subsidiaries. Any references to the "Company" as of a date prior to October 16, 2007 (the date of the restructuring as further discussed in this Note) and subsequent to June 24, 2005 are to Coffeyville Acquisition LLC ("CALLC") and its subsidiaries.

CVR is a diversified holding company primarily engaged in the petroleum refining and nitrogen fertilizer manufacturing industries through its holdings in CVR Refining, LP ("CVR Refining" or the "Refining Partnership") and CVR Partners, LP ("CVR Partners" or the "Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership"). The Refining Partnership is an independent petroleum refiner and marketer of high value transportation fuels. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership produces and markets nitrogen fertilizers in the form of UAN and ammonia. The Company's operations include two business segments: the petroleum segment and the nitrogen fertilizer segment.

CALLC formed CVR Energy, Inc. as a wholly-owned subsidiary, incorporated in Delaware in September 2006, in order to effect an initial public offering. The initial public offering of CVR was consummated on October 26, 2007. In conjunction with the initial public offering, a restructuring occurred in which CVR became a direct or indirect owner of all of the subsidiaries of CALLC. Additionally, in connection with the initial public offering, CALLC was split into two entities: CALLC and Coffeyville Acquisition II LLC ("CALLC II").

CVR's common stock is listed on the NYSE under the symbol "CVI." As of December 31, 2010, approximately 40% of its outstanding shares were beneficially owned by GS Capital Partners V, L.P. and related entities ("GS" or "Goldman Sachs Funds") and Kelso Investment Associates VII, L.P. and related entities ("Kelso" or "Kelso Funds"). On February 8, 2011, GS and Kelso completed a registered public offering, whereby GS sold into the public market its remaining ownership interests in CVR and Kelso substantially reduced its interest in the Company. On May 26, 2011, Kelso completed a registered public offering, whereby Kelso sold into the public market its remaining ownership interest in CVR Energy. On May 7, 2012, an affiliate of Icahn Enterprises L.P. ("IEP") announced that it had acquired control of CVR pursuant to a tender offer for all of the Company's common stock (the "IEP Acquisition"). As of December 31, 2014, IEP and its affiliates owned approximately 82% of all outstanding shares. Prior to the IEP Acquisition, the Company was owned 100% by the public. See further discussion in Note 3 ("Change of Control").

On December 15, 2011, CVR acquired all of the issued and outstanding shares of Gary-Williams Energy Corporation (subsequently converted to "WEC"). Assets acquired include a 70,000 bpcd rated capacity refinery in Wynnewood, Oklahoma and approximately 2.0 million barrels of company-owned storage tanks.

CVR Partners, LP

In conjunction with the consummation of CVR's initial public offering in 2007, CVR transferred Coffeyville Resources Nitrogen Fertilizers, LLC ("CRNF"), its nitrogen fertilizer business, to CVR Partners, which at the time was a newly created limited partnership, in exchange for a managing general partner interest ("managing GP interest"), a special general partner interest ("special GP interest," represented by special GP units) and a de minimis limited partner interest ("LP interest," represented by special LP units). CVR concurrently sold the managing GP interest, including the associated incentive distribution rights ("IDRs"), to Coffeyville Acquisition III LLC ("CALLC III"), an entity owned by its then controlling stockholders and senior management.

On April 13, 2011, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership completed its initial public offering of 22,080,000 common units (the "Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership IPO") priced at \$16.00 per unit. The common units, which are listed on the NYSE, began trading on April 8, 2011 under the symbol "UAN." In connection with the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership IPO, the IDRs were purchased by the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership and subsequently extinguished. In addition, the noncontrolling interest representing the managing GP interest was purchased by Coffeyville Resources, LLC ("CRLLC"), a subsidiary of CVR, for a nominal amount. The consideration for the IDRs was paid to the owners of CALLC III, which included the Goldman Sachs Funds, the Kelso Funds and members of CVR's senior management. In connection with the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership IPO and through May 27, 2013, the Company recorded a noncontrolling interest for the common units sold into the public market which represented approximately a 30% interest in the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership.

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In connection with the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership IPO, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's limited partner interests were converted into common units, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's special general partner interests were converted into common units, and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's special general partner was merged with and into CRLLC, with CRLLC continuing as the surviving entity. In addition, as discussed above, the managing general partner sold its IDRs to the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership. These interests were extinguished, and CALLC III sold the managing general partner to CRLLC for a nominal amount. As a result of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership IPO, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership has two types of partnership interests outstanding:

- common units representing limited partner interests; and
- a general partner interest, which is not entitled to any distributions, and which is held by the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner.

On May 28, 2013, CRLLC completed a registered public offering (the "Secondary Offering") whereby it sold 12,000,000 Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership common units to the public at a price of \$25.15 per unit. The net proceeds to CRLLC from the Secondary Offering were approximately \$292.6 million, after deducting approximately \$9.2 million in underwriting discounts and commissions. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership did not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of common units by CRLLC. In connection with the Secondary Offering, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership incurred approximately \$0.5 million in offering costs.

Subsequent to the closing of the Secondary Offering and as of December 31, 2014, public security holders held approximately 47% of the total Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership common units, and CRLLC held approximately 53% of the total Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership common units. In addition, CRLLC owns 100% of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner, CVR GP, LLC, which only holds a non-economic general partner interest. The noncontrolling interest reflected on the Consolidated Balance Sheets of CVR is impacted by the net income of, and distributions from, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership.

The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership has adopted a policy pursuant to which the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership will distribute all of the available cash it generates each quarter. The available cash for each quarter will be determined by the board of directors of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner following the end of such quarter. The partnership agreement does not require that the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership make cash distributions on a quarterly basis or at all, and the board of directors of the general partner of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership can change the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's distribution policy at any time.

The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership is operated by CVR's senior management (together with other officers of the general partner) pursuant to a services agreement among CVR, the general partner and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner, CVR GP, LLC, manages the operations and activities of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership, subject to the terms and conditions specified in the partnership agreement. The operations of the general partner in its capacity as general partner are managed by its board of directors. Actions by the general partner that are made in its individual capacity are made by CRLLC as the sole member of the general partner and not by the board of directors of the general partner. The general partner is not elected by the common unitholders and is not subject to re-election on a regular basis. The officers of the general partner manage the day-to-day affairs of the business of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership. CVR, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership, their respective subsidiaries and the general partner are parties to a number of agreements to regulate certain business relations between them. Certain of these agreements were amended in connection with the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership IPO.

CVR Refining, LP

In contemplation of an initial public offering, in September 2012, CRLLC formed CVR Refining Holdings, LLC ("CVR Refining Holdings"), which in turn formed CVR Refining GP, LLC. CVR Refining Holdings and CVR Refining GP, LLC formed the Refining Partnership, which issued them a 100% limited partnership interest and a non-economic general partner interest, respectively. CVR Refining Holdings formed CVR Refining, LLC ("Refining LLC") and CRLLC contributed its petroleum and logistics subsidiaries, as well as its equity interests in Coffeyville Finance Inc. ("Coffeyville Finance"), to Refining LLC in October 2012. CVR Refining Holdings contributed Refining LLC to the Refining Partnership on December 31, 2012.

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On January 23, 2013, the Refining Partnership completed the initial public offering of its common units representing limited partner interests (the "Refining Partnership IPO"). The Refining Partnership sold 24,000,000 common units to the public at a price of \$25.00 per unit, resulting in gross proceeds of \$600.0 million, before giving effect to underwriting discounts and other offering expenses. Of the common units issued, 4,000,000 units were purchased by an affiliate of IEP. Additionally, on January 30, 2013, the Refining Partnership sold an additional 3,600,000 common units to the public at a price of \$25.00 per unit in connection with the underwriters' exercise of their option to purchase additional common units, resulting in gross proceeds of \$90.0 million, before giving effect to underwriting discounts and other offering costs. The common units, which are listed on the NYSE, began trading on January 17, 2013 under the symbol "CVRR." In connection with the Refining Partnership IPO, the Refining Partnership paid approximately \$32.5 million in underwriting fees and incurred approximately \$3.9 million of other offering costs.

Upon consummation of the Refining Partnership IPO, CVR indirectly owned the Refining Partnership's general partner and limited partnership interests in the form of common units. Following the offering, the Refining Partnership has two types of partnership interests outstanding:

- common units representing limited partner interests; and
- a general partner interest, which is not entitled to any distributions, and which is held by the Refining Partnership's general partner.

The net proceeds from the Refining Partnership IPO of approximately \$653.6 million, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and offering expenses, have been utilized as follows:

- approximately \$253.0 million was used to repurchase the 10.875% senior secured notes due 2017 (including accrued interest);
- approximately \$160.0 million was used to fund certain maintenance and environmental capital expenditures through 2014;
- approximately \$54.0 million was used to fund the turnaround expenses at the Wynnewood refinery that were incurred during the fourth quarter of 2012;
- approximately \$85.1 million was distributed to CRLLC; and
- the balance of the proceeds of approximately \$101.5 million was allocated to be utilized by the Refining Partnership for general partnership purposes.

In connection with the Refining Partnership IPO and through May 19, 2013, the Company recorded a noncontrolling interest for the common units sold into the public market which represented an approximate 19% interest in the Refining Partnership. Prior to the Refining Partnership IPO, CVR owned 100% of the Refining Partnership and net income earned during this period was fully attributable to the Company.

On May 20, 2013, the Refining Partnership completed an underwritten offering (the "Underwritten Offering") by selling 12,000,000 common units to the public at a price of \$30.75 per unit. American Entertainment Properties Corporation ("AEP"), an affiliate of IEP, also purchased an additional 2,000,000 common units at the public offering price in a privately negotiated transaction with a subsidiary of CVR Energy, which was completed on May 29, 2013. In connection with the Underwritten Offering, on June 10, 2013, the Refining Partnership sold an additional 1,209,236 common units to the public at a price of \$30.75 per unit in connection with a partial exercise by the underwriters of their option to purchase additional common units. The transactions described in this paragraph are collectively referred to as the "Transactions." In connection with the Transactions, the Refining Partnership paid approximately \$12.2 million in underwriting fees and approximately \$0.4 million in offering costs.

The Refining Partnership utilized proceeds of approximately \$394.0 million from the Underwritten Offering (including the underwriters' option) to redeem 13,209,236 common units from CVR Refining Holdings, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of CVR Energy. The net proceeds to a subsidiary of CVR Energy from the sale of 2,000,000 common units to AEP were

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approximately \$61.5 million. The Refining Partnership did not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of common units by CVR Energy to AEPC.

Following the closing of the Transactions and prior to June 30, 2014, public security holders held approximately 29% of the total Refining Partnership common units (including units owned by affiliates of IEP representing 4% of the total Refining Partnership common units), and CVR Refining Holdings held approximately 71% of the total Refining Partnership common units.

On June 30, 2014, the Refining Partnership completed a second underwritten offering (the "Second Underwritten Offering") by selling 6,500,000 common units to the public at a price of \$26.07 per unit. The Refining Partnership paid approximately \$5.3 million in underwriting fees and approximately \$0.5 million in offering costs. The Refining Partnership utilized net proceeds of approximately \$164.1 million from the Second Underwritten Offering to redeem 6,500,000 common units from CVR Refining Holdings. Subsequent to the closing of the Second Underwritten Offering and through July 23, 2014, public security holders held approximately 33% of the total Refining Partnership common units, and CVR Refining Holdings held approximately 67% of the total Refining Partnership common units.

On July 24, 2014, the Refining Partnership sold an additional 589,100 common units to the public at a price of \$26.07 per unit in connection with the underwriters' exercise of their option to purchase additional common units. The Refining Partnership utilized net proceeds of approximately \$14.9 million from the underwriters' exercise of their option to purchase additional common units to redeem an equal amount of common units from CVR Refining Holdings. Additionally, on July 24, 2014, CVR Refining Holdings sold 385,900 common units to the public at a price of \$26.07 per unit in connection with the underwriters' exercise of their remaining option to purchase additional common units. CVR Refining Holdings received net proceeds of \$9.7 million.

Subsequent to the closing of the underwriters' option for the Second Underwritten Offering and as of December 31, 2014, public security holders held approximately 34% of the total Refining Partnership common units (including units owned by affiliates of IEP representing 4% of the total Refining Partnership common units), and CVR Refining Holdings held approximately 66% of the total Refining Partnership common units. In addition, CVR Refining Holdings owns 100% of the Refining Partnership's general partner, CVR Refining GP, LLC, which holds a non-economic general partner interest. The noncontrolling interest reflected on the Consolidated Balance Sheets of CVR is impacted by the net income of, and distributions from, the Refining Partnership.

The Refining Partnership's general partner, CVR Refining GP, LLC, manages the Refining Partnership's activities subject to the terms and conditions specified in the Refining Partnership's partnership agreement. The Refining Partnership's general partner is owned by CVR Refining Holdings. The operations of its general partner, in its capacity as general partner, are managed by its board of directors. Actions by its general partner that are made in its individual capacity are made by CVR Refining Holdings as the sole member of the Refining Partnership's general partner and not by the board of directors of its general partner. The members of the board of directors of the Refining Partnership's general partner are not elected by the Refining Partnership's unitholders and are not subject to re-election on a regular basis. The officers of the general partner manage the day-to-day affairs of the business of the Refining Partnership.

The Refining Partnership has adopted a policy pursuant to which it will distribute all of the available cash it generates each quarter. The available cash for each quarter will be determined by the board of directors of the Refining Partnership's general partner following the end of such quarter. The partnership agreement does not require that the Refining Partnership make cash distributions on a quarterly basis or at all, and the board of directors of the general partner of the Refining Partnership can change the distribution policy at any time.

The Refining Partnership entered into a services agreement on December 31, 2012, pursuant to which the Refining Partnership and its general partner obtain certain management and other services from CVR Energy. In addition, by virtue of the fact that the Refining Partnership is a controlled affiliate of CVR Energy, the Refining Partnership is bound by an omnibus agreement entered into by CVR Energy, CVR Partners and the general partner of CVR Partners, pursuant to which the Refining Partnership may not engage in, whether by acquisition or otherwise, the production, transportation or distribution, on a wholesale basis, of fertilizer in the contiguous United States, or a fertilizer restricted business, for so long as CVR Energy and certain of its affiliates continue to own at least 50% of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's outstanding units.

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The accompanying CVR consolidated financial statements include the accounts of CVR Energy, Inc. and its majority-owned direct and indirect subsidiaries. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. The ownership interests of noncontrolling investors in its subsidiaries are recorded as noncontrolling interests.

The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership and the Refining Partnership are both consolidated based upon the fact that their general partners are owned by CVR and, therefore, CVR has the ability to control their activities. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's and the Refining Partnership's general partners manage their respective operations and activities subject to the terms and conditions specified in their respective partnership agreements. The operations of each general partner in its capacity as general partner are managed by its board of directors. The limited rights of the common unitholders of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership and the Refining Partnership are demonstrated by the fact that the common unitholders have no right to elect either general partner or either general partner's directors on an annual or other continuing basis. Each general partner can only be removed by a vote of the holders of at least 66 2/3% of the outstanding common units, including any common units owned by the general partner and its affiliates (including CVR) voting together as a single class. Actions by the general partner that are made in its individual capacity are made by the CVR subsidiary that serves as the sole member of the general partner and not by the board of directors of the general partner. The officers of the general partner manage the day-to-day affairs of the business. The majority of the officers of both general partners are also officers of CVR. Based upon the general partner's role and rights as afforded by the partnership agreements and the limited rights afforded to the limited partners, the consolidated financial statements of CVR will include the assets, liabilities, cash flows, revenues and expenses of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership and the Refining Partnership.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, CVR considers all highly liquid money market accounts and debt instruments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Under the Company's cash management system, checks issued but not presented to banks frequently result in book overdraft balances for accounting purposes and are classified as accounts payable in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The change in book overdrafts are reported in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows as a component of operating cash flow for accounts payable as they do not represent bank overdrafts. The amount of these checks included in accounts payable as of December 31, 2014 and 2013 was \$21.5 million and \$13.2 million, respectively.

Accounts Receivable, net

CVR grants credit to its customers. Credit is extended based on an evaluation of a customer's financial condition; generally, collateral is not required. Accounts receivable are due on negotiated terms and are stated at amounts due from customers, net of an allowance for doubtful accounts. Accounts outstanding for longer than their contractual payment terms are considered past due. CVR determines its allowance for doubtful accounts by considering a number of factors, including the length of time trade accounts are past due, the customer's ability to pay its obligations to CVR, and the condition of the general economy and the industry as a whole. CVR writes off accounts receivable when they become uncollectible, and payments subsequently received on such receivables are credited to the allowance for doubtful accounts. Amounts collected on accounts receivable are included in net cash provided by operating activities in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows. As of December 31, 2014, no customers individually represented greater than 10% of the total net accounts receivable balance. As of December 31, 2013, one customer individually represented greater than 10% of the total net accounts receivable balance. The largest concentration of credit for any one customer at December 31, 2014 and 2013 was approximately 8% and 12%, respectively, of the net accounts receivable balance.

Inventories

Inventories consist primarily of domestic and foreign crude oil, blending stock and components, work-in-progress, fertilizer products, and refined fuels and by-products. Inventories are valued at the lower of the first-in, first-out ("FIFO") cost, or market for fertilizer products, refined fuels and by-products for all periods presented. Refinery unfinished and finished products inventory values were determined using the ability-to-bear process, whereby raw materials and production costs are allocated to work-in-process and finished products based on their relative fair values. Other inventories, including other raw

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materials, spare parts, and supplies, are valued at the lower of moving-average cost, which approximates FIFO, or market. The cost of inventories includes inbound freight costs.

Prepaid Expenses and Other Current Assets

Prepaid expenses and other current assets consist of prepayments for crude oil deliveries to CVR's refineries for which title had not transferred, non-trade accounts receivable, current portions of prepaid insurance, deferred financing costs, derivative agreements and other general current assets.

Property, Plant, and Equipment

Additions to property, plant and equipment, including capitalized interest and certain costs allocable to construction and property purchases, are recorded at cost. Capitalized interest is added to any capital project over \$1.0 million in cost which is expected to take more than six months to complete. Depreciation is computed using principally the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the various classes of depreciable assets. The lives used in computing depreciation for such assets are as follows:

<u>Asset</u>	<u>Range of Useful Lives, in Years</u>
Improvements to land	15 to 30
Buildings	20 to 30
Machinery and equipment	5 to 30
Automotive equipment	5 to 15
Furniture and fixtures	3 to 10
Aircraft	20
Railcars	25 to 40

Leasehold improvements and assets held under capital leases are depreciated or amortized on the straight-line method over the shorter of the contractual lease term or the estimated useful life of the asset. Expenditures for routine maintenance and repair costs are expensed when incurred. Such expenses are reported in direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Goodwill and Intangible Assets

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of an acquired entity over the fair value of the assets acquired less liabilities assumed. Intangible assets are assets that lack physical substance (excluding financial assets). Goodwill acquired in a business combination and intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are not amortized, and intangible assets with finite useful lives are amortized. Goodwill and intangible assets not subject to amortization are tested for impairment annually or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate the asset might be impaired. CVR uses November 1 of each year as its annual valuation date for its goodwill impairment test. The Company performed its annual impairment review of goodwill for 2014, 2013 and 2012, which is attributable entirely to the nitrogen fertilizer segment and concluded there were no impairments. See Note 7 ("Goodwill") for further discussion.

Deferred Financing Costs, Underwriting and Original Issue Discount

Deferred financing costs associated with debt issuances are amortized to interest expense and other financing costs using the effective-interest method over the life of the debt. Additionally, the underwriting and original issue discount and premium related to debt issuances have been amortized to interest expense and other financing costs using the effective-interest method over the life of the debt. Deferred financing costs related to the Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility and CRNF credit facility are amortized to interest expense and other financing costs using the straight-line method through the termination date of the respective facility.

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The direct-expense method of accounting is used for planned major maintenance activities. Maintenance costs are recognized as expense when maintenance services are performed. Planned major maintenance activities for the nitrogen plant generally occur every two to three years. The required frequency of the maintenance varies by unit for the refineries, but generally is every four to five years.

During the outage at the Coffeyville refinery as discussed in Note 8 ("Insurance Claims"), the Refining Partnership accelerated certain planned turnaround activities scheduled for 2015 and incurred approximately \$5.5 million in turnaround expenses for the year ended December 31, 2014. The Coffeyville refinery completed the second phase of a two-phase turnaround project during the first quarter of 2012 and incurred approximately \$21.2 million in turnaround expenses for the year ended December 31, 2012. The first phase was completed during the fourth quarter of 2011. During the fluid catalytic cracking unit ("FCCU") outage at the Wynnewood refinery, the Refining Partnership accelerated certain planned turnaround activities previously scheduled for 2016 and incurred approximately \$1.3 million in turnaround expenses for the year ended December 31, 2014. The Wynnewood refinery completed a turnaround in the fourth quarter of 2012 and incurred approximately \$102.5 million in turnaround expenses for the year ended December 31, 2012. The nitrogen fertilizer plant completed a major scheduled turnaround and incurred approximately \$4.8 million in turnaround expenses for the year ended December 31, 2012. Costs associated with these turnaround activities were included in direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Cost Classifications

Cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) includes cost of crude oil, other feedstocks, blendstocks, purchased refined products, pet coke expense, renewable identification numbers ("RINs") expense and freight and distribution expenses. Cost of product sold excludes depreciation and amortization of approximately \$6.3 million, \$5.0 million and \$3.7 million for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) includes direct costs of labor, maintenance and services, energy and utility costs, property taxes, environmental compliance costs as well as chemicals and catalysts and other direct operating expenses. Direct operating expenses exclude depreciation and amortization of approximately \$141.8 million, \$134.5 million and \$124.1 million for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) consist primarily of legal expenses, treasury, accounting, marketing, human resources, information technology and maintaining the corporate and administrative offices in Texas and Kansas. Selling, general and administrative expenses exclude depreciation and amortization of approximately \$6.3 million, \$3.3 million and \$2.2 million for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Income Taxes

CVR accounts for income taxes utilizing the asset and liability approach. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the anticipated future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax basis. Deferred amounts are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the year those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date. See Note 9 ("Income Taxes") for further discussion.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

CVR accounts for long-lived assets in accordance with accounting standards issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") regarding the treatment of the impairment or disposal of long-lived assets. As required by these standards, CVR reviews long-lived assets (excluding goodwill, intangible assets with indefinite lives, and deferred tax assets) for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset to estimated undiscounted future net cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its estimated undiscounted future net cash flows, an impairment charge is recognized for the amount by which the carrying amount

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of the assets exceeds their fair value. Assets to be disposed of are reported at the lower of their carrying value or fair value less cost to sell.

Revenue Recognition

Revenues for products sold are recorded upon delivery of the products to customers, which is the point at which title is transferred, the customer has the assumed risk of loss, and payment has been received or collection is reasonably assured. Deferred revenue represents customer prepayments under contracts to guarantee a price and supply of nitrogen fertilizer in quantities expected to be delivered in the next 12 months in the normal course of business. Excise and other taxes collected from customers and remitted to governmental authorities are not included in reported revenues.

Nonmonetary product exchanges and certain buy/sell crude oil transactions which are entered into in the normal course of business are included on a net cost basis in operating expenses on the Consolidated Statement of Operations.

The Company also engages in trading activities, whereby the Company enters into agreements to purchase and sell refined products with third parties. The Company acts as a principal in these transactions, taking title to the products in purchases from counterparties, and accepting the risks and rewards of ownership. The Company records revenue for the gross amount of the sales transactions, and records costs of purchases as an operating expense in the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

Shipping Costs

Pass-through finished goods delivery costs reimbursed by customers are reported in net sales, while an offsetting expense is included in cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization).

Derivative Instruments and Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The petroleum business uses futures contracts, options, and forward contracts primarily to reduce exposure to changes in crude oil prices and finished goods product prices to provide economic hedges of inventory positions. Although management considers these derivatives economic hedges, these derivative instruments do not qualify as hedges for hedge accounting purposes under ASC Topic 815, *Derivatives and Hedging* ("ASC 815"), and accordingly are recorded at fair value in the balance sheet. Changes in the fair value of these derivative instruments are recorded into earnings as a component of other income (expense) in the period of change. The estimated fair values of forward and swap contracts are based on quoted market prices and assumptions for the estimated forward yield curves of related commodities in periods when quoted market prices are unavailable.

The nitrogen fertilizer business uses forward swap contracts primarily to reduce the exposure to changes in interest rates on its debt and to provide a cash flow hedge. These derivative instruments have been designated as hedges for accounting purposes. Accordingly, these instruments are recorded at fair value in the Consolidated Balance Sheets at each reporting period end. The actual measurement of the cash flow hedge ineffectiveness is recognized in earnings, if applicable. The effective portion of the gain or loss on the swaps is reported in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) ("AOCI"), in accordance with ASC 815. See Note 16 ("Derivative Financial Instruments") for further discussion.

Other financial instruments consisting of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, and accounts payable are carried at cost, which approximates fair value, as a result of the short-term nature of the instruments. See Note 10 ("Long-Term Debt") for further discussion of the fair value of the debt instruments.

Share-Based Compensation

The Company accounts for share-based compensation in accordance with ASC Topic 718, *Compensation — Stock Compensation* ("ASC 718"). ASC 718 requires that compensation costs relating to share-based payment transactions be recognized in a company's financial statements. ASC 718 applies to transactions in which an entity exchanges its equity instruments for goods or services and also may apply to liabilities an entity incurs for goods or services that are based on the fair value of those equity instruments. See Note 4 ("Share-Based Compensation") for further discussion.

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The Company accounts for its treasury stock under the cost method. To date, all treasury stock purchased was for the purpose of satisfying minimum statutory tax withholdings due at the vesting of non-vested stock awards.

Environmental Matters

Liabilities related to future remediation costs of past environmental contamination of properties are recognized when the related costs are considered probable and can be reasonably estimated. Estimates of these costs are based upon currently available facts, internal and third party assessments of contamination, available remediation technology, site-specific costs, and currently enacted laws and regulations. In reporting environmental liabilities, no offset is made for potential recoveries. Loss contingency accruals, including those for environmental remediation, are subject to revision as further information develops or circumstances change and such accruals can take into account the legal liability of other parties. Environmental expenditures are capitalized at the time of the expenditure when such costs provide future economic benefits.

Use of Estimates

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, using management's best estimates and judgments where appropriate. These estimates and judgments affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ materially from these estimates and judgments.

Subsequent Events

The Company evaluated subsequent events, if any, that would require an adjustment to the Company's consolidated financial statements or require disclosure in the notes to the consolidated financial statements through the date of issuance of the consolidated financial statements. See Note 21 ("Subsequent Events") for further discussion.

New Accounting Pronouncements

In July 2013, the FASB issued ASU No. 2013-11, "*Presentation of an Unrecognized Tax Benefit When a Net Operating Loss Carryforward, a Similar Tax Loss, or a Tax Credit Carryforward Exists*" ("ASU 2013-11"). ASU 2013-11 requires the netting of unrecognized tax benefits against a deferred tax asset for a loss or other carryforward that would apply in settlement of the uncertain tax positions. The standard is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2013 and is to be applied prospectively with optional retrospective adoption permitted. The Company adopted this standard prospectively as of January 1, 2014. The adoption of this standard resulted in a reclassification on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. See Note 9 ("Income Taxes") for further discussion.

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09, "*Revenue from Contracts with Customers*" ("ASU 2014-09"), which requires an entity to recognize the amount of revenue to which it expects to be entitled for the transfer of promised goods or services to customers. ASU 2014-09 will replace most existing revenue recognition guidance in U.S. GAAP when it becomes effective. The standard is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016 and permits the use of either the retrospective or cumulative effect transition method. Early adoption is not permitted. The Company has not yet selected a transition method and is currently evaluating the standard and the impact on its consolidated financial statements and footnote disclosures.

On February 18, 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-02, "*Consolidations (Topic 810) - Amendments to the Consolidation Analysis*" ("ASU 2015-02"). The new guidance makes amendments to the current consolidation guidance, including introducing a separate consolidation analysis specific to limited partnerships and other similar entities. Under this analysis, limited partnerships and other similar entities will be considered a variable-interest entity ("VIE") unless the limited partners hold substantive kick-out rights or participating rights. The standard is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2015. The Company is currently evaluating the standard and the impact, if any, on its consolidated financial statements and footnote disclosures.

CVR Energy, Inc. and Subsidiaries**NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS — (Continued)****(3) Change of Control**

On April 18, 2012, an affiliate of IEP entered into a Transaction Agreement (the "Transaction Agreement") with CVR, with respect to its tender offer (the "Offer") to purchase all of the issued and outstanding shares of CVR's common stock for a price of \$30.00 per share in cash, without interest, less any applicable withholding taxes, plus one CCP, which represented the contractual right to receive an additional cash payment per share if a definitive agreement for the sale of CVR was executed on or prior to August 18, 2013 and such transaction closed. As no sale of the Company was executed by the date outlined in the Transaction Agreement, the CCPs expired on August 19, 2013.

In May 2012, IEP's affiliate announced that a majority of CVR's common stock had been acquired through the Offer. As of December 31, 2014, IEP and its affiliates owned approximately 82% of CVR's outstanding common stock. Pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, the settlement terms of all employee restricted share awards were modified. See further discussion at Note 4 ("Share-Based Compensation").

(4) Share-Based Compensation***Long-Term Incentive Plan — CVR Energy***

CVR has a Long-Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP"), which permits the grant of options, stock appreciation rights, restricted shares, restricted stock units, dividend equivalent rights, share awards and performance awards (including performance share units, performance units and performance-based restricted stock). As of December 31, 2014, only restricted stock units and performance units remain outstanding under the LTIP. Individuals who are eligible to receive awards and grants under the LTIP include the Company's employees, officers, consultants, advisors and directors. A summary of the principal features of the LTIP is provided below.

Shares Available for Issuance. The LTIP authorizes a share pool of 7,500,000 shares of the Company's common stock, 1,000,000 of which may be issued in respect of incentive stock options. Whenever any outstanding award granted under the LTIP expires, is canceled, is settled in cash or is otherwise terminated for any reason without having been exercised or payment having been made in respect of the entire award, the number of shares available for issuance under the LTIP is increased by the number of shares previously allocable to the expired, canceled, settled or otherwise terminated portion of the award. As of December 31, 2014, 6,787,341 shares of common stock were available for issuance under the LTIP.

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Restricted Shares

A summary of restricted stock and restricted stock units (collectively "restricted shares") activity and changes during the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 is presented below:

	Restricted Shares	Weighted- Average Grant-Date Fair Value	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
			(in millions)
Non-vested at December 31, 2011	1,634,154	\$ 14.61	\$ 30.6
Granted	318,508	43.66	
Vested	(740,811)	13.59	
Forfeited	(66,240)	16.54	
Non-vested at December 31, 2012	1,145,611	\$ 23.24	\$ 55.9
Granted	2,600	54.75	
Vested	(709,959)	18.73	
Forfeited	(78,700)	42.80	
Non-vested at December 31, 2013	359,552	\$ 28.09	\$ 15.6
Granted	—	—	
Vested	(281,684)	23.89	
Forfeited	(29,857)	39.17	
Non-vested at December 31, 2014	48,011	\$ 45.89	\$ 1.9

Through the LTIP, restricted shares have been granted to employees of the Company. Prior to the change of control as discussed in Note 3 ("Change of Control"), the restricted shares, when granted, were historically valued at the closing market price of CVR's common stock on the date of issuance. These restricted shares are generally graded-vesting awards, which vest over a three-year period. Compensation expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period of the respective tranche of the award.

The change of control and related Transaction Agreement discussed in Note 3 ("Change of Control") triggered a modification to outstanding awards under the LTIP. Pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, all restricted shares scheduled to vest in 2012 were converted to restricted stock units whereby the recipient received cash settlement of the offer price of \$30.00 per share in cash plus one CCP upon vesting. The CCPs expired on August 19, 2013. Restricted shares scheduled to vest in 2013, 2014 and 2015 were converted to restricted stock units whereby the awards will be settled in cash upon vesting in an amount equal to the lesser of the offer price or the fair market value of the Company's common stock as determined at the most recent valuation date of December 31 of each year. Additional share-based compensation of approximately \$12.4 million was incurred to revalue the awards upon modification for the year ended December 31, 2012. For awards vesting subsequent to 2012, the awards will be remeasured at each subsequent reporting date until they vest. As a result of the modification of the awards, the classification changed from equity-classified awards to liability-classified awards.

In December 2012 and during 2013, awards of restricted stock units and dividend equivalent rights were granted to certain employees of CVR. The awards are expected to vest over three years with one-third of the award vesting each year with the exception of awards granted to certain executive officers that vested over one year. The award granted in December 2012 to Mr. Lipinski, the Company's Chief Executive Officer and President, was canceled in connection with the issuance of certain performance unit awards as discussed further below. Each restricted stock unit and dividend equivalent right represents the right to receive, upon vesting, a cash payment equal to (a) the fair market value of one share of the Company's common stock, plus (b) the cash value of all dividends declared and paid by the Company per share of the Company's common stock from the grant date to and including the vesting date. The awards, which are liability-classified, will be remeasured at each subsequent reporting date until they vest.

As of December 31, 2014, there was approximately \$0.9 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested restricted stock units and associated dividend equivalent rights to be recognized over a weighted-average period of

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approximately 0.9 years. Total compensation expense for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 was approximately \$2.6 million, \$13.2 million and \$36.9 million, respectively, related to the restricted stock unit awards.

As of December 31, 2014 and 2013, the Company had a liability of \$1.7 million and \$8.9 million, respectively, for non-vested restricted stock unit awards and associated dividend equivalent rights, which is recorded in personnel accruals on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. For the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, the Company paid cash of \$9.9 million, \$23.8 million and \$22.2 million, respectively, to settle liability-classified restricted stock unit awards and dividend equivalent rights upon vesting.

Performance Unit Awards

In December 2013, the Company entered into Performance Unit Award Agreements with Mr. Lipinski. Certain of the Performance Unit Awards were entered into in connection with the cancellation of Mr. Lipinski's December 2012 restricted stock unit award, as discussed above. In accordance with accounting guidance related to the modification of share-based and other compensatory award arrangements, the Company concluded that the cancellation and concurrent issuance of the performance awards created a substantive service period from the original grant date of the December 2012 restricted stock unit award through the end of the performance period for the related performance awards. Compensation cost for the related awards is being recognized over the substantive service period. Total compensation expense for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 related to the performance unit awards was \$4.4 million and \$3.9 million, respectively.

On June 30, 2014, the first award of Mr. Lipinski's Performance Unit Award Agreements vested. The Company paid Mr. Lipinski approximately \$3.9 million on July 15, 2014 as a result of the vesting. On December 15, 2014 and December 31, 2014, the second and third awards of Mr. Lipinski's Performance Unit Award Agreements vested. The Company paid Mr. Lipinski approximately \$2.9 million for the second award vesting. As of December 31, 2014, the Company had a liability of \$1.7 million for vested and unpaid performance unit awards. The liabilities for the vested and unpaid performance unit awards were recorded in personnel accruals on the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Stock Options

Activity and price information regarding CVR's stock options granted are summarized as follows:

	Shares	Weighted-Average Exercise Price	Weighted-Average Remaining Contractual Term
Outstanding, December 31, 2011	22,900	\$ 18.03	7.35
Granted	—	—	—
Exercised	(22,900)	—	—
Forfeited	—	—	—
Expired	—	—	—
Outstanding, December 31, 2012	—	\$ —	—

There were no grants of stock options in 2014, 2013 or 2012. In May 2012, all outstanding stock options equaling an equivalent of 22,900 common shares were exercised. No compensation expense related to stock options was recognized for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012.

*Long-Term Incentive Plan — CVR Partners**Common Units and Phantom Units*

In April 2011, the board of directors of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner adopted the CVR Partners, LP Long-Term Incentive Plan ("CVR Partners LTIP"). Individuals who are eligible to receive awards under the CVR Partners LTIP include (1) employees of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership and its subsidiaries, (2) employees of its general partner, (3) members of the board of directors of its general partner and (4) employees, consultants and directors of CVR Energy. The CVR Partners LTIP provides for the grant of options, unit appreciation rights, distribution equivalent rights, restricted units, phantom

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units and other unit-based awards, each in respect of common units. The maximum number of common units issuable under the CVR Partners' LTIP is 5,000,000. As of December 31, 2014, there were 4,820,215 common units available for issuance under the CVR Partners LTIP.

Through the CVR Partners LTIP, phantom and common units have been awarded to employees of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership and its general partner and to members of the board of directors of its general partner. In December 2012, the board of directors of the general partner of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership approved an amendment to modify the terms of certain phantom unit awards previously granted to employees of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership and its subsidiaries. Prior to the amendment, the phantom units, when granted, were valued at the closing market price of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's common units on the date of issuance. These units are generally graded-vesting awards, which vest over a three-year period. Compensation expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period of the respective tranche of the award.

The amendment triggered a modification to the awards by providing that the phantom units would be settled in cash rather than common units of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership. Additional share-based compensation incurred to revalue the unvested units upon modification was not material for the year ended December 31, 2012. For awards vesting subsequent to the amendment, the awards will be remeasured at each subsequent reporting date until they vest. As a result of the modification of the awards to employees of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership, the classification of the awards changed from an equity-classified award to a liability-classified award.

In December 2013 and during 2014, awards of phantom units and distribution equivalent rights were granted to certain employees of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership and its subsidiaries and its general partner. The awards are expected to vest over three years with one-third of the award vesting each year. Each phantom unit and distribution equivalent right represents the right to receive, upon vesting, a cash payment equal to (a) the average fair market value of one unit of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's common units in accordance with the award agreement, plus (b) the per unit cash value of all distributions declared and paid by the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership from the grant date to and including the vesting date. The awards, which are liability-classified, will be remeasured at each subsequent reporting date until they vest.

A summary of common units and phantom units (collectively "units") activity and changes under the CVR Partners LTIP during the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 is presented below:

	Units	Weighted-Average Grant-Date Fair Value	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in millions)
Non-vested at December 31, 2011	164,571	\$ 22.99	\$ 4.1
Granted	95,370	24.53	
Vested	(58,129)	23.08	
Forfeited	—	—	
Non-vested at December 31, 2012	201,812	\$ 23.70	\$ 5.1
Granted	58,536	16.13	
Vested	(89,229)	23.24	
Forfeited	—	—	
Non-vested at December 31, 2013	171,119	\$ 21.34	\$ 2.8
Granted	198,141	9.44	
Vested	(48,310)	20.95	
Forfeited	(77,004)	23.49	
Non-vested at December 31, 2014	243,946	\$ 11.07	\$ 2.4

As of December 31, 2014, there was approximately \$2.2 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to the awards under the CVR Partners LTIP to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.9 years. Total compensation expense recorded for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 related to the awards under the CVR Partners LTIP was approximately \$0.4 million, \$1.3 million and \$2.2 million, respectively.

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At both December 31, 2014 and 2013, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership had a liability of \$0.2 million for cash-settled non-vested phantom unit awards and associated distribution equivalent rights, which is recorded in personnel accruals on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. For the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership paid cash of \$0.4 million, \$0.2 million and \$0.3 million, respectively, to settle liability-classified awards and associated distribution equivalent rights upon vesting.

Performance-Based Phantom Units

In May 2014, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership entered into a Phantom Unit Agreement with Mark A. Pytosh, its Chief Executive Officer and President, that included performance-based phantom units and distribution equivalent rights. Compensation cost for these awards is being recognized over the performance cycles of May 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014, January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015 and January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016, as the services are provided. Each phantom unit and distribution equivalent right represents the right to receive, upon vesting, a cash payment equal to (a) the average closing price of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's common units for the first ten business days of the last month of the performance cycle, multiplied by a performance factor that is based upon the level of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's production of UAN, and (b) the per unit cash value of all distributions declared and paid by the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership from the grant date to and including the vesting date. Total compensation expense recorded for the year ended December 31, 2014 related to the award was \$0.1 million. Assuming a target performance threshold, unrecognized compensation expense associated with the unvested phantom units at December 31, 2014 was approximately \$0.2 million and is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.5 years.

On December 31, 2014, the first award of Mr. Pytosh's Phantom Unit Agreement vested. As of December 31, 2014, the Company had a liability of \$0.1 million for vested and unpaid performance-based phantom units.

Long-Term Incentive Plan – CVR Refining

In connection with the Refining Partnership IPO, on January 16, 2013, the board of directors of the general partner of the Refining Partnership adopted the CVR Refining, LP Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "CVR Refining LTIP"). Individuals who are eligible to receive awards under the CVR Refining LTIP include (1) employees of the Refining Partnership and its subsidiaries, (2) employees of the general partner, (3) members of the board of directors of the general partner and (4) certain employees, consultants and directors of CRLLC and CVR Energy who perform services for the benefit of the Refining Partnership. The CVR Refining LTIP provides for the grant of options, unit appreciation rights, restricted units, phantom units, unit awards, substitute awards, other-unit based awards, cash awards, performance awards and distribution equivalent rights, each in respect of common units. The maximum number of common units issuable under the CVR Refining LTIP is 11,070,000. As the phantom unit awards discussed below are cash-settled awards, they did not reduce the number of common units available for issuance under the plan. On August 14, 2013, the Refining Partnership filed a Form S-8 to register the common units.

In December 2013 and during 2014, awards of phantom units and distribution equivalent rights were granted to employees of the Refining Partnership and its subsidiaries, its general partner and certain employees of CRLLC and CVR Energy who perform services solely for the benefit of the Refining Partnership. The awards are generally graded-vesting awards, which are expected to vest over three years with one-third of the award vesting each year. Compensation expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period of the respective tranche of the award. Each phantom unit and distribution equivalent right represents the right to receive, upon vesting, a cash payment equal to (a) the average fair market value of one unit of the Refining Partnership's common units in accordance with the award agreement, plus (b) the per unit cash value of all distributions declared and paid by the Refining Partnership from the grant date to and including the vesting date. The awards, which are liability-classified, will be remeasured at each subsequent reporting date until they vest.

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A summary of phantom unit activity and changes under the CVR Refining LTIP during the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 is presented below:

	Phantom Units	Weighted-Average Grant-Date Fair Value	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
			(in millions)
Non-vested at January 16, 2013	—	\$ —	\$ —
Granted	187,177	21.55	
Vested	—	—	
Forfeited	—	—	
Non-vested at December 31, 2013	<u>187,177</u>	<u>\$ 21.55</u>	<u>\$ 4.2</u>
Granted	281,948	17.74	
Vested	(61,002)	21.55	
Forfeited	(4,176)	21.55	
Non-vested at December 31, 2014	<u>403,947</u>	<u>\$ 18.89</u>	<u>\$ 6.8</u>

As of December 31, 2014, there was approximately \$6.2 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to the awards under the CVR Refining LTIP to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.9 years. Total compensation expense recorded for the year ended December 31, 2014 related to the awards under the CVR Refining LTIP was \$2.4 million. Total compensation expense recorded for the year ended December 31, 2013 was not material. As of December 31, 2014, the Refining Partnership had a liability of \$1.0 million for non-vested phantom unit awards and associated distribution equivalent rights, which is recorded in personnel accruals on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. For the year ended December 31, 2014, the Refining Partnership paid cash of \$1.4 million to settle liability-classified phantom unit awards and associated distribution equivalent rights upon vesting.

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Incentive Unit Awards

In December 2013 and during 2014, the Company granted awards of incentive units and distribution equivalent rights to certain employees of CRLLC and CVR Energy. The awards are generally graded-vesting awards, which are expected to vest over three years with one-third of the award vesting each year. Compensation expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period of the respective tranche of the award. Each incentive unit and distribution equivalent right represents the right to receive, upon vesting, a cash payment equal to (a) the average fair market value of one unit of the Refining Partnership's common units in accordance with the award agreement, plus (b) the per unit cash value of all distributions declared and paid by the Refining Partnership from the grant date to and including the vesting date. The awards, which are liability-classified, will be remeasured at each subsequent reporting date until they vest.

A summary of incentive unit activity and changes during the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 is presented below:

	Incentive Units	Weighted-Average Grant-Date Fair Value	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
			(in millions)
Non-vested at December 31, 2012	—	\$ —	\$ —
Granted	251,431	22.62	
Vested	—	—	
Forfeited	—	—	
Non-vested at December 31, 2013	<u>251,431</u>	<u>\$ 22.62</u>	<u>\$ 5.7</u>
Granted	332,586	17.81	
Vested	(65,601)	22.63	
Forfeited	(82,901)	22.62	
Non-vested at December 31, 2014	<u>435,515</u>	<u>\$ 18.95</u>	<u>\$ 7.3</u>

As of December 31, 2014, there was approximately \$6.8 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested incentive units to be recognized over a weighted-average period of approximately 1.9 years. Total compensation expense for the year ended December 31, 2014 related to the incentive units was \$2.4 million. Total compensation expense for the year ended December 31, 2013 related to the incentive units was not material. As of December 31, 2014, the Company had a liability of \$0.8 million for non-vested incentive units and associated distribution equivalent rights, which is recorded in personnel accruals on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. For the year ended December 31, 2014, the Company paid cash of \$1.6 million to settle liability-classified incentive unit awards and associated distribution equivalent rights upon vesting.

In December 2014, the Company granted an award of 227,927 incentive units in the form of stock appreciation rights ("SARs") to an executive of CVR Energy. Each SAR vests over three years and entitles the executive to receive a cash payment in an amount equal to the excess of the fair market value of one unit of the Refining Partnership's common units for the first ten trading days in the month prior to vesting over the grant price of the SAR. The fair value will be adjusted to include all distributions declared and paid by the Refining Partnership during the vesting period. The fair value of each SAR is estimated at the end of each reporting period using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. Assumptions utilized to value the award have been omitted due to immateriality of the award. Total compensation expense during the year ended December 31, 2014 and the liability related to the SARs as of December 31, 2014 were not material.

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(5) Inventories

Inventories consisted of the following:

	December 31,	
	2014	2013
	(in millions)	
Finished goods	\$ 176.2	\$ 268.2
Raw materials and precious metals	88.0	177.0
In-process inventories	20.6	36.9
Parts and supplies	44.8	44.5
	<u>\$ 329.6</u>	<u>\$ 526.6</u>

Due to the current crude environment and subsequent reduction in sales prices for the petroleum business' refined products, the Refining Partnership recorded a lower of FIFO cost or market inventory adjustment of approximately \$36.8 million as of December 31, 2014. The inventory adjustment is included in cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

(6) Property, Plant and Equipment

A summary of costs for property, plant, and equipment is as follows:

	December 31,	
	2014	2013
	(in millions)	
Land and improvements	\$ 37.4	\$ 36.1
Buildings	50.4	42.6
Machinery and equipment	2,581.2	2,312.5
Automotive equipment	22.1	19.2
Furniture and fixtures	19.0	18.3
Leasehold improvements	3.4	2.5
Aircraft	3.7	2.3
Railcars	14.5	7.9
Construction in progress	71.5	164.9
	<u>2,803.2</u>	<u>2,606.3</u>
Accumulated depreciation	887.2	741.9
	<u>\$ 1,916.0</u>	<u>\$ 1,864.4</u>

Capitalized interest recognized as a reduction in interest expense for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 totaled approximately \$9.4 million, \$3.6 million and \$10.8 million, respectively. Land, building and equipment that are under a capital lease obligation had an original carrying value of approximately \$24.8 million at both December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. Amortization of assets held under capital leases is included in depreciation expense.

(7) Goodwill

The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership completes its annual test for impairment of goodwill as of November 1 each year. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership elected to perform a qualitative evaluation for the years ending December 31, 2014 and 2013 to determine whether it was necessary to perform the quantitative two step goodwill analysis described in ASC 350, "Intangibles - Goodwill and Other." After assessing the totality of events and circumstances, it was determined that it was not more likely than not that the fair value of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership was less than the carrying value, and so it was not necessary to

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perform the two-step goodwill impairment analysis. Based on the results of the tests, no impairment of goodwill was recorded for any of the periods presented.

(8) Insurance Claims

On July 29, 2014, the Coffeyville refinery experienced a fire at its isomerization unit. Four employees were injured in the fire, including one employee who was fatally injured. The fire was extinguished, and the refinery was subsequently shut down due to a failure of its plant-wide Distributed Control System, which was directly caused by the fire. The Coffeyville refinery returned to operations in mid-August, with all units except the isomerization unit in operation by August 23, 2014. The isomerization unit started operating on October 12, 2014. This interruption adversely impacted production of refined products for the petroleum business in the third quarter of 2014. Total gross repair and other costs recorded related to the incident for the year ended December 31, 2014 were approximately \$6.3 million.

The Refining Partnership is covered by property damage insurance policies which have an associated deductible of \$5.0 million for the Coffeyville refinery. The Refining Partnership anticipates amounts in excess of the \$5.0 million deductible related to the isomerization unit fire incident will be recoverable under the property insurance policies. As of December 31, 2014, the Refining Partnership recorded an insurance receivable related to the incident of approximately \$1.3 million, which is included in prepaid expenses and other current assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheet. The recording of the receivable resulted in a reduction of direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization). The Refining Partnership also maintains workers' compensation insurance with a \$0.5 million per accident deductible.

During the outage at the Coffeyville refinery as discussed above, the Refining Partnership accelerated certain planned turnaround activities scheduled for 2015 and incurred approximately \$5.5 million in turnaround expenses for the year ended December 31, 2014.

(9) Income Taxes

On May 19, 2012, CVR became a member of the consolidated federal tax group of AEPC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of IEP, and subsequently entered into a tax allocation agreement with AEPC (the "Tax Allocation Agreement"). The Tax Allocation Agreement provides that AEPC will pay all consolidated federal income taxes on behalf of the consolidated tax group. CVR is required to make payments to AEPC in an amount equal to the tax liability, if any, that it would have paid if it were to file as a consolidated group separate and apart from AEPC.

As of December 31, 2014, the Company recorded a receivable of \$44.5 million for an overpayment of federal income taxes to AEPC under the Tax Allocation Agreement. The overpayment will be applied as a credit against the Company's estimated tax to be paid during 2015. As of December 31, 2013, the Company recorded a liability of \$0.1 million for federal income taxes due to AEPC. These amounts are recorded as due from parent and due to parent, respectively, in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. During the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, the Company paid \$120.1 million, \$260.0 million and \$150.7 million, respectively, to AEPC under the Tax Allocation Agreement.

Income tax expense (benefit) is comprised of the following:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(in millions)		
Current			
Federal	\$ 76.1	\$ 265.8	\$ 237.3
State	16.6	21.5	25.4
Total current	92.7	287.3	262.7
Deferred			
Federal	8.3	(93.5)	(39.8)
State	(3.3)	(10.1)	2.7
Total deferred	5.0	(103.6)	(37.1)
Total income tax expense	\$ 97.7	\$ 183.7	\$ 225.6

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The following is a reconciliation of total income tax expense (benefit) to income tax expense (benefit) computed by applying the statutory federal income tax rate (35%) to pretax income (loss):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(in millions)		
Tax computed at federal statutory rate	\$ 142.5	\$ 247.0	\$ 223.4
State income taxes, net of federal tax benefit	14.0	16.5	23.9
State tax incentives, net of federal tax expense	(5.4)	(9.0)	(5.4)
Domestic production activities deduction	(5.5)	(18.5)	(16.5)
Non-deductible share-based compensation	0.2	1.5	7.3
Non-deductible transaction costs	—	—	4.2
IRS interest expense, net	—	—	0.1
Noncontrolling interest	(47.4)	(53.0)	(11.9)
Other, net	(0.7)	(0.8)	0.5
Total income tax expense	<u>\$ 97.7</u>	<u>\$ 183.7</u>	<u>\$ 225.6</u>

The Company earns Kansas High Performance Incentive Program ("HPIP") credits for qualified business facility investment within the state of Kansas. CVR recognized a net income tax benefit of approximately \$2.8 million, \$7.8 million and \$4.5 million on a credit of approximately \$4.3 million, \$12.0 million and \$6.9 million for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The Company earns Oklahoma Investment credits for qualified manufacturing facility investment within the state of Oklahoma. CVR recognized a net income tax benefit of approximately \$2.5 million, \$1.2 million and \$0.9 million on a credit of approximately \$3.9 million, \$1.8 million and \$1.3 million for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

The income tax effect of temporary differences that give rise to significant portions of the deferred income tax assets and deferred income tax liabilities at December 31, 2014 and 2013 are as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2014	2013
	(in millions)	
Deferred income tax assets:		
Personnel accruals	\$ 1.8	\$ 8.8
State tax credit carryforward, net of federal expense	12.6	19.6
Contingent liabilities	0.1	10.3
Other	2.1	—
Total gross deferred income tax assets	<u>16.6</u>	<u>38.7</u>
Deferred income tax liabilities:		
Property, plant, and equipment	(2.7)	(2.0)
Investment in CVR Partners	(76.1)	(87.6)
Investment in CVR Refining	(569.4)	(522.1)
Prepaid expenses	(0.3)	(0.4)
Other	(0.1)	(0.5)
Total gross deferred income tax liabilities	<u>(648.6)</u>	<u>(612.6)</u>
Net deferred income tax liabilities	<u>\$ (632.0)</u>	<u>\$ (573.9)</u>

At December 31, 2014, CVR has Kansas state income tax credits of approximately \$1.7 million, which are available to reduce future Kansas state regular income taxes. These credits, if not used, will expire in 2030. Additionally, CVR has

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Oklahoma state income tax credits of approximately \$17.5 million which are available to reduce future Oklahoma state regular income taxes. These credits have an indefinite life.

In assessing the realizability of deferred tax assets including credit carryforwards, management considers whether it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the generation of future taxable income during the periods in which those temporary differences become deductible. Management considers the scheduled reversal of deferred tax liabilities, projected future taxable income, and tax planning strategies in making this assessment. Although realization is not assured, management believes that it is more likely than not that all of the deferred tax assets will be realized and thus, no valuation allowance was provided as of December 31, 2014 and 2013.

A reconciliation of the unrecognized tax benefits for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 is as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(in millions)		
Balance beginning of year	\$ 45.2	\$ 36.9	\$ 17.7
Increase based on prior year tax positions	0.5	—	4.8
Decrease based on prior year tax positions	—	(6.4)	(0.1)
Increases in current year tax positions	9.8	14.7	14.7
Settlements	—	—	—
Reductions related to expirations of statute of limitations	—	—	(0.2)
Balance end of year	<u>\$ 55.5</u>	<u>\$ 45.2</u>	<u>\$ 36.9</u>

Included in the balance of unrecognized tax benefits as of December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 are \$25.6 million, \$19.1 million and \$10.4 million, respectively, of tax benefits that, if recognized, would affect the effective tax rate. Additionally, the Company believes that it is reasonably possible that approximately \$18.5 million of its unrecognized tax positions relating to the characterization of partnership distributions received may be recognized by the end of 2015 as a result of a lapse of the statute of limitations. As a result of the adoption of ASU 2013-11, approximately \$13.5 million of unrecognized tax benefits were netted with deferred tax asset carryforwards as of December 31, 2014. The remaining unrecognized tax benefits are included in other long-term liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

CVR recognizes interest expense (income) and penalties on uncertain tax positions and income tax deficiencies (refunds) in income tax expense. CVR recognized interest expense of approximately \$3.8 million during 2014. No penalties were recognized during 2014. As of December 31, 2014, CVR has recognized a liability for interest of approximately \$6.5 million. No liability was recognized for penalties in 2014. In 2013, CVR recognized interest expense of approximately \$2.2 million. No penalties were recognized during 2013. As of December 31, 2013, CVR had recognized a liability for interest of approximately \$2.6 million. No liability was recognized for penalties in 2013. In 2012, CVR recognized interest expense of approximately \$0.5 million and penalties of approximately \$0.2 million.

At December 31, 2014, the Company's tax filings are generally open to examination in the United States for the tax years ended December 31, 2011 through December 31, 2013 and in various individual states for the tax years ended December 31, 2010 through December 31, 2013.

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(10) Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt was as follows:

	December 31,	
	2014	2013
	(in millions)	
6.5% Senior Notes due 2022	\$ 500.0	\$ 500.0
CRNF credit facility	125.0	125.0
Capital lease obligations	48.5	49.9
Long-term debt	<u>\$ 673.5</u>	<u>\$ 674.9</u>

Senior Secured Notes

On April 6, 2010, CRLLC and its then wholly-owned subsidiary, Coffeyville Finance, completed a private offering of \$275.0 million aggregate principal amount of 9.0% First Lien Senior Secured Notes due 2015 (the "First Lien Notes") and \$225.0 million aggregate principal amount of 10.875% Second Lien Senior Secured Notes due 2017 (the "Second Lien Notes" and, together with the First Lien Notes, the "Old Notes"). The First Lien Notes were issued at 99.511% of their principal amount and the Second Lien Notes were issued at 98.811% of their principal amount. The associated original issue discount of the Old Notes was amortized to interest expense and other financing costs over the respective terms of the Old Notes.

On December 30, 2010, CRLLC made a voluntary unscheduled principal payment of approximately \$27.5 million on the First Lien Notes that resulted in a premium payment of 3.0% and a partial write-off of previously deferred financing costs and unamortized original issue discount in 2010. On May 16, 2011, CRLLC repurchased \$2.7 million of the Old Notes at a purchase price of 103.0% of the outstanding principal amount. In connection with the repurchase, CRLLC wrote off a portion of previously deferred financing costs and unamortized original issue discount in 2011. CRLLC also recorded additional immaterial losses on extinguishment of debt in connection with premiums paid for the repurchase.

On December 15, 2011, CRLLC and Coffeyville Finance issued an additional \$200.0 million aggregate principal amount of 9.0% First Lien Senior Secured Notes due 2015 ("Additional First Lien Notes" and together with the First Lien Notes issued in 2010, the "First Lien Notes"). The Additional First Lien Notes were sold at an issue price of 105.0%, plus accrued interest from October 1, 2011 of \$3.7 million. The associated original issue premium of \$10.0 million for the Additional First Lien Notes and other debt issuance costs were amortized to interest expense and other financing costs over the term of the Additional First Lien Notes. The Additional First Lien Notes were offered in connection with CRLLC's acquisition of WEC. Proceeds of the Additional First Lien Notes were used to partially fund the Wynnewood Acquisition. In conjunction with the issuance of the Additional First Lien Notes, CRLLC expanded the then existing ABL credit facility (see "ABL Credit Facility" below for further discussion of the expansion and associated accounting treatment) and incurred a commitment fee and other third-party costs associated with the expansion.

The First Lien Notes were scheduled to mature on April 1, 2015, unless earlier redeemed or repurchased by the Issuers. See further discussion below related to the tender offer for and redemption of all the outstanding First Lien Notes in the fourth quarter of 2012. The Second Lien Notes were scheduled to mature on April 1, 2017, unless earlier redeemed or repurchased by the issuers. On January 23, 2013, \$253.0 million of the proceeds from the Refining Partnership's IPO were utilized to satisfy and discharge the indenture governing the Second Lien Notes. The amounts were used to (i) repay the face amount of all \$222.8 million aggregate principal amount of Second Lien Notes then outstanding, (ii) pay the redemption premium of approximately \$20.6 million and (iii) settle accrued interest with respect thereto in an amount of approximately \$9.5 million. The repurchase of the Second Lien Notes resulted in a loss on extinguishment of debt of approximately \$26.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2013 which includes the write-off of previously deferred financing fees of \$3.7 million and unamortized original issue discount of \$1.8 million.

Old Notes Tender Offer

The change of control discussed in Note 3 ("Change of Control") required CVR to make an offer to repurchase all of the Issuers' outstanding Old Notes. On June 4, 2012, the Issuers offered to purchase all or any part of the Old Notes, at a cash

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purchase price of 101% of the aggregate principal amount of the Old Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any. The offer expired on July 5, 2012 with none of the outstanding Old Notes tendered.

2022 Senior Secured Notes

On October 23, 2012, Refining LLC and Coffeyville Finance completed a private offering of \$500.0 million aggregate principal amount of 6.5% Second Lien Senior Secured Notes due 2022 (the "2022 Notes"). The 2022 Notes were issued at par. Refining LLC received approximately \$492.5 million of cash proceeds, net of the underwriting fees, but before deducting other third-party fees and expenses associated with the offering. The 2022 Notes were secured by substantially the same assets that secured the outstanding Second Lien Notes, subject to exceptions, until such time that the outstanding Second Lien Notes were satisfied and discharged in full, which occurred on January 23, 2013. Accordingly, the 2022 Notes are no longer secured. The 2022 Notes are fully and unconditionally guaranteed by CVR Refining and each of Refining LLC's existing domestic subsidiaries on a joint and several basis. CVR Refining has no independent assets or operations and Refining LLC is a 100% owned finance subsidiary of CVR Refining. Prior to the satisfaction and discharge of the Second Lien Notes, which occurred on January 23, 2013, the 2022 Notes were also guaranteed by CRLLC. CVR Energy, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership and CRNF, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership, are not guarantors.

A portion of the net proceeds from the offering of the 2022 Notes approximating \$348.1 million were used to purchase approximately \$323.0 million of the First Lien Notes pursuant to a tender offer and to settle accrued interest of approximately \$1.8 million through October 23, 2012 and to pay related fees and expenses. Tendered notes were purchased at a premium of approximately \$23.2 million in aggregate amount. CRLLC used the remaining proceeds from the offering to fund a completed and settled redemption of the remaining \$124.1 million of outstanding First Lien Notes and to settle accrued interest of approximately \$1.6 million through November 23, 2012. Redeemed notes were purchased at a premium of approximately \$8.4 million in aggregate amount.

Previously deferred financing charges and unamortized original issuance premium related to the First Lien Notes totaled approximately \$8.1 million and \$6.3 million, respectively. As a result of these transactions, a loss on extinguishment of debt of \$33.4 million was recorded in the Consolidated Statement of Operations in the fourth quarter of 2012, which includes the total premiums paid of \$31.6 million and the write-off of previously deferred financing charges of \$8.1 million, partially offset by the write-off of the unamortized original issuance premium of \$6.3 million.

The debt issuance costs of the 2022 Notes totaled approximately \$8.7 million and are being amortized over the term of the 2022 Notes as interest expense using the effective-interest amortization method. On September 17, 2013, Refining LLC and Coffeyville Finance consummated a registered exchange offer, whereby all \$500.0 million of the outstanding 2022 Notes were exchanged for an equal principal amount of notes with identical terms that were registered under the Securities Act of 1933. The exchange offer fulfilled the Refining Partnership's obligations contained in the registration rights agreement entered into in connection with the issuance of the 2022 Notes. The Refining Partnership incurred approximately \$0.4 million of debt registration costs related to the registration and exchange offer during the year ended December 31, 2013, which are being amortized over the term of the 2022 Notes as interest expense using the effective-interest amortization method.

The 2022 Notes mature on November 1, 2022, unless earlier redeemed or repurchased by the issuers. Interest is payable on the 2022 Notes semi-annually on May 1 and November 1 of each year, commencing on May 1, 2013.

The 2022 Notes contain customary covenants for a financing of this type that limit, subject to certain exceptions, the incurrence of additional indebtedness or guarantees, the creation of liens on assets, the ability to dispose of assets, the ability to make certain payments on contractually subordinated debt, the ability to merge, consolidate with or into another entity and the ability to enter into certain affiliate transactions. The 2022 Notes provide that the Refining Partnership can make distributions to holders of its common units provided, among other things, it has a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio and there is no default or event of default under the 2022 Notes. As of December 31, 2014, the Refining Partnership was in compliance with the covenants contained in the 2022 Notes.

Included in other current liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheets is accrued interest payable totaling approximately \$5.4 million as of both December 31, 2014 and 2013 related to the 2022 Notes. At December 31, 2014, the estimated fair value of the 2022 Notes was approximately \$475.0 million. This estimate of fair value is Level 2 as it was determined by quotations obtained from a broker-dealer who makes a market in these and similar securities.

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On February 22, 2011, CRLLC entered into a \$250.0 million asset-backed revolving credit agreement ("ABL credit facility") with a group of lenders including Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas as collateral and administrative agent. This ABL credit facility, which was scheduled to mature in August 2015, replaced the \$150.0 million first priority credit facility which was terminated. The ABL credit facility was used to finance ongoing working capital, capital expenditures, letters of credit issuance and general needs of the Company and includes, among other things, a letter of credit sublimit equal to 90% of the total facility commitment and a feature which permits an increase in borrowings of up to \$250.0 million (in the aggregate), subject to additional lender commitments. On December 15, 2011, CRLLC entered into an incremental commitment agreement to increase the borrowings under the ABL credit facility to \$400.0 million in the aggregate in connection with the Additional First Lien Notes issuance as discussed above. Terms of the ABL credit facility did not change as a result of the additional availability. In connection with the incremental commitment under the ABL credit facility, CRLLC incurred lender and other third-party costs of approximately \$9.1 million in 2011. On December 20, 2012, the ABL credit facility was amended and restated as further discussed below.

In connection with the change in control described in Note 3 ("Change of Control") above, CRLLC, Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent, the lenders and the other parties thereto, entered into a First Amendment to Credit Agreement effective as of May 7, 2012 (the "ABL First Amendment"), pursuant to which the parties agreed to exclude the acquisition of common stock by an affiliate of IEP from the definition of change of control as provided in the ABL credit facility.

Amended and Restated Asset Based (ABL) Credit Facility

On December 20, 2012, CRLLC, CVR Refining, Refining LLC and each of the operating subsidiaries of Refining LLC (collectively, the "Credit Parties") entered into an amended and restated ABL credit agreement (the "Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility") with a group of lenders and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association ("Wells Fargo"), as administrative agent and collateral agent. The Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility replaced the ABL credit facility described above and is scheduled to mature on December 20, 2017. Under the amended and restated facility, the Refining Partnership assumed the Company's position as borrower and the Company's obligations under the facility upon the closing of the Refining Partnership's IPO on January 23, 2013, as further discussed in Note 1 ("Organization and History of the Company").

The Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility is a senior secured asset based revolving credit facility in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$400.0 million with an incremental facility, which permits an increase in borrowings of up to \$200.0 million subject to additional lender commitments and certain other conditions. The proceeds of the loans may be used for capital expenditures and working capital and general corporate purposes of the Credit Parties and their subsidiaries. The Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility provides for loans and letters of credit in an amount up to the aggregate availability under the facility, subject to meeting certain borrowing base conditions, with sub-limits of 10% of the total facility commitment for swingline loans and 90% of the total facility commitment for letters of credit.

Borrowings under the Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility bear interest at either a base rate or LIBOR plus an applicable margin. The applicable margin is (i) (a) 1.75% for LIBOR borrowings and (b) 0.75% for prime rate borrowings, in each case if quarterly average excess availability exceeds 50% of the lesser of the borrowing base and the total commitments and (ii) (a) 2.00% for LIBOR borrowings and (b) 1.00% for prime rate borrowings, in each case if quarterly average excess availability is less than or equal to 50% of the lesser of the borrowing base and the total commitments. The Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility also requires the payment of customary fees, including an unused line fee of (i) 0.40% if the daily average amount of loans and letters of credit outstanding is less than 50% of the lesser of the borrowing base and the total commitments and (ii) 0.30% if the daily average amount of loans and letters of credit outstanding is equal to or greater than 50% of the lesser of the borrowing base and the total commitments. The Refining Partnership is also required to pay customary letter of credit fees equal to, for standby letters of credit, the applicable margin on LIBOR loans on the maximum amount available to be drawn under and for commercial letters of credit, the applicable margin on LIBOR loans less 0.50% on the maximum amount available to be drawn under, and customary facing fees equal to 0.125% of the face amount of, each letter of credit.

The Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility also contains customary covenants for a financing of this type that limit the ability of the Credit Parties and their respective subsidiaries to, among other things, incur liens, engage in a consolidation, merger, purchase or sale of assets, pay dividends, incur indebtedness, make advances, investment and loans, enter into affiliate

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transactions, issue equity interests, or create subsidiaries and unrestricted subsidiaries. The amended and restated facility also contains a fixed charge coverage ratio financial covenant, as defined under the facility. The Credit Parties were in compliance with the covenants of the Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility as of December 31, 2014.

In connection with the Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility, CRLLC and its subsidiaries incurred lender and other third-party costs of approximately \$2.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. These costs are being deferred and amortized to interest expense and other financing costs using a straight-line method over the term of the amended facility. In connection with amendment of the ABL credit facility, a portion of the unamortized deferred financing costs associated with the ABL Credit Facility, totaling approximately \$4.1 million, were written off in the fourth quarter of 2012. This expense is reflected on the Consolidated Statement of Operations as a loss on extinguishment of debt for the year ended December 31, 2012. In accordance with guidance provided by the FASB regarding the modification of revolving debt arrangements, the remaining approximately \$2.8 million of unamortized deferred financing costs associated with the ABL credit facility will continue to be amortized over the term of the Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility.

As of December 31, 2014, the Refining Partnership and its subsidiaries had availability under the Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility of \$372.7 million and had letters of credit outstanding of approximately \$27.3 million. There were no borrowings outstanding under the Amended and Restated ABL Credit Facility as of December 31, 2014.

Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership Credit Facility

The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership credit facility includes a term loan facility of \$125.0 million and a revolving credit facility of \$25.0 million with an uncommitted incremental facility of up to \$50.0 million. No amounts were outstanding under the revolving credit facility at December 31, 2014. There is no scheduled amortization of the credit facility, which matures in April 2016. The carrying value of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's debt approximates fair value. The credit facility is available to finance on-going working capital, capital expenditures, letters of credit issuances and general needs of CRNF.

Borrowings under the credit facility bear interest based on a pricing grid determined by the trailing four quarter leverage ratio. The initial pricing for Eurodollar rate loans under the credit facility is the Eurodollar rate plus a margin of 3.50% or, for base rate loans, the prime rate plus 2.50%. Under its terms, the lenders under the credit facility were granted a perfected, first priority security interest (subject to certain customary exceptions) in substantially all of the assets of CRNF and the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership.

The credit facility requires the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership to maintain a minimum interest coverage ratio and a maximum leverage ratio and contains customary covenants for a financing of this type that limit, subject to certain exceptions, the incurrence of additional indebtedness or guarantees, the creation of liens on assets, the ability to dispose of assets, the ability to make restricted payments, investments and acquisitions, sale-leaseback transactions and affiliate transactions. The credit facility provides that the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership can make distributions to holders of its common units provided, among other things, it is in compliance with the leverage ratio and interest coverage ratio on a pro forma basis after giving effect to any distribution and there is no default or event of default under the credit facility. As of December 31, 2014, CRNF was in compliance with the covenants of the credit facility and there were no borrowings outstanding under the credit facility.

In connection with the credit facility, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership incurred lender and other third-party costs of approximately \$4.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. The costs associated with the credit facility have been deferred and are being amortized over the term of the credit facility as interest expense using the effective-interest amortization method for the term loan facility and the straight-line method for the revolving credit facility.

Deferred Financing Costs

For the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, amortization of deferred financing costs reported as interest expense and other financing costs totaled approximately \$2.8 million, \$2.9 million and \$5.0 million, respectively.

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Estimated amortization of deferred financing costs is as follows:

<u>Year Ending December 31,</u>	<u>Deferred Financing</u>
	<u>(in millions)</u>
2015	\$ 2.8
2016	2.2
2017	1.8
2018	0.9
2019	0.9
Thereafter	2.6
	<u>\$ 11.2</u>

Capital Lease Obligations

As a result of the Wynnewood Acquisition, the Company acquired certain lease assets and assumed related capital lease obligations related to the Magellan Pipeline Terminals, L.P. and Excel Pipeline LLC. The underlying assets and related depreciation were included in property, plant and equipment. The capital lease relates to a sales-lease back agreement with Sunoco Pipeline, L.P. for its membership interest in the Excel Pipeline. The lease has 178 months remaining through September 2029. The financing agreement relates to the Magellan Pipeline terminals, bulk terminal and loading facility. The lease has 177 months remaining and will expire in September 2029. As of December 31, 2014, the outstanding obligation associated with these arrangements totaled approximately \$49.9 million, of which \$48.5 million is included in long-term liabilities and \$1.4 million is included in current liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Future payments required under capital lease at December 31, 2014 are as follows:

<u>Year Ending December 31,</u>	<u>Capital Lease</u>
	<u>(in millions)</u>
2015	\$ 6.4
2016	6.4
2017	6.4
2018	6.5
2019	6.5
2020 and thereafter	63.7
Total future payments	<u>95.9</u>
Less: amount representing interest	46.0
Present value of future minimum payments	<u>49.9</u>
Less: current portion	1.4
Long-term portion	<u>\$ 48.5</u>

(11) Dividends

On January 24, 2013, the board of directors of the Company adopted a quarterly cash dividend policy. Dividends are subject to change at the discretion of the board of directors. The Company began paying regular quarterly dividends in the second quarter of 2013. Additionally, the Company declared and paid one special cash dividend during the year ended December 31, 2014 and two special cash dividends during the year ended December 31, 2013.

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The following is a summary of the quarterly and special dividends paid to stockholders during the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013:

	December 31, 2013	March 31, 2014	June 30, 2014	July 17, 2014	September 30, 2014	Total Dividends Paid in 2014
	(in millions, except per share data)					
Dividend type	Quarterly	Quarterly	Quarterly	Special	Quarterly	
Amount paid to IEP	\$ 53.4	\$ 53.4	\$ 53.4	\$ 142.4	\$ 53.4	\$ 356.0
Amounts paid to public stockholders	11.7	11.7	11.7	31.3	11.7	78.2
Total amount paid	\$ 65.1	\$ 65.1	\$ 65.1	\$ 173.7	\$ 65.1	\$ 434.2
Per common share	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.75	\$ 2.00	\$ 0.75	\$ 5.00
Shares outstanding	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.8	
	February 19, 2013	March 31, 2013	June 10, 2013	June 30, 2013	September 30, 2013	Total Dividends Paid in 2013
	(in millions, except per share data)					
Dividend type	Special	Quarterly	Special	Quarterly	Quarterly	
Amount paid to IEP	\$ 391.6	\$ 53.4	\$ 462.8	\$ 53.4	\$ 53.4	\$ 1,014.6
Amounts paid to public stockholders	86.0	11.7	101.6	11.7	11.7	222.7
Total amount paid	\$ 477.6	\$ 65.1	\$ 564.4	\$ 65.1	\$ 65.1	\$ 1,237.3
Per common share	\$ 5.50	\$ 0.75	\$ 6.50	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.75	\$ 14.25
Shares outstanding	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.8	

(12) Earnings Per Share

The computations of the basic and diluted earnings per share for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 are as follows:

	For the Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(in millions, except per share data)		
Net income attributable to CVR Energy stockholders	\$ 173.9	\$ 370.7	\$ 378.6
Weighted-average number of shares of common stock outstanding	86.8	86.8	86.8
Effect of dilutive securities:			
Non-vested restricted shares	—	—	0.6
Weighted-average number of shares of common stock outstanding assuming dilution	86.8	86.8	87.4
Basic earnings per share	\$ 2.00	\$ 4.27	\$ 4.36
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 2.00	\$ 4.27	\$ 4.33

All outstanding stock options totaling 22,900 were exercised in May 2012. There were no dilutive awards outstanding during the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, as all unvested awards under the LTIP were liability-classified awards. See Note 4 ("Share-Based Compensation").

(13) Benefit Plans

As of December 31, 2014, CVR sponsored two defined-contribution 401(k) plans (the "Plans") for all employees. Participants in the Plans may elect to contribute up to 100% of their annual salaries and up to 100% of their annual income sharing. CVR matches up to 100% of the first 6% of the participant's contribution for the nonunion and union plans. All Plans

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are administered by CVR and contributions for the union plan were determined in accordance with provisions of negotiated labor contracts. Participants in both Plans are immediately vested in their individual contributions. Both Plans have a three-year vesting schedule for CVR's matching funds and contain a provision to count service with any predecessor organization. CVR's contributions under the Plans were approximately \$6.6 million, \$6.1 million and \$4.5 million for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

(14) Commitments and Contingencies

The minimum required payments for CVR's operating lease agreements and unconditional purchase obligations are as follows:

<u>Year Ending December 31,</u>	<u>Operating Leases</u>	<u>Unconditional Purchase Obligations(1)</u>
	(in millions)	
2015	\$ 8.5	\$ 125.6
2016	7.3	108.7
2017	4.8	107.1
2018	3.3	106.3
2019	1.5	105.6
Thereafter	3.8	718.1
	<u>\$ 29.2</u>	<u>\$ 1,271.4</u>

- (1) This amount includes approximately \$799.6 million payable ratably over sixteen years pursuant to petroleum transportation service agreements between CRRM and each of TransCanada Keystone Pipeline Limited Partnership and TransCanada Keystone Pipeline, LP (together "TransCanada"). The purchase obligation reflects the exchange rate between the Canadian dollar and the U.S. dollar as of December 31, 2014, where applicable. Under the agreements, CRRM receives transportation of at least 25,000 barrels per day of crude oil with a delivery point at Cushing, Oklahoma for a term of twenty years on TransCanada's Keystone pipeline system. CRRM began receiving crude oil under the agreements in the first quarter of 2011.

CVR leases various equipment, including railcars and real properties, under long-term operating leases expiring at various dates. For the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, lease expense totaled approximately \$9.3 million, \$9.4 million and \$7.7 million, respectively. The lease agreements have various remaining terms. Some agreements are renewable, at CVR's option, for additional periods. It is expected, in the ordinary course of business, that leases will be renewed or replaced as they expire.

Additionally, in the normal course of business, the Company has long-term commitments to purchase oxygen, nitrogen, electricity, storage capacity and pipeline transportation services. For the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, total expense of \$137.8 million, \$126.1 million and \$116.7 million, respectively, was incurred related to long-term commitments.

Crude Oil Supply Agreement

On August 31, 2012, CRRM and Vitol Inc. ("Vitol"), entered into an Amended and Restated Crude Oil Supply Agreement (the "Vitol Agreement"). Under the Vitol Agreement, Vitol supplies the petroleum business with crude oil and intermediation logistics, which helps to reduce the Refining Partnership's inventory position and mitigate crude oil pricing risk. The Vitol Agreement had an initial term commencing on August 31, 2012 and extending through December 31, 2014 (the "Initial Term"). Following the Initial Term, the Vitol Agreement will automatically renew for successive one-year terms (each such term, a "Renewal Term") unless either party provides the other with notice of nonrenewal at least 180 days prior to expiration of the Initial Term or any Renewal Term. The Vitol Agreement was extended for a one-year Renewal Term through December 31, 2015.

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From time to time, the Company is involved in various lawsuits arising in the normal course of business, including matters such as those described below under, "Environmental, Health, and Safety ("EHS") Matters." Liabilities related to such litigation are recognized when the related costs are probable and can be reasonably estimated. These provisions are reviewed at least quarterly and adjusted to reflect the impacts of negotiations, settlements, rulings, advice of legal counsel, and other information and events pertaining to a particular case. It is possible that management's estimates of the outcomes will change within the next year due to uncertainties inherent in litigation and settlement negotiations. In the opinion of management, the ultimate resolution of any other litigation matters is not expected to have a material adverse effect on the accompanying consolidated financial statements. There can be no assurance that management's beliefs or opinions with respect to liability for potential litigation matters will prove to be accurate.

On June 21, 2012, Goldman, Sachs & Co. ("GS") filed suit against CVR in state court in New York, alleging that CVR failed to pay GS fees allegedly due to GS by CVR pursuant to an engagement letter dated March 21, 2012, which according to the allegations set forth in the complaint, provided that GS was engaged by CVR to assist CVR and the CVR board of directors in connection with a tender offer for CVR's stock, made by Carl C. Icahn and certain of his affiliates. On September 8, 2014, the court (in its decision granting GS's motion for summary judgment against CVR) directed the court clerk to enter judgment against CVR in the amount of approximately \$22.6 million. CVR filed its notice of appeal on October 3, 2014 and intends to vigorously pursue the appeal. On November 24, 2014, CVR paid the judgment to GS, subject to a right of refund if it is successful on appeal.

On August 10, 2012, Deutsche Bank ("DB") filed suit against CVR in state court in New York, alleging that CVR failed to pay DB fees allegedly due to DB by CVR pursuant to an engagement letter dated March 23, 2012, which according to the allegations set forth in the complaint, provided that DB was engaged by CVR to assist CVR and the CVR board of directors in connection with a tender offer for CVR's stock made by Carl C. Icahn and certain of his affiliates. On September 8, 2014, the court (in its decision granting DB's motion for summary judgment against CVR) directed the court clerk to enter judgment against CVR in the amount of approximately \$22.7 million. CVR filed its notice of appeal on October 3, 2014 and intends to vigorously pursue the appeal. On October 27, 2014, CVR paid the judgment to DB, subject to a right of refund if it is successful on appeal.

CRNF received a ten year property tax abatement from Montgomery County, Kansas in connection with the construction of the nitrogen fertilizer plant that expired on December 31, 2007. In connection with the expiration of the abatement, the county reclassified and reassessed CRNF's nitrogen fertilizer plant for property tax purposes. The reclassification and reassessment resulted in an increase in CRNF's annual property tax expense by an average of approximately \$10.7 million per year for the years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2009, \$11.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2010, \$11.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 and \$11.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. CRNF protested the classification and resulting valuation for each of those years to the Kansas Court of Tax Appeals ("COTA"), followed by an appeal to the Kansas Court of Appeals. However, CRNF fully accrued and paid the property taxes the county claims are owed for the years ended December 31, 2008 through 2012. The Kansas Court of Appeals, in a memorandum opinion dated August 9, 2013, reversed the COTA decision in part and remanded the case to COTA, instructing COTA to classify each asset on an asset by asset basis instead of making a broad determination that the entire plant was real property as COTA did originally. The County filed a motion for rehearing with the Kansas Court of Appeals and a petition for review with the Kansas Supreme Court, both of which have been denied. CRNF believes that when that asset by asset determination is done, the majority of the plant will be classified as personal property which would result in significantly lower property taxes for CRNF for 2008 and for those years after the conclusion of the property tax settlement noted below as compared to the taxes paid by CRNF prior to the settlement.

On February 25, 2013, Montgomery County and CRNF agreed to a settlement for tax years 2009 through 2012, which has lowered and will lower CRNF's property taxes by about \$10.7 million per year (as compared to the 2012 tax year) for tax years 2013 to 2016 based on current mill levy rates. In addition, the settlement provides that Montgomery County will support CRNF's application before COTA for a ten-year tax exemption for the UAN expansion. Finally, the settlement provides that CRNF will continue its appeal of the 2008 reclassification and reassessment discussed above.

The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") is currently conducting an investigation in connection with the Company's disclosures following the announcement of a tender offer for the Company's stock initiated in February 2012. The

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Company is cooperating with the SEC and has produced, at the SEC's request, documents pertaining to the tender offer and the Company's disclosures.

Flood, Crude Oil Discharge and Insurance

Crude oil was discharged from the Coffeyville refinery on July 1, 2007, due to the short amount of time available to shutdown and secure the refinery in preparation for the flood that occurred on June 30, 2007. In connection with the discharge, the Company received in May 2008, notices of claims from sixteen private claimants under the Oil Pollution Act ("OPA") in an aggregate amount of approximately \$4.4 million (plus punitive damages). In August 2008, those claimants filed suit against the Company in the United States District Court for the District of Kansas in Wichita (the "Angleton Case"). In October 2009 and June 2010, companion cases to the Angleton Case were filed in the United States District Court for the District of Kansas in Wichita, seeking a total of approximately \$3.2 million (plus punitive damages) for three additional plaintiffs as a result of the July 1, 2007 crude oil discharge. The Company has settled all of the claims with the plaintiffs from the Angleton Case and has settled all of the claims from the companion cases with the last remaining claim against the Company being settled during the first quarter of 2014. The settlements did not have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial statements.

On October 25, 2010, the Company received a letter from the United States Coast Guard on behalf of the EPA seeking approximately \$1.8 million in oversight cost reimbursement. The Company responded by asserting defenses to the Coast Guard's claim for oversight costs. On September 23, 2011, the United States Department of Justice ("DOJ"), acting on behalf of the EPA and the United States Coast Guard, filed suit against CRRM in the United States District Court for the District of Kansas seeking recovery from CRRM related to alleged non-compliance with the Clean Air Act's Risk Management Program ("RMP"), the Clean Water Act ("CWA") and the OPA. CRRM reached an agreement with the DOJ resolving its claims under CWA and OPA. The agreement was memorialized in a Consent Decree that was filed with and approved by the Court on February 12, 2013 and March 25, 2013, respectively (the "2013 Consent Decree"). On April 19, 2013, CRRM paid a civil penalty (including accrued interest) in the amount of \$0.6 million related to the CWA claims and reimbursed the Coast Guard for oversight costs under OPA in the amount of \$1.7 million. The 2013 Consent Decree also requires CRRM to make small capital upgrades to the Coffeyville refinery crude oil tank farm, develop flood procedures and provide employee training, the majority of which have already been completed.

The parties also reached an agreement to settle DOJ's claims related to alleged non-compliance with RMP. The agreement was memorialized in a separate consent decree that was filed with and approved by the Court on May 21, 2013 and July 2, 2013, respectively, and provided for a civil penalty of \$0.3 million. On July 29, 2013, CRRM paid the civil penalty related to the RMP claims. In 2014, CRRM completed several audits required by the RMP Consent Decree, which were related to compliance with RMP requirements.

CRRM sought insurance coverage for the crude oil release and for the ultimate costs for remediation and third-party property damage claims. On July 10, 2008, the Company filed a lawsuit in the United States District Court for the District of Kansas against certain of the Company's environmental insurance carriers requesting insurance coverage indemnification for the June/July 2007 flood and crude oil discharge losses. Each insurer reserved its rights under various policy exclusions and limitations and cited potential coverage defenses. The Court issued summary judgment opinions that eliminated the majority of the insurance defendants' reservations and defenses. CRRM has received \$25.0 million of insurance proceeds under its primary environmental liability insurance policy, which constitutes full payment of the primary pollution liability policy limit. In November 2014, CRRM concluded a jury trial against the remaining insurance carriers and received a verdict and judgment of approximately \$27.1 million, exclusive of potential prejudgment interest and attorneys' fees, which have been requested in post-trial motions. The Refining Partnership has a \$4.0 million receivable related to this matter included in other assets on the Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2014 and 2013. In accordance with accounting guidance related to gain contingencies, no additional amounts have been recognized related to the verdict and judgment in the consolidated financial statements.

Environmental, Health, and Safety ("EHS") Matters

The petroleum and nitrogen fertilizer businesses are subject to various stringent federal, state, and local EHS rules and regulations. Liabilities related to EHS matters are recognized when the related costs are probable and can be reasonably estimated. Estimates of these costs are based upon currently available facts, existing technology, site-specific costs, and currently enacted laws and regulations. In reporting EHS liabilities, no offset is made for potential recoveries.

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CRRM, CRNF, Coffeyville Resources Crude Transportation, LLC ("CRCT"), Wynnewood Refining Company, LLC ("WRC") and Coffeyville Resources Terminal ("CRT") own and/or operate manufacturing and ancillary operations at various locations directly related to petroleum refining and distribution and nitrogen fertilizer manufacturing. Therefore, CRRM, CRNF, CRCT, WRC and CRT have exposure to potential EHS liabilities related to past and present EHS conditions at these locations. Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA"), and related state laws, certain persons may be liable for the release or threatened release of hazardous substances. These persons include the current owner or operator of property where a release or threatened release occurred, any persons who owned or operated the property when the release occurred, and any persons who disposed of, or arranged for the transportation or disposal of, hazardous substances at a contaminated property. Liability under CERCLA is strict, and under certain circumstances, joint and several, so that any responsible party may be held liable for the entire cost of investigating and remediating the release of hazardous substances. Similarly, the OPA generally subjects owners and operators of facilities to strict, joint and several liability for all containment and clean-up costs, natural resource damages, and potential governmental oversight costs arising from oil spills into the waters of the United States, which has been broadly interpreted to include most water bodies including intermittent streams.

CRRM, CRNF, CRCT, WRC and CRT are subject to extensive and frequently changing federal, state and local, environmental and health and safety laws and regulations governing the emission and release of hazardous substances into the environment, the treatment and discharge of waste water, the storage, handling, use and transportation of petroleum and nitrogen products, and the characteristics and composition of gasoline and diesel fuels. The ultimate impact of complying with evolving laws and regulations is not always clearly known or determinable due in part to the fact that our operations may change over time and certain implementing regulations for laws, such as the federal Clean Air Act, have not yet been finalized, are under governmental or judicial review or are being revised. These laws and regulations could result in increased capital, operating and compliance costs.

CRRM and CRT have agreed to perform corrective actions at the Coffeyville, Kansas refinery and the now-closed Phillipsburg, Kansas terminal facility, pursuant to Administrative Orders on Consent issued under RCRA to address historical contamination by the prior owners (RCRA Docket No. VII-94-H-20 and Docket No. VII-95-H-11, respectively). As of December 31, 2014 and 2013, environmental accruals of approximately \$1.1 million and \$1.5 million, respectively, were reflected in the Consolidated Balance Sheets for probable and estimated costs for remediation of environmental contamination under the RCRA Administrative Orders, for which approximately \$0.2 million and \$0.3 million, respectively, are included in other current liabilities. Accruals were determined based on an estimate of payment costs through 2031, for which the scope of remediation was arranged with the EPA, and were discounted at the appropriate risk free rates at December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. The accruals include estimated closure and post-closure costs of approximately \$0.9 million and \$0.7 million for two landfills at December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. The estimated future payments for these required obligations are as follows:

<u>Year Ending December 31,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	<u>(in millions)</u>
2015	\$ 0.2
2016	0.1
2017	0.1
2018	0.1
2019	0.1
Thereafter	0.6
Undiscounted total	1.2
Less amounts representing interest at 2.06%	0.1
Accrued environmental liabilities at December 31, 2014	<u>\$ 1.1</u>

Management periodically reviews and, as appropriate, revises its environmental accruals. Based on current information and regulatory requirements, management believes that the accruals established for environmental expenditures are adequate.

In 2007, the EPA promulgated the Mobile Source Air Toxic II ("MSAT II") rule that requires the reduction of benzene in gasoline by 2011. The MSAT II projects for CRRM and WRC were completed within the compliance deadline of November 1,

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2014. The projects were completed at a total cost of approximately \$47.6 million and \$88.3 million, excluding capitalized interest, by CRRM and WRC, respectively.

The petroleum business is subject to the Renewable Fuel Standard ("RFS") which requires refiners to either blend "renewable fuels" in with their transportation fuels or purchase renewable fuel credits, known as RINs in lieu of blending. Due to mandates in the RFS requiring increasing volumes of renewable fuels to replace petroleum products in the U.S. motor fuel market, there may be a decrease in demand for petroleum products. The EPA is required to determine and publish the applicable annual renewable fuel percentage standards for each compliance year by November 30 for the forthcoming year. The percentage standards represent the ratio of renewable fuel volume to gasoline and diesel volume. Beginning in 2011, the Coffeyville refinery was required to blend renewable fuels into its gasoline and diesel fuel or purchase RINs in lieu of blending. In 2013, the Wynnewood refinery was subject to the RFS for the first time. However, because the cost of purchasing RINs had been extremely volatile and had significantly increased, the Wynnewood refinery petitioned the EPA as a "small refinery" for hardship relief from the RFS requirements in 2013 based on the "disproportionate economic hardship" of the rule on the Wynnewood refinery. The EPA denied the petition in a letter dated September 5, 2014.

During 2013, the cost of purchasing RINs was extremely volatile as the EPA's proposed renewable fuel volume mandates approached the "blend wall." The blend wall refers to the point at which refiners are required to blend more ethanol into the transportation supply than can be supported by the demand for E10 gasoline (gasoline containing 10 percent ethanol by volume). In November 2013, the EPA published the annual renewable fuel percentage standards for 2014, which acknowledged the blend wall and were generally lower than the volumes for 2013 and lower than statutory mandates. The price of RINs decreased significantly after the 2014 proposed percentage standards were published; however, RIN prices remained volatile and increased subsequently in 2014. In May 2014, the EPA lowered the 2013 cellulosic biofuel standard to 0.0005%, and, in June 2014, the EPA extended the compliance demonstration deadline for the 2013 RFS to September 30, 2014. In August 2014, the EPA further extended the compliance demonstration deadline for the 2013 RFS to 30 days following the publication of the final 2014 annual renewable fuel percentage standards. In November 2014, the EPA announced that it would not finalize the 2014 annual renewable fuel percentage standards before the end of 2014 thereby extending the compliance deadline for the 2013 RFS as well.

The cost of RINs for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 was approximately \$127.2 million, \$180.5 million and \$21.0 million, respectively. As of December 31, 2014 and 2013, the petroleum business' biofuel blending obligation was approximately \$52.3 million and \$17.4 million, respectively, which is recorded in other current liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The future cost of RINs for the petroleum business going forward is difficult to estimate, particularly until such time that the 2014 renewable fuel percentage standards are finalized and the 2015 renewable fuel percentage standards are announced. Additionally, the cost of RINs is dependent upon a variety of factors, which include EPA regulations, the availability of RINs for purchase, the price at which RINs can be purchased, transportation fuel production levels, the mix of the petroleum business' petroleum products, as well as the fuel blending performed at its refineries, all of which can vary significantly from quarter to quarter.

In April 2014, the EPA promulgated the Tier 3 Motor Vehicle Emission and Fuel Standards, which will require that gasoline contain no more than ten parts per million of sulfur on an annual average basis. Refineries must be in compliance with the more stringent emission standards by January 1, 2017; however, compliance with the rule is extended until January 1, 2020 for approved small volume refineries and small refiners. The Wynnewood refinery has submitted an application to EPA requesting "small volume refinery" status. It is not anticipated that the refineries will require additional controls or capital expenditures to meet the anticipated new standard.

In March 2004, CRRM and CRT entered into a Consent Decree (the "2004 Consent Decree") with the EPA and the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (the "KDHE") to resolve air compliance concerns raised by the EPA and KDHE related to Farmland Industries Inc.'s prior ownership and operation of the Coffeyville crude oil refinery and the now-closed Phillipsburg terminal facilities. Under the 2004 Consent Decree, CRRM agreed to install controls to reduce emissions of sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxides and particulate matter from its FCCU by January 1, 2011. In addition, pursuant to the 2004 Consent Decree, CRRM and CRT assumed clean-up obligations at the Coffeyville refinery and the now-closed Phillipsburg terminal facilities.

In March 2012, CRRM entered into a "Second Consent Decree" with the EPA, which replaces the 2004 Consent Decree, as amended (other than certain financial assurance provisions associated with corrective action at the refinery and terminal under RCRA). The Second Consent Decree was entered by the U.S. District Court for the District of Kansas on April 19, 2012. The

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Second Consent Decree gives CRRM more time to install the FCCU controls from the 2004 Consent Decree and expands the scope of the settlement so that it is now considered a "global settlement" under the EPA's "National Petroleum Refining Initiative." Under the National Petroleum Refining Initiative, the EPA alleged industry-wide non-compliance with four "marquee" issues under the Clean Air Act: New Source Review, Flaring, Leak Detection and Repair, and Benzene Waste Operations NESHAP. The National Petroleum Refining Initiative has resulted in most U.S. refineries (representing more than 90% of the U.S. refining capacity) entering into consent decrees requiring the payment of civil penalties and the installation of air pollution control equipment and enhanced operating procedures. Under the Second Consent Decree, the Company was required to pay a civil penalty of approximately \$0.7 million and complete the installation of FCCU controls required under the 2004 Consent Decree, add controls to certain heaters and boilers and enhance certain work practices relating to wastewater and fugitive emissions. The remaining costs of complying with the Second Consent Decree are expected to be approximately \$44.0 million. Additional incremental capital expenditures associated with the Second Consent Decree will not be material and will be limited primarily to the retrofit and replacement of heaters and boilers over a several year timeframe.

WRC entered into a Consent Order with the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality ("ODEQ") in August 2011 (the "Wynnewood Consent Order"). The Wynnewood Consent Order addresses certain historic Clean Air Act compliance issues related to the operations of the prior owner. Under the Wynnewood Consent Order, WRC paid a civil penalty of \$950,000, and agreed to install certain controls, enhance certain compliance programs, and undertake additional testing and auditing. A substantial portion of the costs of complying with the Wynnewood Consent Order were expended during the last turnaround. The remaining costs are expected to be \$3.0 million. In consideration for entering into the Wynnewood Consent Order, WRC received a release from liability from ODEQ for matters described in the ODEQ order.

From time to time, ODEQ conducts inspections of the Wynnewood refinery and pursues enforcement related to any alleged non-compliance with the Clean Air Act seeking civil penalties and injunctive relief, which may necessitate the installation of controls. In January 2014, ODEQ issued a full compliance evaluation ("FCE") report covering the period from December 2010 through June 2013, which covered periods of the previous owner's ownership and operation and, in some cases, continued into CVR Refining's ownership of the Wynnewood refinery. In addition, on April 11, 2014, WRC received a partial compliance evaluation ("PCE") report from ODEQ alleging additional violations of the Clean Air Act. ODEQ conducted a follow-up inspection on June 30, 2014. WRC has responded to both the FCE and PCE. The costs of any enforcement that may arise as a result of the FCE or the PCE cannot be predicted at this time. However, based on its experience related to Clean Air Act enforcement and control requirements, the Company does not anticipate that the costs of any civil penalties, required additional controls or operational changes would be material.

WRC has entered into a series of Clean Water Act consent orders with ODEQ. The latest consent order (the "CWA Consent Order"), which superseded other consent orders, became effective in September 2011. The CWA Consent Order addressed alleged non-compliance by WRC with its Oklahoma Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("OPDES") permit limits. The CWA Consent Order required WRC to take corrective action steps, including undertaking studies to determine whether the Wynnewood refinery's wastewater treatment plant capacity is sufficient. WRC completed its obligations under the CWA Consent Order, and ODEQ notified WRC that the CWA Consent Order is closed.

In January 2014, the EPA also issued an inspection report to the Wynnewood refinery related to a RCRA compliance evaluation inspection conducted in March 2013. In February 2014, ODEQ notified WRC that it concurred with the EPA's inspection findings and would be pursuing enforcement. WRC and ODEQ currently are engaged in settlement discussions related to a civil penalty and injunctive relief. The costs of any related enforcement settlement cannot be predicted at this time. However, based on its experience related to RCRA enforcement, the Company does not anticipate that the costs of any civil penalties, required additional controls or operational changes would be material.

Environmental expenditures are capitalized when such expenditures are expected to result in future economic benefits. For the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, capital expenditures were approximately \$100.6 million, \$111.3 million and \$28.4 million, respectively, and were incurred to improve the environmental compliance and efficiency of the operations.

CRRM, CRNF, CRCT, WRC and CRT each believe it is in substantial compliance with existing EHS rules and regulations. There can be no assurance that the EHS matters described above or other EHS matters which may develop in the future will not have a material adverse effect on the business, financial condition, or results of operations.

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On September 28, 2012, the Wynnewood refinery experienced an explosion in a boiler unit during startup after a short outage as part of the turnaround process. Two employees were fatally injured. Damage at the refinery was limited to the boiler. Additionally, there has been no evidence of environmental impact. The refinery was in the final stages of shutdown for turnaround maintenance at the time of the incident. The petroleum business completed an internal investigation of the incident and cooperated with OSHA in its investigation. OSHA also conducted a general inspection of the facility during the boiler incident investigation. In March 2013, OSHA completed its investigation and communicated its citations to WRC. OSHA also placed WRC in its Severe Violators Enforcement Program ("SVEP"). WRC is vigorously contesting the citations and OSHA's placement of WRC in the SVEP. Any penalties associated with OSHA's citations are not expected to have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial statements. On September 25, 2013, WRC agreed to pay a small civil penalty to settle rather than defend claims alleged by the EPA under the Clean Air Act's general duty clause related to the boiler incident. In addition to the above, the spouses of the two employees fatally injured have filed a civil lawsuit against WRC, CVR Refining and CVR Energy in Fort Bend County, Texas. The civil suit is in discovery and the companies will vigorously defend the suit. It is currently too early to assess a potential outcome in the matter.

Affiliate Pension Obligations

Mr. Icahn, through certain affiliates, owns approximately 82% of the Company's capital stock. Applicable pension and tax laws make each member of a "controlled group" of entities, generally defined as entities in which there is at least an 80% common ownership interest, jointly and severally liable for certain pension plan obligations of any member of the controlled group. These pension obligations include ongoing contributions to fund the plan, as well as liability for any unfunded liabilities that may exist at the time the plan is terminated. In addition, the failure to pay these pension obligations when due may result in the creation of liens in favor of the pension plan or the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation ("PBGC") against the assets of each member of the controlled group.

As a result of the more than 80% ownership interest in CVR Energy by Mr. Icahn's affiliates, the Company is subject to the pension liabilities of all entities in which Mr. Icahn has a direct or indirect ownership interest of at least 80%. Two such entities, ACF Industries LLC ("ACF") and Federal-Mogul, are the sponsors of several pension plans. All the minimum funding requirements of the Code and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended by the Pension Protection Act of 2006, for these plans have been met as of December 31, 2014. If the ACF and Federal-Mogul plans were voluntarily terminated, they would be collectively underfunded by approximately \$473.8 million and \$591.8 million as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. These results are based on the most recent information provided by Mr. Icahn's affiliates based on information from the plans' actuaries. These liabilities could increase or decrease, depending on a number of factors, including future changes in benefits, investment returns, and the assumptions used to calculate the liability. As members of the controlled group, CVR Energy would be liable for any failure of ACF and Federal-Mogul to make ongoing pension contributions or to pay the unfunded liabilities upon a termination of their respective pension plans. In addition, other entities now or in the future within the controlled group that includes CVR Energy may have pension plan obligations that are, or may become, underfunded, and the Company would be liable for any failure of such entities to make ongoing pension contributions or to pay the unfunded liabilities upon a termination of such plans. The current underfunded status of the ACF and Federal-Mogul pension plans requires such entities to notify the PBGC of certain "reportable events," such as if CVR Energy were to cease to be a member of the controlled group, or if CVR Energy makes certain extraordinary dividends or stock redemptions. The obligation to report could cause the Company to seek to delay or reconsider the occurrence of such reportable events. Based on the contingent nature of potential exposure related to these affiliate pension obligations, no liability has been recorded in the consolidated financial statements.

(15) Fair Value Measurements

ASC Topic 820 — *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* ("ASC 820") established a single authoritative definition of fair value when accounting rules require the use of fair value, set out a framework for measuring fair value and required additional disclosures about fair value measurements. ASC 820 clarifies that fair value is an exit price, representing the amount from the perspective of a market participant that holds the asset or owes the liability at the measurement date.

ASC 820 discusses valuation techniques, such as the market approach (prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable assets, liabilities or a group of assets and liabilities such as a business), the income approach (techniques to convert future amounts to a single current amount based on market expectations about

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those future amounts including present value techniques and option pricing), and the cost approach (amount that would be required currently to replace the service capacity of an asset which is often referred to as a replacement cost). ASC 820 utilizes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three broad levels. The following is a brief description of those three levels:

- Level 1 — Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities
- Level 2 — Other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices in active markets for similar assets or liabilities)
- Level 3 — Significant unobservable inputs (including the Company's own assumptions in determining the fair value)

The following table sets forth the assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis, by input level, as of December 31, 2014 and 2013:

Location and Description	December 31, 2014			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	(in millions)			
Cash equivalents	\$ 69.0	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 69.0
Other current assets (investments)	73.9	2.7	—	76.6
Other current assets (other derivative agreements)	—	25.0	—	25.0
Other long-term assets (other derivative agreements)	—	22.3	—	22.3
Total Assets	\$ 142.9	\$ 50.0	\$ —	\$ 192.9
Other current liabilities (interest rate swaps)	—	(0.8)	—	(0.8)
Other current liabilities (biofuel blending obligations)	—	(49.6)	—	(49.6)
Other long-term liabilities (interest rate swaps)	—	(0.2)	—	(0.2)
Total Liabilities	\$ —	\$ (50.6)	\$ —	\$ (50.6)

Location and Description	December 31, 2013			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	(in millions)			
Cash equivalents	\$ 81.0	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 81.0
Other current assets (other derivative agreements)	—	0.9	—	0.9
Other long-term assets (other derivative agreements)	—	0.1	—	0.1
Total Assets	\$ 81.0	\$ 1.0	\$ —	\$ 82.0
Other current liabilities (other derivative agreements)	—	(15.3)	—	(15.3)
Other current liabilities (interest rate swaps)	—	(0.9)	—	(0.9)
Other current liabilities (biofuel blending obligations)	—	(16.2)	—	(16.2)
Other long-term liabilities (other derivative agreements)	—	(1.8)	—	(1.8)
Other long-term liabilities (interest rate swaps)	—	(1.0)	—	(1.0)
Total Liabilities	\$ —	\$ (35.2)	\$ —	\$ (35.2)

As of December 31, 2014 and 2013, the only financial assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis are the Company's cash equivalents, investments, derivative instruments and uncommitted biofuel blending obligation. Additionally, the fair value of the Company's debt issuances is disclosed in Note 10 ("Long-Term Debt"). The Refining Partnership's commodity derivative contracts, certain investments and uncommitted biofuel blending obligation, which use fair

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value measurements and are valued using broker quoted market prices of similar instruments, are considered Level 2 inputs. The Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership has interest rate swaps that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis using Level 2 inputs. The fair value of these interest rate swap instruments are based on discounted cash flow models that incorporate the cash flows of the derivatives, as well as the current LIBOR rate and a forward LIBOR curve, along with other observable market inputs. The Company's investments in marketable securities are classified as available-for-sale, and as a result, are reported at fair market value using quoted market prices.

As of December 31, 2014, the aggregate cost basis for the Company's available-for-sale securities is approximately \$73.6 million following an other-than-temporary impairment of \$4.7 million during the year ended December 31, 2014. During the year ended December 31, 2013, the Company received proceeds of \$24.7 million for the sale of its investments in marketable securities, which were previously classified as available-for-sale and reported at fair market value using quoted market prices. The aggregate cost basis for the available-for-sale securities sold was approximately \$18.6 million. Upon the sale of the available-for-sale securities, the Company reclassified the unrealized gain of \$6.1 million from AOCI and recognized a realized gain in other income for the year ended December 31, 2013. As of December 31, 2013, the Company did not hold any further investments in available-for-sale securities. The Company had no transfers of assets or liabilities between any of the above levels during the year ended December 31, 2014.

(16) Derivative Financial Instruments

Gain (loss) on derivatives, net and current period settlements on derivative contracts were as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(in millions)		
Current period settlement on derivative contracts	\$ 122.2	\$ 6.4	\$ (137.6)
Gain (loss) on derivatives, net	185.6	57.1	(285.6)

The Refining Partnership and Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership are subject to price fluctuations caused by supply conditions, weather, economic conditions, interest rate fluctuations and other factors. To manage price risk on crude oil and other inventories and to fix margins on certain future production, the Refining Partnership from time to time enters into various commodity derivative transactions.

The Refining Partnership has adopted accounting standards which impose extensive record-keeping requirements in order to designate a derivative financial instrument as a hedge. The Refining Partnership holds derivative instruments, such as exchange-traded crude oil futures and certain over-the-counter forward swap agreements, which it believes provide an economic hedge on future transactions, but such instruments are not designated as hedges for GAAP purposes. Gains or losses related to the change in fair value and periodic settlements of these derivative instruments are classified as gain (loss) on derivatives, net in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. There are no premiums paid or received at inception of the derivative contracts and upon settlement, there is no cost recovery associated with these contracts.

The Refining Partnership maintains a margin account to facilitate other commodity derivative activities. A portion of this account may include funds available for withdrawal. These funds are included in cash and cash equivalents within the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The maintenance margin balance is included within other current assets within the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Dependent upon the position of the open commodity derivatives, the amounts are accounted for as other current assets or other current liabilities within the Consolidated Balance Sheets. From time to time, the Refining Partnership may be required to deposit additional funds into this margin account. There were no open commodity positions as of December 31, 2014. The fair value of the open commodity positions as of December 31, 2013 was an immaterial net gain included in other current assets. For the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, the Company recognized a net gain of \$0.3 million and net losses of \$2.9 million and \$11.7 million, respectively, which are recorded in gain (loss) on derivatives, net in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Commodity Swaps

The Refining Partnership enters into commodity swap contracts in order to fix the margin on a portion of future production. The physical volumes are not exchanged and these contracts are net settled with cash. The contract fair value of the commodity

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swaps is reflected on the Consolidated Balance Sheets with changes in fair value currently recognized in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets (Level 2) are considered to determine the fair values for the purpose of marking to market the hedging instruments at each period end. At December 31, 2014 and 2013, the Refining Partnership had open commodity hedging instruments consisting of 9.1 million and 23.3 million barrels of crack spreads, respectively, primarily to fix the margin on a portion of its future gasoline and distillate production. The fair value of the outstanding contracts at December 31, 2014 was a net unrealized gain of \$47.3 million, of which \$25.0 million is included in current assets and \$22.3 million is included in other long-term assets. The fair value of the outstanding contracts at December 31, 2013 was a net unrealized loss of \$16.1 million, of which \$0.9 million is included in current assets, \$0.1 million is included in other long-term assets, \$15.3 million is included in current liabilities and \$1.8 million is included in other long-term liabilities. For the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, the Refining Partnership recognized net gains of \$187.4 million and \$60.1 million and a net loss of \$273.9 million, respectively, which are recorded in gain (loss) on derivatives, net in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership Interest Rate Swaps

CRNF has two floating-to-fixed interest rate swap agreements for the purpose of hedging the interest rate risk associated with a portion of the nitrogen fertilizer business' \$125.0 million floating rate term debt which matures in April 2016. The aggregate notional amount covered under these agreements, which commenced on August 12, 2011 and expires on February 12, 2016, totals \$62.5 million (split evenly between the two agreement dates). Under the terms of the interest rate swap agreement entered into on June 30, 2011, CRNF will receive a floating rate based on three month LIBOR and pay a fixed rate of 1.94%. Under the terms of the interest rate swap agreement entered into on July 1, 2011, CRNF will receive a floating rate based on three month LIBOR and pay a fixed rate of 1.975%. Both swap agreements will be settled every 90 days. The effect of these swap agreements is to lock in a fixed rate of interest of approximately 1.96% plus the applicable margin paid to lenders over three month LIBOR as governed by the CRNF credit facility. At December 31, 2014, the effective rate was approximately 4.56%. The agreements were designated as cash flow hedges at inception and accordingly, the effective portion of the gain or loss on the swap is reported as a component of AOCI, and will be reclassified into interest expense when the interest rate swap transaction affects earnings. Any ineffective portion of the gain or loss will be recognized immediately in interest expense on the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

The realized loss on the interest rate swap re-classed from AOCI into interest expense and other financing costs on the Consolidated Statements of Operations was \$1.1 million, \$1.1 million and \$1.0 million, respectively, for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. For the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership recognized a decrease in the fair value of the interest rate swap agreements of \$0.2 million, \$0.2 million and \$1.4 million, respectively, which was unrealized in AOCI.

Counterparty Credit Risk

The Refining Partnership's exchange-traded crude oil futures and certain over-the-counter forward swap agreements are potentially exposed to concentrations of credit risk as a result of economic conditions and periods of uncertainty and illiquidity in the credit and capital markets. The Refining Partnership manages credit risk on its exchange-traded crude oil futures by completing trades with an exchange clearinghouse, which subjects the trades to mandatory margin requirements until the contract settles. The Refining Partnership also monitors the creditworthiness of its commodity swap counterparties and assesses the risk of nonperformance on a quarterly basis. Counterparty credit risk identified as a result of this assessment is recognized as a valuation adjustment to the fair value of the commodity swaps recorded in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. As of December 31, 2014, the counterparty credit risk adjustment was not material to the consolidated financial statements. Additionally, the Refining Partnership does not require any collateral to support commodity swaps into which it enters; however, it does have master netting arrangements that allow for the setoff of amounts receivable from and payable to the same party, which mitigates the risk associated with nonperformance.

Offsetting Assets and Liabilities

The commodity swaps and other commodity derivatives agreements discussed above include multiple derivative positions with a number of counterparties for which the Refining Partnership has entered into agreements governing the nature of the derivative transactions. Each of the counterparty agreements provides for the right to setoff each individual derivative position to arrive at the net receivable due from the counterparty or payable owed by the Refining Partnership. As a result of the right to setoff, the Refining Partnership's recognized assets and liabilities associated with the outstanding derivative positions have been

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presented net in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The interest rate swap agreements held by the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership also provide for the right to setoff. However, as the interest rate swaps are in a liability position, there are no amounts offset in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2014 and 2013. In accordance with guidance issued by the FASB related to "Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities," the tables below outline the gross amounts of the recognized assets and liabilities and the gross amounts offset in the Consolidated Balance Sheets for the various types of open derivative positions at the Refining Partnership.

The offsetting assets and liabilities for the Refining Partnership's derivatives as of December 31, 2014 are recorded as current assets and non-current assets in prepaid expenses and other current assets and other long-term assets, respectively, in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as follows:

<u>Description</u>	As of December 31, 2014				
	Gross Current Assets	Gross Amounts Offset	Net Current Assets Presented	Cash Collateral Not Offset	Net Amount
	(in millions)				
Commodity Swaps	\$ 25.3	\$ (0.3)	\$ 25.0	\$ —	\$ 25.0
Total	\$ 25.3	\$ (0.3)	\$ 25.0	\$ —	\$ 25.0

<u>Description</u>	As of December 31, 2014				
	Gross Non-Current Assets	Gross Amounts Offset	Net Non-Current Assets Presented	Cash Collateral Not Offset	Net Amount
	(in millions)				
Commodity Swaps	\$ 22.3	\$ —	\$ 22.3	\$ —	\$ 22.3
Total	\$ 22.3	\$ —	\$ 22.3	\$ —	\$ 22.3

The offsetting assets and liabilities for the Refining Partnership's derivatives as of December 31, 2013 are recorded as current assets, non-current assets, current liabilities and non-current liabilities in prepaid expenses and other current assets, other long-term assets, other current liabilities and other long-term liabilities, respectively, in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as follows:

<u>Description</u>	As of December 31, 2013				
	Gross Current Assets	Gross Amounts Offset	Net Current Assets Presented	Cash Collateral Not Offset	Net Amount
	(in millions)				
Commodity Swaps	\$ 4.3	\$ (3.4)	\$ 0.9	\$ —	\$ 0.9
Total	\$ 4.3	\$ (3.4)	\$ 0.9	\$ —	\$ 0.9

<u>Description</u>	As of December 31, 2013				
	Gross Non-Current Assets	Gross Amounts Offset	Net Non-Current Assets Presented	Cash Collateral Not Offset	Net Amount
	(in millions)				
Commodity Swaps	\$ 0.1	\$ —	\$ 0.1	\$ —	\$ 0.1
Total	\$ 0.1	\$ —	\$ 0.1	\$ —	\$ 0.1

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Description	As of December 31, 2013				
	Gross Current Liabilities	Gross Amounts Offset	Net Current Liabilities Presented	Cash Collateral Not Offset	Net Amount
	(in millions)				
Commodity Swaps	\$ 31.4	\$ (16.1)	\$ 15.3	\$ —	\$ 15.3
Total	\$ 31.4	\$ (16.1)	\$ 15.3	\$ —	\$ 15.3

Description	As of December 31, 2013				
	Gross Non-Current Liabilities	Gross Amounts Offset	Net Non-Current Liabilities Presented	Cash Collateral Not Offset	Net Amount
	(in millions)				
Commodity Swaps	\$ 1.9	\$ (0.1)	\$ 1.8	\$ —	\$ 1.8
Total	\$ 1.9	\$ (0.1)	\$ 1.8	\$ —	\$ 1.8

(17) Related Party Transactions

In May 2012, IEP announced that it had acquired control of CVR pursuant to a tender offer to purchase all of the issued and outstanding shares of the Company's common stock. As of December 31, 2014, IEP owned approximately 82% of all common shares outstanding. See Note 3 ("Change of Control") for additional discussion.

American Railcar Entities

From March 2009 until June 2013, the Company, through the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership, leased 199 railcars from American Railcar Leasing LLC ("ARL"), a company controlled by IEP, the Company's majority stockholder. On June 13, 2013, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership purchased the railcars under the lease from ARL for approximately \$5.0 million. For the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, rent expense of \$0.4 million and \$1.1 million, respectively, was recorded related to this agreement and is included in cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

In 2014, the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership purchased 50 new UAN railcars from American Railcar Industries, Inc. ("ARI"), an affiliate of IEP, for approximately \$6.7 million and 12 used UAN railcars from ARL for approximately \$1.1 million. Also, ARI performed railcar maintenance for the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership, and the expenses associated with this maintenance were approximately \$50,000 for the year ended December 31, 2014.

International Truck Purchase

During the year ended December 31, 2013, the Refining Partnership purchased seven trucks from a subsidiary of Navistar International Corporation ("Navistar") for approximately \$0.8 million.

Tax Allocation Agreement

CVR is a member of the consolidated federal tax group of AEPC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of IEP, and has entered into a Tax Allocation Agreement. Refer to Note 9 ("Income Taxes") for a discussion of related party transactions under the Tax Allocation Agreement.

Insight Portfolio Group

Insight Portfolio Group LLC is an entity formed and controlled by Mr. Icahn in order to maximize the potential buying power of a group of entities with which Mr. Icahn has a relationship in negotiating with a wide range of suppliers of goods, services and tangible and intangible property at negotiated rates. CVR Energy was a member of the buying group in 2012. In January 2013, CVR Energy acquired a minority equity interest in Insight Portfolio Group and agreed to pay a portion of Insight Portfolio Group's operating expenses in 2013. The Company paid Insight Portfolio Group approximately \$0.4 million and \$0.1

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million during the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. The Company did not pay Insight Portfolio Group any fees or other amounts with respect to the buying group arrangement in 2012. The Company may purchase a variety of goods and services as members of the buying group at prices and terms that management believes would be more favorable than those which would be achieved on a stand-alone basis.

(18) Business Segments

The Company measures segment profit as operating income for petroleum and nitrogen fertilizer, CVR's two reporting segments, based on the definitions provided in ASC Topic 280 — *Segment Reporting*. All operations of the segments are located within the United States.

Petroleum

Principal products of the petroleum segment are refined fuels, propane, and petroleum refining by-products, including pet coke. The petroleum segment's Coffeyville refinery sells pet coke to the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership for use in the manufacture of nitrogen fertilizer at the adjacent nitrogen fertilizer plant. For the petroleum segment, a per-ton transfer price is used to record intercompany sales on the part of the petroleum segment and corresponding intercompany cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) for the nitrogen fertilizer segment. The per ton transfer price paid, pursuant to the pet coke supply agreement that became effective October 24, 2007, is based on the lesser of a pet coke price derived from the price received by the nitrogen fertilizer segment for UAN (subject to a UAN based price ceiling and floor) and a pet coke price index for pet coke. The intercompany transactions are eliminated in the other segment. Intercompany sales included in petroleum net sales were approximately \$8.7 million, \$9.6 million and \$9.9 million for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

The petroleum segment recorded intercompany cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) for the hydrogen purchases described below under "Nitrogen Fertilizer" of approximately \$10.1 million, \$11.4 million and \$6.1 million for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The petroleum segment recorded intercompany revenue for hydrogen sales of approximately \$0 and \$0.6 million for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

Nitrogen Fertilizer

The principal product of the nitrogen fertilizer segment is nitrogen fertilizer. Intercompany cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) for the pet coke transfer described above was approximately \$9.2 million, \$9.8 million and \$10.2 million for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Pursuant to the feedstock agreement, the Company's segments have the right to transfer excess hydrogen between the Coffeyville refinery and nitrogen fertilizer plant. Sales of hydrogen to the petroleum segment have been reflected as net sales for the nitrogen fertilizer segment. Receipts of hydrogen from the petroleum segment have been reflected in cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) for the nitrogen fertilizer segment. For the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, the net sales generated from intercompany hydrogen sales were \$10.1 million, \$11.4 million and \$6.3 million, respectively. For the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, the nitrogen fertilizer segment also recognized approximately \$0, \$0.6 million and \$0.2 million, respectively, of cost of product sold related to the transfer of excess hydrogen. As these intercompany sales and cost of product sold are eliminated, there is no financial statement impact on the consolidated financial statements.

Other Segment

The other segment reflects intercompany eliminations, corporate cash and cash equivalents, income tax activities and other corporate activities that are not allocated to the operating segments.

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The following table summarizes certain operating results and capital expenditures information by segment:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(in millions)		
Net sales			
Petroleum	\$ 8,829.7	\$ 8,683.5	\$ 8,281.5
Nitrogen Fertilizer	298.7	323.7	302.3
Intersegment elimination	(18.9)	(21.4)	(16.5)
Total	\$ 9,109.5	\$ 8,985.8	\$ 8,567.3
Cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)			
Petroleum	\$ 8,013.4	\$ 7,526.7	\$ 6,667.3
Nitrogen Fertilizer	72.0	58.1	46.1
Intersegment elimination	(19.4)	(21.6)	(16.5)
Total	\$ 8,066.0	\$ 7,563.2	\$ 6,696.9
Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)			
Petroleum	\$ 416.0	\$ 361.7	\$ 426.5
Nitrogen Fertilizer	98.9	94.1	95.6
Other	0.2	—	—
Total	\$ 515.1	\$ 455.8	\$ 522.1
Depreciation and amortization			
Petroleum	\$ 122.5	\$ 114.3	\$ 107.6
Nitrogen Fertilizer	27.3	25.6	20.7
Other	4.6	2.9	1.7
Total	\$ 154.4	\$ 142.8	\$ 130.0
Operating income			
Petroleum	\$ 207.2	\$ 603.0	\$ 1,012.5
Nitrogen Fertilizer	82.8	124.9	115.8
Other	(25.7)	(17.4)	(93.4)
Total	\$ 264.3	\$ 710.5	\$ 1,034.9
Capital expenditures			
Petroleum	\$ 191.3	\$ 204.5	\$ 120.0
Nitrogen fertilizer	21.1	43.8	82.2
Other	6.0	8.2	10.0
Total	\$ 218.4	\$ 256.5	\$ 212.2

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	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(in millions)		
Total assets			
Petroleum	\$ 2,417.8	\$ 2,533.3	\$ 2,258.5
Nitrogen Fertilizer	578.8	593.5	623.0
Other	465.9	539.0	729.4
Total	\$ 3,462.5	\$ 3,665.8	\$ 3,610.9
Goodwill			
Petroleum	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Nitrogen Fertilizer	41.0	41.0	41.0
Other	—	—	—
Total	\$ 41.0	\$ 41.0	\$ 41.0

(19) Major Customers and Suppliers

Sales to major customers as a percentage of the respective segment's sales were as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
Petroleum			
Customer A	13%	12%	10%
Nitrogen Fertilizer			
Customer B	17%	15%	10%
Customer C	10%	13%	10%
	27%	28%	20%

The petroleum segment obtained crude oil from one third-party supplier under a long-term supply agreement during 2014, 2013 and 2012. The crude oil purchased from this supplier is governed by a long-term contract. Volume contracted as a percentage of the total crude oil purchases (in barrels) for each of the periods was as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
Petroleum			
Supplier A	67%	69%	45%

The nitrogen fertilizer segment maintains long-term contracts with one third-party supplier. Purchases from this supplier as a percentage of direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) were as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
Nitrogen Fertilizer			
Supplier B	4%	4%	5%

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(20) Selected Quarterly Financial Information (unaudited)

Summarized quarterly financial data for December 31, 2014 and 2013.

	Year Ended December 31, 2014			
	Quarter			
	First	Second	Third	Fourth
	(in millions except per share data)			
Net sales	\$ 2,447.4	\$ 2,540.3	\$ 2,279.9	\$ 1,841.8
Operating costs and expenses:				
Cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	2,076.9	2,189.0	2,066.7	1,733.4
Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	123.4	120.1	136.8	134.7
Selling, general and administrative (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	26.3	28.0	31.8	23.5
Depreciation and amortization	37.3	38.6	37.8	40.8
Total operating costs and expenses	2,263.9	2,375.7	2,273.1	1,932.4
Operating income (loss)	183.5	164.6	6.8	(90.6)
Other income (expense):				
Interest expense and other financing costs	(10.1)	(9.3)	(9.4)	(11.2)
Interest income	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2
Gain on derivatives, net	109.4	35.9	25.7	14.5
Other income (expense), net	0.1	(2.2)	2.1	(3.6)
Total other income (expense)	99.6	24.6	18.7	(0.1)
Income (loss) before income taxes	283.1	189.2	25.5	(90.7)
Income tax expense (benefit)	69.4	45.2	4.2	(21.0)
Net income (loss)	213.7	144.0	21.3	(69.7)
Less: Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interest	87.0	60.3	13.4	(25.3)
Net income (loss) attributable to CVR Energy Stockholders	\$ 126.7	\$ 83.7	\$ 7.9	\$ (44.4)
Basic earnings (loss) per share	\$ 1.46	\$ 0.96	\$ 0.09	\$ (0.51)
Diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$ 1.46	\$ 0.96	\$ 0.09	\$ (0.51)
Dividends declared per share	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.75	\$ 2.75	\$ 0.75
Weighted-average common shares outstanding				
Basic	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.8
Diluted	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.8

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	Year Ended December 31, 2013			
	Quarter			
	First	Second	Third	Fourth
	(in millions except per share data)			
Net sales	\$ 2,352.4	\$ 2,220.3	\$ 1,977.1	\$ 2,436.0
Operating costs and expenses:				
Cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	1,813.6	1,785.4	1,744.4	2,219.7
Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	108.5	108.3	128.4	110.6
Selling, general and administrative (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	28.4	28.9	27.7	28.6
Depreciation and amortization	34.2	35.0	36.2	37.4
Total operating costs and expenses	1,984.7	1,957.6	1,936.7	2,396.3
Operating income	367.7	262.7	40.4	39.7
Other income (expense):				
Interest expense and other financing costs	(15.4)	(12.5)	(11.7)	(10.9)
Interest income	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Gain (loss) on derivatives, net	(20.0)	120.5	72.5	(115.9)
Loss on extinguishment of debt	(26.1)	—	—	—
Other income, net	—	0.2	6.2	7.1
Total other income (expense)	(61.2)	108.5	67.3	(119.4)
Income (loss) before income taxes	306.5	371.2	107.7	(79.7)
Income tax expense (benefit)	93.8	99.5	29.5	(39.1)
Net income (loss)	212.7	271.7	78.2	(40.6)
Less: Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interest	47.7	88.3	34.2	(18.9)
Net income (loss) attributable to CVR Energy Stockholders	\$ 165.0	\$ 183.4	\$ 44.0	\$ (21.7)
Basic earnings (loss) per share	\$ 1.90	\$ 2.11	\$ 0.51	\$ (0.25)
Diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$ 1.90	\$ 2.11	\$ 0.51	\$ (0.25)
Dividends declared per share	\$ 5.50	\$ 7.25	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.75
Weighted-average common shares outstanding				
Basic	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.8
Diluted	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.8

Factors Impacting the Comparability of Quarterly Results of Operations

As discussed in Note 8 ("Insurance Claims"), the fire at the Coffeyville refinery's isomerization unit adversely impacted production of refined products for the petroleum business in the third quarter of 2014. Total gross repair and other costs recorded related to the incident for the year ended December 31, 2014 were approximately \$6.3 million and are included in direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

During the fourth quarter of 2014, the FCCU at the Wynnewood refinery was offline for approximately 16 days for necessary repairs. As a result of the FCCU outage, crude throughput and production at the Wynnewood refinery was significantly reduced during the fourth quarter of 2014. Additionally, the Refining Partnership incurred approximately \$8.5

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million in costs to repair the FCCU for the year ended December 31, 2014. These costs are included in direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

As discussed in Note 5 ("Inventories"), the Refining Partnership recorded a lower of FIFO cost or market inventory adjustment of approximately \$36.8 million during the fourth quarter of 2014, which is included in cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

During the third quarter of 2013, the FCCU at the Coffeyville refinery was offline for approximately 55 days for necessary repairs. As a result of the FCCU outage, crude throughput and production at the Coffeyville refinery was significantly reduced during the third quarter of 2013. Additionally, the Refining Partnership incurred approximately \$21.1 million in costs to repair the FCCU for the year ended December 31, 2013. These costs are included in direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

(21) Subsequent Events***Dividend***

On February 18, 2015, the board of directors of the Company declared a cash dividend for the fourth quarter of 2014 to the Company's stockholders of \$0.50 per share, or \$43.4 million in aggregate. The dividend will be paid on March 9, 2015 to stockholders of record at the close of business on March 2, 2015. IEP will receive \$35.6 million in respect of its 82% ownership interest in the Company's shares.

Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership Distribution

On February 18, 2015, the board of directors of the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's general partner declared a cash distribution for the fourth quarter of 2014 to the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership's unitholders of \$0.41 per unit, or \$30.0 million in aggregate. The cash distribution will be paid on March 9, 2015 to unitholders of record at the close of business on March 2, 2015. The Company will receive \$16.0 million in respect of its Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership common units.

Refining Partnership Distribution

On February 18, 2015, the board of directors of the Refining Partnership's general partner declared a cash distribution for the fourth quarter of 2014 to the Refining Partnership's unitholders of \$0.37 per common unit, or \$54.6 million in aggregate. The cash distribution will be paid on March 9, 2015 to unitholders of record at the close of business on March 2, 2015. The Company will receive \$36.0 million in respect of its Refining Partnership common units.

Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

None.

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures. As of December 31, 2014, we have evaluated, under the direction of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e). There are inherent limitations to the effectiveness of any system of disclosure controls and procedures, including the possibility of human error and the circumvention or overriding of the controls and procedures. Accordingly, even effective disclosure controls and procedures can only provide reasonable assurance of achieving their control objectives. Based upon and as of the date of that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Management's Report On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(f). Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate. Under the supervision and with the participation of management, the Company conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of its internal control over financial reporting based on the framework in the 2013 *Internal Control — Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission ("COSO"). Based on that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2014. Our independent registered public accounting firm, that audited the consolidated financial statements included herein under Item 8, has issued a report on the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting. This report can be found under Item 8.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. There has been no change in our internal control over financial reporting required by Rule 13a-15 of the Exchange Act that occurred during the fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2014 that has materially affected or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

Item 9B. Other Information

None.

PART III

Item 10. *Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance*

Information required by this Item regarding our directors, executive officers and corporate governance will be included under the captions "Corporate Governance," "Proposal 1 — Election of Directors," "Members and Nominees of the Board," "Executive Officers," "Information Concerning Executive Officers Who are Not Directors," "Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance," and "Stockholder Proposals" contained in our proxy statement for the annual meeting of our stockholders, which will be filed with the SEC, and this information is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 11. *Executive Compensation*

Information about executive and director compensation will be included under the captions "Corporate Governance — Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation," "Proposal 1 — Election of Directors," "Director Compensation for 2014," "Compensation Discussion and Analysis," "Compensation Committee Report" and "Compensation of Executive Officers" contained in our proxy statement for the annual meeting of our stockholders, which will be filed with the SEC and this information is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 12. *Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters*

Information about security ownership of certain beneficial owners and management will be included under the captions "Compensation of Executive Officers," "Securities Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Officers and Directors" and "Equity Compensation Plans" contained in our proxy statement for the annual meeting of our stockholders, which will be filed with the SEC, and this information is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 13. *Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence*

Information about related party transactions between CVR Energy and its directors, executive officers and 5% stockholders that occurred during the year ended December 31, 2014 will be included under the captions "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions" and "Corporate Governance — Director Independence" contained in our proxy statement for the annual meeting of our stockholders, which will be filed with the SEC, and this information is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 14. *Principal Accounting Fees and Services*

Information about principal accounting fees and services will be included under the captions "Proposal 2 — Ratification of Selection of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm" and "Fees Paid to the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm" contained in our proxy statement for the annual meeting of our stockholders, which will be filed with the SEC and this information is incorporated herein by reference.

PART IV**Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules**

(a)(1) Financial Statements

See "Index to Consolidated Financial Statements" Contained in Part II, Item 8 of this Report.

(a)(2) Financial Statement Schedules

All schedules for which provision is made in the applicable accounting regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission are not required under the related instructions or are inapplicable and therefore have been omitted.

(a)(3) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Exhibit Title</u>
2.1**	Stock Purchase and Sale Agreement by and among CVR Energy, Inc., The Gary-Williams Company, Inc., GWEC Holding Company, Inc., Gary-Williams Energy Corporation and Coffeyville Resources, LLC, dated November 2, 2011 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed on December 19, 2011).
2.2**	Transaction Agreement among CVR Energy, Inc., IEP Energy LLC and each of the other Offeror Parties (as defined therein) dated as of April 18, 2012 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed on April 23, 2012).
3.1**	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of CVR Energy, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2007, filed on December 6, 2007).
3.1.1**	Certificate of Designations, Rights and Preferences setting forth the terms of the Series A Preferred Stock of CVR Energy, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed on January 17, 2012).
3.2**	Amended and Restated Bylaws of CVR Energy, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed on July 20, 2011).
4.1**	Specimen Common Stock Certificate (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1/A, File No. 333-137588, filed on June 5, 2007).
4.2**	Indenture, dated as of October 23, 2012, among CVR Refining, LLC, Coffeyville Finance Inc., the Guarantors (as defined therein) and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee and Collateral Trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed on October 29, 2012).
4.3**	Forms of 6.500% Second Lien Senior Secured Notes due 2022 (included within the Indenture filed as Exhibit 4.2).
4.4**	Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of January 23, 2013, by and among CVR Refining, LP, Icahn Enterprises Holdings L.P., CVR Refining Holdings, LLC and CVR Refining Holdings Sub, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Form 8-K filed by CVR Refining, LP on January 29, 2013 (Commission File No. 001-35781)).
10.1**	Amended and Restated ABL Credit Agreement, dated as of December 20, 2012, among Coffeyville Resources, LLC, CVR Refining, LP, CVR Refining, LLC, Coffeyville Resources Refining & Marketing, LLC, Coffeyville Resources Pipeline, LLC, Coffeyville Resources Crude Transportation, LLC, Coffeyville Resources Terminal, LLC, Wynnewood Energy Company, LLC, Wynnewood Refining Company, LLC and certain of their affiliates, the lenders from time to time party thereto, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as collateral agent and administrative agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed on December 27, 2012).
10.2**	Amended and Restated ABL Pledge and Security Agreement, dated as of December 20, 2012, among CVR Refining, LP, CVR Refining, LLC, Coffeyville Resources Refining & Marketing, LLC, Coffeyville Resources Pipeline, LLC, Coffeyville Resources Crude Transportation, LLC, Coffeyville Resources Terminal, LLC, Wynnewood Energy Company, LLC, Wynnewood Refining Company, LLC and certain of their affiliates, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as collateral agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1.2 to the Company's Form 8-K filed on December 27, 2012).

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Exhibit Title</u>
10.3**	Amended and Restated First Lien Pledge and Security Agreement, dated as of December 28, 2006, among Coffeyville Resources, LLC, CL JV Holdings, LLC, Coffeyville Pipeline, Inc., Coffeyville Refining and Marketing, Inc., Coffeyville Nitrogen Fertilizers, Inc., Coffeyville Crude Transportation, Inc., Coffeyville Terminal, Inc., Coffeyville Resources Pipeline, LLC, Coffeyville Resources Refining & Marketing, LLC, Coffeyville Resources Crude Transportation, LLC and Coffeyville Resources Terminal, LLC, as grantors, and Credit Suisse, as collateral agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1/A, File No. 333-137588, filed on February 12, 2007).
10.4**	ABL Intercreditor Agreement, dated as of February 22, 2011, among Coffeyville Resources, LLC, Coffeyville Finance Inc., Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as collateral agent for the ABL secured parties, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as collateral trustee for the secured parties in respect of the outstanding first lien obligations, and the outstanding second lien notes and certain subordinated liens, respectively, and the Guarantors (as defined therein) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1.3 to the Company's Form 8-K filed on February 28, 2011).
10.5**	First Amended and Restated Collateral Trust and Intercreditor Agreement, dated as of April 6, 2010, among Coffeyville Resources, LLC, Coffeyville Finance Inc., the other grantors from time to time party thereto, Credit Suisse AG, Cayman Islands Branch, as administrative agent, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as indenture agent, J. Aron & Company, as hedging counterparty, each additional first lien representative and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as collateral trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.33 to the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011, filed on February 29, 2012).
10.6**	Omnibus Amendment Agreement and Consent under the Intercreditor Agreement, dated as of April 6, 2010, by and among Coffeyville Resources, LLC, Coffeyville Finance Inc., Coffeyville Pipeline, Inc., Coffeyville Refining & Marketing, Inc., Coffeyville Nitrogen Fertilizers, Inc., Coffeyville Crude Transportation, Inc., Coffeyville Terminal, Inc., CL JV Holdings, LLC, and certain subsidiaries of the foregoing as Guarantors, the Requisite Lenders, Credit Suisse AG, Cayman Islands Branch, as Administrative Agent, Collateral Agent and Revolving Issuing Bank, J. Aron & Company, as a hedge counterparty and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Collateral Trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1.4 to the Company's Form 8-K filed on April 12, 2010).
10.7**	Credit and Guaranty Agreement, dated as of April 13, 2011, among Coffeyville Resources Nitrogen Fertilizers, LLC, CVR Partners, LP, the lenders party thereto and Goldman Sachs Lending Partners LLC, as administrative agent and collateral agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.8 to the Company's Form 8-K filed on May 23, 2011).
10.8†**	License Agreement For Use of the Texaco Gasification Process, Texaco Hydrogen Generation Process, and Texaco Gasification Power Systems, dated as of May 30, 1997 by and between GE Energy (USA), LLC (as successor in interest to Texaco Development Corporation) and Coffeyville Resources Nitrogen Fertilizers, LLC (as successor in interest to Farmland Industries, Inc.), as amended (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1/A, File No. 333-137588, filed on April 18, 2007).
10.9†**	Amended and Restated On-Site Product Supply Agreement dated as of June 1, 2005, by and between The BOC Group, Inc. (n/k/a Linde LLC) and Coffeyville Resources Nitrogen Fertilizers, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1/A, File No. 333-137588, filed on April 18, 2007).
10.9.1**	First Amendment to Amended and Restated On-Site Product Supply Agreement, dated as of October 31, 2008, by and between Coffeyville Resources Nitrogen Fertilizers, LLC and Linde, Inc. (n/k/a Linde LLC) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2008, filed on November 13, 2008).
10.10†**	Amended and Restated Crude Oil Supply Agreement, dated August 31, 2012, by and between Vitol Inc. and Coffeyville Resources Refining & Marketing, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2012, filed on November 6, 2012).
10.11†**	Pipeline Construction, Operation and Transportation Commitment Agreement, dated February 11, 2004, as amended, by and between Plains Pipeline, L.P. and Coffeyville Resources Refining & Marketing, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.14 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1/A, File No. 333-137588, filed on April 18, 2007).
10.12**	Amended and Restated Electric Services Agreement dated as of August 1, 2010, by and between Coffeyville Resources Nitrogen Fertilizers, LLC and the City of Coffeyville, Kansas (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed on August 25, 2010).
10.13***++	Fourth Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of December 19, 2013, by and between CVR Energy, Inc. and John J. Lipinski (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.13 to the Company's Form 10-K filed on February 26, 2014).

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Exhibit Title</u>
10.13.1*++	Amendment to Fourth Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of March 17, 2014, by and between CVR Energy, Inc. and John J. Lipinski.
10.14***++	Third Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of July 27, 2012, by and between CVR Energy, Inc. and Susan M. Ball (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2012, filed on November 6, 2012).
10.14.1***++	Amendment Number 1 to Third Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of December 31, 2013, by and between CVR Energy, Inc. and Susan M. Ball (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.14.1 to the Company's Form 10-K filed on February 26, 2014).
10.15***++	Letter Agreement, dated November 29, 2013, by and between CVR Energy, Inc. and Stanley A. Riemann (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.15.1 to the Company's Form 10-K filed on February 26, 2014).
10.16***++	Third Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of January 1, 2011, by and between CVR Energy, Inc. and Edmund S. Gross (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2011, filed on May 10, 2011).
10.16.1***++	Amendment Number 1 to Third Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of December 31, 2013, by and between CVR Energy, Inc. and Edmund S. Gross (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.16.1 to the Company's Form 10-K filed on February 26, 2014).
10.17*++	Letter Agreement, dated as of December 19, 2014, by and between CVR Energy, Inc. and Edmund S. Gross.
10.18***++	Third Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of January 1, 2011, by and between CVR Energy, Inc. and Robert W. Haugen (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Company's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2011, filed on May 10, 2011).
10.18.1***++	Amendment Number 1 to Third Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of December 31, 2013, by and between CVR Energy, Inc. and Robert W. Haugen (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.17.1 to the Company's Form 10-K filed on February 26, 2014).
10.18.2*++	Amendment Number 2 to Third Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of December 18, 2013, by and between CVR Energy, Inc. and Robert W. Haugen.
10.19*++	Employment Agreement, dated as of December 1, 2014, by and between CVR Energy, Inc. and Martin J. Power.
10.20**	Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of CVR Partners, LP, dated April 13, 2011 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.7 to the Company's Form 8-K/A filed on May 23, 2011).
10.21**	Amended and Restated Contribution, Conveyance and Assumption Agreement, dated as of April 7, 2011, among Coffeyville Resources, LLC, CVR GP, LLC, Coffeyville Acquisition III LLC, CVR Special GP, LLC and CVR Partners, LP (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 8-K/A filed on May 23, 2011).
10.22**	Environmental Agreement, dated as of October 25, 2007, by and between Coffeyville Resources Refining & Marketing, LLC and Coffeyville Resources Nitrogen Fertilizers, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.7 to the Company's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2007, filed on December 6, 2007).
10.22.1**	Supplement to Environmental Agreement, dated as of February 15, 2008, by and between Coffeyville Resources Refining and Marketing, LLC and Coffeyville Resources Nitrogen Fertilizers, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.17.1 to the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007, filed on March 28, 2008).
10.22.2**	Second Supplement to Environmental Agreement, dated as of July 23, 2008, by and between Coffeyville Resources Refining and Marketing, LLC and Coffeyville Resources Nitrogen Fertilizers, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2008, filed on August 14, 2008).
10.23**	Amended and Restated Feedstock and Shared Services Agreement, dated as of April 13, 2011, by and between Coffeyville Resources Refining & Marketing, LLC and Coffeyville Resources Nitrogen Fertilizers, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Form 8-K/A filed on May 23, 2011).

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Exhibit Title</u>
10.23.1**	Amendment to Amended and Restated Feedstock and Shared Services Agreement, dated as of December 30, 2013, by and between Coffeyville Resources Refining & Marketing, LLC and Coffeyville Resources Nitrogen Fertilizers, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.21.1 to the Company's Form 10-K filed on February 26, 2014).
10.24**	Raw Water and Facilities Sharing Agreement, dated as of October 25, 2007, by and between Coffeyville Resources Refining & Marketing, LLC and Coffeyville Resources Nitrogen Fertilizers, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.9 to the Company's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2007, filed on December 6, 2007).
10.25**	Second Amended and Restated Services Agreement, dated as of May 4, 2012, among CVR Partners, LP, CVR GP, LLC and CVR Energy, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Form 10-Q filed on August 2, 2012).
10.25.1**	Amendment to Second Amended and Restated Services Agreement, dated as of February 17, 2014, among CVR Partners, LP, CVR GP, LLC and CVR Energy, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 10-Q filed on May 2, 2014).
10.26**	Amended and Restated Omnibus Agreement, dated as of April 13, 2011, among CVR Energy, Inc., CVR GP, LLC and CVR Partners, LP (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Form 8-K/A filed on May 23, 2011).
10.27**	Amended and Restated Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of April 13, 2011, among CVR Partners, LP and Coffeyville Resources, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 to the Company's Form 8-K/A filed by on May 23, 2011).
10.28**	Coke Supply Agreement, dated as of October 25, 2007, by and between Coffeyville Resources Refining & Marketing, LLC and Coffeyville Resources Nitrogen Fertilizers, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Company's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2007, filed on December 6, 2007).
10.29**	Amended and Restated Cross-Easement Agreement, dated as of April 13, 2011, by and between Coffeyville Resources Refining & Marketing, LLC and Coffeyville Resources Nitrogen Fertilizers, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Company's Form 8-K/A filed on May 23, 2011).
10.30**	GP Services Agreement, dated as of November 29, 2011, by and between CVR Partners, LP, CVR GP, LLC and CVR Energy, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.22 to the Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011, filed by CVR Partners, LP on February 24, 2012 (Commission File No. 001-35120)).
10.30.1**	Amendment to GP Services Agreement, dated as of June 27, 2014, by and between CVR Partners, LP, CVR GP, LLC and CVR Energy, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 10-Q filed on August 1, 2014).
10.31**	Trademark License Agreement, dated as of April 13, 2011, by and between CVR Energy, Inc. and CVR Partners, LP (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.9 to the Company's Form 8-K/A filed on May 23, 2011).
10.32**	Lease and Operating Agreement, dated as of May 4, 2012, by and between Coffeyville Resources Terminal, LLC and Coffeyville Resources Nitrogen Fertilizers, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Form 10-Q filed on August 2, 2012).
10.33**	Form of Indemnification Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.49 to the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, filed on March 13, 2009).
10.34**++	Amended and Restated CVR Energy, Inc. 2007 Long Term Incentive Plan, dated as of December 26, 2013 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.32 to the Company's Form 10-K filed on February 26, 2014).
10.34.1**++	Form of Nonqualified Stock Option Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.33.1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1/A, File No. 333-137588, filed on June 5, 2007).
10.34.2**++	Form of Director Stock Option Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.33.2 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1/A, File No. 333-137588, filed on June 5, 2007).
10.34.3**++	Form of Director Restricted Stock Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.28.3 to the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, filed on March 12, 2010).
10.34.4**++	Form of Restricted Stock Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed on December 23, 2011).
10.34.5**++	Form of Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed on January 4, 2013).

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Exhibit Title</u>
10.34.6**++	Form of Incentive Unit Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.32.6 to the Company's Form 10-K filed on February 26, 2014).
10.35**++	Performance Unit Agreement (Award 1 and 2), dated as of December 19, 2013, by and between CVR Energy, Inc. and John J. Lipinski (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.33 to the Company's Form 10-K filed on February 26, 2014).
10.36**++	Performance Unit Agreement (Award 3), dated as of December 19, 2013, by and between CVR Energy, Inc. and John J. Lipinski (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.34 to the Company's Form 10-K filed on February 26, 2014).
10.37*++	Incentive Unit Agreement, dated as of December 1, 2014, by and between CVR Energy, Inc. and Martin J. Power.
10.38**++	CVR Partners, LP Long-Term Incentive Plan (adopted March 16, 2011) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Form S-8 filed by CVR Partners, LP on April 12, 2011 (Commission File No. 333-173444)).
10.38.1**++	Form of CVR Partners, LP Long-Term Incentive Plan Employee Phantom Unit Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.18.4 to the Form 10-K filed by CVR Partners, LP on March 1, 2013 (Commission File No. 001-35120)).
10.38.2**++	Form of CVR Partners, LP Long-Term Incentive Plan Employee Phantom Unit Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.18.5 to the Form 10-K filed by CVR Partners, LP on March 1, 2013 (Commission File No. 001-35120)).
10.38.3*++	Form of CVR Partners, LP Long-Term Incentive Plan Employee Phantom Unit Agreement.
10.39**++	CVR Energy, Inc. Performance Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.24 to the Form 10-K filed by CVR Partners, LP on March 1, 2013 (Commission File No. 001-35120)).
10.40**++	CVR Partners, LP Performance Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.24 to the Form 10-K filed by CVR Partners, LP on March 1, 2013 (Commission File No. 001-35120)).
10.41**	Third Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of CVR GP, LLC, dated April 13, 2011 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.4 to the Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011 filed by CVR Partners, LP on February 24, 2012 (Commission File No. 001-35120)).
10.42**	First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of CVR Refining, LP, dated as of January 23, 2013 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Form 8-K filed by CVR Refining, LP on January 29, 2013 (Commission File No. 001-35781)).
10.43**	Contribution Agreement, dated December 31, 2012, by and among CVR Refining, LP, CVR Refining Holdings, LLC and CVR Refining Holdings Sub, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Form S-1/A filed by CVR Refining, LP on January 8, 2013 (Commission File No. 333-184200)).
10.44**++	CVR Refining, LP Long-Term Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Partnership's Form 8-K filed on January 23, 2013 (Commission File No. 001-35781)).
10.44.1**++	Form of CVR Refining, LP Long-Term Incentive Plan Employee Phantom Unit Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.41.1 to the Company's Form 10-K filed on February 26, 2014).
10.44.2*++	Form of CVR Refining, LP Long-Term Incentive Plan Employee Phantom Unit Agreement.
10.45**	Services Agreement, dated December 31, 2012, by and among CVR Refining, LP, CVR Refining GP, LLC and CVR Energy, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Form 8-K filed by CVR Refining, LP on January 29, 2013 (Commission File No. 001-35781)).
10.45.1**	Amendment to Services Agreement, dated as of February 17, 2014, by and among CVR Refining, LP, CVR Refining GP, LLC and CVR Energy, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Form 10-Q filed on May 2, 2014).
10.45.2**	Second Amendment to Services Agreement, dated as of June 27, 2014, by and among CVR Refining, LP, CVR Refining GP, LLC and CVR Energy, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Form 10-Q filed on August 1, 2014).
10.46**	Trademark License Agreement, dated as of January 23, 2013, by and among CVR Refining, LP and CVR Energy, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Form 8-K filed by CVR Refining, LP on January 29, 2013 (Commission File No. 001-35781)).

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Exhibit Title</u>
10.47**	Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Agreement, dated as of January 23, 2013, by and among CVR Refining, LLC and Coffeyville Resources, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the Form 8-K filed by CVR Refining, LP on January 29, 2013 (Commission File No. 001-35781)).
10.47.1**	First Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of October 29, 2014, by and among CVR Refining, LLC and Coffeyville Resources, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed October 30, 2014).
10.48**	Reorganization Agreement, dated as of January 16, 2013, by and among CVR Refining, LP, CVR Refining GP, LLC, CVR Refining Holdings, LLC and CVR Refining Holdings Sub, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Form 8-K filed by CVR Refining, LP on January 23, 2013 (Commission File No. 001-35781)).
21.1**	List of Subsidiaries of CVR Energy, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 21.1 to the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, filed on March 14, 2013)
23.1*	Consent of Grant Thornton LLP.
23.2*	Consent of KPMG LLP.
31.1*	Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of Chief Executive Officer and President.
31.2*	Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.
32.1*	Section 1350 Certification of Chief Executive Officer and President and Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.
101*	The following financial information for CVR Energy, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, formatted in XBRL ("Extensible Business Reporting Language") includes: (1) Consolidated Balance Sheets, (2) Consolidated Statements of Operations, (3) Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income, (4) Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity, (5) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows and (6) the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, tagged in detail.

* Filed herewith.

** Previously filed.

† Certain portions of this exhibit have been omitted and separately filed with the SEC pursuant to a request for confidential treatment which has been granted by the SEC.

++ Denotes management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

PLEASE NOTE: Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the SEC, we may file or incorporate by reference agreements as exhibits to the reports that we file with or furnish to the SEC. The agreements are filed to provide investors with information regarding their respective terms. The agreements are not intended to provide any other factual information about the Company or its business or operations. In particular, the assertions embodied in any representations, warranties and covenants contained in the agreements may be subject to qualifications with respect to knowledge and materiality different from those applicable to investors and may be qualified by information in confidential disclosure schedules not included with the exhibits. These disclosure schedules may contain information that modifies, qualifies and creates exceptions to the representations, warranties and covenants set forth in the agreements. Moreover, certain representations, warranties and covenants in the agreements may have been used for the purpose of allocating risk between the parties, rather than establishing matters as facts. In addition, information concerning the subject matter of the representations, warranties and covenants may have changed after the date of the respective agreement, which subsequent information may or may not be fully reflected in the Company's public disclosures. Accordingly, investors should not rely on the representations, warranties and covenants in the agreements as characterizations of the actual state of facts about the Company or its business or operations on the date hereof.

AMENDMENT TO
FOURTH AMENDED AND RESTATED
EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This AMENDMENT TO FOURTH AMENDED AND RESTATED EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT (this "Amendment") is made and entered into as of March 17, 2014, by and between **CVR ENERGY, INC.**, a Delaware corporation (the "Company") and **JOHN J. LIPINSKI** (the "Executive").

The Company and the Executive are parties to a Fourth Amended and Restated Employment Agreement dated as of December 19, 2013 (the "Employment Agreement"). The parties hereto desire to amend the Employment Agreement as provided herein.

1. Exclusivity. The last sentence of Section 1.3 of the Employment Agreement is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

"The provisions of this Section 1.3 shall not be construed to prevent Executive from: (i) investing Executive's personal, private assets as a passive investor in such form or manner as will not require any active services on the part of Executive in the management or operation of the affairs of the companies, partnerships, or other business entities in which any such passive investments are made; (ii) serving on the board of directors of one or more companies, provided such service does not conflict with the Executive's duties and obligations to the Company and such service is approved by the chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company; or (iii) serving on the board of directors for Thumbs Up Enterprises Limited and its affiliated companies."

2. Ratify Agreement. Except as expressly amended hereby, the Agreement will remain unamended and in full force and effect in accordance with its terms. The amendments provided herein will be limited precisely as drafted and will not constitute an amendment of any other term, condition or provision of the Agreement.

3. Cross References. References in the Agreement to "Agreement", "hereof", "herein", and words of similar import are deemed to be a reference to the Agreement as amended by this Amendment.

4. Counterparts. This Amendment may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which will be deemed to be an original and all of which constitute one agreement that is binding upon each of the parties, notwithstanding that all parties are not signatories to the same counterpart.

[signature page follows]

The parties have executed this Amendment as of the date first written above.

CVR ENERGY, INC.

By: /s/ Stanley A. Riemann

Name: Stanley A. Riemann
Title: Chief Operating Officer

/s/ John J. Lipinski

John J. Lipinski

[Signature Page for Amendment to Fourth Amended and Restated Employment Agreement]

EXECUTION COPY

CVR Energy, Inc.

December 19, 2014

Mr. Edmund S. Gross
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Kansas City, Kansas 66103

Dear Ned,

This letter agreement (the "Letter Agreement") is intended to set forth our mutual understandings regarding certain consulting services that you have agreed to provide to CVR Energy, Inc. (the "Company"). Any capitalized term used but not defined in this Letter Agreement shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Third Amended and Restated Employment Agreement by and between you and the Company, dated as of January 1, 2011, as amended (the "Employment Agreement").

The Term of the Employment Agreement and your employment with the Company will expire on December 31, 2014. The Company desires to obtain, and you desire to provide, certain consulting services involving the transition of management of all continuing or pending litigation, administrative or regulatory proceedings involving the Company or its subsidiaries to the incoming General Counsel of the Company, as may be reasonably requested from time to time by the Company, and specifically in the areas described on Exhibit A (the "Services") from January 1, 2015 until June 30, 2015 (the "Consulting Period"), on the terms set forth in this Letter Agreement. In consideration of the Services, you shall be paid an aggregate amount of \$350,000 (the "Fee Amount"), plus any commercially reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in performing the Services, subject to the presentation of documentation and in accordance with the expense reimbursement policy of the Company. The Fee Amount and any expense reimbursement, shall be payable in monthly installments in arrears. In addition to the Fee Amount you will be paid the following:

- (a) Your Annual Bonus earned but unpaid for the entire calendar year 2014 pursuant to your Employment Agreement; it being understood and agreed that such Annual Bonus amount shall be based on a target bonus of one hundred percent (100%) pursuant to the Company's 2014 Performance Incentive Plan ("PIP") without any discounts or deductions for any reason whatsoever other than such discounts or deductions that may be uniformly applied to employees with whom you are similarly situated as of the date of this Letter Agreement (such Annual Bonus shall be referred to hereinafter as the "Annual Bonus") and such Annual Bonus shall be paid to you at the same time in the first quarter of 2015 as it is paid to the other PIP participants even though you will not be an employee on such 2014 PIP payment date;
- (b) Any unused PTO and any unreimbursed expenses pursuant to the Employment Agreement ("Unused PTO and Expenses") payable to you no later than January 31, 2015.

As of January 1, 2015, other than (i) the Fee Amount and any expenses payable pursuant to this Letter Agreement, (ii) your Annual Bonus as described in subparagraph (a) above and (iii) your Unused PTO

and Expenses, you shall not be entitled to any direct or indirect compensation or other benefits of any kind whatsoever and any unvested direct or indirect compensation and benefits outstanding as of January 1, 2015 will be forfeited; provided, however, it is understood and agreed that the payments due and owing to you and described on the attached Exhibit B will be made in December 2014.

The Consulting Period shall expire on June 30, 2015 unless previously terminated by the Company by written notice. In the event of early termination by the Company, you shall be entitled to receive any amount of unpaid Fee Amount, payable in monthly installments in arrears on the same timeline originally contemplated, unless such termination is on account of your failure to provide the Services, in which case you shall forfeit the remaining amount of unpaid Fee Amount. You and the Company acknowledge the Services are in lieu of any duty of yours to provide cooperation in accordance with Section 3.5 of the Employment Agreement.

In order to assist you during the Consulting Period, you may retain your company supplied laptop computer and you will continue to have access to the Company computer network, including your company email account. In addition, the Company agrees to provide whatever assistance and consents that are required in order for you to port or transfer your cell phone number to your own personal account.

During the Consulting Period, the Company shall indemnify you, pursuant to paragraph (b) of Article VI, Section 1 of the Company's amended and restated by-laws (the "Bylaws"), in the manner and to the same extent that it indemnifies officers of the Company under paragraph (a) of Article VI, Section of the Bylaws. In addition, that Indemnification Agreement between you and the Company dated January 1, 2009, shall remain in full force and effect during the Consulting Period.

You shall operate at all times during the Consulting Period as an independent contractor of the Company. This Letter Agreement does not authorize you to act for the Company as its agent or to make commitments on behalf of the Company. The Company shall not withhold for, and you shall be responsible for the payment and reporting of, any and all taxes with respect to the Fee Amount, including, without limitation, federal, state and local income taxes, social security and medicare taxes, unemployment insurance taxes and any other taxes. You shall not be entitled to any benefits available to employees of the Company, including, without limitation, under the Company's health, life, disability, or worker's compensation insurance plans and policies, other than any right you may have to elect continuation coverage under the Company's health plans under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) to the extent required by COBRA.

The Company would also like to remind you of your continuing obligations under Section 4 of the Employment Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect for the periods set forth therein. From and after January 1, 2015, this Letter Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties hereto, and supersedes all prior representations, agreements and understandings (including any prior course of dealings), both written and oral, between the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof.

[signature page follows]

Sincerely,

/s/ John J. Lipinski

John J. Lipinski

ACCEPTED AND AGREED AS OF
THE DATE FIRST WRITTEN ABOVE

/s/ Edmund S. Gross
Edmund S. Gross

**Amendment Number 2 to the
Third Amended and Restated Employment Agreement**

This AMENDMENT to the Third Amended and Restated Employment Agreement by and between CVR Energy, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and Robert W. Haugen (the "Executive" and, together with the Company, the "Parties") dated as of January 1, 2011, as amended December 31, 2013 (the "Employment Agreement"), is entered into by and between the Parties as of December 18, 2014 (the "Amendment").

WHEREAS, the Executive is currently employed by the Company pursuant to the terms of the Employment Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to amend the Employment Agreement to extend the Term (as defined below).

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and representations contained in the Employment Agreement, the Parties agree as follows:

1. Section 1.1. Term. Section 1.1 of the Employment Agreement shall be amended to read in its entirety as follows:

Term. The Company agrees to employ the Executive, and the Executive agrees to be employed by the Company, in each case pursuant to this Employment Agreement, for a period commencing on January 1, 2011 (the "Commencement Date") and ending on the earlier of (i) December 31, 2017 and (ii) the termination or resignation of the Executive's employment in accordance with Section 3 hereof (the "Term").

2. Except as expressly modified by this Amendment, the terms and conditions of the Employment Agreement remain in effect.

[signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Amendment on the date first written above.

CVR ENERGY, INC.

/s/ Robert W. Haugen
ROBERT W. HAUGEN

By: /s/ John J. Lipinski
Name: John J. Lipinski
Title: Chief Executive Officer and President

[Signature Page to Employment Agreement Amendment]

EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT, dated as of December 1, 2014 (the "Employment Agreement"), by and between **CVR Energy, Inc.**, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and Martin J. Power (the "Executive"). The Company desires to employ Executive on the terms described in this Employment Agreement.

In consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and other valid consideration the sufficiency of which is acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

Section 1. Employment.

1.1. Term. The Company agrees to employ the Executive, and the Executive agrees to be employed by the Company, in each case pursuant to this Employment Agreement, for a period commencing on December 1, 2014 (the "Commencement Date") and ending on the earlier of (i) December 31, 2017 and (ii) the termination or resignation of the Executive's employment in accordance with Section 3 hereof (the "Term"); provided, however, the Term may be extended by mutual agreement of the parties.

1.2. Duties. During the Term, the Executive shall serve as Chief Commercial Officer of the Company and such other or additional positions as an officer or director of the Company, and of such direct or indirect affiliates of the Company ("Affiliates"), as specified and directed by the board of directors of the Company (the "Board"), the Chief Executive Officer of the Company or any of their respective designees. In such position, the Executive shall perform such duties, functions and responsibilities during the Term, as are specified from time to time by, and shall serve in such capacities at the pleasure of, the Company and the Board, subject to the terms hereof.

1.3. Exclusivity. During the Term, the Executive shall devote all of his professional time and attention, exclusively on a full time basis, to the business and affairs of the Company and its Affiliates, shall, to the best of his abilities, faithfully serve the Company and its Affiliates, and shall in all material respects conform to and comply with the lawful and reasonable directions and instructions given to Executive by the Board, or its designee, consistent with Section 1.2 hereof. During the Term, the Executive shall use Executive's best efforts to advance, promote and serve the interests of the Company and its Affiliates, shall comply with all of the policies of the Company and its Affiliates (including, without limitation, such policies with respect to legal compliance, conflicts of interest, confidentiality and business ethics, as are from time to time in effect), and shall not engage in any other business activity, whether or not such activity shall be engaged in for pecuniary profit other than the Executive's participation as a director or officer of Power House Investors, Inc., as a director of the Houston Youth Rugby Association, and as a member of the board of trustees of Nichols College and such other board positions or charitable activities as may be approved in advance in writing from time to time by the Board, in each case, to the extent such outside activities do not materially detract from the ability of the Executive to devote all of his professional time and attention to his duties described in this Agreement. During the Term, the Executive shall not, without the prior written consent of the Board, directly or indirectly render services to, or otherwise act in a business or professional capacity on behalf of or for the benefit

of, any other Person (as defined below) as an employee, advisor, member of a board or similar governing body, independent contractor, agent, consultant, representative or otherwise, whether or not compensated.

Section 2. Compensation.

2.1. Salary. As compensation for the performance of the Executive's services hereunder, during the Term, the Company shall pay to the Executive a salary at an annual rate of \$325,000 which annual salary shall be prorated for any partial year at the beginning or end of the Term and shall accrue and be payable in accordance with the Company's standard payroll policies, as such salary may be adjusted upward (but not downward) by the Compensation Committee of the Board in its sole and absolute discretion (as adjusted, the "Base Salary").

2.2. Annual Bonus. For each completed fiscal year occurring during the Term, the Executive shall be eligible to receive an annual cash bonus (the "Annual Bonus") with a target award equal to 100% of the Executive's Base Salary. The Annual Bonus will be subject to all of the terms and conditions of the applicable bonus plan. For fiscal year 2014, the target Annual Bonus shall be pro-rated for the portion of the year that the Executive served as the Company's Chief Commercial Officer. The actual Annual Bonus payouts will be based on achievement of the individual and/or Company performance criteria established for the applicable fiscal year by the Compensation Committee (or such other duly authorized committee thereof) of the Board (the "Compensation Committee") in its sole and absolute discretion. The Annual Bonus (or any pro-rated portion thereof), if any, payable to Executive for a fiscal year will be paid by the Company to the Executive in the immediately succeeding fiscal year only after the completion of the audit of the Company's consolidated financial statements and filing of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K with respect to such fiscal year and, only after the Compensation Committee, in its sole and absolute discretion, has approved the final achievement level and payout; provided, however, that if the Annual Bonus is payable pursuant to a plan that is intended to provide for the payment of bonuses that constitute "performance-based compensation" within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Code, the Annual Bonus shall be paid at such time as is provided in the applicable plan. The Executive must be actively employed on the day of payout to be eligible for an Annual Bonus payment, except with respect to the Annual Bonus for (i) 2017, in which case the Executive must only be actively employed through December 31, 2017 and (ii) 2018 and thereafter, if applicable, in which case the Executive must only be actively employed through the last day of the fiscal year in which the Annual Bonus was earned.

2.3. Long Term Incentive Programs. Effective during 2015 and thereafter during the Term, the Executive shall be eligible to participate in such long-term incentive programs of the Company as in effect from time to time ("LTIPs") on the same basis as other senior executives of the Company and subject to the terms and conditions of any such plans and programs. The target payout of the Executive's annual award under any such LTIP shall be equal to two hundred percent (200%) of Executive's Base Salary, except that the target payout solely with respect to the Executive's first annual award provided hereunder shall be equal to two hundred percent (200%) of Executive's Base Salary multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is thirteen (13), and the denominator of which is twelve (12).

2.4. Employee Benefits. During the Term, the Executive shall be eligible to participate in such employee benefit plans and programs of the Company as in effect from time to time on the same basis as other senior executives of the Company and subject to the terms and conditions of any such plans and programs.

2.5. Paid Time Off. During the Term, the Executive shall be entitled to 25 days of paid time off (“PTO”) each year.

2.6. Business Expenses. The Company shall pay or reimburse the Executive for all commercially reasonable business out-of-pocket expenses that the Executive incurs during the Term in performing Executive’s duties under this Employment Agreement upon presentation of documentation and in accordance with the expense reimbursement policy of the Company as approved by the Board and in effect from time to time. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary or otherwise, except to the extent any expense or reimbursement described in this Employment Agreement does not constitute a “deferral of compensation” within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code and the Treasury regulations and other guidance issued thereunder, any expense or reimbursement described in this Employment Agreement shall meet the following requirements: (i) the amount of expenses eligible for reimbursement provided to the Executive during any calendar year will not affect the amount of expenses eligible for reimbursement to the Executive in any other calendar year; (ii) the reimbursements for expenses for which the Executive is entitled to be reimbursed shall be made on or before the last day of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the applicable expense is incurred; (iii) the right to payment or reimbursement or in-kind benefits hereunder may not be liquidated or exchanged for any other benefit; and (iv) the reimbursements shall be made pursuant to objectively determinable and nondiscretionary Company policies and procedures regarding such reimbursement of expenses.

2.7. Incentive Unit Award. On the Commencement Date, the Executive and the Company shall enter into an Incentive Unit Agreement in substantially the form attached hereto as Appendix A, pursuant to which the Company shall grant to the Executive the “Incentive Units” specified therein.

Section 3. Employment Termination.

3.1. Termination of Employment. The Company may terminate the Executive’s employment for any reason during the Term, and the Executive may voluntarily resign Executive’s employment for any reason during the Term, in each case (other than a termination by the Company for Cause) at any time upon not less than thirty (30) days’ notice to the other party. Upon the termination or resignation of the Executive’s employment with the Company for any reason (whether during the Term or thereafter), the Executive shall be entitled to any Base Salary earned but unpaid through the date of termination or resignation, any earned but unpaid Annual Bonus for completed fiscal years, any unused accrued PTO, any unreimbursed expenses in accordance with Section 2.5 hereof and any accrued and vested rights or benefits under any Company sponsored employee benefits plans payable in accordance with the terms and conditions of such plans (collectively, the “Accrued Amounts”).

3.2. Certain Terminations.

(a) Termination by the Company Other Than For Cause or Disability; Resignation by the Executive for Good Reason. If during the Term (i) the Executive's employment is terminated by the Company other than (x) for Cause or (y) due to the Executive's death or Disability or (ii) the Executive resigns for Good Reason, then in addition to the Accrued Amounts, the Executive shall be entitled to (a) the continuation of Executive's Base Salary in accordance with the Company's standard payroll policies (such continuation payments, the "Severance Payments") at the rate in effect immediately prior to the date of termination or resignation (or, in the case of a resignation for Good Reason, at the rate in effect immediately prior to the occurrence of the event constituting Good Reason, if greater) for the lesser of (A) six (6) months and (B) the remainder of the Term (as applicable, the "Severance Period"), (b) a pro-rata Annual Bonus ("Pro-Rata Bonus") for the fiscal year of termination based on achievement of the individual and/or corporate performance criteria established for such fiscal year by the Compensation Committee (in its sole and absolute discretion) and determined by multiplying the amount of the Annual Bonus which would be due for the full fiscal year by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of completed months during the fiscal year of termination that Executive is employed by the Company and the denominator of which is 12, which amount, if any, shall be payable by the Company to the Executive in the immediately succeeding fiscal year only after the completion of the audit of the Company's consolidated financial statements and filing of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K with respect to such fiscal year of termination and, only after the Compensation Committee, in its sole and absolute discretion, has approved the final achievement level and payout, and (c) subject to Executive's timely election, and the availability, of continuation coverage under Part 6 of Title I of the Employment Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (as amended) and Section 4980B of the Code ("COBRA"), and further subject to the Executive paying 100% of all premiums and other costs related to such continuation coverage, the continuation of such coverage under COBRA under the applicable Company group health plans as in effect from time to time for the applicable coverage continuation period under COBRA. The Company's obligations to make the Severance Payments and the Pro-Rata Bonus shall be conditioned upon: (i) the Executive's continued compliance with Executive's obligations under Section 4 of this Employment Agreement and (ii) the Executive's execution, delivery and non-revocation of a valid and enforceable release of claims arising in connection with the Executive's employment and termination or resignation of employment with the Company (the "Release") that becomes effective not later than sixty (60) days after the date of such termination or resignation of employment. The Company shall provide the form of the Release to the Executive within five (5) days following the date of the Executive's termination or resignation of employment. In the event that the Executive breaches any of the covenants set forth in Section 4 of this Employment Agreement, the Executive will immediately return to the Company any portion of the Severance Payments and the Pro-Rata Bonus that has been paid to the Executive pursuant to this Section 3.2(a). Subject to the foregoing and Section 3.2(b), the Severance Payments will commence to be paid to the Executive on the sixtieth (60th) day following the Executive's termination of employment, and such first payment shall include payment of any amounts that would otherwise be due prior thereto.

(b) Section 409A. To the extent applicable, this Employment Agreement shall be interpreted, construed and operated in accordance with Section 409A of the

Code and the Treasury regulations and other guidance issued thereunder. If on the date of the Executive's separation from service (as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(h)) with the Company the Executive is a specified employee (as defined in Code Section 409A and Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(i)), no payment constituting the "deferral of compensation" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(b) and after application of the exemptions provided in Treasury Regulation §§1.409A-1(b)(4) and 1.409A-1(b)(9)(iii) shall be made to the Executive at any time prior to the earlier of (a) the expiration of the six (6) month period following the Executive's separation from service, and (b) the Executive's death, and any such amounts deferred during such period shall instead be paid in a lump sum to the Executive (or, if applicable, the Executive's estate) on the first payroll payment date following expiration of such six (6) month period or, if applicable, the Executive's death. For purposes of conforming this Employment Agreement to Section 409A of the Code, the parties agree that any reference to termination of employment, severance from employment, resignation from employment or similar terms shall mean and be interpreted as a "separation from service" as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(h). For purposes of applying Section 409A of the Code to this Employment Agreement (including, without limitation, for purposes of Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-2(b)(2)(iii)), each payment that the Executive may be entitled to receive under this Employment Agreement shall be treated as a separate and distinct payment and shall not collectively be treated as a single payment. Neither the Company, nor any of its Affiliates shall be obligated to pay or otherwise gross-up the Executive for any federal, state, local or foreign taxes relating to or arising with respect to any benefits, compensation or payment made under this Employment Agreement.

3.3. Exclusive Remedy. The foregoing payments upon termination or resignation of the Executive's employment shall constitute the exclusive severance payments due the Executive upon a termination or resignation of Executive's employment under this Employment Agreement.

3.4. Resignation from All Positions. Upon the termination or resignation of the Executive's employment with the Company for any reason, the Executive shall be deemed to have resigned, as of the date of such termination or resignation, from and with respect to all positions the Executive then holds as an officer, director, employee and member of the Board of Directors (and any committee thereof) of the Company and any of its Affiliates.

3.5. Cooperation. For one (1) year following the termination or resignation of the Executive's employment with the Company for any reason, the Executive agrees to reasonably cooperate with the Company upon reasonable request of the Board and to be reasonably available to the Company with respect to matters arising out of the Executive's services to the Company and its Affiliates, provided, however, such period of cooperation shall be for three (3) years, following any such termination or resignation of Executive's employment for any reason, with respect to tax matters involving the Company or any of its Affiliates. The Company shall reimburse the Executive for expenses reasonably incurred in connection with such matters and, following the expiration of the Severance Period, shall compensate Executive for time spent on such matters at an hourly rate commensurate with his Base Salary as of the date of termination assuming two thousand (2,000) working hours per year.

Section 4. Unauthorized Disclosure; Non-Competition; Non-Solicitation; Proprietary Rights.

4.1. Unauthorized Disclosure.

(c) During the Term and at all times thereafter, the Executive shall hold in a fiduciary capacity for the benefit of the Company and each of its Affiliates, all secret or confidential information, knowledge or data, including, without limitation, technical information, intellectual property, business and marketing plans, strategies, customer information and lists, software, trade secrets, sources of supplies and materials, designs, production and design techniques and methods, identity of investments, identity of contemplated investments, business opportunities, valuation models and methodologies, processes, technologies, and any other intellectual property relating to the business, or other information concerning the products, promotions, development, financing, expansion plans, business policies and practices, of the Company and each of its Affiliates, and their respective businesses, and other forms of information considered by the Company and its Affiliates to be confidential and in the nature of trade secrets (i) obtained by the Executive during the Executive's employment by the Company or any of its Affiliates, and (ii) not otherwise in the public domain (collectively, "Confidential Information").

(d) The Executive also agrees to keep confidential and not to publish, post on his own or to disclose any personal information regarding any controlling Person of the Company (or any of its Affiliates), including, without limitation, Carl C. Icahn, or any of his Affiliates and their respective employees, and any member of the immediate family of any such Person (and all such personal information shall be deemed "Confidential Information" for the purposes of this Employment Agreement). The Executive shall not, without the prior written consent of the Company (acting at the direction of the Board): (i) except to the extent compelled pursuant to the order of a court or other body having jurisdiction over such matter or based upon the advice of counsel that such disclosure is legally required, communicate or divulge any Confidential Information to anyone other than the Company and those designated by the Company; or (ii) use any Confidential Information for any purpose other than the performance of his duties pursuant to this Employment Agreement. The Executive will assist the Company or its designee, at the Company's expense, in obtaining a protective order, other appropriate remedy or other reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded any Confidential Information disclosed pursuant to the terms of this Employment Agreement. The Executive agrees not to disparage the Company, its officers and directors, Mr. Icahn, any Related Parties, or any Affiliate of any of the foregoing, in each case during and/or after the Executive's employment hereunder. Without limiting anything contained above, the Executive agrees and acknowledges that all personal and not otherwise public information about the Company and its Affiliates (including, without limitation, all information regarding Icahn Enterprises LP ("IEP"), Carl C. Icahn, Mr. Icahn's family, and employees of the Company, IEP and their respective Affiliates) shall constitute Confidential Information for purposes of this Employment Agreement.

(e) Upon termination or resignation of the Executive's employment with the Company, the Executive shall promptly supply to the Company all property, keys, notes, memoranda, writings, lists, files, reports, customer lists, correspondence, tapes, disks,

cards, surveys, maps, logs, machines, technical data and any other tangible product or document which has been produced by, received by or otherwise submitted to the Executive during or prior to the Executive's employment with the Company, and any copies thereof in Executive's (or capable of being reduced to Executive's) possession.

(f) The Executive further agrees not to write, contribute to, or assist any other person in writing or creating, a book, film, broadcast, article, blog or any other publication (whether in print, electronic or any other form) about or concerning, in whole or in part, the Company, IEP, Mr. Icahn and his family members or any of the respective Affiliates and subsidiaries of any of the foregoing (as applicable), in any media, and not to publish or cause to be published in any media, any Confidential Information, and further agrees to keep confidential and not to disclose to any third party, including, but not limited to, newspapers, authors, publicists, journalists, bloggers, gossip columnists, producers, directors, script writers, media personalities, and the like, in any and all media or communication methods, any Confidential Information. In furtherance of the foregoing, the Executive agrees that during the Term and following the termination of his employment with the Company, the sole and only disclosure or statement he will make about or concerning any or all of the Company, IEP, Mr. Icahn and his family members or any of the respective Affiliates and subsidiaries of any of the foregoing (as applicable) is to acknowledge that the Executive is or was employed by the Company (unless otherwise required by applicable law).

4.2. Non-Competition. By and in consideration of the Company's entering into this Employment Agreement and the payments to be made and benefits to be provided by the Company hereunder, and in further consideration of the Executive's exposure to the Confidential Information of the Company and its Affiliates, the Executive agrees that the Executive shall not, during the Term and for a period of six (6) months thereafter (the "Restriction Period"), directly or indirectly, own, manage, operate, join, control, be employed by, or participate in the ownership, management, operation or control of, or be connected in any manner with, including, without limitation, holding any position as a principal, agent, owner, stockholder, director, officer, consultant, advisor, independent contractor, employee, partner, or investor in, any Restricted Enterprise (as defined below), or otherwise howsoever own, operate, carry on or engage in the operation of or otherwise work for or assist the operation of, or have any financial interest in or provide, directly or indirectly, financial assistance to or lend money to or guarantee the debts or obligations of any Person carrying on or engaged in any Restricted Enterprise; provided, that in no event shall ownership of one percent (1%) or less of the outstanding securities of any class of any issuer whose securities are registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), standing alone, be prohibited by this Section 4.2, so long as the Executive does not have, or exercise, any rights to manage or operate the business of such issuer other than rights as a stockholder thereof. For purposes of this paragraph, "Restricted Enterprise" shall mean any Person that is actively engaged in any business which is either (i) in competition with the business of the Company or any of its Affiliates, or (ii) proposed to be conducted by the Company or any of its Affiliates in the Company's or its Affiliate's business plan as in effect at that time (or following the Term, the business plan as in effect as of the last day of the Term). During the Restriction Period, upon request of the Company, the Executive shall notify the Company of the Executive's then-current employment status.

4.3. Non-Solicitation of Employees. During the Term and for a period of one (1) year thereafter, the Executive shall not, directly or indirectly, contact, induce or solicit (or assist any Person to contact, induce or solicit) for employment, or otherwise interfere with, entice away or attempt to obtain or induce the withdrawal of, any person who is, or within twelve (12) months prior to the date of such solicitation was, an employee of the Company or any of its Affiliates.

4.4. Non-Solicitation of Customers/Suppliers. During the Term and for a period of one (1) year thereafter, the Executive shall not, directly or indirectly, (i) solicit, interfere with or endeavor to entice away from the Company or any of its Affiliates, any current or prospective supplier, customer, client or any Person in the habit of dealing with any of the foregoing, (ii) attempt to direct or solicit any current or prospective supplier, customer or client away from the Company or any of its Affiliates, or (iii) advise any Person not to do business with, or be employed by the Company or any of its Affiliates.

4.5. Extension of Restriction Period. The applicable restriction period shall be extended for a period of time equal to any period during which the Executive is in breach of any of Section 4.2, 4.3 or 4.4 hereof.

4.6. Proprietary Rights. Any and all inventions, processes, know-how, technologies, trade-secrets information, intellectual property, discoveries, and improvements (whether or not patentable or registrable under copyright or similar statutes), and all patentable or copyrightable works, initiated, conceived, discovered, reduced to practice, or made by Executive, either alone or in conjunction with others, during the Executive's employment with the Company and related to the business or activities of the Company or its Affiliates (whether or not on the Company's or any of its Affiliates' time or with the use of the Company's or any of its Affiliates' facilities or materials) (the "Developments") shall be the property of the Company or any of its Affiliates, as the case may be, and shall be promptly and fully disclosed by the Executive to the Company. Except to the extent any rights in any Developments constitute a work made for hire under the U.S. Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. § 101 et seq. that are owned *ab initio* by the Company and/or its Affiliates, the Executive assigns all of Executive's right, title and interest in all Developments (including all intellectual property rights therein) to the Company or its nominee without further compensation, including all rights or benefits therefor, including without limitation the right to sue and recover for past and future infringement. The Executive acknowledges that any rights in any developments constituting a work made for hire under the U.S. Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C § 101 et seq. are owned upon creation by the Company and/or its Affiliates as the Executive's employer. Whenever requested to do so by the Company, and without further compensation therefor, the Executive shall execute any and all applications, assignments or other instruments which the Company shall deem necessary to apply for and obtain trademarks, patents or copyrights of the United States or any foreign country or otherwise protect the interests of the Company and its Affiliates therein. These obligations shall continue beyond the end of the Executive's employment with the Company with respect to the Developments, and shall be binding upon the Executive's employers, assigns, executors, administrators and other legal representatives. In connection with Executive's execution of this Employment Agreement, the Executive has informed the Company in writing of any interest in any inventions or intellectual property rights that Executive holds as of the date hereof. If the Company is unable for any reason to obtain the Executive's signature on any

document needed in connection with the actions described in this Section 4.6, the Executive hereby irrevocably designates and appoints the Company, its Affiliates, and their respective duly authorized officers and agents as the Executive's agent and attorney in fact to act for and in the Executive's behalf to execute, verify and file any such documents and to do all other lawfully permitted acts to further the purposes of this Section with the same legal force and effect as if executed by the Executive.

4.7. Confidentiality of Agreement. Other than with respect to information required to be disclosed by applicable law, the parties hereto agree not to disclose the terms of this Employment Agreement to any Person; provided the Executive may disclose this Employment Agreement and/or any of its terms to the Executive's immediate family, financial advisors and attorneys. Notwithstanding anything in this Section 4.7 to the contrary, the parties hereto (and each of their respective employees, representatives, or other agents) may disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Employment Agreement, and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) related to such tax treatment and tax structure; provided that this sentence shall not permit any Person to disclose the name of, or other information that would identify, any party to such transactions or to disclose confidential commercial information regarding such transactions.

4.8. Remedies. The Executive agrees that any breach of the terms of this Section 4 would result in irreparable injury and damage to the Company and its Affiliates for which the Company and its Affiliates would have no adequate remedy at law; the Executive therefore also agrees that in the event of said breach or any threat of breach, the Company and its Affiliates shall be entitled to an immediate injunction and restraining order to prevent such breach and/or threatened breach and/or continued breach by the Executive and/or any and all Persons acting for and/or with the Executive, without having to prove damages, in addition to any other remedies to which the Company and its Affiliates may be entitled at law or in equity, including, without limitation, the obligation of the Executive to return any Severance Payments and any Pro-Rata Bonus amounts paid by the Company back to the Company. The terms of this paragraph shall not prevent the Company or its Affiliates from pursuing any other available remedies for any breach or threatened breach hereof, including, without limitation, the recovery of damages from the Executive. The Executive and the Company further agree that the provisions of the covenants contained in this Section 4 are reasonable and necessary to protect the businesses of the Company and its Affiliates because of the Executive's access to Confidential Information and Executive's material participation in the operation of such businesses.

Section 5. Representation.

The Executive acknowledges, covenants, agrees, warrants and represents that: (i) he is not a party to any contract, nor is he subject to, or bound by any commitment, restrictive covenant or agreement, order, judgment, decree, law, statute, ordinance, rule, regulation or other restriction of any kind or character, which either would or purports to, prevent or restrict him from entering into and performing his obligations under this Employment Agreement free of any limitations; (ii) he is free to enter into the arrangements contemplated herein; (iii) he is not subject to any agreement or obligation that would limit his ability to act on behalf of the Company or any of its Affiliates;

(iv) the termination of his existing employment, his entry into the employment contemplated herein and the performance of his duties in respect thereof, will not violate or conflict with any agreement or obligation to which he is subject; and (v) he has had an opportunity to consult with independent legal counsel regarding his rights and obligations under this Employment Agreement and that he fully understands the terms and conditions contained herein.

Section 6. Withholding.

All amounts paid to the Executive under this Employment Agreement during or following the Term shall be subject to withholding and other employment taxes imposed by applicable law.

Section 7. Effect of Section 280G of the Code.

7.1. Payment Reduction. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Employment Agreement to the contrary, (i) to the extent that any payment or distribution of any type to or for the benefit of the Executive by the Company, any Affiliate of the Company, any Person who acquires ownership or effective control of the Company or ownership of a substantial portion of the Company's assets (within the meaning of Section 280G of the Code and the regulations thereunder), or any Affiliate of such Person, whether paid or payable or distributed or distributable pursuant to the terms of this Employment Agreement or otherwise (the "Payments") constitutes "parachute payments" (within the meaning of Section 280G of the Code), and if (ii) such aggregate Payments would, if reduced by all federal, state and local taxes applicable thereto, including the excise tax imposed under Section 4999 of the Code (the "Excise Tax"), be less than the amount the Executive would receive, after all taxes, if the Executive received aggregate Payments equal (as valued under Section 280G of the Code) to only three times the Executive's "base amount" (within the meaning of Section 280G of the Code), less \$1.00, then (iii) such Payments shall be reduced (but not below zero) if and to the extent necessary so that no Payments to be made or benefit to be provided to the Executive shall be subject to the Excise Tax; provided, however, that, solely to the extent applicable, the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to obtain shareholder approval of the Payments provided for in this Employment Agreement in a manner intended to satisfy requirements of the "shareholder approval" exception to Section 280G of the Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder, such that payment may be made to the Executive of such Payments without the application of an Excise Tax. If the Payments are so reduced, the Company shall reduce or eliminate the Payments (x) by first reducing or eliminating the portion of the Payments which are not payable in cash (other than that portion of the Payments subject to clause (z) hereof), (y) then by reducing or eliminating cash payments (other than that portion of the Payments subject to clause (z) hereof) and (z) then by reducing or eliminating the portion of the Payments (whether payable in cash or not payable in cash) to which Treasury Regulation § 1.280G-1 Q/A 24(c) (or successor thereto) applies, in each case in reverse order beginning with payments or benefits which are to be paid the farthest in time.

7.2. Determination of Amount of Reduction (if any). The determination of whether the Payments shall be reduced as provided in Section 7.1 hereof and the amount of such reduction shall be made at the Company's expense by an accounting firm selected by the Company from among the four (4) largest accounting firms in the United States (the "Accounting Firm"). The Accounting Firm shall provide its determination (the "Determination"), together with detailed

supporting calculations and documentation, to the Company and the Executive within ten (10) days after the Executive's final day of employment. If the Accounting Firm determines that no Excise Tax is payable by the Executive with respect to the Payments, it shall furnish the Executive with an opinion reasonably acceptable to the Executive that no Excise Tax will be imposed with respect to any such payments and, absent manifest error, such Determination shall be binding, final and conclusive upon the Company and the Executive.

Section 8. Miscellaneous.

8.1. Amendments and Waivers. This Employment Agreement and any of the provisions hereof may be amended, waived (either generally or in a particular instance and either retroactively or prospectively), modified or supplemented, in whole or in part, only by written agreement signed by the parties hereto; provided, that, the observance of any provision of this Employment Agreement may be waived in writing by the party that will lose the benefit of such provision as a result of such waiver. The waiver by any party hereto of a breach of any provision of this Employment Agreement shall not operate or be construed as a further or continuing waiver of such breach or as a waiver of any other or subsequent breach, except as otherwise explicitly provided for in such waiver. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, no failure on the part of any party to exercise, and no delay in exercising, any right, power or remedy hereunder, or otherwise available in respect hereof at law or in equity, shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of such right, power or remedy by such party preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or remedy.

8.2. Indemnification. To the extent provided in the Company's Certificate of Incorporation or Bylaws, as in effect from time to time, and subject to any separate agreement (if any) between the Company and the Executive regarding indemnification, the Company shall indemnify the Executive for losses or damages incurred by the Executive as a result of causes of action arising from the Executive's performance of duties for the benefit of the Company, whether or not the claim is asserted during the Term. In addition, Executive shall participate in directors and officers insurance, if any, maintained by the Company from time to time on the same terms and conditions as other senior executives or directors of the Company.

8.3. Assignment. This Employment Agreement, and the Executive's rights and obligations hereunder, may not be assigned by the Executive, and any purported assignment by the Executive in violation hereof shall be null and void.

8.4. Payments Following Executive's Death. Any amounts payable to the Executive pursuant to this Employment Agreement that remain unpaid at the Executive's death shall be paid to the Executive's estate.

8.5. Notices. Unless otherwise provided herein, all notices, requests, demands, claims and other communications provided for under the terms of this Employment Agreement shall be in writing. Any notice, request, demand, claim or other communication hereunder shall be sent by (i) personal delivery (including receipted courier service) or overnight delivery service, (ii) facsimile during normal business hours, with confirmation of receipt, to the number indicated, (iii) reputable commercial overnight delivery service courier or (iv) registered

or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid and addressed to the intended recipient as set forth below:

If to the Company: CVR ENERGY, INC.
2277 Plaza Drive, Suite 500
Sugar Land, TX 77479
Attention: General Counsel
Facsimile: (913) 982-5651

with a copy to: Proskauer Rose LLP
Eleven Times Square
New York, NY 10036
Attention: Andrea S. Rattner, Esq.
Facsimile: (212) 969-2900

If to the Executive: Martin J. Power

At the last known principal residence address reflected in the payroll records of the Company, or to such other address as either party shall have furnished to the other in writing in accordance herewith.

All such notices, requests, consents and other communications shall be deemed to have been given when received. Any party may change its facsimile number or its address to which notices, requests, demands, claims and other communications hereunder are to be delivered by giving the other party hereto notice in the manner then set forth.

8.6. Governing Law. This Employment Agreement shall be governed and interpreted and the rights of the parties determined in accordance with the laws of the United States applicable thereto and the internal laws of the State of New York without giving effect to the conflict of laws principles thereof. Any unresolved dispute arising out of this Employment Agreement shall be litigated solely in any court of competent jurisdiction in the Borough of Manhattan in New York City; provided that the Company may elect to pursue a court action to seek injunctive relief in any court of competent jurisdiction to terminate the violation of its proprietary rights, including but not limited to trade secrets, copyrights or trademarks. Each party shall pay its own costs and fees in connection with any litigation hereunder.

8.7. Waiver of Jury Trial. THE PARTIES HERETO AGREE TO WAIVE THE RIGHT TO A TRIAL BY JURY. THIS WAIVER IS KNOWINGLY, INTENTIONALLY, AND VOLUNTARILY MADE BY EXECUTIVE, AND EXECUTIVE ACKNOWLEDGES THAT, EXCEPT FOR THE COMPANY'S AGREEMENT TO LIKEWISE WAIVE ITS RIGHTS TO A TRIAL BY JURY (WHICH THE COMPANY HEREBY MAKES), THE COMPANY HAS NOT MADE ANY REPRESENTATIONS OF FACTS TO INDUCE THIS WAIVER OF TRIAL BY JURY OR IN ANY WAY TO MODIFY OR NULLIFY ITS EFFECT. EXECUTIVE FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT HE HAS READ AND UNDERSTANDS THE MEANING AND RAMIFICATIONS OF THIS WAIVER AND AS EVIDENCE OF THIS FACT SIGNS THIS EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT BELOW.

8.8. Severability. If any paragraph or part or subpart of any paragraph in this Employment Agreement or the application thereof is construed to be overbroad and/or unenforceable, then the court making such determination shall have the authority to narrow the paragraph or part or subpart of the paragraph as necessary to make it enforceable and the paragraph

or part or subpart of the paragraph shall then be enforceable in its/their narrowed form. Moreover, each paragraph or part or subpart of each paragraph in this Employment Agreement is independent of and severable (separate) from each other. In the event that any paragraph or part or subpart of any paragraph in this Employment Agreement is determined to be legally invalid or unenforceable by a court and is not modified by a court to be enforceable, the affected paragraph or part or subpart of such paragraph shall be stricken from this Employment Agreement, and the remaining paragraphs or parts or subparts of such paragraphs of this Employment Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

8.9. Entire Agreement. From and after the Commencement Date, this Employment Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties hereto, and supersedes all prior representations, agreements and understandings, both written and oral, relating to any employment of the Executive by the Company or any of its Affiliates.

8.10. Counterparts. This Employment Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

8.11. Binding Effect. The terms of this Employment Agreement shall be binding upon the Executive, the Executive's heirs, executors, assigns, administrators and legal representatives, and shall inure to the benefit of the Company and its successors and assigns, including, without limitation, any successor to all or substantially all of the business and/or assets of the Company.

8.12. General Interpretive Principles. The name assigned this Employment Agreement and headings of the sections, paragraphs, subparagraphs, clauses and subclauses of this Employment Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not in any way affect the meaning or interpretation of any of the provisions hereof. Words of inclusion shall not be construed as terms of limitation herein, so that references to "include", "includes" and "including" shall not be limiting and shall be regarded as references to non-exclusive and non-characterizing illustrations.

8.13. Company Actions. Any actions, approvals, decisions, or determinations to be made by the Company under this Employment Agreement shall be made by the Board, except as otherwise expressly provided herein. For purposes of any references herein to the Board's designee, any such reference shall be deemed to include the Chief Executive Officer of the Company and such other or additional officers, or committees of the Board, as the Board may expressly designate from time to time for such purpose.

8.14. Survival. All provisions of this Employment Agreement which by their terms, contain continuing obligations by Executive shall survive termination of this Employment Agreement, including without limitation, the covenants, duties and obligations under Sections 3.4, 3.5 and 4 hereof.

8.15. Definitions. In addition to the defined terms set forth throughout this Employment Agreement, the capitalized terms set forth on Appendix B shall have the respective meanings set forth thereon and are incorporated by reference into this Employment Agreement.

[signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Employment Agreement as of the date first written above.

CVR ENERGY, INC.

/s/ Martin J. Power
Martin J. Power

By: /s/ John J. Lipinski
Name: John J. Lipinski
Title: Chief Executive Officer and President

[Signature Page to Employment Agreement]

Definitions

“Affiliate” shall have the meaning set forth in Rule 405 of Regulation C of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Any reference in this Employment Agreement to “Affiliates” shall include, without limitation, all persons and entities that are included in the Related Persons, in each case, on the date hereof and from time to time.

“Good Reason” shall mean a resignation by the Executive within thirty (30) days following the date on which the Company has engaged in any of the following: (i) the assignment of duties or responsibilities to the Executive that reflect a material diminution of the Executive’s position with the Company; (ii) a relocation of the Executive’s principal place of employment that increases the Executive’s commute by more than fifty (50) miles; or (iii) a material reduction in the Executive’s Base Salary, provided, however, that the Executive must provide the Company with written notice promptly following the occurrence of any of the foregoing and at least thirty (30) days to cure.

“Cause” shall mean the Executive’s: (i) willful failure to perform substantially the duties of Chief Commercial Officer of the Company (other than any such failure resulting from incapacity due to Disability); (ii) commission of, or indictment for, a felony or any crime involving fraud or embezzlement or dishonestly or conviction of, or plea of *nolo contendere* to a crime or misdemeanor (other than a traffic violation) punishable by imprisonment under federal, state or local law; (iii) engagement in an act of fraud, or other act and willful dishonesty or misconduct, towards the Company or any of its Affiliates, or detrimental to the Company or any of its Affiliates, or in the performance of his duties hereunder; (iv) material breach of this Employment Agreement; (v) negligence in the performance of the Executive’s duties hereunder that has a detrimental effect on the Company or any of its Affiliates; (vi) violation of a federal or state securities law or regulation; (vii) the use by the Executive of a controlled substance without a prescription or the use of alcohol which, in each case, significantly impairs the Executive’s ability to carry out his duties and responsibilities; (viii) material violation by the Executive of the policies and procedures of the Company or any of its Affiliates; (ix) embezzlement and/or misappropriation of property of the Company or any of its Affiliates; (x) breach of any of the terms set forth in Section 1.2, 1.3, 4 or 5 of the Employment Agreement; or (xi) conduct involving any immoral acts which is reasonably likely to impair the reputation of the Company or any of its Affiliates.

“Disability” shall mean the Executive’s inability, due to physical or mental ill health, to perform the essential functions of the Executive’s job, with or without a reasonable accommodation, for 180 days during any 365 day period irrespective of whether such days are consecutive.

“Person” or “person,” shall mean any individual, partnership, limited partnership, corporation, limited liability company, trust, foundation, estate, cooperative, association (except his homeowners association, if any), organization, proprietorship, firm, joint venture, joint stock company, syndicate, company, committee, government or governmental subdivision or agency, or other entity, whether or not conducted for profit.

“Related Persons” means: (1) Carl Icahn, any spouse and any child, stepchild, sibling or descendant of Carl Icahn; (2) any estate of Carl Icahn or of any person under clause (1) above; (3) any person who receives a beneficial interest in any estate under clause (2) above to the extent of such interest; (4) any executor, personal administrator or trustee who holds such beneficial interest in Company for the benefit of or as fiduciary for, any person under clause (1), (2) or (3) above to the extent of such interest; (5) any Person, directly or indirectly owned or controlled by Carl Icahn or any other person or persons identified in clause (1), (2), (3) or (4) above; (6) any not-for profit entity not subject to taxation pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Code (or any successor provision) to which Carl Icahn or any person identified in clause (1), (2), or (3) above contributes his beneficial interest in the Company or to which such beneficial interest passes pursuant to such person’s will; and (7) the Company and its subsidiaries.

“Code” means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

CVR ENERGY, INC.
INCENTIVE UNIT AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is made as of December 1, 2014 (the "Grant Date"), between CVR Energy, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and the individual grantee designated on the signature page hereof (the "Grantee").

WHEREAS, the compensation committee or any authorized committee thereof (the "Committee") of the board of directors (the "Board") of the Company is responsible for establishing, reviewing and approving incentive compensation in order to provide an additional incentive to certain of the officers and employees of the Company and its "Subsidiaries" (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act); and

WHEREAS, the Committee has authorized the grant of Incentive Units (as defined herein) to the Grantee as provided herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Grant of Incentive Units.

1.1 The Company hereby grants to the Grantee, and the Grantee hereby accepts from the Company on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, an award of 227,927 Incentive Units. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, each "Incentive Unit" described herein represents the right of the Grantee to receive, if such Incentive Unit becomes vested, a cash payment equal to the positive difference, if any, between (A) the average closing price of the common units (the "Units") of CVR Refining, LP (NYSE: CVRR) (the "Partnership") per Unit for the first 10 trading days of the month immediately preceding the month in which the applicable date of vesting occurs hereunder pursuant to Section 2 or Section 3(a) or (b) (such 10 trading days, the "Unit Measurement Period") minus (B) \$23.39. For purposes of calculating such average closing price per Unit for the Unit Measurement Period, any dividend or other distribution to which Grantee is entitled pursuant to Section 4 hereof shall be taken into account with respect to the per Unit closing price for each day occurring during the Unit Measurement Period. The reference to the Units of the Partnership is used herein solely to calculate the cash payout, if any, to be awarded to the Grantee in accordance with this Agreement, and does not create any separate rights with respect to the Units of the Partnership or otherwise.

1.2 Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein, the capitalized terms used in this Agreement shall have the same definitions as set forth in the Amended and Restated CVR Energy, Inc. 2007 Long Term Incentive Plan, as amended from time to time (the "2007 LTIP"). For the sake of clarity, the parties hereto acknowledge and agree that the Incentive Units awarded to the Grantee hereunder are not being granted under the 2007 LTIP or any other employee benefit plan.

2. Vesting Date.

The Incentive Units are unvested on and after the Grant Date and shall vest, with respect to 100% of the total number of Incentive Units granted hereunder, on December 1, 2017 (“Vesting Date”), provided the Grantee continues to serve as an employee of the Company (or a Subsidiary thereof) from the Grant Date through the Vesting Date.

3. Termination of Employment.

(a) If on, or at any time following, the first anniversary of the Grant Date and prior to the Vesting Date, (i) the Grantee’s employment is terminated by the Company or one of its Subsidiaries by reason of his Disability, (ii) the Grantee’s employment is terminated due to his death, (iii) the Grantee’s employment is terminated by the Company or one of its Subsidiaries other than for Cause or Disability (and excluding any termination occurring within the one (1) year period commencing on the date of a Change in Control), (iv) the Grantee resigns from employment with the Company or one of its Subsidiaries for Good Reason (and excluding any termination occurring within the one (1) year period commencing on the date of a Change in Control), or (v) the Company exercises its right to cancel any Incentive Units under Section 8(d) while Grantee is employed by the Company, then, in the case of clause (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v) above, a portion of the Incentive Units calculated by multiplying the total number of Incentive Units granted hereunder by a fraction (the numerator of which is the number of completed calendar months that have lapsed from the Grant Date to the date of termination (or in the case of (v) above, the date the Company exercises its rights under Section 8(d), below), and the denominator of which is 36), shall become immediately vested on the date of such employment termination (or in the case of (v) above, the date the Company exercises its rights under Section 8(d), below).

(b) If, within the one (1) year period commencing on the date of a Change in Control, (i) the Grantee’s employment is terminated by the Company or one of its Subsidiaries other than for Cause or Disability, or (ii) the Grantee resigns from employment with the Company or one of its Subsidiaries for Good Reason, then, any Incentive Units that have not vested prior to such time shall become immediately vested on the date of such employment termination.

(c) Any unvested Incentive Units that do not become vested in connection with the Grantee’s termination of employment in accordance with Section 3(a) or (b) of this Agreement shall be forfeited immediately upon the Grantee’s termination of employment.

(d) To the extent any payments provided for under this Agreement are treated as “nonqualified deferred compensation” subject to Section 409A of the Code, (i) this Agreement shall be interpreted, construed and operated in accordance with Section 409A of the Code and the Treasury regulations and other guidance issued thereunder, (ii) if on the date of the Grantee’s separation from service (as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(h)) with the Company or one of its Subsidiaries the Grantee is a specified employee (as defined in Section 409A of the Code and Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(i)), no payment constituting the “deferral of compensation” within the meaning of Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(b) and after application of the exemptions provided in Treasury Regulation §§1.409A-1(b)(4) and 1.409A-1(b)(9)(iii) shall be made to the Grantee at

any time prior to the earlier of (A) the expiration of the six (6) month period following the Grantee's separation from service or (B) the Grantee's death, and any such amounts deferred during such applicable period shall instead be paid in a lump sum to the Grantee (or, if applicable, to the Grantee's estate) on the first payroll payment date following expiration of such six (6) month period or, if applicable, the Grantee's death, and (iii) for purposes of conforming this Agreement to Section 409A of the Code, any reference to termination of employment, termination or separation from employment, resignation from employment or similar terms shall mean and be interpreted as a "separation from service" as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(h). For purposes of applying Section 409A of the Code to this Agreement (including, without limitation, for purposes of Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-2(b)(2)(iii)), each payment that the Grantee may be entitled to receive under this Agreement shall be treated as a separate and distinct payment and shall not collectively be treated as a single payment.

(d) For purpose of this Section 3, for the avoidance of doubt, and notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, if the Grantee has an employment agreement with the Company or one of its Subsidiaries that terminates or expires without renewal thereof and the Company (or one of its Subsidiaries) chooses not to enter into a new employment agreement with the Grantee, then, except as expressly provided under circumstances described in Section 3(a) or (b) above, the Grantee shall not be entitled to any acceleration of vesting or any payments whatsoever pursuant to this Section 3 irrespective of whether the Grantee experiences a termination of employment (for any reason) or continues in the employ of the Company (or one of its Subsidiaries) on an at-will basis or otherwise.

4. Distribution Equivalent Rights

The Company hereby grants to the Grantee, and the Grantee hereby accepts from the Company, one "Distribution Equivalent Right" for each Incentive Unit granted herein equal to the cash value of all distributions declared by the Partnership on each Unit from the Grant Date to and including the date that is the earlier of the Vesting Date and the date on which the Grantee experiences a termination of employment with the Company or one of its Subsidiaries under circumstances described in Section 3(a) or (b), provided that the foregoing shall only apply with respect to distributions with "ex-dividend" dates occurring from the Grant Date to and including the last day of the Unit Measurement Period. The reference to the cash value of such distributions is used herein solely to calculate the cash payout, if any, to be awarded in respect of such Distribution Equivalent Rights and does not create any separate rights with respect to the Distribution Equivalent Rights. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the payment of Distribution Equivalent Rights will be deferred until and conditioned upon the underlying Incentive Units becoming vested pursuant to Section 2 or 3(a) or (b) hereof and, upon any such vesting, Distribution Equivalent Rights on all vested Incentive Units, with no interest thereon, shall become payable to the Grantee in accordance with Section 5 hereof.

5. Payment Date.

Within 15 business days following the earlier of the Vesting Date and the date on which the Grantee experiences a termination of employment with the Company or one of its

Subsidiaries under circumstances described in Section 3(a) or (b), the Company will deliver to the Grantee the cash payment underlying the Incentive Units and Distribution Equivalent Rights (if any) that become vested pursuant to Section 2 or 3 of this Agreement.

6. Administration.

(a) This Agreement shall be administered by the Committee, unless the Board has determined to administer this Agreement, at which time all references to the “Committee” will apply to the Board. The Committee may adopt such rules, regulations and guidelines as it deems are necessary or appropriate for the administration of this Agreement.

(b) Subject to the express terms and conditions set forth herein, the Committee shall have the power from time to time to: (i) construe and interpret this Agreement, amend and revoke rules and regulations for the administration of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, correcting any defect or supplying any omission, or reconciling any inconsistency in this Agreement, in the manner and to the extent it shall deem necessary or advisable, including so that this Agreement and the operation of this Agreement comply, where applicable, with Rule 16b-3 under Exchange Act, the Code, and other applicable law, and otherwise to make this Agreement fully effective; (ii) determine the duration and purpose of any leaves of absence which may be granted to the Grantee without constituting a “separation from service” as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(h); (iii) exercise its discretion with respect to the rights and powers granted to it as set forth in this Agreement and which would be consistent with the powers and rights granted in this Agreement; and (iv) generally, exercise such powers and perform such acts as are necessary or advisable to promote the best interests of the Company with respect to this Agreement. All decisions and determinations by the Committee in the exercise of the above powers shall be final, binding and conclusive upon the Company, its Subsidiaries, the Grantee and all other persons having any interest herein.

(c) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, with respect to a Grantee working outside the United States, the Committee may determine the terms and conditions of this Agreement and make such adjustments to the terms hereof as are necessary or advisable to fulfill the purposes of this Agreement taking into account matters of local law or practice, including tax and securities laws of jurisdictions outside the United States.

(d) No member of the Committee shall be liable for any action, failure to act, determination or interpretation made in good faith with respect to this Agreement or any transaction hereunder. The Company hereby agrees to indemnify each member of the Committee for all costs and expenses and, to the extent permitted by applicable law, any liability incurred in connection with defending against, responding to, negotiating for the settlement of or otherwise dealing with any claim, cause of action or dispute of any kind arising in connection with any actions in administering this Agreement or in authorizing or denying authorization to any transaction hereunder.

7. Adjustment Upon Changes in Capitalization.

In the event of a Change in Capitalization (defined below), the Committee shall conclusively determine the appropriate adjustments, if any, to the maximum number and/or class of Units or other stock or securities with respect to which this Agreement relates, except that no adjustment shall be made that would duplicate the Grantee's rights, if any, under Section 4 with respect to Dividend Equivalent Rights. A "Change in Capitalization" means any increase or reduction in the number of Units, any change in the Units or any exchange of Units for a different number or kind of shares or other securities of the Partnership or another entity, by reason of a reclassification, recapitalization, merger, consolidation, reorganization, spin-off, split-up, issuance of warrants, rights or debentures, unit dividend, unit split or reverse unit split, cash dividend, property dividend, combination or exchange of units, repurchase of units, change in entity structure or otherwise.

8. Effect of Certain Transactions.

Following the liquidation or dissolution of the Company or the Partnership, or a merger or consolidation of the Company or the Partnership (as applicable, a "Transaction"), or a Change in Control, either this Agreement shall be treated as provided in the agreement entered into in connection with the Transaction or Change in Control, or if not so provided in such agreement, the Company may take one or more of the following actions: (a) remove any applicable forfeiture restrictions on the Incentive Units; (b) accelerate the time at which the restricted periods on the Incentive Units shall lapse; (c) require the mandatory surrender to the Company of the Incentive Units as of a specific date, in which event the Company shall cancel the Incentive Units and pay to the Grantee an amount of cash per Incentive Unit equal to the value the Committee has determined to be the fair market value of a Unit at the time of the Change in Control or the Transaction, as applicable; (d) cancel any Incentive Units, without consideration, that remain unvested at the time of the Change in Control or the Transaction, as applicable; or (e) make such adjustments to this Agreement, if any, as the Committee deems appropriate to reflect the Change in Control or the Transaction (including, but not limited to, substituting a new award for the Incentive Units).

9. Non-transferability.

The Incentive Units may not be sold, transferred or otherwise disposed of and may not be pledged or otherwise hypothecated, other than by will or by the laws of descent or distribution. The Incentive Units shall not be subject to execution, attachment or other process.

10. Incentive Compensation Recoupment.

(a) To the extent not prohibited by applicable law, the Board, in its sole and absolute discretion, may seek reimbursement of any payment made to Grantee in respect of the Incentive Units granted hereunder if (A) Grantee is currently or was previously designated as an "officer" by the Board for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (such designation, "Officer"), and (B) Grantee, in the judgment of the Board, commits misconduct or a gross dereliction of duty that results in a material violation of Company policy and causes

significant harm to the Company (or any of its Subsidiaries) while serving in his or her capacity as an Officer. In such event, (x) if Grantee is a current Officer, the Board may seek reimbursement of all or a portion of any such payment made to Grantee during the three-year period preceding the date on which such misconduct or dereliction of duty was discovered by the Company (or any of its Subsidiaries), or (y) if Grantee is a former Officer, the Board may seek reimbursement of all or a portion of any such payment made to Grantee during the three-year period preceding the last date on which Grantee was an Officer.

(b) To the extent not prohibited by applicable law, if Grantee is an Officer, the Board may, in its sole discretion, seek reimbursement of any payment made to Grantee in respect of the Incentive Units granted hereunder in the event of a restatement of the Company's (or any of its Subsidiaries') financial results (occurring due to material noncompliance with any financial reporting requirements under applicable securities laws) that reduced a previously granted payment made to Grantee in respect of the Incentive Units granted hereunder. In that event, the Board will seek to recover the amount of any such payment made to Grantee that exceeded the amount that would have been paid based on the restated financial results.

(c) If the Company subsequently determines that it is required by law to apply a "clawback" or alternate recoupment provision to the Incentive Units granted hereunder, under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act or otherwise, then such clawback or recoupment provision also shall apply to such Incentive Units, as if it had been included on the effective date of this Agreement.

11. No Right to Continued Employment.

Nothing in this Agreement shall be interpreted or construed to confer upon the Grantee any right with respect to continuance of employment by the Company or one of its Affiliates, nor shall this Agreement interfere in any way with the right of the Company or one of its Affiliates to terminate the Grantee's employment therewith at any time.

12. Withholding of Taxes.

The Grantee shall pay to the Company, or the Company and the Grantee shall agree on such other arrangements necessary for the Grantee to pay, the applicable federal, foreign, state and local income taxes required by law to be withheld (the "Withholding Taxes"), if any, upon the vesting or payment of the Incentive Units. The Company shall have the right to deduct from any payment of cash to the Grantee an amount equal to the Withholding Taxes in satisfaction of the Grantee's obligation to pay Withholding Taxes.

13. Interpretation.

This Agreement is intended to comply with Rule 16b-3 of the Exchange Act and the Committee shall interpret and administer the provisions of this Agreement in a manner consistent therewith. Any provision inconsistent with such rule shall be inoperative and shall not affect the validity of this Agreement.

14. Modification or Termination of Agreement.

This Agreement may be modified, amended, suspended or terminated, and any terms or conditions may be waived, but only by a written instrument executed by the parties hereto; provided, however, that the Company may modify or amend this Agreement without the written consent of the Grantee to the extent that such action is necessary for compliance with an applicable law, regulation or exchange requirement that impacts this Agreement. No waiver by either party hereto of any breach by the other party hereto of any provision of this Agreement to be performed by such other party shall be deemed a waiver of similar or dissimilar provisions at the time or at any prior or subsequent time.

15. Severability.

Should any provision of this Agreement be held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable or invalid for any reason, the remaining provisions of this Agreement shall not be affected by such holding and shall continue in full force in accordance with their terms.

16. Governing Law.

The validity, interpretation, construction and performance of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York without giving effect to the conflicts of laws principles thereof.

17. Entire Understanding.

This Agreement embodies the entire understanding and agreement of the parties in relation to the subject matter hereof, and no promise, condition, representation or warranty, expressed or implied, not herein stated, shall bind either party hereto.

18. Rights as Equity Holder.

In no event whatsoever shall the Grantee possess any incidents of ownership in any equity of the Company or the Partnership with respect to the Incentive Units granted hereunder.

19. Successors in Interest.

This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon any successor to the Company. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of the Grantee's beneficiaries, heirs, executors, administrators, successors and legal representatives. All obligations imposed upon the Grantee and all rights granted to the Company under this Agreement shall be final, binding and conclusive upon the Grantee's beneficiaries, heirs, executors, administrators, successors and legal representatives.

20. Unfunded Status. The Incentive Units constitute an unfunded and unsecured promise of the Company to deliver (or cause to be delivered) to the Grantee, subject to the terms and conditions

of this Agreement, cash on the applicable vesting date for the applicable portion of such Incentive Units as provided herein. By accepting this grant of Incentive Units, the Grantee understands that this grant does not confer any legal or equitable right (other than those constituting the Incentive Units) against the Company or any of its Affiliates, directly or indirectly, or give rise to any cause of action at law or in equity against the Company or any of its Affiliates. The rights of the Grantee (or any person claiming through the Grantee) under this Agreement shall be solely those of an unsecured general creditor of the Company.

21. Resolution of Disputes.

Any dispute or disagreement which may arise under, or as a result of, or in any way relate to, the interpretation, construction or application of this Agreement shall be determined by the Committee (in its sole and absolute discretion). Any determination made hereunder shall be final, binding and conclusive on the Grantee and the Company for all purposes.

[signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been executed as of the date first written above.

CVR ENERGY, INC.

GRANTEE

/s/ John J. Lipinski

By: John J. Lipinski

Title: Chief Executive Officer and President

/s/ Martin J. Power

Martin J. Power

[Signature Page to Incentive Unit Agreement]

CVR PARTNERS, LP
LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN
EMPLOYEE PHANTOM UNIT AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT (this "Agreement"), made as of the 26th day of December, 2014 (the "Grant Date"), between CVR Partners, LP, a Delaware limited partnership (the "Partnership"), and the individual grantee designated on the signature page hereof (the "Grantee").

WHEREAS, the board of directors of CVR GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "General Partner"), has adopted the CVR Partners, LP Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan") in order to provide an additional incentive to certain of the Partnership's and its Subsidiaries' and Parents' employees, officers, consultants and directors; and

WHEREAS, the Committee responsible for administration of the Plan has authorized the grant of Phantom Units to the Grantee as provided herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Grant of Phantom Units.

(a) The Partnership hereby grants to the Grantee, and the Grantee hereby accepts from the Partnership on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, an award of _____ Phantom Units. Subject to the terms of this Agreement, each Phantom Unit represents the right of the Grantee to receive, if such Phantom Unit becomes vested, a cash payment equal to the average closing price of the Units for the 10 business days preceding the applicable date of vesting pursuant to Section 2 or Section 3(a) or (b). The reference to the Units of the Partnership is used herein solely to calculate the cash payout, if any, to be awarded to the Grantee in accordance with this Agreement, and does not create any separate rights with respect to the Units of the Partnership or otherwise.

(b) This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with and consistent with, and subject to, the provisions of the Plan (the provisions of which are incorporated herein by reference). Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein, the capitalized terms used in this Agreement shall have the same definitions as set forth in the Plan.

2. Vesting Date.

The Phantom Units are unvested on and after the Grant Date and shall vest, with respect to thirty-three and one-third percent (33 – 1/3%) of the total number of Phantom Units granted hereunder, on December 26, 2015, December 26, 2016 and December 26, 2017 (each such date, a "Vesting Date"), provided the Grantee continues to serve as an employee of the Partnership or its Subsidiaries or Parents through the applicable Vesting Date.

3. Termination of Employment.

(a) In the event of the Grantee's termination of employment with the Partnership or one of its Subsidiaries or Parents prior to any Vesting Date by reason of his or her death or Disability, then any Phantom Units scheduled to vest in the year in which such event occurs shall become immediately vested, and all other Phantom Units shall be deemed forfeited and Grantee shall have no rights with respect thereto.

(b) If (A) the Grantee's employment is terminated by the Partnership or one of its Subsidiaries or Parents other than for Cause or Disability, or (B) the Grantee resigns from employment with the Partnership or one of its Subsidiaries or Parents for Good Reason, then any Phantom Units scheduled to vest in the year in which such event occurs shall become immediately vested, and all other Phantom Units shall be deemed forfeited and Grantee shall have no rights with respect thereto.

(c) Any Phantom Units that do not become vested in connection with the Grantee's termination of employment in accordance with Sections 3(a) or (b) of this Agreement shall be forfeited immediately upon the Grantee's termination of employment.

(d) To the extent any payments provided for under this Agreement are treated as "nonqualified deferred compensation" subject to Section 409A of the Code, (i) this Agreement shall be interpreted, construed and operated in accordance with Section 409A of the Code and the Treasury regulations and other guidance issued thereunder, (ii) if on the date of the Grantee's separation from service (as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(h)) with the Partnership or its Subsidiaries or Parents the Grantee is a specified employee (as defined Section 409A of the Code and Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(i)), no payment constituting the "deferral of compensation" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(b) and after application of the exemptions provided in Treasury Regulation §§1.409A-1(b)(4) and 1.409A-1(b)(9)(iii) shall be made to the Grantee at any time prior to the earlier of (A) the expiration of the six (6) month period following the Grantee's separation from service or (B) the Grantee's death, and any such amounts deferred during such applicable period shall instead be paid in a lump sum to the Grantee (or, if applicable, to the Grantee's estate) on the first payroll payment date following expiration of such six (6) month period or, if applicable, the Grantee's death, and (iii) for purposes of conforming this Agreement to Section 409A of the Code, any reference to termination of employment, severance from employment, resignation from employment or similar terms shall mean and be interpreted as a "separation from service" as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(h). For purposes of applying Section 409A of the Code to this Agreement (including, without limitation, for purposes of Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-2(b)(2)(iii)), each payment that the Grantee may be entitled to receive under this Agreement shall be treated as a separate and distinct payment and shall not collectively be treated as a single payment.

(e) For purpose of this Section 3, for the avoidance of doubt, and notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, if the Grantee has an employment agreement with the Partnership or one of its Subsidiaries or Parents that terminates or expires without renewal thereof and the Partnership or one of its Subsidiaries or Parents chooses not to enter into a new employment

agreement with the Grantee, then, except as expressly provided under circumstances described in Section 3(a) or (b) above, the Grantee shall not be entitled to any acceleration of vesting or any payments whatsoever pursuant to this Section 3 irrespective of whether the Grantee experiences a termination of employment (for any reason) or continues in the employ of the Partnership or one of its Subsidiaries or Parents on an at-will basis or otherwise.

4. Distribution Equivalent Rights

The Partnership hereby grants to the Grantee, and the Grantee hereby accepts from the Partnership, one Distribution Equivalent Right for each Phantom Unit granted herein equal to the cash value of all distributions declared and paid by the Partnership on Units from the Grant Date to and including the Vesting Date. The reference to the cash value of such distributions is used herein solely to calculate the cash payout, if any, to be awarded in respect of such Distribution Equivalent Rights and does not create any separate rights with respect to the Distribution Equivalent Rights. The payment of Distribution Equivalent Rights will be deferred until and conditioned upon the underlying Phantom Units becoming vested pursuant to Section 2 or 3 hereof. Upon each Vesting Date, Distribution Equivalent Rights on all vested Phantom Units, with no interest thereon, shall become payable to the Grantee in accordance with Section 5 hereof.

5. Payment Date.

Within 15 business days following (i) each Vesting Date, or (ii) if, prior to any Vesting Date, the Grantee's termination of employment with the Partnership or its Subsidiaries or Parents under circumstances described in Section 3(a) or (b), the date of such termination of employment, the Partnership will deliver to the Grantee the cash payment underlying the Phantom Units and Distribution Equivalent Rights (if any) that become vested pursuant to Section 2 or 3 of this Agreement.

6. Non-transferability.

The Phantom Units may not be sold, transferred or otherwise disposed of and may not be pledged or otherwise hypothecated, other than by will or by the laws of descent or distribution. The Phantom Units shall not be subject to execution, attachment or other process.

7. Incentive Compensation Recoupment.

(a) To the extent not prohibited by applicable law, the Board, in its sole and absolute discretion, may seek reimbursement of any payment made to Grantee in respect of the Phantom Units granted hereunder if (A) Grantee is currently or was previously designated as an "officer" by the Board for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (such designation, "Officer"), and (B) Grantee, in the judgment of the Board, commits misconduct or a gross dereliction of duty that results in a material violation of Partnership policy and causes significant harm to the Partnership or its Subsidiaries or Parents while serving in his or her capacity as an Officer. In such event, (x) if Grantee is a current Officer, the Board may seek reimbursement of all or a portion of any such payment made to Grantee during the one-year period preceding the

date on which such misconduct or dereliction of duty was discovered by the Partnership or its Subsidiaries or Parents, or (y) if Grantee is a former Officer, the Board may seek reimbursement of all or a portion of any such payment made to Grantee during the one-year period preceding the last date on which Grantee was an Officer.

(b) To the extent not prohibited by applicable law, if Grantee is an Officer, the Board may, in its sole discretion, seek reimbursement of any payment made to Grantee in respect of the Phantom Units granted hereunder in the event of a restatement of the Partnership's (or its Subsidiaries' or Parents') financial results (occurring due to material noncompliance with any financial reporting requirements under applicable securities laws) that reduced a previously granted payment made to Grantee in respect of the Phantom Units granted hereunder. In that event, the Board will seek to recover the amount of any such payment made to Grantee that exceeded the amount that would have been paid based on the restated financial results.

(c) If the Partnership or its Subsidiaries or Parents subsequently determines that it is required by law to apply a "clawback" or alternate recoupment provision to the Phantom Units granted hereunder, under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act or otherwise, then such clawback or recoupment provision also shall apply to such Phantom Units, as if it had been included on the effective date of this Agreement.

8. No Right to Continued Employment.

Nothing in this Agreement or the Plan shall be interpreted or construed to confer upon the Grantee any right with respect to continuance of employment by the Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries or Parents, nor shall this Agreement or the Plan interfere in any way with the right of the Partnership and its Subsidiaries and Parents to terminate the Grantee's employment therewith at any time.

9. Withholding of Taxes.

The Grantee shall pay to the Partnership, or the Partnership and the Grantee shall agree on such other arrangements necessary for the Grantee to pay, the applicable federal, state and local income taxes required by law to be withheld (the "Withholding Taxes"), if any, upon the vesting or payment of the Phantom Units. The Partnership shall have the right to deduct from any payment of cash to the Grantee an amount equal to the Withholding Taxes in satisfaction of the Grantee's obligation to pay Withholding Taxes.

10. Grantee Bound by the Plan.

The Grantee hereby acknowledges receipt of a copy of the Plan and agrees to be bound by all the terms and provisions thereof.

11. Modification of Agreement.

This Agreement may be modified, amended, suspended or terminated, and any terms or conditions may be waived, but only by a written instrument executed by the parties hereto; provided, however, that the Partnership may modify or amend this Agreement without the written consent of the Grantee to the extent that such action is necessary for compliance with an applicable law, regulation or exchange requirement that impacts this Agreement. No waiver by either party hereto of any breach by the other party hereto of any provision of this Agreement to be performed by such other party shall be deemed a waiver of similar or dissimilar provisions at the time or at any prior or subsequent time.

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Should any provision of this Agreement be held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable or invalid for any reason, the remaining provisions of this Agreement shall not be affected by such holding and shall continue in full force in accordance with their terms.

13. Governing Law.

The validity, interpretation, construction and performance of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York without giving effect to the conflicts of laws principles thereof.

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This Agreement embodies the entire understanding and agreement of the parties in relation to the subject matter hereof, and no promise, condition, representation or warranty, expressed or implied, not herein stated, shall bind either party hereto.

15. Rights as Equity Holder.

In no event whatsoever shall the Grantee possess any incidents of ownership in any equity of the Partnership with respect to the Phantom Units granted hereunder.

16. Successors in Interest.

This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon any successor to the Partnership. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of the Grantee's beneficiaries, heirs, executors, administrators, successors and legal representatives. All obligations imposed upon the Grantee and all rights granted to the Partnership under this Agreement shall be final, binding and conclusive upon the Grantee's beneficiaries, heirs, executors, administrators, successors and legal representatives.

17. Unfunded Status. The Phantom Units constitute an unfunded and unsecured promise of the Partnership to deliver (or cause to be delivered) to the Grantee, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, cash on the applicable vesting date for the applicable portion of such

Phantom Units as provided herein. By accepting this grant of Phantom Units, the Grantee understands that this grant does not confer any legal or equitable right (other than those constituting the Phantom Units) against the Partnership or any of its Affiliates, directly or indirectly, or give rise to any cause of action at law or in equity against the Partnership or any of its Affiliates. The rights of the Grantee (or any person claiming through the Grantee) under this Agreement shall be solely those of an unsecured general creditor of the Partnership.

18. Resolution of Disputes.

Any dispute or disagreement which may arise under, or as a result of, or in any way relate to, the interpretation, construction or application of this Agreement shall be determined by the Committee (in its sole and absolute discretion). Any determination made hereunder shall be final, binding and conclusive on the Grantee and the Partnership for all purposes.

[signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been executed as of the date first written above.

CVR PARTNERS, LP
By: CVR GP, LLC, its general partner

GRANTEE

Name:

Name:

[Signature Page to Phantom Unit Agreement]

CVR REFINING, LP
LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN
EMPLOYEE PHANTOM UNIT AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT (this "Agreement"), made as of the 26th day of December, 2014 (the "Grant Date"), between CVR Refining, LP, a Delaware limited partnership (the "Partnership"), and the individual grantee designated on the signature page hereof (the "Grantee").

WHEREAS, the board of directors of CVR Refining GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "General Partner"), has adopted the CVR Refining, LP Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan") in order to provide an additional incentive to certain of the Partnership's and its Subsidiaries' and Parents' employees, officers, consultants and directors; and

WHEREAS, the Committee responsible for administration of the Plan has authorized the grant of Phantom Units to the Grantee as provided herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Grant of Phantom Units.

(a) The Partnership hereby grants to the Grantee, and the Grantee hereby accepts from the Partnership on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, an award of _____ Phantom Units. Subject to the terms of this Agreement, each Phantom Unit represents the right of the Grantee to receive, if such Phantom Unit becomes vested, a cash payment equal to the average closing price of the Units for the 10 business days preceding the applicable date of vesting pursuant to Section 2 or Section 3(a) or (b). The reference to the Units of the Partnership is used herein solely to calculate the cash payout, if any, to be awarded to the Grantee in accordance with this Agreement, and does not create any separate rights with respect to the Units of the Partnership or otherwise.

(b) This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with and consistent with, and subject to, the provisions of the Plan (the provisions of which are incorporated herein by reference). Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein, the capitalized terms used in this Agreement shall have the same definitions as set forth in the Plan.

2. Vesting Date.

The Phantom Units are unvested on and after the Grant Date and shall vest, with respect to thirty-three and one-third percent (33 – 1/3%) of the total number of Phantom Units granted hereunder, on December 26, 2015, December 26, 2016 and December 26, 2017 (each such date, a "Vesting Date"), provided the Grantee continues to serve as an employee of the Partnership or its Subsidiaries or Parents through the applicable Vesting Date.

3. Termination of Employment.

(a) In the event of (i) the Grantee's termination of employment with the Partnership or one of its Subsidiaries or Parents prior to any Vesting Date by reason of his or her death or Disability, or (ii) the Partnership exercises its right to cancel any Phantom Units under Section 7(e)(iv) of the Plan while Grantee is employed by the Partnership or one of its Subsidiaries, then any Phantom Units scheduled to vest in the year in which such event occurs shall become immediately vested, and all other Phantom Units shall be deemed forfeited and Grantee shall have no rights with respect thereto.

(b) If the Grantee's employment is terminated by the Partnership or one of its Subsidiaries or Parents other than for Cause or Disability, then any Phantom Units scheduled to vest in the year in which such event occurs shall become immediately vested, and all other Phantom Units shall be deemed forfeited and Grantee shall have no rights with respect thereto.

(c) Any Phantom Units that do not become vested in connection with the Grantee's termination of employment in accordance with Sections 3(a) or (b) of this Agreement shall be forfeited immediately upon the Grantee's termination of employment.

(d) To the extent any payments provided for under this Agreement are treated as "nonqualified deferred compensation" subject to Section 409A of the Code, (i) this Agreement shall be interpreted, construed and operated in accordance with Section 409A of the Code and the Treasury regulations and other guidance issued thereunder, (ii) if on the date of the Grantee's separation from service (as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(h)) with the Partnership or its Subsidiaries or Parents the Grantee is a specified employee (as defined Section 409A of the Code and Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(i)), no payment constituting the "deferral of compensation" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(b) and after application of the exemptions provided in Treasury Regulation §§1.409A-1(b)(4) and 1.409A-1(b)(9)(iii) shall be made to the Grantee at any time prior to the earlier of (A) the expiration of the six (6) month period following the Grantee's separation from service or (B) the Grantee's death, and any such amounts deferred during such applicable period shall instead be paid in a lump sum to the Grantee (or, if applicable, to the Grantee's estate) on the first payroll payment date following expiration of such six (6) month period or, if applicable, the Grantee's death, and (iii) for purposes of conforming this Agreement to Section 409A of the Code, any reference to termination of employment, severance from employment, resignation from employment or similar terms shall mean and be interpreted as a "separation from service" as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(h). For purposes of applying Section 409A of the Code to this Agreement (including, without limitation, for purposes of Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-2(b)(2)(iii)), each payment that the Grantee may be entitled to receive under this Agreement shall be treated as a separate and distinct payment and shall not collectively be treated as a single payment.

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The Partnership hereby grants to the Grantee, and the Grantee hereby accepts from the Partnership, one Distribution Equivalent Right for each Phantom Unit granted herein equal to

the cash value of all distributions declared and paid by the Partnership on Units from the Grant Date to and including the Vesting Date. The reference to the cash value of such distributions is used herein solely to calculate the cash payout, if any, to be awarded in respect of such Distribution Equivalent Rights and does not create any separate rights with respect to the Distribution Equivalent Rights. The payment of Distribution Equivalent Rights will be deferred until and conditioned upon the underlying Phantom Units becoming vested pursuant to Section 2 or 3 hereof. Upon each Vesting Date, Distribution Equivalent Rights on all vested Phantom Units, with no interest thereon, shall become payable to the Grantee in accordance with Section 5 hereof.

5. Payment Date.

Within 15 business days following (i) each Vesting Date, (ii) if, prior to any Vesting Date, the Grantee's termination of employment with the Partnership or its Subsidiaries or Parents under circumstances described in Section 3(a) or (b), the date of such termination of employment, or (iii) if, prior to any Vesting Date, the cancellation of any Phantom Units pursuant to Section 7(e)(iv) of the Plan while Grantee is employed by the Partnership or its Subsidiaries or Parents, the Partnership will deliver to the Grantee the cash payment underlying the Phantom Units and Distribution Equivalent Rights (if any) that become vested pursuant to Section 2 or 3 of this Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been executed as of the date first written above.

CVR REFINING, LP
By: CVR REFINING GP, LLC, its general partner

GRANTEE

Name:

Name:

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CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors and Stockholders of CVR Energy, Inc.

We have issued our reports dated February 20, 2015, with respect to the consolidated financial statements and internal control over financial reporting included in the Annual Report of CVR Energy, Inc. on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014. We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference of said reports in the Registration Statements of CVR Energy, Inc. on Forms S-8 (File No. 333-146907 and File No. 333-148783).

/s/ GRANT THORNTON LLP

Houston, Texas
February 20, 2015

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors and Stockholders
CVR Energy, Inc.:

We consent to the inclusion in the CVR Energy, Inc. and subsidiaries report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014 and the incorporation by reference in the registration statements (Nos. 333-146907 and 333-148783) on Form S-8 of CVR Energy, Inc. of our report dated March 14, 2013, with respect to the consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, changes in equity, and cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2012.

/s/ KPMG LLP

Houston, Texas
February 20, 2015

**Certification of Chief Executive Officer and President Pursuant to
Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
As Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

I, John J. Lipinski, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this report on Form 10-K of CVR Energy, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)), for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: February 20, 2015

By: /s/ JOHN J. LIPINSKI

John J. Lipinski
Chief Executive Officer and President

**Certification of Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer Pursuant to
Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
As Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

I, Susan M. Ball, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this report on Form 10-K of CVR Energy, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)), for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: February 20, 2015

By: /s/ SUSAN M. BALL

Susan M. Ball
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

**Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350,
as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

In connection with the filing of the Annual Report on Form 10-K of CVR Energy, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), for the year ended December 31, 2014, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), each of the undersigned officers of the Company certifies, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to such officer's knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and,
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company as of the dates and for the periods expressed in the Report.

Date: February 20, 2015

By: /s/ JOHN J. LIPINSKI

John J. Lipinski
Chief Executive Officer and President

By: /s/ SUSAN M. BALL

Susan M. Ball
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer