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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 10-Q

(Mark One)

Quarterly Report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities
Exchange Act of 1934
For the quarterly period ended **June 30, 2019**

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: **001-08246**



Southwestern Energy Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

71-0205415

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**10000 Energy Drive
Spring, Texas**

(Address of principal executive offices)

77389

(Zip Code)

(832) 796-1000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

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

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

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01	SWN	New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes No

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

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

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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

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

Class	Outstanding as of August 2, 2019
Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01	541,316,769

SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY COMPANY

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CAUTIONARY STATEMENT ABOUT FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

All statements, other than historical fact or present financial information, may be deemed to be forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”). All statements that address activities, outcomes and other matters that should or may occur in the future, including, without limitation, statements regarding the financial position, business strategy, production and reserve growth and other plans and objectives for our future operations, are forward-looking statements. Although we believe the expectations expressed in such forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, such statements are not guarantees of future performance. We have no obligation and make no undertaking to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, except as may be required by law.

Forward-looking statements include the items identified in the preceding paragraph, information concerning possible or assumed future results of operations and other statements in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q identified by words such as “anticipate,” “intend,” “plan,” “project,” “estimate,” “continue,” “potential,” “should,” “could,” “may,” “will,” “objective,” “guidance,” “outlook,” “effort,” “expect,” “believe,” “predict,” “budget,” “projection,” “goal,” “forecast,” “target” or similar words.

You should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. They are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may affect our operations, markets, products, services and prices and cause our actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. In addition to any assumptions and other factors referred to specifically in connection with forward-looking statements, risks, uncertainties and factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those indicated in any forward-looking statement include, but are not limited to:

- the timing and extent of changes in market conditions and prices for natural gas, oil and natural gas liquids (“NGLs”) (including regional basis differentials);
- our ability to fund our planned capital investments;
- a change in our credit rating; an increase in interest rates and any adverse impacts from the discontinuation of LIBOR;
- the extent to which lower commodity prices impact our ability to service or refinance our existing debt;
- the impact of volatility in the financial markets or other global economic factors;
- difficulties in appropriately allocating capital and resources among our strategic opportunities;
- the timing and extent of our success in discovering, developing, producing and estimating reserves;
- our ability to maintain leases that may expire if production is not established or profitably maintained;
- our ability to realize the expected benefits from acquisitions;
- our ability to transport our production to the most favorable markets or at all;
- availability and costs of personnel and of products and services provided by third parties;
- the impact of government regulation, including changes in law, the ability to obtain and maintain permits, any increase in severance or similar taxes, and legislation or regulation relating to hydraulic fracturing, climate and over-the-counter derivatives;
- the impact of the adverse outcome of any material litigation against us or judicial decisions that affect us or our industry generally;
- the effects of weather;
- increased competition;
- the financial impact of accounting regulations and critical accounting policies;
- the comparative cost of alternative fuels;
- credit risk relating to the risk of loss as a result of non-performance by our counterparties; and
- any other factors listed in the reports we have filed and may file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”).

Should one or more of the risks or uncertainties described above or elsewhere in this Quarterly Report occur, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, our actual results and plans could differ materially from those expressed in any forward-looking statements. We specifically disclaim all responsibility to update publicly any information contained in a forward-looking statement or any forward-looking statement in its entirety and therefore disclaim any resulting liability for potentially related damages.

All forward-looking statements attributable to us are expressly qualified in their entirety by this cautionary statement.

PART I – FINANCIAL INFORMATION
ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

<i>(in millions, except share/per share amounts)</i>	For the three months ended June 30,		For the six months ended June 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Operating Revenues:				
Gas sales	\$ 275	\$ 407	\$ 705	\$ 947
Oil sales	47	44	86	79
NGL sales	58	75	139	140
Marketing	287	265	725	518
Gas gathering	—	24	—	48
Other	—	1	2	4
	<u>667</u>	<u>816</u>	<u>1,657</u>	<u>1,736</u>
Operating Costs and Expenses:				
Marketing purchases	293	265	734	520
Operating expenses	169	193	334	382
General and administrative expenses	40	59	77	114
Loss on sale of operating assets	3	—	3	—
Restructuring charges	2	18	5	18
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	121	142	233	285
Taxes, other than income taxes	17	15	36	38
	<u>645</u>	<u>692</u>	<u>1,422</u>	<u>1,357</u>
Operating Income	<u>22</u>	<u>124</u>	<u>235</u>	<u>379</u>
Interest Expense:				
Interest on debt	41	59	83	124
Other interest charges	2	2	3	4
Interest capitalized	(28)	(29)	(57)	(57)
	<u>15</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>71</u>
Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	<u>152</u>	<u>(36)</u>	<u>120</u>	<u>(43)</u>
Loss on Early Extinguishment of Debt	<u>—</u>	<u>(8)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(8)</u>
Other Income (Loss), Net	<u>(6)</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>(5)</u>	<u>2</u>
Income Before Income Taxes	<u>153</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>321</u>	<u>259</u>
Provision (Benefit) for Income Taxes				
Current	—	—	—	—
Deferred	15	—	(411)	—
	<u>15</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(411)</u>	<u>—</u>
Net Income	<u>\$ 138</u>	<u>\$ 51</u>	<u>\$ 732</u>	<u>\$ 259</u>
Participating securities - mandatory convertible preferred stock	—	—	—	2
Net Income Attributable to Common Stock	<u>\$ 138</u>	<u>\$ 51</u>	<u>\$ 732</u>	<u>\$ 257</u>
Earnings Per Common Share				
Basic	<u>\$ 0.26</u>	<u>\$ 0.09</u>	<u>\$ 1.36</u>	<u>\$ 0.45</u>
Diluted	<u>\$ 0.26</u>	<u>\$ 0.09</u>	<u>\$ 1.35</u>	<u>\$ 0.44</u>
Weighted Average Common Shares Outstanding:				
Basic	<u>539,005,941</u>	<u>581,159,200</u>	<u>539,362,984</u>	<u>576,255,744</u>
Diluted	<u>539,947,053</u>	<u>582,878,106</u>	<u>540,624,742</u>	<u>578,222,740</u>

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

SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
(Unaudited)

<i>(in millions)</i>	For the three months ended June 30,		For the six months ended June 30,	
	2019	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2019	2018 ⁽¹⁾
Net income	\$ 138	\$ 51	\$ 732	\$ 259
Change in value of pension and other postretirement liabilities:				
Amortization of prior service cost and net loss included in net periodic pension cost ⁽²⁾	4	—	4	—
Comprehensive income	\$ 142	\$ 51	\$ 736	\$ 259

(1) In 2018, deferred tax activity incurred in other comprehensive income was offset by a valuation allowance.

(2) Primarily related to settlement of pension assets in the second quarter of 2019. Net of \$1 million in taxes for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019.

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SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Unaudited)

ASSETS	June 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
	<i>(in millions)</i>	
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 155	\$ 201
Accounts receivable, net	358	581
Derivative assets	209	130
Other current assets	42	44
Total current assets	764	956
Natural gas and oil properties, using the full cost method, including \$1,678 million as of June 30, 2019 and \$1,755 million as of December 31, 2018 excluded from amortization	24,823	24,180
Other	555	525
Less: Accumulated depreciation, depletion and amortization	(20,279)	(20,049)
Total property and equipment, net	5,099	4,656
Deferred tax assets	410	—
Other long-term assets	272	185
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 6,545	\$ 5,797
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 52	\$ —
Accounts payable	585	609
Taxes payable	52	58
Interest payable	53	52
Derivative liabilities	67	79
Other current liabilities	103	48
Total current liabilities	912	846
Long-term debt	2,267	2,318
Pension and other postretirement liabilities	39	46
Other long-term liabilities	245	225
Total long-term liabilities	2,551	2,589
Commitments and contingencies (Note 13)		
Equity:		
Common stock, \$0.01 par value; 1,250,000,000 shares authorized; issued 585,478,345 shares as of June 30, 2019 and 585,407,107 shares as of December 31, 2018	6	6
Additional paid-in capital	4,720	4,715
Accumulated deficit	(1,410)	(2,142)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(32)	(36)
Common stock in treasury, 44,353,224 shares as of June 30, 2019 and 39,092,537 shares as of December 31, 2018	(202)	(181)
Total equity	3,082	2,362
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ 6,545	\$ 5,797

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SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited)

<i>(in millions)</i>	For the six months ended June 30,	
	2019	2018
Cash Flows From Operating Activities:		
Net income	\$ 732	\$ 259
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	233	285
Amortization of debt issuance costs	2	4
Deferred income taxes	(411)	—
(Gain) loss on derivatives, unsettled	(96)	54
Stock-based compensation	4	9
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	—	8
Loss on sale of assets, net	3	—
Other	10	1
Change in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	221	12
Accounts payable	(129)	53
Taxes payable	(6)	(4)
Interest payable	1	(1)
Inventories	4	(7)
Other assets and liabilities	(25)	(9)
Net cash provided by operating activities	543	664
Cash Flows From Investing Activities:		
Capital investments	(586)	(684)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment	26	6
Other	—	3
Net cash used in investing activities	(560)	(675)
Cash Flows From Financing Activities:		
Payments on long-term debt	—	(1,191)
Payments on revolving credit facility	—	(645)
Borrowings under revolving credit facility	—	1,005
Change in bank drafts outstanding	(7)	—
Debt issuance costs	—	(9)
Purchase of treasury stock	(21)	—
Preferred stock dividend	—	(27)
Cash paid for tax withholding	(1)	(1)
Net cash used in financing activities	(29)	(868)
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(46)	(879)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	201	916
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 155	\$ 37

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SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

(Unaudited)

	Common Stock		Additional Paid-In Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Common Stock in Treasury		Total
	Shares Issued	Amount				Shares	Amount	
<i>(in millions, except share amounts)</i>								
Balance at December 31, 2018	585,407,107	\$ 6	\$ 4,715	\$ (2,142)	\$ (36)	39,092,537	\$ (181)	\$ 2,362
Comprehensive income:								
Net income	—	—	—	594	—	—	—	594
Other comprehensive income	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total comprehensive income	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	594
Stock-based compensation	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	3
Issuance of restricted stock	8,798	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cancellation of restricted stock	(128,324)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Treasury stock	—	—	—	—	—	5,260,687	(21)	(21)
Performance units vested	535,802	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tax withholding – stock compensation	(274,657)	—	(1)	—	—	—	—	(1)
Balance at March 31, 2019	585,548,726	\$ 6	\$ 4,717	\$ (1,548)	\$ (36)	44,353,224	\$ (202)	\$ 2,937
Comprehensive income:								
Net income	—	—	—	138	—	—	—	138
Other comprehensive income	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	4
Total comprehensive income	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	142
Stock-based compensation	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	3
Issuance of restricted stock	6,424	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cancellation of restricted stock	(72,555)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tax withholding – stock compensation	(4,250)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Balance at June 30, 2019	585,478,345	\$ 6	\$ 4,720	\$ (1,410)	\$ (32)	44,353,224	\$ (202)	\$ 3,082

	Common Stock		Preferred Stock	Additional Paid-In Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Common Stock in Treasury		Total
	Shares Issued	Amount	Shares Issued				Shares	Amount	
<i>(in millions, except share amounts)</i>									
Balance at December 31, 2017	512,134,311	\$ 5	1,725,000	\$ 4,698	\$ (2,679)	\$ (44)	31,269	\$ (1)	\$ 1,979
Comprehensive income:									
Net income	—	—	—	—	208	—	—	—	208
Other comprehensive income	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total comprehensive income	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	208
Stock-based compensation	—	—	—	7	—	—	—	—	7
Conversion of preferred stock	74,998,614	1	(1,725,000)	(1)	—	—	—	—	—
Issuance of restricted stock	5,076	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cancellation of restricted stock	(160,168)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Performance units vested	214,866	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tax withholding – stock compensation	(338,808)	—	—	(1)	—	—	—	—	(1)
Balance at March 31, 2018	586,853,891	\$ 6	—	\$ 4,703	\$ (2,471)	\$ (44)	31,269	\$ (1)	\$ 2,193
Comprehensive income:									
Net income	—	—	—	—	51	—	—	—	51
Other comprehensive income	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total comprehensive income	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	51
Stock-based compensation	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	—	6
Issuance of restricted stock	307,743	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cancellation of restricted stock	(722,465)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tax withholding – stock compensation	(9,068)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Balance at June 30, 2018	586,430,101	\$ 6	—	\$ 4,709	\$ (2,420)	\$ (44)	31,269	\$ (1)	\$ 2,250

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

SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES
NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(1) BASIS OF PRESENTATION

Southwestern Energy Company (including its subsidiaries, collectively “Southwestern” or the “Company”) is an independent energy company engaged in natural gas, oil and NGL exploration, development and production (“E&P”). The Company is also focused on creating and capturing additional value through its marketing business (“Midstream”). Southwestern conducts most of its business through subsidiaries and operates principally in two segments: E&P and Midstream. The Company also operates drilling rigs located in Pennsylvania and West Virginia and provides oilfield products and services, principally serving its E&P operations. The Company’s historical financial and operating results include its Fayetteville Shale E&P and related midstream gathering businesses, which were sold in early December 2018 (the “Fayetteville Shale sale”). The sale is discussed in further detail in [Note 2](#).

E&P. Southwestern’s primary business is the exploration for and production of natural gas, oil and NGLs, with ongoing operations focused on the development of unconventional natural gas and oil reservoirs located in Pennsylvania and West Virginia. The Company’s operations in northeast Pennsylvania, herein referred to as “Northeast Appalachia,” are primarily focused on the unconventional natural gas reservoir known as the Marcellus Shale. Operations in West Virginia and southwest Pennsylvania, herein referred to as “Southwest Appalachia,” are focused on the Marcellus Shale, the Utica and the Upper Devonian unconventional natural gas and oil reservoirs. Collectively, Southwestern refers to its properties located in Pennsylvania and West Virginia as the “Appalachian Basin.”

Midstream. Southwestern’s marketing activities capture opportunities that arise through the marketing and transportation of natural gas, oil and NGLs primarily produced in its E&P operations.

The accompanying consolidated financial statements were prepared using accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”) for interim financial information and in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Certain information relating to the Company’s organization and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP have been appropriately condensed or omitted in this Quarterly Report. The Company believes the disclosures made are adequate to make the information presented not misleading.

The consolidated financial statements contained in this report include all normal and recurring material adjustments that, in the opinion of management, are necessary for a fair statement of the financial position, results of operations and cash flows for the interim periods presented herein. It is recommended that these consolidated financial statements be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included in the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018 (“2018 Annual Report”).

The Company’s significant accounting policies, which have been reviewed and approved by the Audit Committee of the Company’s Board of Directors, are summarized in Note 1 in the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company’s 2018 Annual Report.

(2) DIVESTITURES

On August 30, 2018, the Company entered into an agreement with Flywheel Energy Operating, LLC to sell 100% of the equity in the Company’s subsidiaries that owned and operated its Fayetteville Shale E&P and related midstream gathering assets for \$1,865 million in cash, subject to customary closing adjustments, with an economic effective date of July 1, 2018. On December 3, 2018, the Company closed on the Fayetteville Shale sale and received approximately \$1,650 million, which included preliminary purchase price adjustments of approximately \$215 million primarily related to the net cash flows from the economic effective date to the closing date.

The Company retained certain contractual commitments related to firm transportation, with the buyer obligated to pay the transportation provider directly for these charges. As of June 30, 2019, approximately \$162 million of these contractual commitments remain of which the Company will reimburse the buyer for certain of these potential obligations up to approximately \$82 million through 2020 depending on the buyer’s actual use. At June 30, 2019, the Company has recorded a \$68 million liability for the estimated future payments.

From the proceeds received, \$914 million was used to repurchase \$900 million of the Company’s outstanding senior notes, including premiums and \$9 million in accrued interest paid in December 2018. In addition, \$201 million, including approximately \$1 million in commissions, was used to repurchase approximately 44 million shares of the Company’s outstanding common stock, including \$21 million during the first quarter of 2019. The Company is using the remaining net proceeds from the sale to supplement Appalachian Basin development and for general corporate purposes.

In June 2019, the Company sold non-core acreage for \$25 million. There was no production or proved reserves associated with this acreage.

(3) RESTRUCTURING CHARGES

In December 2018, the Company closed on the sale of the equity in certain of its subsidiaries that owned and operated its Fayetteville Shale E&P and related midstream gathering assets in Arkansas. As part of the transaction, most employees associated with those assets became employees of the buyer although the employment of some was, or will be, terminated. All affected employees were offered a severance package, which included a one-time cash payment depending on length of service and, if applicable, the current value of a portion of equity awards that were forfeited. As of June 30, 2019, a liability of approximately \$0.4 million for severance payments has been accrued for the remaining Fayetteville Shale sale-related employment terminations in 2019.

On June 27, 2018, the Company notified affected employees of a workforce reduction plan, which resulted primarily from a previously announced study of structural, process and organizational changes to enhance shareholder value and continues with respect to other aspects of the Company's business activities. Affected employees were offered a severance package, which included a one-time cash payment depending on length of service and, if applicable, current value of a portion of equity awards that were forfeited.

The following table presents a summary of the restructuring charges included in Operating Income for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018:

<i>(in millions)</i>	For the three months ended June 30,		For the six months ended June 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Severance (including payroll taxes)	\$ 1	\$ 17	\$ 3	\$ 17
Office consolidation	1	—	2	—
Professional fees	—	1	—	1
Total restructuring charges ⁽¹⁾	\$ 2	\$ 18	\$ 5	\$ 18

(1) Total restructuring charges were \$2 million and \$5 million for the Company's E&P segment for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019, respectively, and \$16 million and \$2 million for the Company's E&P and Midstream segments, respectively, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2018.

The following table presents a reconciliation of the liability associated with the Company's restructuring activities at June 30, 2019, which is reflected in accounts payable on the consolidated balance sheet:

<i>(in millions)</i>	June 30, 2019
Liability at December 31, 2018	\$ 5
Additions	5
Distributions	(10)
Liability at June 30, 2019	\$ —

(4) LEASES

In February 2016, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-02, Leases (Topic 842) ("Update 2016-02"), which seeks to increase transparency and comparability among organizations by, among other things, recognizing lease assets and lease liabilities on the balance sheet for leases classified as operating leases under previous GAAP and disclosing key information about leasing arrangements. The codification was amended through additional ASUs. For public entities, Update 2016-02 became effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, including interim periods within those fiscal years. The Company adopted ASC 842 with an effective date of January 1, 2019 using the modified retrospective approach for all leases that existed at the date of initial application. The Company elected to apply the transition as of the beginning of the period of adoption. For leases that existed at the period of adoption on January 1, 2019, the incremental borrowing rate as of the application date was used to calculate the present value of remaining lease payments.

The standard provides optional practical expedients to ease the burden of transition. The Company has adopted the following practical expedients through implementation:

- an election not to apply the recognition requirements in the leases standard to short-term leases and recognize lease payments in the consolidated statement of operations (a lease that at commencement date has an initial term of 12 months or less and does not contain a purchase option that the Company is reasonably certain to exercise);
- a package of practical expedients to not reassess: whether a contract is or contains a lease, lease classification and initial direct costs;

- a practical expedient that permits combining lease and non-lease components in a contract and accounting for the combination as a lease (elected by asset class);
- a practical expedient to not reassess certain land easements in existence prior to January 1, 2019; and
- an election to adopt the modified retrospective approach for all leases existing at or entered into after the initial date of adoption which does not require a restatement of prior period. No cumulative-effect adjustment to retained earnings was required as a result of the modified retrospective approach.

Upon adoption of ASC 842, the Company recognized a discounted right-of-use asset and corresponding lease liability with opening balances of approximately \$105 million as of January 1, 2019. The adoption of the standard did not materially change the Company's consolidated statement of operations or its consolidated statement of cash flows.

The Company determines if a contract contains a lease at inception. A lease is defined as a contract, or part of a contract, that conveys the right to control the use of identified property, plant or equipment (an identified asset) for a period of time in exchange for consideration. A right-of-use asset and corresponding lease liability are recognized on the balance sheet at commencement at an amount based on the present value of the remaining lease payments over the lease term. As the implicit rate of the lease is not always readily determinable, the Company uses the incremental borrowing rate to calculate the present value of the lease payments based on information available at commencement date. Operating right-of-use assets are included in other long-term assets while operating lease liabilities are included in other current and other long-term liabilities on the consolidated balance sheet. The Company does not have any financing lease type of arrangements as of June 30, 2019. By policy election, leases with an initial term of twelve months or less are not recorded on the balance sheet. The Company recognizes lease expense for these leases on a straight-line basis, and variable lease payments are recognized in the period as incurred. Variable lease costs were immaterial through the second quarter ended June 30, 2019.

Certain leases contain both lease and non-lease components. The Company has chosen to account for most of these leases as a single lease component instead of bifurcating lease and non-lease components. However, for compression service leases and fleet vehicle leases, the lease and non-lease components are accounted for separately.

The Company leases drilling rigs, pressure pumping equipment, vehicles, office space, certain water transportation lines, an aircraft and other equipment under non-cancelable operating leases expiring through 2032. Certain lease agreements include options to renew the lease, early terminate the lease or purchase the underlying asset(s). The Company determines the lease term at the lease commencement date as the non-cancelable period of the lease, including options to extend or terminate the lease when such an option is reasonably certain to be exercised. The Company's water transportation lines are the only leases with renewal options that are reasonably certain to be exercised. These renewal options are reflected in the right-of-use asset and lease liability balances.

The Company has a residual value guarantee related to its headquarters office building, which would be due only if, at the end of the lease term, the building is either purchased by the Company or marketed to a third party where the purchase price is less than the residual value guarantee. In July 2019, the headquarters office building was sold to a third party, which resulted in the Company making an immaterial short-fall payment to the building's current lessor.

During July 2019, the Company terminated its existing lease agreement and entered into a new lease agreement for a smaller portion of the headquarters office building.

The components of lease costs are shown below:

<i>(in millions)</i>	For the six months ended June 30, 2019	
Operating lease cost	\$	22
Short-term lease cost		31
Variable lease cost		—
Total lease cost	\$	53

As of June 30, 2019, the Company has operating leases of \$4 million, related primarily to compressor leases, that have been executed but not yet commenced. These operating leases are planned to commence during 2019 with lease terms expiring through 2022. The Company's existing operating leases do not contain any material restrictive covenants.

Supplemental cash flow information related to leases is set forth below:

<i>(in millions)</i>	For the six months ended June 30, 2019	
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities:		
Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$	22
Right-of use assets obtained in exchange for new operating liabilities:		
Operating leases	\$	6

Supplemental balance sheet information related to leases is as follows:

<i>(in millions)</i>	June 30, 2019	
Right-of-use asset balance:		
Operating leases	\$	103
Lease liability balance:		
Short-term operating leases	\$	47
Long-term operating leases		56
Total operating leases	\$	103
Weighted average remaining lease term:		
Operating leases		3.8
Weighted average discount rate:		
Operating leases		6.28%

Maturity analysis of operating lease liabilities:

<i>(in millions)</i>	June 30, 2019	
2019	\$	22
2020		42
2021		19
2022		10
2023		8
2024		5
Thereafter		9
Total undiscounted lease liability		115
Imputed interest		(12)
Total discounted lease liability	\$	103
<i>(in millions)</i>	December 31, 2018	
2019	\$	38
2020		28
2021		14
2022		6
2023		5
Thereafter		4
Total minimum payments required	\$	95

(5) REVENUE RECOGNITION

Revenues from Contracts with Customers

Natural gas and liquids. Natural gas, oil and natural gas liquid (“NGL”) sales are recognized when control of the product is transferred to the customer at a designated delivery point. The pricing provisions of the Company’s contracts are primarily tied to a market index with certain adjustments based on factors such as delivery, quality of the product and prevailing supply and demand conditions in the geographic areas in which the Company operates. Under the Company’s sales contracts, the delivery of each unit of natural gas, oil and NGLs represents a separate performance obligation, and revenue is recognized at the point in time when the performance obligations are fulfilled. There is no significant financing component to the Company’s revenues as payment terms are typically within 30 to 60 days of control transfer. Furthermore, consideration from a customer corresponds directly with the value to the customer of the Company’s performance completed to date. As a result, the Company recognizes

revenue in the amount to which the Company has a right to invoice and has not disclosed information regarding its remaining performance obligations.

The Company records revenue from its natural gas and liquids production in the amount of its net revenue interest in sales from its properties. Accordingly, natural gas and liquid sales are not recognized for deliveries in excess of the Company's net revenue interest, while natural gas and liquid sales are recognized for any under-delivered volumes. Production imbalances are recorded as receivables and payables and not contract assets or contract liabilities as the imbalances are between the Company and other working interest owners, not the end customer.

Marketing. The Company, through its marketing affiliate, generally markets natural gas, oil and NGLs for its affiliated E&P companies as well as other joint interest owners who choose to market with Southwestern. In addition, the Company markets some products purchased from third parties. Marketing revenues for natural gas, oil and NGL sales are recognized when control of the product is transferred to the customer at a designated delivery point. The pricing provisions of the Company's contracts are primarily tied to a market index with certain adjustments based on factors such as delivery, quality of the product and prevailing supply and demand conditions. Under the Company's marketing contracts, the delivery of each unit of natural gas, oil and NGLs represents a separate performance obligation, and revenue is recognized at the point in time when the performance obligations are fulfilled. Customers are invoiced and revenues are recorded each month as natural gas, oil and NGLs are delivered, and payment terms are typically within 30 to 60 days of control transfer. Furthermore, consideration from a customer corresponds directly with the value to the customer of the Company's performance completed to date. As a result, the Company recognizes revenue in the amount to which the Company has a right to invoice and has not disclosed information regarding its remaining performance obligations.

Gas gathering. Prior to its sale in December 2018 as part of the Fayetteville Shale sale, the Company, through its gathering affiliate, gathered natural gas pursuant to a variety of contracts with customers, including an affiliated E&P company. The performance obligations for gas gathering services included delivery of each unit of natural gas to the designated delivery point, which may include treating of certain natural gas units to meet interstate pipeline specifications. Revenue was recognized at the point in time when performance obligations were fulfilled. Under the Company's gathering contracts, customers were invoiced and revenue was recognized each month based on the volume of natural gas transported and treated at a contractually agreed upon price per unit. Payment terms were typically within 30 to 60 days of completion of the performance obligations. Furthermore, consideration from a customer corresponded directly with the value to the customer of the Company's performance completed to date. As a result, the Company recognized revenue in the amount to which the Company had a right to invoice and had not disclosed information regarding its remaining performance obligations. Any imbalances were settled on a monthly basis by cashing-out with the respective shipper. Accordingly, there were no contract assets or contract liabilities related to the Company's gas gathering revenues.

Disaggregation of Revenues

The Company presents a disaggregation of E&P revenues by product on the consolidated statements of operations net of intersegment revenues. The following table reconciles operating revenues as presented on the consolidated statements of operations to the operating revenues by segment:

<i>(in millions)</i>	E&P	Midstream	Intersegment Revenues	Total
Three months ended June 30, 2019				
Gas sales	\$ 267	\$ —	\$ 8	\$ 275
Oil sales	46	—	1	47
NGL sales	58	—	—	58
Marketing	—	626	(339)	287
Total	\$ 371	\$ 626	\$ (330)	\$ 667
Three months ended June 30, 2018				
Gas sales	\$ 400	\$ —	\$ 7	\$ 407
Oil sales	44	—	—	44
NGL sales	75	—	—	75
Marketing	—	728	(463)	265
Gas gathering ⁽¹⁾	—	69	(45)	24
Other ⁽²⁾	1	—	—	1
Total	\$ 520	\$ 797	\$ (501)	\$ 816

<i>(in millions)</i>	E&P	Midstream	Intersegment Revenues	Total
Six months ended June 30, 2019				
Gas sales	\$ 688	\$ —	\$ 17	\$ 705
Oil sales	85	—	1	86
NGL sales	139	—	—	139
Marketing	—	1,566	(841)	725
Other ⁽²⁾	1	1	—	2
Total	\$ 913	\$ 1,567	\$ (823)	\$ 1,657

Six months ended June 30, 2018				
Gas sales	\$ 935	\$ —	\$ 12	\$ 947
Oil sales	78	—	1	79
NGL sales	140	—	—	140
Marketing	—	1,557	(1,039)	518
Gas gathering ⁽¹⁾	—	136	(88)	48
Other ⁽²⁾	4	—	—	4
Total	\$ 1,157	\$ 1,693	\$ (1,114)	\$ 1,736

(1) The Company's gas gathering assets were divested in December 2018 as part of the Fayetteville Shale sale.

(2) Other E&P revenues consists primarily of water sales to third-party operators, and other Midstream revenues consists primarily of sales of gas from storage.

Associated E&P revenues are also disaggregated for analysis on a geographic basis by the core areas in which the Company operates, which are in Pennsylvania and West Virginia. In December 2018, the Company sold 100% of its Fayetteville Shale assets.

<i>(in millions)</i>	For the three months ended June 30,		For the six months ended June 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Northeast Appalachia	\$ 217	\$ 213	\$ 565	\$ 540
Southwest Appalachia	153	166	346	322
Fayetteville Shale	—	139	—	291
Other	1	2	2	4
Total	\$ 371	\$ 520	\$ 913	\$ 1,157

Receivables from Contracts with Customers

The following table reconciles the Company's receivables from contracts with customers to consolidated accounts receivable as presented on the consolidated balance sheet:

<i>(in millions)</i>	June 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Receivables from contracts with customers	\$ 238	\$ 494
Other accounts receivable	120	87
Total accounts receivable	<u>\$ 358</u>	<u>\$ 581</u>

Amounts recognized against the Company's allowance for doubtful accounts related to receivables arising from contracts with customers were immaterial for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018. The Company has no contract assets or contract liabilities associated with its revenues from contracts with customers.

(6) CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The following table presents a summary of cash and cash equivalents as of June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018:

<i>(in millions)</i>	June 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Cash	\$ 71	\$ 32
Marketable securities ⁽¹⁾	69	169
Other cash equivalents ⁽²⁾	15	—
Total	<u>\$ 155</u>	<u>\$ 201</u>

(1) Consists of government stable value money market funds.

(2) Consists of time deposits.

(7) NATURAL GAS AND OIL PROPERTIES

The Company utilizes the full cost method of accounting for costs related to the exploration, development and acquisition of natural gas and oil properties. Under this method, all such costs (productive and nonproductive), including salaries, benefits and other internal costs directly attributable to these activities, are capitalized on a country-by-country basis and amortized over the estimated lives of the properties using the units-of-production method. These capitalized costs are subject to a ceiling test that limits such pooled costs, net of applicable deferred taxes, to the aggregate of the present value of future net revenues attributable to proved natural gas, oil and NGL reserves discounted at 10% (standardized measure). Any costs in excess of the ceiling are written off as a non-cash expense. The expense may not be reversed in future periods, even though higher natural gas, oil and NGL prices may subsequently increase the ceiling. Companies using the full cost method are required to use the average quoted price from the first day of each month from the previous 12 months, including the impact of derivatives designated for hedge accounting, to calculate the ceiling value of their reserves.

Using the average quoted price from the first day of each month from the previous 12 months for Henry Hub natural gas of \$3.02 per MMBtu, West Texas Intermediate oil of \$61.39 per barrel and NGLs of \$16.35 per barrel, adjusted for differentials, the Company's net book value of its United States natural gas and oil properties did not exceed the ceiling amount at June 30, 2019. The Company had no derivative positions that were designated for hedge accounting as of June 30, 2019. Decreases in market prices as well as changes in production rates, levels of reserves, evaluation of costs excluded from amortization, future development costs and production costs could result in future ceiling test impairments.

Using the average quoted price from the first day of each month from the previous 12 months for Henry Hub natural gas of \$2.92 per MMBtu, West Texas Intermediate oil of \$54.15 per barrel and NGLs of \$15.56 per barrel, adjusted for differentials, the Company's net book value of its United States natural gas and oil properties did not exceed the ceiling amount at June 30, 2018. The Company had no derivative positions that were designated for hedge accounting as of June 30, 2018.

(8) EARNINGS PER SHARE

Basic earnings per common share is computed by dividing net income attributable to common stock by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the reportable period. The diluted earnings per share calculation adds to the weighted average number of common shares outstanding: the incremental shares that would have been outstanding assuming the exercise of dilutive stock options, the vesting of unvested restricted shares of common stock, performance units and the assumed conversion of mandatory convertible preferred stock. An antidilutive impact is an increase in earnings per share or a reduction in net loss per share resulting from the conversion, exercise or contingent issuance of certain securities.

In January 2015, the Company issued 34,500,000 depository shares that entitled the holder to a proportional fractional interest in the rights and preferences of the mandatory convertible preferred stock, including conversion, dividend, liquidation and voting

rights. The mandatory convertible preferred stock had the non-forfeitable right to participate on an as-converted basis at the conversion rate then in effect in any common stock dividends declared and, therefore, was considered a participating security. Accordingly, it has been included in the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share, pursuant to the two-class method. In the calculation of basic earnings per share attributable to common shareholders, earnings are allocated to participating securities based on actual dividend distributions received plus a proportionate share of undistributed net income attributable to common shareholders, if any, after recognizing distributed earnings. The Company's participating securities do not participate in undistributed net losses because they are not contractually obligated to do so. On January 12, 2018, all outstanding shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock converted to 74,998,614 shares of the Company's common stock. The Company paid out its last dividend payment of approximately \$27 million associated with the depository shares in January 2018.

During the second half of 2018, the Company repurchased 39,061,269 shares of its outstanding common stock for approximately \$180 million at an average price of \$4.63 per share. In the first quarter of 2019, the Company completed its share repurchase program by purchasing 5,260,687 shares of its outstanding common stock for approximately \$21 million at an average price of \$3.84 per share.

The following table presents the computation of earnings per share for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018:

<i>(in millions, except share/per share amounts)</i>	For the three months ended June 30,		For the six months ended June 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Net income	\$ 138	\$ 51	\$ 732	\$ 259
Participating securities - mandatory convertible preferred stock	—	—	—	2
Net income attributable to common stock	\$ 138	\$ 51	\$ 732	\$ 257
Number of common shares:				
Weighted average outstanding	539,005,941	581,159,200	539,362,984	576,255,744
Issued upon assumed exercise of outstanding stock options	—	—	—	—
Effect of issuance of non-vested restricted common stock	311,732	480,580	481,948	683,562
Effect of issuance of non-vested performance units	629,380	1,238,326	779,810	1,283,434
Weighted average and potential dilutive outstanding	539,947,053	582,878,106	540,624,742	578,222,740
Earnings per common share				
Basic	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.09	\$ 1.36	\$ 0.45
Diluted	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.09	\$ 1.35	\$ 0.44

The following table presents the common stock shares equivalent excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, as they would have had an antidilutive effect:

	For the three months ended June 30,		For the six months ended June 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Unexercised stock options	5,114,763	—	5,121,663	—
Unvested share-based payment	1,773,074	4,335,715	1,822,346	5,152,847
Performance units	241,896	875,800	250,998	986,585
Mandatory convertible preferred stock	—	—	—	4,972,284
Total	7,129,733	5,211,515	7,195,007	11,111,716

(9) DERIVATIVES AND RISK MANAGEMENT

The Company is exposed to volatility in market prices and basis differentials for natural gas, oil and NGLs which impacts the predictability of its cash flows related to the sale of those commodities. These risks are managed by the Company's use of certain derivative financial instruments. As of June 30, 2019, the Company's derivative financial instruments consisted of fixed price swaps, two-way costless collars, three-way costless collars, basis swaps, call options and interest rate swaps. A description of the Company's derivative financial instruments is provided below:

Fixed price swaps

If the Company sells a fixed price swap, the Company receives a fixed price for the contract and pays a floating market price to the counterparty. If the Company purchases a fixed price swap, the Company receives a floating market price for the contract and pays a fixed price to the counterparty.

<i>Two-way costless collars</i>	Arrangements that contain a fixed floor price (purchased put option) and a fixed ceiling price (sold call option) based on an index price which, in aggregate, have no net cost. At the contract settlement date, (1) if the index price is higher than the ceiling price, the Company pays the counterparty the difference between the index price and ceiling price, (2) if the index price is between the floor and ceiling prices, no payments are due from either party, and (3) if the index price is below the floor price, the Company will receive the difference between the floor price and the index price.
<i>Three-way costless collars</i>	Arrangements that contain a purchased put option, a sold call option and a sold put option based on an index price which, in aggregate, have no net cost. At the contract settlement date, (1) if the index price is higher than the sold call strike price, the Company pays the counterparty the difference between the index price and sold call strike price, (2) if the index price is between the purchased put strike price and the sold call strike price, no payments are due from either party, (3) if the index price is between the sold put strike price and the purchased put strike price, the Company will receive the difference between the purchased put strike price and the index price, and (4) if the index price is below the sold put strike price, the Company will receive the difference between the purchased put strike price and the sold put strike price.
<i>Basis swaps</i>	Arrangements that guarantee a price differential for natural gas from a specified delivery point. If the Company sells a basis swap, the Company receives a payment from the counterparty if the price differential is greater than the stated terms of the contract and pays the counterparty if the price differential is less than the stated terms of the contract. If the Company purchases a basis swap, the Company pays the counterparty if the price differential is greater than the stated terms of the contract and receives a payment from the counterparty if the price differential is less than the stated terms of the contract.
<i>Call options</i>	The Company purchases and sells call options in exchange for a premium. If the Company purchases a call option, the Company receives from the counterparty the excess (if any) of the market price over the strike price of the call option at the time of settlement, but if the market price is below the call's strike price, no payment is due from either party. If the Company sells a call option, the Company pays the counterparty the excess (if any) of the market price over the strike price of the call option at the time of settlement, but if the market price is below the call's strike price, no payment is due from either party.
<i>Interest rate swaps</i>	Interest rate swaps are used to fix or float interest rates on existing or anticipated indebtedness. The purpose of these instruments is to manage the Company's existing or anticipated exposure to unfavorable interest rate changes.

The Company chooses counterparties for its derivative instruments that it believes are creditworthy at the time the transactions are entered into, and the Company actively monitors the credit ratings and credit default swap rates of these counterparties where applicable. However, there can be no assurance that a counterparty will be able to meet its obligations to the Company. The Company presents its derivative positions on a gross basis and does not net the asset and liability positions.

As part of the Fayetteville Shale sale, the Company entered into certain natural gas derivative positions that were subsequently novated to the buyer in conjunction with finalization of the sale. The derivatives that were novated to the buyer are not included in the tables below.

The following tables provide information about the Company's financial instruments that are sensitive to changes in commodity prices and that are used to protect the Company's exposure. None of the financial instruments below are designated for hedge accounting treatment. The tables present the notional amount, the weighted average contract prices and the fair value by expected maturity dates as of June 30, 2019:

Financial Protection on Production

	Volume (Bcf)	Weighted Average Price per MMBtu						Fair Value at June 30, 2019 (in millions)
		Swaps	Sold Puts	Purchased Puts	Sold Calls	Basis Differential		
Natural Gas								
<u>2019</u>								
Fixed price swaps	131	\$ 2.92	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 75
Two-way costless collars	25	—	—	2.78	2.92	—	—	13
Three-way costless collars	67	—	2.47	2.88	3.22	—	—	22
Total	223							\$ 110
<u>2020</u>								
Fixed price swaps	24	\$ 2.88	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 8
Three-way costless collars	148	—	2.36	2.67	2.97	—	—	10
Total	172							\$ 18
<u>2021</u>								
Three-way costless collars	37	\$ —	\$ 2.35	\$ 2.60	\$ 2.93	\$ —	\$ —	(1)
Basis Swaps								
2019	80	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ (0.45)	\$ —	(6)
2020	132	—	—	—	—	(0.34)	—	(10)
2021	28	—	—	—	—	(0.51)	—	(1)
Total	240							\$ (17)

	Volume (MMbbls)	Weighted Average Strike Price per Bbl				Fair Value at June 30, 2019 (in millions)
		Swaps	Sold Puts	Purchased Puts	Sold Calls	
Oil						
<u>2019</u>						
Fixed price swaps ⁽¹⁾	1,003	\$ 60.89	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 4
Two-way costless collars	764	—	—	61.45	67.16	4
Three-way costless collars	276	—	45.00	55.00	63.67	—
Total	2,043					\$ 8
<u>2020</u>						
Fixed price swaps	1,556	\$ 60.18	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 7
Two-way costless collars	366	—	—	60.00	69.80	3
Three-way costless collars	641	—	45.00	55.00	63.36	1
Total	2,563					\$ 11

Propane						
<u>2019</u>						
Fixed price swaps	1,955	\$ 30.18	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 14
Two-way costless collars	276	—	—	25.62	28.77	1
Total	2,231					\$ 15
<u>2020</u>						
Fixed price swaps	2,196	\$ 26.97	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 6
Two-way costless collars	366	—	—	25.20	29.40	1
Total	2,562					\$ 7

Ethane						
<u>2019</u>						
Fixed price swaps	1,858	\$ 13.90	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 10
<u>2020</u>						
Fixed price swaps	732	\$ 13.49	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 2

(1) Includes 138 MBbbls of purchased fixed price oil swaps hedged at \$69.10 per barrel with a fair value of (\$1) million and 1,141 MBbbls of sold fixed price oil swaps hedged at \$61.88 with a fair value of \$5 million.

Other Derivative Contracts

	Volume (Bcf)	Weighted Average Strike Price per MMBtu	Fair Value at June 30, 2019 (in millions)
Purchased Call Options – Natural Gas			
2019	17	\$ 3.50	\$ —
2020	68	3.63	2
2021	57	3.52	2
Total	142		\$ 4
Sold Call Options – Natural Gas			
2019	26	\$ 3.50	\$ —
2020	137	3.39	(8)
2021	114	3.33	(8)
Total	277		\$ (16)

	Volume (Bcf)		Weighted Average Strike Price per MMBtu		Basis Differential per MMBtu		Fair Value at June 30, 2019 (\$ in millions)
Storage ⁽¹⁾							
<u>2019</u>							
Purchased fixed price swaps	1	\$	2.87	\$	—	\$	(1)
Purchased basis swaps	1		—		(0.53)		—
Total	2					\$	(1)
<u>2020</u>							
Fixed price swap	1	\$	3.14	\$	—	\$	—

(1) The Company has entered into certain derivatives to protect the value of volumes of natural gas injected into a storage facility that will be withdrawn at a later date.

At June 30, 2019, the net fair value of the Company's financial instruments related to commodities was a \$150 million asset. The net fair value of the Company's interest rate swaps was a \$1 million liability as of June 30, 2019.

As of June 30, 2019, the Company had no positions designated for hedge accounting treatment. Gains and losses on derivatives that are not designated for hedge accounting treatment, or do not meet hedge accounting requirements, are recorded as a component of gain (loss) on derivatives on the consolidated statements of operations. Accordingly, the gain (loss) on derivatives component of the statement of operations reflects the gain and losses on both settled and unsettled derivatives. The Company calculates gains and losses on settled derivatives as the summation of gains and losses on positions which have settled within the reporting period. Only the settled gains and losses are included in the Company's realized commodity price calculations.

The Company is a party to interest rate swaps that were entered into to mitigate the Company's exposure to volatility in interest rates. The interest rate swaps have a notional amount of \$170 million and expire in June 2020. The Company did not designate the interest rate swaps for hedge accounting treatment. Changes in the fair value of the interest rate swaps are included in gain (loss) on derivatives on the consolidated statements of operations.

The balance sheet classification of the assets and liabilities related to derivative financial instruments (none of which are designated for hedge accounting treatment) is summarized below as of June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018:

Derivative Assets

<i>(in millions)</i>	Balance Sheet Classification	Fair Value	
		June 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments:			
Fixed price swaps – natural gas	Derivative assets	\$ 79	\$ 32
Fixed price swaps – oil	Derivative assets	7	13
Fixed price swaps – propane	Derivative assets	18	11
Fixed price swaps – ethane	Derivative assets	11	7
Two-way costless collars – natural gas	Derivative assets	13	11
Two-way costless collars – oil	Derivative assets	6	6
Two-way costless collars – propane	Derivative assets	2	—
Three-way costless collars – natural gas	Derivative assets	65	41
Three-way costless collars – oil	Derivative assets	2	—
Basis swaps – natural gas	Derivative assets	5	8
Purchased call options – natural gas	Derivative assets	1 ⁽¹⁾	—
Interest rate swaps	Derivative assets	—	1
Fixed price swaps – natural gas	Other long-term assets	4	6
Fixed price swaps – oil	Other long-term assets	4	6
Fixed price swaps – propane	Other long-term assets	2	—
Fixed price swaps – ethane	Other long-term assets	1	1
Two-way costless collars – oil	Other long-term assets	2	5
Three-way costless collars – natural gas	Other long-term assets	31	34
Three-way costless collars – oil	Other long-term assets	2	—
Basis swaps – natural gas	Other long-term assets	2	3
Purchased call options – natural gas	Other long-term assets	4	6
Total derivative assets		\$ 261	\$ 191

Derivative Liabilities

<i>(in millions)</i>	Balance Sheet Classification	Fair Value	
		June 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments:			
Purchased fixed price swap – oil	Derivative liabilities	\$ 1	\$ 6
Fixed price swaps – natural gas	Derivative liabilities	—	9
Fixed price swaps – ethane	Derivative liabilities	—	3
Two-way costless collars – natural gas	Derivative liabilities	—	7
Two-way costless collars – oil	Derivative liabilities	1	—
Three-way costless collars – natural gas	Derivative liabilities	37	33
Three-way costless collars – oil	Derivative liabilities	2	—
Basis swaps – natural gas	Derivative liabilities	19	18
Sold call options – natural gas	Derivative liabilities	5	3
Storage – fixed price swap	Derivative liabilities	1	—
Interest rate swaps	Derivative liabilities	1	—
Fixed price swaps – natural gas	Other long-term liabilities	—	1
Two-way costless collars – oil	Other long-term liabilities	—	1
Three-way costless collars – natural gas	Other long-term liabilities	28	35
Three-way costless collars – oil	Other long-term liabilities	1	—
Basis swap – natural gas	Other long-term liabilities	5	4
Sold call options – natural gas	Other long-term liabilities	11	19
Total derivative liabilities		\$ 112	\$ 139

(1) Includes \$1 million in premiums paid related to certain natural gas purchased call options recognized as a component of derivative assets within current assets on the consolidated balance sheet at June 30, 2019. As certain natural gas purchased call options settle, the premium will be amortized and recognized as a component of gain (loss) on derivatives on the consolidated statements of operations.

The following tables summarize the before-tax effect of the Company's derivative instruments on the consolidated statements of operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018:

Unsettled Gain (Loss) on Derivatives Recognized in Earnings

Derivative Instrument	Consolidated Statement of Operations Classification of Gain (Loss) on Derivatives, Unsettled	For the three months ended June 30,		For the six months ended June 30,	
		2019	2018	2019	2018
<i>(in millions)</i>					
Purchased fixed price swaps – oil	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	\$ 1	\$ —	\$ 5	\$ —
Fixed price swaps – natural gas	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	57	(26)	55	(29)
Fixed price swaps – oil	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	5	—	(8)	—
Fixed price swaps – propane	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	13	(12)	9	(9)
Fixed price swaps – ethane	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	—	(2)	7	(2)
Two-way costless collars – natural gas	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	10	(1)	9	2
Two-way costless collars – oil	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	4	—	(3)	—
Two-way costless collars – propane	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	2	—	2	—
Three-way costless collars – natural gas	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	22	(24)	24	(29)
Three-way costless collars – oil	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	1	—	1	—
Basis swaps – natural gas	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	4	(4)	(6)	16
Purchased call options – natural gas	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	(2)	(12)	(2)	4
Sold call options – natural gas	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	4	31	6	(3)
Sold call options – oil	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	—	(6)	—	(6)
Storage – fixed price swap	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	(1)	—	(1)	—
Interest rate swaps	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	(2)	—	(2)	2
Total gain (loss) on unsettled derivatives		\$ 118	\$ (56)	\$ 96	\$ (54)

Settled Gain (Loss) on Derivatives Recognized in Earnings ⁽¹⁾

Derivative Instrument	Consolidated Statement of Operations Classification of Gain (Loss) on Derivatives, Settled	For the three months ended June 30,		For the six months ended June 30,	
		2019	2018	2019	2018
<i>(in millions)</i>					
Purchased fixed price swaps – oil	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	\$ (1)	\$ —	\$ (2)	\$ —
Sold fixed price swaps – natural gas	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	14	13	8	13
Sold fixed price swaps – oil	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	2	—	4	—
Sold fixed price swaps – propane	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	7	(1)	9	(1)
Sold fixed price swaps – ethane	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	5	—	6	—
Two-way costless collars – natural gas	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	3	—	2	4
Two-way costless collars – oil	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	1	—	2	—
Three-way costless collars – natural gas	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	8	12	4	19
Sold basis swaps – natural gas	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	(4)	(3)	(8)	(24)
Purchased call options – natural gas	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	—	—	—	2 ⁽²⁾
Sold call options – natural gas	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	(1)	—	(1)	(1)
Sold call options – oil	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives	—	(1)	—	(1)
Total gain on settled derivatives		\$ 34	\$ 20	\$ 24	\$ 11
Total gain (loss) on derivatives		\$ 152	\$ (36)	\$ 120	\$ (43)

(1) The Company calculates gain (loss) on derivatives, settled, as the summation of gains and losses on positions that settled within the period.

(2) Includes \$1 million amortization of premiums paid related to certain natural gas call options for the six months ended June 30, 2018, which is included in gain (loss) on derivatives on the consolidated statements of operations.

(10) RECLASSIFICATIONS FROM ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

In the first half of 2019, changes in accumulated other comprehensive income primarily related to settlements in the Company's pension and other postretirement benefits. The following tables detail the components of accumulated other comprehensive income and the related tax effects for the six months ended June 30, 2019:

<i>(in millions)</i>	Pension and Other Postretirement	Foreign Currency	Total
Beginning balance December 31, 2018	\$ (22)	\$ (14)	\$ (36)
Other comprehensive income before reclassifications	—	—	—
Amounts reclassified from other comprehensive income ⁽¹⁾	4	—	4
Net current-period other comprehensive income	4	—	4
Ending balance June 30, 2019	\$ (18)	\$ (14)	\$ (32)

(1) See separate table below for details about these reclassifications.

Details about Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Affected Line Item in the Consolidated Statement of Operations	Amount Reclassified from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income For the six months ended June 30, 2019 <i>(in millions)</i>
Pension and other postretirement:		
Amortization of prior service cost and net loss ⁽¹⁾	Other Income, Net	\$ 5
	Provision for income taxes	1
	Net income	<u>\$ 4</u>
Total reclassifications for the period	Net income	\$ 4

(1) See [Note 15](#) for additional details regarding the Company's pension and other postretirement benefit plans.

(11) FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis

The carrying amounts and estimated fair values of the Company's financial instruments as of June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018 were as follows:

<i>(in millions)</i>	June 30, 2019		December 31, 2018	
	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Fair Value
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 155	\$ 155	\$ 201	\$ 201
2018 revolving credit facility due April 2023	—	—	—	—
Senior notes ⁽¹⁾	2,342	2,220	2,342	2,190
Derivative instruments, net	149 ⁽²⁾	149 ⁽²⁾	52	52

(1) Excludes unamortized debt issuance costs and debt discounts.

(2) Includes \$1 million in premiums paid related to certain natural gas purchased call options recognized as a component of derivative assets within current assets on the consolidated balance sheet.

The fair value hierarchy prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. As presented in the tables below, this hierarchy consists of three broad levels:

Level 1 valuations - Consist of unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities and have the highest priority.

Level 2 valuations - Consist of quoted market information for the calculation of fair market value.

Level 3 valuations - Consist of internal estimates and have the lowest priority.

The carrying values of cash and cash equivalents, including marketable securities, accounts receivable, other current assets, accounts payable and other current liabilities on the consolidated balance sheets approximate fair value because of their short-term nature. For debt and derivative instruments, the following methods and assumptions were used to estimate fair value:

Debt: The fair values of the Company's senior notes were based on the market value of the Company's publicly traded debt as determined based on the market prices of the Company's senior notes. These instruments were previously classified as a Level

2 measurement but substantially all senior notes were updated to a Level 1 measurement in the second quarter of 2018 as the market activity of the Company's debt has resulted in timely quoted prices. The 4.05% Senior Notes due January 2020 remain a Level 2 measurement due to relative market inactivity.

The carrying values of the borrowings under the Company's revolving credit facility (to the extent utilized) approximates fair value because the interest rate is variable and reflective of market rates. The Company considers the fair value of its revolving credit facility to be a Level 1 measurement on the fair value hierarchy.

Derivative Instruments: The fair value of all derivative instruments is the amount at which the instrument could be exchanged currently between willing parties. The amounts are based on quoted market prices, best estimates obtained from counterparties and an option pricing model, when necessary, for price option contracts.

The Company has classified its derivatives into these levels depending upon the data utilized to determine their fair values. The Company's fixed price swaps (Level 2) are estimated using third-party discounted cash flow calculations using the NYMEX futures index for natural gas and oil derivatives and Oil Price Information Service ("OPIS") for ethane and propane derivatives. The Company utilizes discounted cash flow models for valuing its interest rate derivatives (Level 2). The net derivative values attributable to the Company's interest rate derivative contracts as of June 30, 2019 are based on (i) the contracted notional amounts, (ii) active market-quoted London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") yield curves and (iii) the applicable credit-adjusted risk-free rate yield curve.

The Company's call options, two-way costless collars and three-way costless collars (Level 2) are valued using the Black-Scholes model, an industry standard option valuation model that takes into account inputs such as contract terms, including maturity, and market parameters, including assumptions of the NYMEX and OPIS futures index, interest rates, volatility and credit worthiness. The Company's basis swaps (Level 2) are estimated using third-party calculations based upon forward commodity price curves. These instruments were previously classified as a Level 3 measurement in the fair value hierarchy but were updated to a Level 2 measurement in the second quarter of 2018 as a result of the Company's ability to derive volatility inputs and forward commodity price curves from directly observable sources.

Inputs to the Black-Scholes model, including the volatility input, are obtained from a third-party pricing source, with independent verification of the most significant inputs on a monthly basis. An increase (decrease) in volatility would result in an increase (decrease) in fair value measurement, respectively.

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis are summarized below:

June 30, 2019				
<i>(in millions)</i>	Fair Value Measurements Using:			Assets (Liabilities) at Fair Value
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	
Assets				
Fixed price swap – natural gas	\$ —	\$ 83	\$ —	\$ 83
Fixed price swap – oil	—	11	—	11
Fixed price swap – propane	—	20	—	20
Fixed price swap – ethane	—	12	—	12
Two-way costless collar – natural gas	—	13	—	13
Two-way costless collar – oil	—	8	—	8
Two-way costless collar – propane	—	2	—	2
Three-way costless collar – natural gas	—	96	—	96
Three-way costless collar – oil	—	4	—	4
Basis swap – natural gas	—	7	—	7
Purchased call option – natural gas ⁽¹⁾	—	5	—	5
Liabilities				
Purchased fixed price swap – oil	—	(1)	—	(1)
Two-way costless collar – oil	—	(1)	—	(1)
Three-way costless collar – natural gas	—	(65)	—	(65)
Three-way costless collar – oil	—	(3)	—	(3)
Basis swap – natural gas	—	(24)	—	(24)
Sold call option – natural gas	—	(16)	—	(16)
Storage – fixed price swap	—	(1)	—	(1)
Interest rate swap	—	(1)	—	(1)
Total	\$ —	\$ 149	\$ —	\$ 149

(1) Includes \$1 million in premiums paid related to certain natural gas purchased call options recognized as a component of derivative assets within current assets on the consolidated balance sheet at June 30, 2019. As certain natural gas purchased call options settle, the premium will be amortized and recognized as a component of gain (loss) on derivatives on the consolidated statements of operations.

December 31, 2018				
<i>(in millions)</i>	Fair Value Measurements Using:			Assets (Liabilities) at Fair Value
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	
Assets				
Fixed price swap – natural gas	\$ —	\$ 38	\$ —	\$ 38
Fixed price swap – oil	—	19	—	19
Fixed price swap – propane	—	11	—	11
Fixed price swap – ethane	—	8	—	8
Two-way costless collar – natural gas	—	11	—	11
Two-way costless collar – oil	—	11	—	11
Three-way costless collar – natural gas	—	75	—	75
Basis swap – natural gas	—	11	—	11
Purchased call option – natural gas	—	6	—	6
Interest rate swap	—	1	—	1
Liabilities				
Purchased fixed price swap – oil	—	(6)	—	(6)
Fixed price swap – natural gas	—	(10)	—	(10)
Fixed price swap – ethane	—	(3)	—	(3)
Two-way costless collar – natural gas	—	(7)	—	(7)
Two-way costless collar – oil	—	(1)	—	(1)
Three-way costless collar – natural gas	—	(68)	—	(68)
Basis swap – natural gas	—	(22)	—	(22)
Sold call option – natural gas	—	(22)	—	(22)
Total	\$ —	\$ 52	\$ —	\$ 52

The table below presents reconciliations for the change in net fair value of derivative assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018. The fair values of Level 3 derivative instruments were estimated using proprietary valuation models that utilized both market observable and unobservable parameters. Level 3 instruments presented in the table consisted of net derivatives valued using pricing models incorporating assumptions that, in the Company's judgment, reflected reasonable assumptions a marketplace participant would have used as of June 30, 2018. Commodity derivatives previously presented as Level 3 were transferred to Level 2 in the second quarter of 2018 as the Company moved from using proprietary volatility inputs and forward curves to more widely available published information, increasing market observability.

<i>(in millions)</i>	For the three months ended June 30,		For the six months ended June 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Balance at beginning of period	\$ —	\$ 22	\$ —	\$ 22
Total gains (losses):				
Included in earnings	—	(8)	—	(17)
Settlements	—	(8)	—	1 ⁽¹⁾
Transfers into/out of Level 3	—	(6) ⁽²⁾	—	(6) ⁽²⁾
Balance at end of period	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Change in gains (losses) included in earnings relating to derivatives still held as of June 30	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —

(1) Includes \$1 million amortization of premiums paid related to certain natural gas call options for the six months ended June 30, 2018.

(2) Commodity derivatives previously presented as Level 3 were transferred to Level 2 in the second quarter of 2018 as the Company moved from using proprietary volatility inputs and forward curves to more widely available published information, increasing market observability.

(12) DEBT

The components of debt as of June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018 consisted of the following:

<i>(in millions)</i>	June 30, 2019			
	Debt Instrument	Unamortized Issuance Expense	Unamortized Debt Discount	Total
Current portion of long-term debt:				
4.05% Senior Notes due January 2020 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 52	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 52
Total current portion of long-term debt	\$ 52	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 52
Long-term debt:				
Variable rate (3.880% at June 30, 2019) 2018 revolving credit facility, due April 2023	\$ —	\$ — ⁽²⁾	\$ —	\$ —
4.10% Senior Notes due March 2022	213	(1)	—	212
4.95% Senior Notes due January 2025 ⁽¹⁾	927	(7)	(1)	919
7.50 % Senior Notes due April 2026	650	(8)	—	642
7.75 % Senior Notes due October 2027	500	(6)	—	494
Total long-term debt	\$ 2,290	\$ (22)	\$ (1)	\$ 2,267
Total debt	\$ 2,342	\$ (22)	\$ (1)	\$ 2,319

<i>(in millions)</i>	December 31, 2018			
	Debt Instrument	Unamortized Issuance Expense	Unamortized Debt Discount	Total
Long-term debt:				
Variable rate (3.920% at December 31, 2018) 2018 term loan facility, due April 2023	\$ —	\$ — ⁽²⁾	\$ —	\$ —
4.05% Senior Notes due January 2020 ⁽¹⁾	52	—	—	52
4.10% Senior Notes due March 2022	213	(1)	—	212
4.95% Senior Notes due January 2025 ⁽¹⁾	927	(7)	(1)	919
7.50% Senior Notes due April 2026	650	(8)	—	642
7.75% Senior Notes due October 2027	500	(7)	—	493
Total long-term debt	\$ 2,342	\$ (23)	\$ (1)	\$ 2,318

(1) In February and June 2016, Moody's and S&P downgraded certain senior notes, increasing the interest rates by 175 basis points effective July 2016. As a result of the downgrades, interest rates increased to 5.80% for the 2020 Notes and 6.70% for the 2025 Notes. In April and May 2018, S&P and Moody's upgraded certain senior notes. As a result of these upgrades, interest rates decreased to 5.30% for the 2020 Notes and 6.20% for the 2025 Notes effective July 2018. The first coupon payment to the bondholders at the lower interest rate was paid in January 2019.

(2) At June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018, unamortized issuance expense of \$10 million and \$11 million, respectively, associated with the 2018 revolving credit facility is classified as other long-term assets on the consolidated balance sheets.

Credit Facilities
2018 Revolving Credit Facility

In April 2018, the Company replaced its 2016 credit facility (which consisted of a \$1,191 million secured term loan and an unsecured \$743 million revolving credit facility) with a new revolving credit facility (the "2018 credit facility"). Concurrent with the closing of the 2018 credit facility agreement on April 26, 2018, the Company repaid the \$1,191 million secured term loan balance and recognized a loss on early debt extinguishment of \$8 million on the consolidated income statement related to the unamortized issuance expense. In addition, approximately \$4 million of unamortized issuance expense associated with the closed \$743 million revolving credit facility was carried forward into the unamortized issuance expenses of the 2018 credit facility.

The 2018 credit facility has an aggregate maximum revolving credit amount of \$3.5 billion and, at June 30, 2019, had a current borrowing base of \$2.1 billion with a current aggregate commitment of \$2.0 billion. The borrowing base is subject to redetermination twice a year in April and October. On April 4, 2019, the banks participating in the 2018 credit facility reaffirmed the borrowing base of \$2.1 billion. The permitted lien provisions in the senior note indentures currently limit liens securing indebtedness to the greater of \$2.0 billion and 25% of adjusted consolidated net tangible assets. The 2018 credit facility matures in April 2023 and is secured by substantially all of the assets owned by the Company and its subsidiaries.

Loans under the 2018 credit facility are subject to varying rates of interest based on whether the loan is a Eurodollar loan or an alternate base rate loan. Eurodollar loans bear interest at the Eurodollar rate, which is adjusted LIBOR for such interest period

plus the applicable margin (as those terms are defined in the 2018 credit facility documentation). The applicable margin for Eurodollar loans under the 2018 credit facility ranges from 1.50% to 2.50% based on the Company's utilization of the borrowing base under the 2018 credit facility. Alternate base rate loans bear interest at the alternate base rate plus the applicable margin. The applicable margin for alternate base rate loans under the 2018 credit facility ranges from 0.50% to 1.50% based on the Company's utilization of the borrowing base under the 2018 credit facility.

The 2018 credit facility contains customary representations and warranties and contains covenants including, among others, the following:

- a prohibition against incurring debt, subject to permitted exceptions;
- a restriction on creating liens on assets, subject to permitted exceptions;
- restrictions on mergers and asset dispositions;
- restrictions on use of proceeds, investments, transactions with affiliates, or change of principal business; and
- maintenance of the following financial covenants, commencing with the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2018:
 1. Minimum current ratio of no less than 1.00 to 1.00, whereby current ratio is defined as the Company's consolidated current assets (including unused commitments under the credit agreement, but excluding non-cash derivative assets) to consolidated current liabilities (excluding non-cash derivative obligations and current maturities of long-term debt).
 2. Maximum total net leverage ratio of no greater than (i) with respect to each fiscal quarter ending during the period from June 30, 2018 through March 31, 2019, 4.50 to 1.00, (ii) with respect to each fiscal quarter ending during the period from June 30, 2019 through March 31, 2020, 4.25 to 1.00, and (iii) with respect to each fiscal quarter ending on or after June 30, 2020, 4.00 to 1.00. Total net leverage ratio is defined as total debt less cash on hand (up to the lesser of 10% of credit limit or \$150 million) divided by consolidated EBITDAX for the last four consecutive quarters. EBITDAX, as defined in the Company's 2018 credit agreement, excludes the effects of interest expense, depreciation, depletion and amortization, income tax, any non-cash impacts from impairments, certain non-cash hedging activities, stock-based compensation expense, non-cash gains or losses on asset sales, unamortized issuance cost, unamortized debt discount and certain restructuring costs.

The 2018 credit facility contains customary events of default that include, among other things, the failure to comply with the financial covenants described above, non-payment of principal, interest or fees, violation of covenants, inaccuracy of representations and warranties, bankruptcy and insolvency events, material judgments and cross-defaults to material indebtedness. If an event of default occurs and is continuing, all amounts outstanding under the 2018 credit facility may become immediately due and payable. As of June 30, 2019, the Company was in compliance with all of the covenants of the credit agreement.

Each United States domestic subsidiary of the Company for which the Company owns 100% guarantees the 2018 credit facility. Pursuant to requirements under the indentures governing its senior notes, each subsidiary that became a guarantor of the 2018 credit facility also became a guarantor of each of the Company's senior notes. See [Note 19](#) for the Company's Condensed Consolidated Financial Information, presented in accordance with Rule 3-10 of Regulation S-X.

As of June 30, 2019, the Company had \$172 million in letters of credit and no borrowings outstanding under the 2018 revolving credit facility.

Senior Notes

In January 2015, the Company completed a public offering of \$850 million aggregate principal amount of its 4.05% senior notes due 2020 (the "2020 Notes") and \$1.0 billion aggregate principal amount of its 4.95% senior notes due 2025 (the "2025 Notes" together with the 2020 Notes, the "Notes"). The interest rates on the Notes are determined based upon the public bond ratings from Moody's and S&P. Downgrades on the Notes from either rating agency increase interest costs by 25 basis points per downgrade level and upgrades decrease interest costs by 25 basis points per upgrade level, up to the stated coupon rate, on the following semi-annual bond interest payment. In February and June 2016, Moody's and S&P downgraded the Notes, increasing the interest rates by 175 basis points effective July 2016. As a result of these downgrades, interest rates increased to 5.80% for the 2020 Notes and 6.70% for the 2025 Notes. In the event of future downgrades, the coupons for this series of notes are capped at 6.05% and 6.95%, respectively. The first coupon payment to the bondholders at the higher interest rates was paid in January 2017. S&P and Moody's upgraded the Notes in April and May 2018, respectively. As a result of these upgrades, interest rates decreased to 5.30% for the 2020 Notes and 6.20% for the 2025 Notes effective July 2018. The first coupon payment to the bondholders at the lower interest rates was paid in January 2019.

(13) COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Operating Commitments and Contingencies

As of June 30, 2019, the Company's contractual obligations for demand and similar charges under firm transportation and gathering agreements to guarantee access capacity on natural gas and liquids pipelines and gathering systems totaled approximately \$8.5 billion, \$966 million of which related to access capacity on future pipeline and gathering infrastructure projects that still require the granting of regulatory approvals and additional construction efforts. The Company also had guarantee obligations of up to \$362 million of that amount. As of June 30, 2019, future payments under non-cancelable firm transportation and gathering agreements were as follows:

<i>(in millions)</i>	Payments Due by Period					
	Total	Less than 1 Year	1 to 3 Years	3 to 5 Years	5 to 8 Years	More than 8 Years
Infrastructure currently in service	\$ 7,501	\$ 702	\$ 1,304	\$ 1,097	\$ 1,511	\$ 2,887
Pending regulatory approval and/or construction ⁽¹⁾	966	9	78	121	196	562
Total transportation charges	<u>\$ 8,467</u>	<u>\$ 711</u>	<u>\$ 1,382</u>	<u>\$ 1,218</u>	<u>\$ 1,707</u>	<u>\$ 3,449</u>

(1) Based on estimated in-service dates as of June 30, 2019.

In December 2018, the Company closed on the Fayetteville Shale sale. The Company retained certain contractual commitments related to firm transportation, with the buyer obligated to pay the transportation provider directly for these charges. As of June 30, 2019, approximately \$162 million of these contractual commitments remain of which the Company will reimburse the buyer for certain of these potential obligations up to approximately \$82 million through 2020 depending on the buyer's actual use, and has recorded a \$68 million liability for the estimated future payments, down from \$88 million recorded at December 31, 2018.

In the first quarter of 2019, the Company agreed to purchase firm transportation with pipelines in the Appalachian Basin starting in 2021 and running through 2032 totaling \$357 million in total contractual commitments, which is presented in the table above; the seller has agreed to reimburse \$133 million of these commitments.

In July 2019 the Company terminated its existing lease agreement and entered into a new lease agreement for a smaller portion of the headquarters office building, resulting in a contractual commitment totaling \$88 million over the next ten years.

Environmental Risk

The Company is subject to laws and regulations relating to the protection of the environment. Environmental and cleanup related costs of a non-capital nature are accrued when it is both probable that a liability has been incurred and when the amount can be reasonably estimated. Management believes any future remediation or other compliance related costs will not have a material effect on the financial position, results of operations or cash flows of the Company.

Litigation

The Company is subject to various litigation, claims and proceedings that have arisen in the ordinary course of business, such as for alleged breaches of contract, miscalculation of royalties, employment matters, traffic accidents, pollution, contamination, encroachment on others' property or nuisance. The Company accrues for such items when a liability is both probable and the amount can be reasonably estimated. It is not possible at this time to estimate the amount of any additional loss, or range of loss, that is reasonably possible, but, based on the nature of the claims, management believes that current litigation, claims and proceedings, individually or in aggregate and after taking into account insurance, are not likely to have a material adverse impact on the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows, for the period in which the effect of that outcome becomes reasonably estimable. Many of these matters are in early stages, so the allegations and the damage theories have not been fully developed, and are all subject to inherent uncertainties; therefore, management's view may change in the future.

Arkansas Royalty Litigation

The Company has been a defendant in three certified class actions alleging that the Company underpaid lessors of lands in Arkansas by deducting from royalty payments costs for gathering, transportation and compression of natural gas in excess of what is permitted by the relevant leases. Two of these class actions were filed in Arkansas state courts and the third in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Arkansas. The Company denied liability in all these cases. Under the agreement for the sale of the equity in the Company's subsidiaries that operated in the Fayetteville Shale, the Company retained responsibility for these class actions.

In June 2017, the jury returned a verdict in favor of the Company on all counts in *Smith v. SEECO, Inc. et al.*, the class action in the federal court, whose plaintiff class comprises the vast majority of the lessors in these cases. The plaintiff had asserted claims for, among other things, breach of contract, fraud, civil conspiracy, unjust enrichment and violation of certain Arkansas

statutes. Following the verdict, the court entered judgment in favor of the Company on all claims. The trial court denied the plaintiff's motion for a new trial, and the plaintiff appealed to the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit. Independent of the plaintiff's appeal, several different parties sought to intervene in the *Smith* case prior to or shortly after trial, and have appealed the trial court's order denying their request to intervene. Oral argument occurred in January 2019. On April 23, 2019, the Court of Appeals affirmed the trial court's order denying all requests to intervene in the case, and, in a separate order, affirmed the trial court's judgment in favor of the Company on all claims. The Court of Appeals subsequently denied all requests for rehearing.

In the second quarter of 2018, the Company entered into an agreement to settle another of the class actions, which has been pending in the Circuit Court of Conway County, Arkansas under the caption *Snow et al. v. SEECO, Inc., et al.* The settlement received final approval by the court during the third quarter of 2018, and the deadline to appeal the order approving the settlement passed without any appeals filed. The amount of the settlement is reflected in the Company's consolidated statement of operations for the second quarter of 2018 and was paid early in the fourth quarter of 2018. The third class action was dismissed in the second quarter of 2018.

The *Smith* and the *Snow* cases cover all affected lessors, except a small percentage who opted out. Most of those have filed separate actions. The Company does not expect those cases to have a material adverse effect on the results of operations, financial position or cash flows of the Company. Additionally, it is not possible at this time to estimate the amount of any additional loss, or range of loss, that is reasonably possible.

Indemnifications

The Company provides certain indemnifications in relation to dispositions of assets. These indemnifications typically relate to disputes, litigation or tax matters existing at the date of disposition. The Company likewise obtains indemnification for future matters when it sells assets, although there is no assurance the buyer will be capable of performing those obligations. No material liabilities have been recognized in connection with these indemnifications.

(14) INCOME TAXES

The Company's effective tax rate was approximately 10% and 0% for the three months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, and (128)% and 0% for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, primarily as a result of the release of valuation allowances previously recorded against deferred tax assets. A valuation allowance for deferred tax assets, including net operating losses, is recognized when it is more likely than not that some or all of the benefit from the deferred tax assets will not be realized. To assess that likelihood, the Company uses estimates and judgment regarding future taxable income, and considers the tax consequences in the jurisdiction where such taxable income is generated, to determine whether a valuation allowance is required. Such evidence can include current financial position, results of operations, both actual and forecasted, the reversal of deferred tax liabilities and tax planning strategies as well as the current and forecasted business economics of the oil and gas industry.

For the year ended December 31, 2018, the Company maintained a full valuation allowance against its deferred tax assets based on its conclusion, considering all available evidence (both positive and negative), that it was more likely than not that the deferred tax assets would not be realized. A significant item of objective negative evidence considered was the cumulative pre-tax loss incurred over the three-year period ended December 31, 2018, primarily due to impairments of proved natural gas and oil properties recognized in 2015 and 2016. As of the first quarter of 2019, the Company had sustained a three-year cumulative level of profitability. Based on this factor and other positive evidence including forecasted income, the Company concluded that it was more likely than not that the deferred tax assets would be realized and released substantially all of the valuation allowance. For the first half of 2019, the Company has recorded a discrete tax benefit of \$411 million. The Company expects to retain a valuation allowance of \$87 million related to net operating losses in jurisdictions in which it no longer operates.

(15) PENSION PLAN AND OTHER POSTRETIREMENT BENEFITS

The Company maintains defined pension and other postretirement benefit plans, which cover substantially all of the Company’s employees. Net periodic pension costs include the following components for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018:

<i>(in millions)</i>	Consolidated Statements of Operations Classification of Net Periodic Benefit Cost	Pension Benefits			
		For the three months ended June 30,		For the six months ended June 30,	
		2019	2018	2019	2018
Service cost	General and administrative expenses	\$ 2	\$ 3	\$ 4	\$ 6
Interest cost	Other Income (Loss), Net	1	1	2	3
Expected return on plan assets	Other Income (Loss), Net	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Amortization of prior service cost	Other Income (Loss), Net	—	—	—	—
Amortization of net loss	Other Income (Loss), Net	—	—	1	—
Settlement loss	Other Income (Loss), Net	4	—	4	—
Net periodic benefit cost		<u>\$ 6</u>	<u>\$ 2</u>	<u>\$ 8</u>	<u>\$ 5</u>

The Company recognized a \$4 million non-cash settlement loss related to \$16 million of lump sum payments from the pension plan in the first half of 2019 for employees who were terminated as a result of the Fayetteville Shale sale.

The Company’s other postretirement benefit plan had a net periodic benefit cost of less than \$1 million and \$1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, and a net periodic benefit cost of \$1 million and \$2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

As of June 30, 2019, the Company has contributed \$9 million to the pension and other postretirement benefit plans, and expects to contribute an additional \$3 million to its pension plan during the remainder of 2019. The Company recognized liabilities of \$28 million and \$13 million related to its pension and other postretirement benefits, respectively, as of June 30, 2019, compared to liabilities of \$34 million and \$13 million as of December 31, 2018, respectively.

The Company maintains a non-qualified deferred compensation supplemental retirement savings plan (“Non-Qualified Plan”) for certain key employees who may elect to defer and contribute a portion of their compensation, as permitted by the Non-Qualified Plan. Shares of the Company’s common stock purchased under the terms of the Non-Qualified Plan are included in treasury stock and totaled 5,115 shares and 10,653 shares at June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018, respectively.

(16) STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

The Company recognized the following amounts in total employee stock-based compensation costs for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018:

<i>(in millions)</i>	For the three months ended June 30,		For the six months ended June 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Stock-based compensation cost – expensed	\$ 4	\$ 8	\$ 11	\$ 13
Stock-based compensation cost – capitalized	2	4	6	7

The Company’s stock-based compensation is classified as either equity awards or liability awards in accordance with GAAP. The fair value of an equity-classified award is determined at the grant date and is amortized to general and administrative expense and capitalized expense on a straight-line basis over the vesting period of the award. The fair value of a liability-classified award is determined on a quarterly basis beginning at the grant date until final vesting. Changes in the fair value of liability-classified awards are recorded to general and administrative expense over the vesting period of the award. A portion of this general and administrative expense is capitalized into natural gas and oil properties, included in property and equipment. Generally, stock options granted to employees and directors vest ratably over three years from the grant date and expire seven years from the date of grant. The Company issues shares of restricted stock or restricted stock units to employees and directors which generally vest over four years. Restricted stock, restricted stock units and stock options granted to participants under the 2013 Incentive Plan, as amended and restated, immediately vest upon death, disability or retirement (subject to a minimum of three years of service). The Company issues performance unit awards to employees which historically have vested at or over three years.

In December 2018, the Company closed the sale of the equity in certain of its subsidiaries that owned and operated its Fayetteville Shale E&P and related midstream gathering assets in Arkansas. As part of this transaction, most employees associated with those assets became employees of the buyer although the employment of some was or will be terminated. All affected employees were offered a severance package, which included a one-time cash payment depending on length of service and, if

applicable, the current value of a portion of equity awards that were forfeited. Stock-based compensation costs recognized prior to the cancellation as either general and administrative expense or capitalized expense were reversed and the severance payments were subsequently recognized as restructuring charges for the year ended December 31, 2018 and the three months ended March 31, 2019 on the consolidated statements of operations.

Equity-Classified Awards

The Company recognized the following amounts in employee equity-classified stock-based compensation costs for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018:

<i>(in millions)</i>	For the three months ended June 30,		For the six months ended June 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Equity-classified awards – expensed	\$ 2	\$ 5	\$ 4	\$ 9
Equity-classified awards – capitalized	1	1	2	4

As of June 30, 2019, there was \$11 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to the Company's unvested equity-classified stock option grants, equity-classified restricted stock grants and equity-classified performance units. This cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.3 years.

Equity-Classified Stock Options

The following table summarizes equity-classified stock option activity for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and provides information for options outstanding and options exercisable as of June 30, 2019:

	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price
	<i>(in thousands)</i>	
Outstanding at December 31, 2018	5,178	\$ 17.06
Granted	—	\$ —
Exercised	—	\$ —
Forfeited or expired	(72)	\$ 18.58
Outstanding at June 30, 2019	5,106	\$ 17.04
Exercisable at June 30, 2019	4,590	\$ 18.12

Equity-Classified Restricted Stock

The following table summarizes equity-classified restricted stock activity for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and provides information for unvested shares as of June 30, 2019:

	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Fair Value
	<i>(in thousands)</i>	
Unvested shares at December 31, 2018	2,717	\$ 7.91
Granted	15	\$ 4.12
Vested	(990)	\$ 7.37
Forfeited	(175)	\$ 8.37
Unvested shares at June 30, 2019	1,567	\$ 8.17

Equity-Classified Performance Units

The following table summarizes equity-classified performance unit activity for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and provides information for unvested units as of June 30, 2019. The performance unit awards granted in 2017 include a market condition based exclusively on the fair value of the Total Shareholder Return (“TSR”), as calculated by a Monte Carlo model. The total fair value of the performance units is amortized to compensation expense on a straight line basis over the vesting period of the award. The grant date fair value is calculated using the closing price of the Company’s common stock at the grant date.

	Number of Shares ⁽¹⁾	Weighted Average Fair Value
	<i>(in thousands)</i>	
Unvested units at December 31, 2018	598	\$ 10.01
Granted	—	\$ —
Vested	(371)	\$ 9.73
Forfeited	(30)	\$ 10.47
Unvested units at June 30, 2019	197	\$ 10.47

(1) The actual payout of shares may range from a minimum of zero shares to a maximum of two shares per unit contingent upon TSR. The performance units have a three-year vesting term and the actual disbursement of shares, if any, is determined during the first quarter following the end of the three-year vesting period.

Liability-Classified Awards

The Company recognized the following amounts in employee liability-classified stock-based compensation costs for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019:

<i>(in millions)</i>	For the three months ended June 30,		For the six months ended June 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Liability-classified stock-based compensation cost – expensed	\$ 2	\$ 3	\$ 7	\$ 4
Liability-classified stock-based compensation cost – capitalized	1	3	4	3

Liability-Classified Restricted Stock Units

In the second quarters of 2019 and 2018, the Company granted restricted stock units that vest over a period of four years and are payable in either cash or shares at the option of the Compensation Committee of the Company’s Board of Directors. The Company has accounted for these as liability-classified awards, and accordingly changes in the market value of the instruments will be recorded to general and administrative expense and capitalized expense over the vesting period of the award. As of June 30, 2019, there was \$38 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to liability-classified restricted stock units that is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 3.2 years. The amount of unrecognized compensation cost for liability-classified awards will fluctuate over time as they are marked to market.

	Number of Units	Weighted Average Fair Value
	<i>(in thousands)</i>	
Unvested shares at December 31, 2018	8,202	\$ 3.41
Granted	8,659	\$ 4.34
Vested	(2,617)	\$ 4.09
Forfeited	(739)	\$ 3.13
Unvested units at June 30, 2019	13,505	\$ 3.16

Liability-Classified Performance Units

In the second quarters of 2019 and 2018, the Company granted performance units that vest over a three-year period and are payable in either cash or shares at the option of the Compensation Committee of the Company’s Board of Directors. The Company has accounted for these as liability-classified awards, and accordingly changes in the fair market value of the instruments will be recorded to general and administrative expense and capitalized expense over the vesting period of the awards. The performance unit awards granted in 2018 include a performance condition based on cash flow per debt-adjusted share and two market conditions, one based on absolute TSR and the other on relative TSR as compared to a group of the Company’s peers. The performance unit awards granted in 2019 include a performance condition based on return on average capital employed and two market conditions, one based on absolute TSR and the other on relative TSR. The fair values of the two market conditions are calculated by Monte Carlo models on a quarterly basis. As of June 30, 2019, there was \$16 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to liability-classified performance units. This cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.4 years. The

amount of unrecognized compensation cost for liability-classified awards will fluctuate over time as they are marked to market. The final value of the performance unit awards is contingent upon the Company's actual performance against these performance measures.

	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Fair Value
	<i>(in thousands)</i>	
Unvested shares at December 31, 2018	2,803	\$ 3.41
Granted	2,757	\$ 4.34
Vested	—	\$ —
Forfeited	(119)	\$ 4.65
Unvested units at June 30, 2019	5,441	\$ 3.16

(17) SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Company's reportable business segments have been identified based on the differences in products or services provided. Revenues for the E&P segment are derived from the production and sale of natural gas and liquids. The Midstream segment generates revenue through the marketing of both Company and third-party produced natural gas and liquids volumes.

Prior to December 2018, the Midstream segment included the Company's natural gas gathering business associated with its Fayetteville Shale assets. With the closing of the Fayetteville Shale sale in December 2018, the Company's marketing business comprises substantially all of the Company's Midstream segment.

Summarized financial information for the Company's reportable segments is shown in the following table. The accounting policies of the segments are the same as those described in Note 1 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 8 of the 2018 Annual Report. Management evaluates the performance of its segments based on operating income, defined as operating revenues less operating costs. Income before income taxes, for the purpose of reconciling the operating income amount shown below to consolidated income before income taxes, is the sum of operating income, interest expense, gain (loss) on derivatives and other income (loss). The "Other" column includes items not related to the Company's reportable segments, including real estate and corporate items.

	E&P	Midstream	Other	Total
<i>(in millions)</i>				
Three months ended June 30, 2019				
Revenues from external customers	\$ 380	\$ 287	\$ —	\$ 667
Intersegment revenues	(9)	339	—	330
Depreciation, depletion and amortization expense	118	3	—	121
Operating income (loss)	30 ⁽¹⁾	(8)	—	22
Interest expense ⁽²⁾	15	—	—	15
Gain on derivatives	152	—	—	152
Other loss, net	(5)	—	(1)	(6)
Provision for income taxes ⁽²⁾	15	—	—	15
Assets	5,945 ⁽³⁾	277	323 ⁽⁴⁾	6,545
Capital investments ⁽⁵⁾	367	—	1	368
Three months ended June 30, 2018				
Revenues from external customers	\$ 527	\$ 289	\$ —	\$ 816
Intersegment revenues	(7)	508	—	501
Depreciation, depletion and amortization expense	126	16	—	142
Operating income ⁽⁶⁾	97 ⁽¹⁾	27 ⁽⁷⁾	—	124
Interest expense ⁽²⁾	32	—	—	32
Loss on derivatives	(36)	—	—	(36)
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	—	—	(8)	(8)
Other income, net	3	—	—	3
Assets	5,583 ⁽³⁾	1,228	231 ⁽⁴⁾	7,042
Capital investments ⁽⁵⁾	396	5	2	403

	E&P	Midstream	Other	Total
Six months ended June 30, 2019				
	<i>(in millions)</i>			
Revenues from external customers	\$ 931	\$ 726	\$ —	\$ 1,657
Intersegment revenues	(18)	841	—	823
Depreciation, depletion and amortization expense	228	5	—	233
Operating income (loss)	240 ⁽¹⁾	(5)	—	235
Interest expense ⁽²⁾	29	—	—	29
Gain on derivatives	120	—	—	120
Other loss, net	(4)	—	(1)	(5)
Benefit from income taxes ⁽²⁾	(411)	—	—	(411)
Assets	5,945 ⁽³⁾	277	323 ⁽⁴⁾	6,545
Capital investments ⁽⁵⁾	692	—	1	693

Six months ended June 30, 2018

Revenues from external customers	\$ 1,170	\$ 566	\$ —	\$ 1,736
Intersegment revenues	(13)	1,127	—	1,114
Depreciation, depletion and amortization expense	243	42 ⁽⁸⁾	—	285
Operating income ⁽⁶⁾	335 ⁽¹⁾	44 ⁽⁷⁾	—	379
Interest expense ⁽²⁾	71	—	—	71
Loss on derivatives	(43)	—	—	(43)
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	—	—	(8)	(8)
Other income (loss), net	3	(1)	—	2
Assets	5,583 ⁽³⁾	1,228	231 ⁽⁴⁾	7,042
Capital investments ⁽⁵⁾	730	9	2	741

(1) Operating income for the E&P segment includes \$2 million and \$16 million of restructuring charges for the three months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, and \$5 million and \$16 million of restructuring charges for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

(2) Interest expense and provision (benefit) for income taxes by segment is an allocation of corporate amounts as they are incurred at the corporate level.

(3) E&P assets includes office, technology, water infrastructure, drilling rigs and other ancillary equipment not directly related to natural gas and oil properties. This also includes deferred tax assets which are an allocation of corporate amounts as they are incurred at the corporate level.

(4) Other assets represent corporate assets not allocated to segments and assets for non-reportable segments. At June 30, 2019 and 2018, other assets included approximately \$155 million and \$37 million, respectively, in cash and cash equivalents, \$68 million and \$89 million, respectively, in income taxes receivable, \$50 million and \$83 million, respectively, in property, plant and equipment, \$10 million and \$12 million, respectively, in unamortized debt expense, \$6 million and \$8 million, respectively, in a non-qualified retirement plan and \$3 million, respectively, in other assets for both periods presented. Additionally, the June 30, 2019 asset balance includes \$29 million in right-of-use lease assets.

(5) Capital investments include increases of \$39 million and \$19 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, and increases of \$105 million and \$52 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, relating to the change in accrued expenditures between years.

(6) Includes the impact of Fayetteville Shale-related E&P and Midstream operations which were divested on December 3, 2018.

(7) Operating income for the Midstream segment includes \$2 million related to restructuring charges for the three and six months ended June 30, 2018.

(8) Includes a \$10 million impairment related to certain non-core gathering assets.

Included in intersegment revenues of the Midstream segment are \$339 million and \$463 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, and \$841 million and \$1,039 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, for marketing of the Company's E&P sales. Corporate assets include cash and cash equivalents, furniture and fixtures and other assets. Corporate general and administrative costs, depreciation expense and taxes, other than income taxes, are allocated to the segments.

(18) NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS***New Accounting Standards Implemented***

In February 2016, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-02, Leases (Topic 842) ("Update 2016-02"), which seeks to increase transparency and comparability among organizations by, among other things, recognizing lease assets and lease liabilities on the balance sheet for leases classified as operating leases under previous GAAP and disclosing key information about leasing arrangements. The codification was amended through additional ASUs. For public entities, Update 2016-02 became effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, including interim periods within those fiscal years. The Company adopted ASC 842 with an effective date of January 1, 2019 using the modified retrospective approach for all leases that existed at the date of initial application. The Company elected to apply the transition as of the beginning of the period of adoption. For leases that existed at the period of adoption on January 1, 2019, the incremental borrowing rate as of the application date was used

to calculate the present value of remaining lease payments. Upon adoption of ASC 842, the Company recognized a discounted right-of-use asset and corresponding lease liability with opening balances of approximately \$105 million as of January 1, 2019. The adoption of the standard did not materially change the Company's consolidated statement of operations or its consolidated statement of cash flows. Please refer to [Note 4 – "Leases"](#) for full disclosure.

New Accounting Standards Not Yet Implemented

In June 2016, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-13, Financial Instruments - Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments ("Update 2016-13"). Update 2016-13 replaces the incurred loss model with an expected loss model, which is referred to as the current expected credit loss ("CECL") model. The CECL model is applicable to the measurement of credit losses on financial assets measured at amortized cost, including but not limited to trade receivables. The Company is still performing its evaluation of Update 2016-13, but does not believe it will have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements at this time.

(19) CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING FINANCIAL INFORMATION

In April, 2018, the Company entered into the 2018 credit facility. Pursuant to requirements under the indentures governing the Company's senior notes, each 100% owned subsidiary that became a guarantor of the 2018 credit facility also became a guarantor of each of the Company's senior notes (the "Guarantor Subsidiaries"). The Guarantor Subsidiaries also granted liens and security interests to support their guarantees under the 2018 credit facility but not of the senior notes. These guarantees are full and unconditional and joint and several among the Guarantor Subsidiaries. Certain of the Company's operating units which are accounted for on a consolidated basis do not guarantee the 2018 credit facility and senior notes ("Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries"). See [Note 12 – Debt](#) for additional information on the Company's 2018 revolving credit facility and senior notes. At the closing of the Fayetteville Shale sale in December 2018, its subsidiaries being sold were released from these guarantees. See [Note 2](#) for additional information on the divestiture of the Company's Fayetteville Shale-related subsidiaries.

The following financial information reflects consolidating financial information of Southwestern Energy Company (the parent and issuer company), its Guarantor Subsidiaries on a combined basis and the Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries on a combined basis, prepared on the equity basis of accounting. The information is presented in accordance with the requirements of Rule 3-10 under the SEC's Regulation S-X. The financial information may not necessarily be indicative of results of operations, cash flows or financial position had the Guarantor Subsidiaries operated as independent entities.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

(in millions)

	Parent	Guarantors	Non-Guarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
Three months ended June 30, 2019					
Operating Revenues:					
Gas sales	\$ —	\$ 275	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 275
Oil sales	—	47	—	—	47
NGL sales	—	58	—	—	58
Marketing	—	287	—	—	287
	—	667	—	—	667
Operating Costs and Expenses:					
Marketing purchases	—	293	—	—	293
Operating expenses	—	169	—	—	169
General and administrative expenses	—	40	—	—	40
Loss on sale of operating assets	—	3	—	—	3
Restructuring charges	—	2	—	—	2
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	—	121	—	—	121
Taxes, other than income taxes	—	17	—	—	17
	—	645	—	—	645
Operating Income	—	22	—	—	22
Interest Expense, Net	15	—	—	—	15
Gain on Derivatives	—	152	—	—	152
Other Loss, Net	—	(6)	—	—	(6)
Equity in Earnings of Subsidiaries	153	—	—	(153)	—
Income (Loss) Before Income Taxes	138	168	—	(153)	153
Provision for Income Taxes	—	15	—	—	15
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 138	\$ 153	\$ —	\$ (153)	\$ 138
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 138	\$ 153	\$ —	\$ (153)	\$ 138
Other Comprehensive Income	4	—	—	—	4
Comprehensive Income (Loss)	\$ 142	\$ 153	\$ —	\$ (153)	\$ 142

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

(in millions)

Three months ended June 30, 2018

	Parent	Guarantors	Non-Guarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
Operating Revenues:					
Gas sales	\$ —	\$ 407	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 407
Oil sales	—	44	—	—	44
NGL sales	—	75	—	—	75
Marketing	—	265	—	—	265
Gas gathering	—	24	—	—	24
Other	—	1	—	—	1
	—	816	—	—	816
Operating Costs and Expenses:					
Marketing purchases	—	265	—	—	265
Operating expenses	—	193	—	—	193
General and administrative expenses	—	59	—	—	59
Restructuring charges	—	18	—	—	18
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	—	142	—	—	142
Taxes, other than income taxes	—	15	—	—	15
	—	692	—	—	692
Operating Income	—	124	—	—	124
Interest Expense, Net	32	—	—	—	32
Loss on Derivatives	—	(36)	—	—	(36)
Loss on Early Extinguishment of Debt	(8)	—	—	—	(8)
Other Income, Net	—	3	—	—	3
Equity in Earnings of Subsidiaries	91	—	—	(91)	—
Income (Loss) Before Income Taxes	51	91	—	(91)	51
Provision for Income Taxes	—	—	—	—	—
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 51	\$ 91	\$ —	\$ (91)	\$ 51
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 51	\$ 91	\$ —	\$ (91)	\$ 51
Other Comprehensive Income	—	—	—	—	—
Comprehensive Income (Loss)	\$ 51	\$ 91	\$ —	\$ (91)	\$ 51

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

(in millions)

	Parent	Guarantors	Non-Guarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
Six months ended June 30, 2019					
Operating Revenues:					
Gas sales	\$ —	\$ 705	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 705
Oil sales	—	86	—	—	86
NGL sales	—	139	—	—	139
Marketing	—	725	—	—	725
Other	—	2	—	—	2
	—	1,657	—	—	1,657
Operating Costs and Expenses:					
Marketing purchases	—	734	—	—	734
Operating expenses	—	334	—	—	334
General and administrative expenses	—	77	—	—	77
Loss on sale of operating assets	—	3	—	—	3
Restructuring charges	—	5	—	—	5
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	—	233	—	—	233
Taxes, other than income taxes	—	36	—	—	36
	—	1,422	—	—	1,422
Operating Income	—	235	—	—	235
Interest Expense, Net	29	—	—	—	29
Gain on Derivatives	—	120	—	—	120
Other Loss, Net	—	(5)	—	—	(5)
Equity in Earnings of Subsidiaries	761	—	—	(761)	—
Income (Loss) Before Income Taxes	732	350	—	(761)	321
Benefit from Income Taxes	—	(411)	—	—	(411)
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 732	\$ 761	\$ —	\$ (761)	\$ 732
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 732	\$ 761	\$ —	\$ (761)	\$ 732
Other Comprehensive Income	4	—	—	—	4
Comprehensive Income (Loss)	\$ 736	\$ 761	\$ —	\$ (761)	\$ 736

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

(in millions)

	Parent	Guarantors	Non-Guarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
Six months ended June 30, 2018					
Operating Revenues:					
Gas sales	\$ —	\$ 947	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 947
Oil sales	—	79	—	—	79
NGL sales	—	140	—	—	140
Marketing	—	518	—	—	518
Gas gathering	—	48	—	—	48
Other	—	4	—	—	4
	<u>—</u>	<u>1,736</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>1,736</u>
Operating Costs and Expenses:					
Marketing purchases	—	520	—	—	520
Operating expenses	—	382	—	—	382
General and administrative expenses	—	114	—	—	114
Restructuring charges	—	18	—	—	18
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	—	285	—	—	285
Taxes, other than income taxes	—	38	—	—	38
	<u>—</u>	<u>1,357</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>1,357</u>
Operating Income	<u>—</u>	<u>379</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>379</u>
Interest Expense, Net	71	—	—	—	71
Loss on Derivatives	—	(43)	—	—	(43)
Loss on Early Extinguishment of Debt	(8)	—	—	—	(8)
Other Income, Net	—	2	—	—	2
Equity in Earnings of Subsidiaries	338	—	—	(338)	—
	<u>259</u>	<u>338</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(338)</u>	<u>259</u>
Income (Loss) Before Income Taxes	259	338	—	(338)	259
Provision for Income Taxes	—	—	—	—	—
Net Income (Loss)	<u>\$ 259</u>	<u>\$ 338</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ (338)</u>	<u>\$ 259</u>
Participating securities - mandatory convertible preferred stock	2	—	—	—	2
Net Income (Loss) Attributable to Common Stock	<u>\$ 257</u>	<u>\$ 338</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ (338)</u>	<u>\$ 257</u>
	<u>\$ 259</u>	<u>\$ 338</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ (338)</u>	<u>\$ 259</u>
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 259	\$ 338	\$ —	\$ (338)	\$ 259
Other Comprehensive Income	—	—	—	—	—
Comprehensive Income (Loss)	<u>\$ 259</u>	<u>\$ 338</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ (338)</u>	<u>\$ 259</u>

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Unaudited)

<i>(in millions)</i>	Parent	Guarantors	Non-Guarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
<u>June 30, 2019</u>					
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 155	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 155
Accounts receivable, net	—	358	—	—	358
Other current assets	5	246	—	—	251
Total current assets	160	604	—	—	764
Intercompany receivables	7,894	—	—	(7,894)	—
Natural gas and oil properties, using the full cost method	—	24,769	54	—	24,823
Other	196	330	29	—	555
Less: Accumulated depreciation, depletion and amortization	(162)	(20,059)	(58)	—	(20,279)
Total property and equipment, net	34	5,040	25	—	5,099
Investments in subsidiaries (equity method)	—	23	—	(23)	—
Other long-term assets	45	637	—	—	682
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 8,133	\$ 6,304	\$ 25	\$ (7,917)	\$ 6,545
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY					
Accounts payable	\$ 72	\$ 513	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 585
Other current liabilities	193	134	—	—	327
Total current liabilities	265	647	—	—	912
Intercompany payables	—	7,892	2	(7,894)	—
Long-term debt	2,267	—	—	—	2,267
Pension and other postretirement liabilities	39	—	—	—	39
Other long-term liabilities	39	206	—	—	245
Negative carrying amount of subsidiaries, net	2,441	—	—	(2,441)	—
Total long-term liabilities	4,786	206	—	(2,441)	2,551
Commitments and contingencies					
Total equity (accumulated deficit)	3,082	(2,441)	23	2,418	3,082
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ 8,133	\$ 6,304	\$ 25	\$ (7,917)	\$ 6,545

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Unaudited)

(in millions)

December 31, 2018

	Parent	Guarantors	Non-Guarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 201	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 201
Accounts receivable, net	4	577	—	—	581
Other current assets	8	166	—	—	174
Total current assets	213	743	—	—	956
Intercompany receivables	7,932	—	—	(7,932)	—
Natural gas and oil properties, using the full cost method	—	24,128	52	—	24,180
Other	197	301	27	—	525
Less: Accumulated depreciation, depletion and amortization	(154)	(19,840)	(55)	—	(20,049)
Total property and equipment, net	43	4,589	24	—	4,656
Investments in subsidiaries (equity method)	—	24	—	(24)	—
Other long-term assets	19	166	—	—	185
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 8,207	\$ 5,522	\$ 24	\$ (7,956)	\$ 5,797
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY					
Accounts payable	\$ 113	\$ 496	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 609
Other current liabilities	115	122	—	—	237
Total current liabilities	228	618	—	—	846
Intercompany payables	—	7,932	—	(7,932)	—
Long-term debt	2,318	—	—	—	2,318
Pension and other postretirement liabilities	46	—	—	—	46
Other long-term liabilities	54	171	—	—	225
Negative carrying amount of subsidiaries, net	3,199	—	—	(3,199)	—
Total long-term liabilities	5,617	171	—	(3,199)	2,589
Commitments and contingencies					
Total equity (accumulated deficit)	2,362	(3,199)	24	3,175	2,362
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ 8,207	\$ 5,522	\$ 24	\$ (7,956)	\$ 5,797

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
(Unaudited)

<i>(in millions)</i>	Parent	Guarantors	Non-Guarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
Six months ended June 30, 2019					
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 1,124	\$ 179	\$ —	\$ (760)	\$ 543
Investing activities:					
Capital investments	(1)	(584)	(1)	—	(586)
Proceeds from sale	—	26	—	—	26
Net cash used in investing activities	(1)	(558)	(1)	—	(560)
Financing activities:					
Intercompany activities	(1,140)	379	1	760	—
Change in bank drafts outstanding	(7)	—	—	—	(7)
Purchase of treasury stock	(21)	—	—	—	(21)
Cash paid for tax withholding	(1)	—	—	—	(1)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(1,169)	379	1	760	(29)
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(46)	—	—	—	(46)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	201	—	—	—	201
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 155	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 155
Six months ended June 30, 2018					
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 276	\$ 725	\$ —	\$ (337)	\$ 664
Investing activities:					
Capital investments	(6)	(678)	—	—	(684)
Other	—	9	—	—	9
Net cash used in investing activities	(6)	(669)	—	—	(675)
Financing activities:					
Intercompany activities	(287)	(50)	—	337	—
Payments on long-term debt	(1,191)	—	—	—	(1,191)
Payments on revolving credit facility	(645)	—	—	—	(645)
Borrowings under revolving credit facility	1,005	—	—	—	1,005
Preferred stock dividend	(27)	—	—	—	(27)
Other	(10)	—	—	—	(10)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(1,155)	(50)	—	337	(868)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(885)	6	—	—	(879)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	914	2	—	—	916
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 29	\$ 8	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 37

ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following updates information as to Southwestern Energy Company's financial condition provided in our 2018 Annual Report and analyzes the changes in the results of operations between the three and six month periods ended June 30, 2019 and 2018. For definitions of commonly used natural gas and oil terms used in this Quarterly Report, please refer to the "Glossary of Certain Industry Terms" provided in our 2018 Annual Report.

The following discussion contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Our actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in forward-looking statements for many reasons, including the risks described in "Cautionary Statement About Forward-Looking Statements" in the forepart of this Quarterly Report, in Item 1A, "Risk Factors" in Part I and elsewhere in our 2018 Annual Report, and Item 1A, "Risk Factors" in Part II in this Quarterly Report and any other quarterly report on Form 10-Q filed during the fiscal year. You should read the following discussion with our consolidated financial statements and the related notes included in this Quarterly Report.

OVERVIEW

Background

Southwestern Energy Company (including its subsidiaries, collectively, “we,” “our,” “us,” “the Company” or “Southwestern”) is an independent energy company engaged in natural gas, oil and NGL exploration, development and production, which we refer to as “E&P.” We are also focused on creating and capturing additional value through our marketing business, which we refer to as “Midstream.” We conduct most of our businesses through subsidiaries, and we currently operate exclusively in the lower 48 United States. Our historical financial and operating results include the Fayetteville Shale E&P and related midstream gathering businesses, which were sold in early December 2018.

E&P. Our primary business is the exploration for and production of natural gas, oil and NGLs, with our ongoing operations focused on the development of unconventional natural gas reservoirs located in Pennsylvania and West Virginia. Our operations in northeast Pennsylvania, which we refer to as “Northeast Appalachia,” are primarily focused on the unconventional natural gas reservoir known as the Marcellus Shale. Our operations in West Virginia and southwest Pennsylvania, which we refer to as “Southwest Appalachia,” are focused on the Marcellus Shale, the Utica and the Upper Devonian unconventional natural gas and oil reservoirs. Collectively, our properties in Pennsylvania and West Virginia are herein referred to as the “Appalachian Basin.” We also operate drilling rigs located in Pennsylvania and West Virginia, and we provide certain oilfield products and services, principally serving our E&P operations through vertical integration.

Midstream. Our marketing activities capture opportunities that arise through the marketing and transportation of natural gas, oil and NGLs primarily produced in our E&P operations. In December 2018, we divested almost all of our gathering assets as part of the Fayetteville Shale sale.

Recent Financial and Operating Results

Significant second quarter 2019 operating and financial results include:

Total Company

- Net income attributable to common stock of \$138 million, or \$0.26 per diluted share, increased 171% compared to net income attributable to common stock of \$51 million, or \$0.09 per diluted share, for the same period in 2018. The increase was primarily due to a \$188 million positive impact of derivatives, including a \$174 million improvement in unsettled derivatives as compared to the same period in 2018, which was partially offset by decreased operating income and the divestiture of the Fayetteville Shale E&P and related midstream gathering assets on December 3, 2018.
- Operating income of \$22 million decreased 82% compared to operating income of \$124 million for the same period in 2018 on a consolidated basis. The decrease was primarily due to lower margins associated with reduced commodity prices and the divestiture of the Fayetteville Shale E&P and related midstream gathering assets in December 2018.
- Net cash provided by operating activities of \$543 million decreased 18% from \$664 million for the same period in 2018 primarily due to the decrease in operating income discussed above.
- Total capital investing of \$368 million decreased 9% from \$403 million for the same period in 2018.

E&P

- E&P segment operating income of \$30 million decreased 69% from \$97 million for the same period in 2018.
- Total net production of 186 Bcfe was comprised of 79% natural gas and 21% NGLs and oil. E&P segment production volumes of 234 Bcfe for the second quarter of 2018 include 67 Bcf of production related to our operations in the Fayetteville Shale, which was sold in December 2018. Excluding the impact of the production related to the sold Fayetteville Shale assets, our production increased 11% from 167 Bcfe in the same period in 2018, and our liquids production increased 15% over the same periods.
- Excluding the effect of derivatives, our realized natural gas price of \$1.80 per Mcf decreased 10% from the same period in 2018, our realized oil price of \$49.55 per barrel decreased 18% from the same period in 2018 and our realized NGL price of \$10.51 per barrel decreased 32% from the same period in 2018. Our total weighted average realized price excluding the effect of derivatives of \$1.99 per Mcfe decreased 10% from the same period in 2018.
- E&P segment invested \$367 million in capital; drilling 41 wells, completing 40 wells and placing 36 wells to sales.

Outlook

We expect to continue to exercise capital discipline through a fully-funded 2019 capital investment program. We remain committed to our focus on optimizing our portfolio by concentrating our efforts on our highest return investment opportunities, looking for opportunities to maximize margins in each core area of our business and further developing our knowledge of our asset base. We believe our industry will continue to face challenges due to the uncertainty of natural gas, oil and NGL prices in the United States, changes in laws, regulations and investor sentiment, and other key factors described in “Risk Factors” in the Company’s 2018 Annual Report.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion of our results of operations for our segments is presented before intersegment eliminations. We evaluate our segments as if they were stand-alone operations and accordingly discuss their results prior to any intersegment eliminations. Restructuring charges, interest expense, gain (loss) on derivatives, loss on early extinguishment of debt and income tax expense are discussed on a consolidated basis.

E&P

The 2018 information in the table below includes the financial results from E&P assets in the Fayetteville Shale that were sold in December 2018.

<i>(in millions)</i>	For the three months ended June 30,		For the six months ended June 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Revenues	\$ 371	\$ 520	\$ 913	\$ 1,157
Operating costs and expenses	341	423	673	822
Operating income	\$ 30	\$ 97	\$ 240	\$ 335
Gain on derivatives, settled ⁽¹⁾	\$ 34	\$ 20	\$ 24	\$ 11

(1) Represents the gain on settled commodity derivatives.

Operating Income

- E&P segment operating income for the second quarter of 2018 included \$20 million related to our operations in the Fayetteville Shale, which was sold in December 2018. Excluding amounts relating to the Fayetteville Shale, E&P segment operating income decreased \$47 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019, compared to the same period in 2018, due to lower margins associated with decreased commodity pricing.
- Operating income for the E&P segment included \$51 million related to our operations in the Fayetteville Shale for the six months ended June 30, 2018. Excluding the amounts related to the Fayetteville Shale, operating income for the E&P segment decreased \$44 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019, compared to the same period in 2018, due to lower margins associated with decreased commodity pricing.

Revenues

The following illustrates the effects on sales revenues associated with changes in commodity prices and production volumes:

<i>(in millions except percentages)</i>	Three months ended June 30,			
	Natural Gas	Oil	NGLs	Total
2018 sales revenues ⁽¹⁾	\$ 400	\$ 44	\$ 75	\$ 519
Changes associated with the Fayetteville Shale sale ⁽²⁾	(139)	—	—	(139)
2018 sales revenues, net of Fayetteville Shale revenues	261	44	75	380
Changes associated with prices	(22)	(10)	(27)	(59)
Changes associated with production volumes	28	12	10	50
2019 sales revenues	\$ 267	\$ 46	\$ 58	\$ 371
Increase (decrease) from 2018, net of Fayetteville Shale revenues	2%	5%	(23)%	(2)%

(1) Excludes \$1 million in other operating revenues for the three months ended June 30, 2018 related to third-party water sales.

(2) This amount represents the revenues associated with the Fayetteville Shale assets, which were sold on December 3, 2018. There were no Fayetteville Shale revenues in the first half of 2019.

<i>(in millions except percentages)</i>	Six months ended June 30,			
	Natural Gas	Oil	NGLs	Total
2018 sales revenues ⁽¹⁾	\$ 935	\$ 78	\$ 140	\$ 1,153
Changes associated with the Fayetteville Shale sale ⁽²⁾	(291)	—	—	(291)
2018 sales revenues, net of Fayetteville Shale revenues	644	78	140	862
Changes associated with prices	(22)	(19)	(32)	(73)
Changes associated with production volumes	66	26	31	123
2019 sales revenues ⁽³⁾	\$ 688	\$ 85	\$ 139	\$ 912
Increase (decrease) from 2018, net of Fayetteville Shale revenues	7%	9%	(1)%	6%

(1) Excludes \$4 million in other operating revenues for the six months ended June 30, 2018 related to third-party water sales.

(2) This amount represents the revenues associated with the Fayetteville Shale assets, which were sold on December 3, 2018. There were no Fayetteville Shale revenues in the first half of 2019.

(3) Excludes \$1 million in other operating revenues for the six months ended June 30, 2019 related to third-party water sales.

Production Volumes

Production volumes:	For the three months ended June 30,		Increase/ (Decrease)	For the six months ended June 30,		Increase/ (Decrease)
	2019	2018		2019	2018	
Natural Gas (Bcf)						
Northeast Appalachia	113	112	1%	225	220	2%
Southwest Appalachia	35	22	59%	66	44	50%
Fayetteville Shale ⁽¹⁾	—	67	(100%)	—	134	(100%)
Total	148	201	(26%)	291	398	(27%)

Oil (MMbbls)						
Southwest Appalachia	931	707	32%	1,780	1,301	37%
Other	6	16	(63%)	11	35	(69%)
Total	937	723	30%	1,791	1,336	34%

NGL (MMbbls)						
Southwest Appalachia	5,493	4,850	13%	11,095	9,068	22%
Other	4	12	(67%)	5	24	(79%)
Total	5,497	4,862	13%	11,100	9,092	22%

Production volumes by area: (Bcfe)						
	2019	2018	Increase/ (Decrease)	2019	2018	Increase/ (Decrease)
Northeast Appalachia	113	112	1%	225	220	2%
Southwest Appalachia	73	55	33%	143	106	35%
Fayetteville Shale ⁽¹⁾	—	67	(100%)	—	134	(100%)
Total	186	234	(21%)	368	460	(20%)

Production percentage: (Bcfe)						
	2019	2018		2019	2018	
Natural gas	79%	86%		79%	86%	
Oil	3%	2%		3%	2%	
NGL	18%	12%		18%	12%	
Total	100%	100%		100%	100%	

(1) The Fayetteville Shale assets were sold on December 3, 2018.

- E&P segment production volumes for the second quarter of 2018 included 67 Bcf of production related to our operations in the Fayetteville Shale, which was sold in December 2018. Excluding this amount, production volumes for our E&P segment increased by 19 Bcfe for the three months ended June 30, 2019 compared to the same period in 2018, primarily due to a 33% increase in production volumes from Southwest Appalachia.
- E&P segment production volumes for the six months ended June 30, 2018 included 134 Bcf of production related to our operations in the Fayetteville Shale, which was sold in December 2018. Excluding this amount, production volumes for our E&P segment increased by 42 Bcfe for the six months ended June 30, 2019 compared to the same period in 2018, primarily due to a 35% increase in production volumes from Southwest Appalachia.

- Oil and NGL production increased 30% and 13%, respectively, for the three months ended June 30, 2019, compared to the same period in 2018, reflecting our shifting commodity production mix towards liquids.
- Oil and NGL production increased 34% and 22%, respectively, for the six months ended June 30, 2019, compared to the same period in 2018.

Commodity Prices

The price we expect to receive for our production is a critical factor in determining the capital investments we make to develop our properties. Commodity prices fluctuate due to a variety of factors we cannot control or predict, including increased supplies of natural gas, oil or NGLs due to greater exploration and development activities, weather conditions, political and economic events, and competition from other energy sources. These factors impact supply and demand, which in turn determine the sales prices for our production. In addition to these factors, the prices we realize for our production are affected by our hedging activities as well as locational differences in market prices, including basis differentials. We will continue to evaluate the commodity price environments and adjust the pace of our activity in order to maintain appropriate liquidity and financial flexibility.

	For the three months ended June 30,			For the six months ended June 30,		
	2019	2018	Increase/ (Decrease)	2019	2018	Increase/ (Decrease)
Natural Gas Price:						
NYMEX Henry Hub Price (\$/MMBtu) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 2.64	\$ 2.80	(6)%	\$ 2.89	\$ 2.90	—%
Discount to NYMEX ⁽²⁾	(0.84)	(0.81)	4%	(0.52)	(0.55)	(5%)
Average realized gas price per Mcf, excluding derivatives	\$ 1.80	\$ 1.99	(10)%	\$ 2.37	\$ 2.35	1%
Loss on settled financial basis derivatives (\$/Mcf)	(0.03)	(0.01)		(0.03)	(0.06)	
Gain on settled commodity derivatives (\$/Mcf)	0.17	0.13		0.04	0.10	
Average realized gas price per Mcf, including derivatives	\$ 1.94	\$ 2.11	(8)%	\$ 2.38	\$ 2.39	—%
Oil Price:						
WTI oil price (\$/Bbl)	\$ 59.81	\$ 67.88	(12)%	\$ 57.36	\$ 65.37	(12)%
Discount to WTI	(10.26)	(7.73)	33%	(9.75)	(7.12)	37%
Average oil price per Bbl, excluding derivatives	\$ 49.55	\$ 60.15	(18)%	\$ 47.61	\$ 58.25	(18)%
Gain (loss) on settled derivatives (\$/Bbl)	2.05	(0.93)		2.19	(0.51)	
Average oil price per Bbl, including derivatives	\$ 51.60	\$ 59.22	(13)%	\$ 49.80	\$ 57.74	(14)%
NGL Price:						
Average net realized NGL price per Bbl, excluding derivatives	\$ 10.51	\$ 15.37	(32)%	\$ 12.50	\$ 15.39	(19)%
Gain (loss) on settled derivatives (\$/Bbl)	2.11	(0.32)		1.34	(0.17)	
Average net realized NGL price per Bbl, including derivatives	\$ 12.62	\$ 15.05	(16)%	\$ 13.84	\$ 15.22	(9)%
Percentage of WTI, excluding derivatives	18%	23%		22%	24%	
Total Weighted Average Realized Price:						
Excluding derivatives (\$/Mcf)	\$ 1.99	\$ 2.21	(10)%	\$ 2.48	\$ 2.51	(1)%
Including derivatives (\$/Mcf)	\$ 2.17	\$ 2.30	(6)%	\$ 2.54	\$ 2.53	—%

(1) Based on last day settlement prices from monthly futures contracts.

(2) This discount includes a basis differential, a heating content adjustment, physical basis sales, third-party transportation charges and fuel charges, and excludes financial basis hedges.

We receive a sales price for our natural gas at a discount to average monthly NYMEX settlement prices based on heating content of the gas, locational basis differentials and transportation and fuel charges. Additionally, we receive a sales price for our oil and NGLs at a difference to average monthly West Texas Intermediate settlement and Mont Belvieu NGL composite prices, respectively, due to a number of factors including product quality, composition and types of NGLs sold, locational basis differentials, transportation and fuel charges.

We regularly enter into various hedging and other financial arrangements with respect to a portion of our projected natural gas, oil and NGL production in order to ensure certain desired levels of cash flow and to minimize the impact of price fluctuations, including fluctuations in locational market differentials. We refer you to Item 3, [“Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk”](#) and [Note 9](#) to the consolidated financial statements, included in this Quarterly Report.

The table below presents the amount of our future production in which the basis is protected as of June 30, 2019:

	Volume (Bcf)	Basis Differential
Basis Swaps - Natural Gas		
2019	80	\$ (0.45)
2020	132	(0.34)
2021	28	(0.51)
Total	<u>240</u>	

Physical NYMEX Sales Arrangements - Natural Gas		
2019	134	\$ (0.24)
2020	103	(0.13)
Total	<u>237</u>	

In addition to protecting basis, the table below presents the amount of our future production in which price is financially protected as of June 30, 2019:

	Remaining 2019	Full Year 2020	Full Year 2021
Natural gas (Bcf)	223	172	37
Oil (MBbls)	2,043	2,563	—
Propane (MBbls)	2,231	2,562	—
Ethane (MBbls)	1,858	732	—
Total financial protection on future production (Bcfe)	<u>260</u>	<u>207</u>	<u>37</u>

We refer you to [Note 9](#) of the consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report for additional details about our derivative instruments.

Operating Costs and Expenses

<i>(in millions except percentages)</i>	For the three months ended June 30,		Increase/ (Decrease)	For the six months ended June 30,		Increase/ (Decrease)
	2019	2018		2019	2018	
Lease operating expenses	\$ 169	\$ 215	(21%)	\$ 335	\$ 428	(22%)
General & administrative expenses	35	53 ⁽¹⁾	(34%)	69	101 ⁽¹⁾	(32%)
Restructuring charges	2	16	(88)%	5	16	(69)%
Taxes, other than income taxes	17	13	31%	36	34	6%
Full cost pool amortization	108	117	(8%)	211	225	(6%)
Non-full cost pool DD&A	10	9	11%	17	18	(6%)
Total operating costs	<u>\$ 341</u>	<u>\$ 423</u>	(19%)	<u>\$ 673</u>	<u>\$ 822</u>	(18%)

(1) Includes \$7.9 million of legal settlement charges for the three and six months ended June 30, 2018.

Average unit costs per Mcfe:	For the three months ended June 30,		Increase/ (Decrease)	For the six months ended June 30,		Increase/ (Decrease)
	2019	2018		2019	2018	
Lease operating expenses ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0.90	\$ 0.91	(1%)	\$ 0.90	\$ 0.93	(3%)
General & administrative expenses	\$ 0.19 ⁽²⁾	\$ 0.19 ⁽³⁾	—%	\$ 0.19 ⁽²⁾	\$ 0.20 ⁽³⁾	(5%)
Taxes, other than income taxes	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.06 ⁽⁴⁾	50%	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.07 ⁽⁴⁾	43%
Full cost pool amortization	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.50	16%	\$ 0.57	\$ 0.49	16%

(1) Includes post-production costs such as: gathering, processing, fractionation and compression.

(2) Excludes \$2 million and \$5 million of restructuring charges for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019, respectively.

(3) Excludes \$15 million of restructuring charges and \$7.9 million of legal settlement charges for the three and six months ended June 30, 2018.

(4) Excludes \$1 million of restructuring charges for the three and six months ended June 30, 2018.

Lease Operating Expenses

- Lease operating expenses per Mcfe decreased \$0.01 for the three months ended June 30, 2019, compared to the same period of 2018, as a \$0.02 per Mcfe decrease associated with the Fayetteville Shale sale, was partially offset by a \$0.01 per Mcfe increase primarily related to a shift towards liquids production, which includes processing fees.
- Lease operating expenses per Mcfe decreased \$0.03 for the six months ended June 30, 2019, compared to the same period of 2018, primarily due to a \$0.02 per Mcfe decrease associated with the Fayetteville Shale sale, and a \$0.02 per Mcfe decrease primarily related to preventative maintenance associated with extended severe winter weather along with a one-time charge of \$3.7 million related to NGL processing fees, both recorded in the first quarter of 2018. These decreases were partially offset by a \$0.01 per Mcfe increase primarily related to a shift towards liquids production, which includes processing fees.

General and Administrative Expenses

- General and administrative expenses decreased \$18 million and \$32 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019, respectively, compared to the same periods of 2018, primarily due to decreased personnel costs, the implementation of cost reduction initiatives and a \$7.9 million legal settlement charge recorded in the second quarter of 2018.

Taxes, Other than Income Taxes

- On a per Mcfe basis, taxes, other than income taxes, may vary from period to period due to changes in ad valorem and severance taxes that result from the mix of our production volumes and fluctuations in commodity prices. Taxes, other than income taxes, increased \$0.03 for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019, compared to the same periods of 2018, primarily due to an \$8 million severance tax refund received in the second quarter of 2018.

Full Cost Pool Amortization

- Our full cost pool amortization rate increased \$0.08 per Mcfe for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019, respectively, as compared to the same periods of 2018. The average amortization rate increased primarily as a result of the impact of capital investment and the further evaluation of our unproved properties during the past twelve months and the impact of the Fayetteville Shale sale, which reduced our total natural gas reserves along with the carrying value of our full cost pool assets.
- The amortization rate is impacted by the timing and amount of reserve additions and the costs associated with those additions, revisions of previous reserve estimates due to both price and well performance, write-downs that result from full cost ceiling impairments, proceeds from the sale of properties that reduce the full cost pool, and the levels of costs subject to amortization. We cannot predict our future full cost pool amortization rate with accuracy due to the variability of each of the factors discussed above, as well as other factors, including but not limited to the uncertainty of the amount of future reserve changes.
- Unevaluated costs excluded from amortization were \$1.7 billion at June 30, 2019, compared to \$1.8 billion at December 31, 2018. The unevaluated costs excluded from amortization decreased as the impact of \$151 million of unevaluated capital invested during the period was more than offset by the evaluation of previously unevaluated properties totaling \$229 million.

Midstream

<i>(in millions except percentages)</i>	For the three months ended June 30,			Increase/ (Decrease)	For the six months ended June 30,		Increase/ (Decrease)
	2019	2018			2019	2018	
Marketing revenues	\$ 626	\$ 728	(14)%	\$ 1,566	\$ 1,557	1%	
Gas gathering revenues	— ⁽¹⁾	69	(100)%	— ⁽¹⁾	136	(100)%	
Other operating revenues	—	—	—%	1	—	100%	
Marketing purchases	622	716	(13)%	1,556	1,535	1%	
Operating costs and expenses	9 ⁽¹⁾	54 ⁽²⁾	(83)%	13 ⁽¹⁾	115 ⁽³⁾	(89)%	
(Gain) loss on sale of operating assets	3	—	100%	3	(1)	(400)%	
Operating income (loss)	\$ (8)	\$ 27	(130)%	\$ (5)	\$ 44	(111)%	
Volumes marketed (<i>Bcfe</i>)	255 ⁽⁴⁾	289	(12)%	544 ⁽⁴⁾	554	(2)%	
Volumes gathered (<i>Bcf</i>)	— ⁽¹⁾	106	(100)%	— ⁽¹⁾	209	(100)%	
Percent natural gas marketed from affiliated E&P operations	83% ⁽⁴⁾	94%		75% ⁽⁴⁾	95%		
Affiliated E&P oil and NGL production marketed	76%	69%		75%	68%		

(1) Reflects the sale of our Fayetteville Shale-related gathering business, which was sold in December 2018.

(2) Includes \$2 million of restructuring charges for the three months ended June 30, 2018.

(3) Includes \$10 million impairment related to certain non-core gathering assets and \$2 million of restructuring charges for the six months ended June 30, 2018.

(4) Includes the effect of the purchase and sale of a portion of the production from the buyer of the Fayetteville Shale, which was sold in December 2018.

Operating Income

- Midstream operating income for the second quarter of 2018 includes \$20 million related to our gathering operations in the Fayetteville Shale, which were sold in December 2018. Excluding this amount, operating income decreased \$15 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019, compared to the same period in 2018, primarily due to an \$8 million decrease in the marketing margin, a \$3 million loss on sale of operating assets and a \$2 million increase in allocated corporate expenses.
- Midstream operating income for the six months ended June 30, 2018 includes \$42 million related to our gathering operations in the Fayetteville Shale, which we sold in December 2018. Excluding this amount, operating income decreased \$7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019, compared to the same period in 2018, primarily due to a \$12 million decrease in the marketing margin, a \$3 million loss on sale of operating assets and a \$2 million increase in allocated corporate expenses, partially offset by a \$1 million gain on storage gas and a \$10 million impairment of non-core gathering assets in 2018.
- The margin generated from marketing activities was \$4 million and \$12 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, and \$10 million and \$22 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Margins are driven primarily by volumes marketed and may fluctuate depending on the prices paid for commodities, related cost of transportation and the ultimate disposition of those commodities. Increases and decreases in marketing revenues due to changes in commodity prices and volumes marketed are largely offset by corresponding changes in marketing purchase expenses.

Revenues

- Revenues from our marketing activities decreased \$102 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019, compared to the same period in 2018, primarily due to a 12% decrease in volumes marketed and a 3% decrease in the price received for volumes marketed.
- For the six months ended June 30, 2019, revenues from our marketing activities increased \$9 million compared to the same period in 2018, as a 10 Bcfe decrease in the volumes marketed was more than offset by a 2% increase in the price received for volumes marketed.

Operating Costs and Expenses

- Midstream operating costs and expenses for the second quarter of 2018 included \$48 million related to our gathering operations in the Fayetteville Shale, which were sold in December 2018. Excluding this amount, operating costs and expenses increased \$3 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019, compared to the same period in 2018, primarily due to a \$2 million increase in allocated corporate costs.

- Midstream operating costs and expenses for the first half of 2018 included \$92 million related to our gathering operations in the Fayetteville Shale, which were sold in December 2018. Excluding this amount, operating costs and expenses decreased \$10 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019, compared to the same period in 2018, primarily due to a \$10 million impairment of non-core gathering assets, which were divested in 2018, along with \$2 million of operating expenses associated with the related assets, partially offset by a \$2 million increase in allocated corporate costs.

Consolidated

Restructuring Charges

For the three months ended June 30, 2019, we recognized total restructuring charges of \$2 million, of which \$1 million was related to cash severance, including payroll taxes withheld, and \$1 million primarily related to office consolidation associated with the Fayetteville Shale sale. For the six months ended June 30, 2019, we recognized total restructuring charges of \$5 million, of which \$3 million was related to cash severance, including payroll taxes withheld, and \$2 million primarily related to office consolidation associated with the Fayetteville Shale sale. We expect to incur an additional \$3 million to \$5 million in restructuring charges for the remainder of 2019 related to office consolidation.

On June 27, 2018, we announced a workforce reduction plan, which resulted primarily from our previously announced study of structural, process and organizational changes to enhance shareholder value and continues with respect to other aspects of our business and activities. Affected employees were offered a severance package, which included a one-time cash payment depending on length of service and, if applicable, current value of a portion of equity awards to be forfeited. We recognized restructuring expense of \$18 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, of which \$16 million was related to cash severance, including payroll taxes.

Interest Expense

<i>(in millions except percentages)</i>	For the three months ended June 30,		Increase/ (Decrease)	For the six months ended June 30,		Increase/ (Decrease)
	2019	2018		2019	2018	
Gross interest expense:						
Senior notes	\$ 39	\$ 51	(24%)	\$ 78	\$ 101	(23%)
Credit arrangements	2	8	(75%)	5	23	(78%)
Amortization of debt costs	2	2	—%	3	4	(25%)
Total gross interest expense	43	61	(30%)	86	128	(33%)
Less: capitalization	(28)	(29)	(3)%	(57)	(57)	—%
Net interest expense	\$ 15	\$ 32	(53%)	\$ 29	\$ 71	(59%)

- Interest expense related to our senior notes decreased for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019, compared to the same periods of 2018, as we repurchased \$900 million of our outstanding senior notes in December 2018 with a portion of the proceeds from the Fayetteville Shale sale. Additionally, S&P and Moody's upgraded our public bond ratings in April and May 2018, respectively, which lowered the interest rates associated with our Senior Notes due 2020 and 2025 by 50 basis points, effective in July 2018.
- Interest expense related to our credit arrangements decreased for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019, as compared to the same periods of 2018, primarily due to the extinguishment of our 2016 term loan and entering into our revolving credit facility in April 2018, which decreased our outstanding borrowing amount, and the repayment of our revolving credit facility borrowings with a portion of the net proceeds from the Fayetteville Shale sale.
- Capitalized interest decreased for the three months ended June 30, 2019, compared to the same period in 2018, due to the evaluation of natural gas and oil properties over the past twelve months.
- Capitalized interest remained flat for the six months ended June 30, 2019, compared to the same period in 2018, as an increase in our average cost of debt was offset by the evaluation of natural gas and oil properties over the past twelve months.
- Capitalized interest increased as a percentage of gross interest expense for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019, compared to the same periods in 2018, primarily due to an increase in our average cost of debt.

Gain (Loss) on Derivatives

<i>(in millions)</i>	For the three months ended June 30,		For the six months ended June 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Gain (loss) on unsettled derivatives	\$ 118	\$ (56)	\$ 96	\$ (54)
Gain on settled derivatives	34	20	24	11
Gain (loss) on derivatives	<u>\$ 152</u>	<u>\$ (36)</u>	<u>\$ 120</u>	<u>\$ (43)</u>

We refer you to [Note 9](#) to the consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report for additional details about our gain (loss) on derivatives.

Loss on Early Extinguishment of Debt

Concurrent with the closing of the 2018 credit agreement on April 26, 2018, we repaid our \$1,191 million 2016 secured term loan balance and recognized a loss on early debt extinguishment of \$8 million on the unaudited condensed consolidated statements of operations in the second quarter of 2018 related to the unamortized debt issuance expense.

Income Taxes

<i>(in millions except percentages)</i>	For the three months ended June 30,		For the six months ended June 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Income tax (benefit) expense	\$ 15	\$ —	\$ (411)	\$ —
Effective tax rate	10%	0%	(128%)	0%

- As of the first quarter of 2019, we had sustained a three-year cumulative level of profitability. Based on this factor and other positive evidence such as forecasted income, we concluded that it is more likely than not that the deferred tax assets would be realized and released substantially all of the valuation allowance. This resulted in a discrete tax benefit of \$411 million being recorded in the first half of 2019. We expect to retain a valuation allowance of \$87 million related to net operating losses in jurisdictions in which we no longer operate.
- Our low effective tax rate in 2018 was the result of our recognition of a valuation allowance that reduced the deferred tax asset primarily related to our current net operating loss carryforward. A valuation allowance for deferred tax assets, including net operating losses, is recognized when it is more likely than not that some or all of the benefit from the deferred tax asset will not be realized.

New Accounting Standards Implemented in this Report

Refer to [Note 18](#) to the consolidated financial statements of this Quarterly Report for a discussion of new accounting standards which have been implemented.

New Accounting Standards Not Yet Implemented in this Report

Refer to [Note 18](#) to the consolidated financial statements of this Quarterly Report for a discussion of new accounting standards which have not yet been implemented.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

We depend on funds generated from our operations, our cash and cash equivalents balance, our revolving credit facility and capital markets as our primary sources of liquidity. Although we have financial flexibility with our cash balance and the ability to draw on our \$2.0 billion revolving credit facility (less outstanding letters of credit, which were approximately \$172 million as of June 30, 2019), we continue to be committed to our capital discipline strategy of investing within our cash flow from operations net of changes in working capital, supplemented by a portion of the net proceeds from the Fayetteville Shale sale realized in December 2018.

Our cash flow from operating activities is highly dependent upon the sales prices that we receive for our natural gas and liquids production. Natural gas, oil and NGL prices are subject to wide fluctuations and are driven by market supply and demand, which is impacted by many factors. The sales price we receive for our production is also influenced by our commodity hedging activities. Our derivative contracts allow us to ensure a certain level of cash flow to fund our operations. See [“Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risks”](#) in Item 3 and [Note 9](#), in the consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report for further details.

Our commodity hedging activities are subject to the credit risk of our counterparties being financially unable to settle the transaction. We actively monitor the credit status of our counterparties, performing both quantitative and qualitative assessments based on their credit ratings and credit default swap rates where applicable, and to date have not had any credit defaults associated with our transactions. However, any future failures by one or more counterparties could negatively impact our cash flow from operating activities.

Our short-term cash flows are also dependent on the timely collection of receivables from our customers and joint interest owners. We actively manage this risk through credit management activities and, through the date of this filing, have not experienced any significant write-offs for non-collectable amounts. However, any sustained inaccessibility of credit by our customers and joint interest partners could adversely impact our cash flows.

Due to these above factors, we are unable to forecast with certainty our future level of cash flow from operations. Accordingly, we expect to adjust our discretionary uses of cash depending upon available cash flow. Further, we may from time to time seek to retire, rearrange or amend some or all of our outstanding debt or debt agreements through cash purchases, and/or exchanges, open market purchases, privately negotiated transactions, tender offers or otherwise. Such transactions, if any, will depend on prevailing market conditions, our liquidity requirements, contractual restrictions and other factors. The amounts involved may be material.

Credit Arrangements and Financing Activities

On April 26, 2018, we replaced our 2016 credit facility with a new revolving credit facility which matures in April 2023. Although the 2018 revolving credit facility currently has a maximum borrowing capacity of \$3.5 billion, a borrowing base of \$2.1 billion and commitments of \$2.0 billion, it is subject to both a borrowing base that is determined semiannually in April and October by the lenders and the permitted lien limitations in our senior note indentures. The borrowing base is subject to change based primarily on drilling results, commodity prices, our future derivative position, the level of capital investing and operating costs. In April 2019, the banks participating in our 2018 credit facility reaffirmed the borrowing base of \$2.1 billion. As of June 30, 2019, we had no borrowings outstanding on our 2018 revolving credit facility and \$172 million in outstanding letters of credit.

As of June 30, 2019, we were in compliance with all of the covenants of our revolving credit facility in all material respects. We refer you to [Note 12](#) of the consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report for additional discussion of the covenant requirements of our 2018 revolving credit facility. Although we do not anticipate any violations of the financial covenants, our ability to comply with these covenants is dependent upon the success of our exploration and development program and upon factors beyond our control, such as the market prices for natural gas and liquids.

The credit status of the financial institutions participating in our revolving credit facility could adversely impact our ability to borrow funds under the revolving credit facility. Although we believe all of the lenders under the facility have the ability to provide funds, we cannot predict whether each will be able to meet their obligation to us. We refer you to [Note 12](#) to the consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report for additional discussion of our revolving credit facility.

Because of the focused work on refinancing and repayment of our debt during 2017 and 2018, only \$265 million, or 11%, of our outstanding debt balance as of June 30, 2019 will come due prior to 2025, with \$52 million of that coming due in the next year.

At June 30, 2019, we had a long-term issuer credit rating of Ba2 by Moody's, a long-term debt rating of BB by S&P and a long-term issuer default rating of BB by Fitch Ratings. Any upgrades or downgrades in our public debt ratings by Moody's or S&P could decrease or increase our cost of funds, respectively.

Cash Flows

<i>(in millions)</i>	For the six months ended June 30,	
	2019	2018
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 543	\$ 664
Net cash used in investing activities	(560)	(675)
Net cash used in financing activities	(29)	(868)

Cash Flow from Operating Activities

<i>(in millions)</i>	For the six months ended June 30,	
	2019	2018
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 543	\$ 664
Less: Changes in working capital	(66)	(44)
Net cash provided by operating activities, net of changes in working capital	<u>\$ 477</u>	<u>\$ 620</u>

- Net cash provided by operating activities decreased 18%, or \$121 million, for the six months ended June 30, 2019, compared to the same period in 2018, primarily due to a \$191 million decrease as a result of the December 2018 Fayetteville Shale sale and a \$73 million decrease resulting from lower commodity prices. These decreases were partially offset by an \$83 million increase associated with increased production, a \$41 million increase as a result of reduced interest costs and a \$22 million change in working capital.
- Net cash generated from operating activities, net of changes in working capital, provided 69% of our cash requirements for capital investments for the six months ended June 30, 2019, compared to providing 84% of our cash requirements for capital investments for the same period in 2018. While we front-load our capital programs into the earlier quarters in the year, we remain committed to our capital discipline strategy of investing within our cash flow from operations, net of changes in working capital, supplemented by a portion of the net proceeds from the Fayetteville Shale sale.

Cash Flow from Investing Activities

- Total E&P capital investing decreased \$29 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019, compared to the same period in 2018, due to a \$22 million decrease in direct E&P capital investing and a \$7 million decrease in capitalized interest and internal costs, as compared to the same period in 2018.
- Total E&P capital investing decreased \$38 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019, compared to the same period in 2018, due to a \$27 million decrease in direct E&P capital investing and a \$11 million decrease in capitalized interest and internal costs, as compared to the same period in 2018.

<i>(in millions)</i>	For the six months ended June 30,	
	2019	2018
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Additions to properties and equipment	\$ 586	\$ 684
Adjustments for capital investments		
Changes in capital accruals	105	52
Other	2	5
Total capital investing	<u>\$ 693</u>	<u>\$ 741</u>

Capital Investing

<i>(in millions except percentages)</i>	For the three months ended June 30,			For the six months ended June 30,		
	2019	2018	Increase/ (Decrease)	2019	2018	Increase/ (Decrease)
E&P capital investing	\$ 367	\$ 396	(7%)	\$ 692	\$ 730	(5%)
Midstream capital investing ⁽¹⁾	—	5	(100%)	—	9	(100%)
Other capital investing	1	2	(50)%	1	2	(50)%
Total capital investing	<u>\$ 368</u>	<u>\$ 403</u>	(9%)	<u>\$ 693</u>	<u>\$ 741</u>	(6%)

(1) Our Midstream gathering business in the Fayetteville Shale was sold in December 2018.

<i>(in millions)</i>	For the three months ended June 30,		For the six months ended June 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
E&P Capital Investments by Type:				
Exploratory and development drilling, including workovers	\$ 284	\$ 311	\$ 535	\$ 566
Acquisitions of properties	16	16	23	36
Seismic expenditures	1	1	2	2
Water infrastructure project	11	—	26	13
Drilling rigs and other	9	15	11	7
Capitalized interest and expenses	46	53	95	106
Total E&P capital investments	\$ 367	\$ 396	\$ 692	\$ 730

E&P Capital Investments by Area:

Northeast Appalachia	\$ 126	\$ 149	\$ 232	\$ 260
Southwest Appalachia	223	220	421	422
Fayetteville Shale	—	10	—	25
New Ventures & Other ⁽¹⁾	18	17	39	23
Total E&P capital investments	\$ 367	\$ 396	\$ 692	\$ 730

(1) Includes \$11 million and \$26 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019, respectively, and \$13 million for the six months ended June 30, 2018 related to our water infrastructure project.

	For the three months ended June 30,		For the six months ended June 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Gross Operated Well Count Summary:				
Drilled	41	37	71	69
Completed	40	56	71	85
Wells to sales	36	45	55	78

Actual capital expenditure levels may vary significantly from period to period due to many factors, including drilling results, natural gas, oil and NGL prices, industry conditions, the prices and availability of goods and services, and the extent to which properties are acquired or non-strategic assets are sold.

Cash Flow from Financing Activities

<i>(in millions except percentages)</i>	June 30, 2019	December 31, 2018	Increase/(Decrease)
Debt ⁽¹⁾	\$ 2,319	\$ 2,318	\$ 1
Equity	3,082	2,362	720
Total debt to capitalization ratio	43%	50%	
Debt ⁽¹⁾	\$ 2,319	\$ 2,318	\$ 1
Less: Cash and cash equivalents	155	201	(46)
Debt, net of cash and cash equivalents ⁽²⁾	\$ 2,164	\$ 2,117	\$ 47

(1) The increase in total debt as of June 30, 2019, as compared to December 31, 2018, relates to the amortization of financing costs during the first half of 2019.

(2) Debt, net of cash and cash equivalents is a non-GAAP financial measure of a company's ability to repay its debt if it was all due today.

We refer you to [Note 12](#) of the consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report for additional discussion of our outstanding debt and credit facilities.

Working Capital

- We had negative working capital of \$148 million at June 30, 2019, a \$258 million decrease from December 31, 2018, as decreases of \$223 million in accounts receivable, as compared to December 2018, related to lower commodity prices, a current liability of \$47 million recorded in 2019 related to the implementation of the new lease accounting standard (Topic 842) and \$52 million of our long-term debt, which matures in less than a year, being reclassified as a current liability in 2019 were only partially offset by positive changes in the current mark-to-market value of our derivative position, as compared to December 31, 2018.

- At December 31, 2018, we had positive working capital of \$110 million primarily due to \$201 million of cash and cash equivalents resulting from the net proceeds from the Fayetteville Shale sale and an increase in accounts receivable primarily related to the increase in commodity pricing in December 2018, as compared to December 2017.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We may enter into off-balance sheet arrangements and transactions that can give rise to material off-balance sheet obligations. As of June 30, 2019, our material off-balance sheet arrangements and transactions include operating service arrangements and \$172 million in letters of credit outstanding against our 2018 revolving credit facility. There are no other transactions, arrangements or other relationships with unconsolidated entities or other persons that are reasonably likely to materially affect our liquidity or availability of our capital resources. For more information regarding off-balance sheet arrangements, we refer you to “Contractual Obligations and Contingent Liabilities and Commitments” in our 2018 Annual Report.

Contractual Obligations and Contingent Liabilities and Commitments

We have various contractual obligations in the normal course of our operations and financing activities. Other than the firm transportation and gathering agreements discussed below, there have been no material changes to our contractual obligations from those disclosed in our 2018 Annual Report.

Contingent Liabilities and Commitments

As of June 30, 2019, our contractual obligations for demand and similar charges under firm transportation and gathering agreements to guarantee access capacity on natural gas and liquids pipelines and gathering systems totaled approximately \$8.5 billion, \$966 million of which related to access capacity on future pipeline and gathering infrastructure projects that still require the granting of regulatory approvals and/or additional construction efforts. This amount also included guarantee obligations of up to \$362 million. As of June 30, 2019, future payments under non-cancelable firm transportation and gathering agreements are as follows:

<i>(in millions)</i>	Payments Due by Period					
	Total	Less than 1 Year	1 to 3 Years	3 to 5 Years	5 to 8 years	More than 8 Years
Infrastructure currently in service	\$ 7,501	\$ 702	\$ 1,304	\$ 1,097	\$ 1,511	\$ 2,887
Pending regulatory approval and/or construction ⁽¹⁾	966	9	78	121	196	562
Total transportation charges	\$ 8,467	\$ 711	\$ 1,382	\$ 1,218	\$ 1,707	\$ 3,449

(1) Based on the estimated in-service dates as of June 30, 2019.

Included in the transportation charges above are \$108 million (potentially due in less than one year) and \$54 million (potentially due in one to two years) related to certain agreements that remain in the name of our marketing affiliate but are expected to be paid in full by Flywheel Energy Operating, LLC, the purchaser of the Fayetteville Shale assets. Of these amounts, we may be obligated to reimburse Flywheel Energy Operating, LLC for a portion of volumetric shortfalls during 2019 and 2020 (up to \$82 million) under these transportation agreements and have currently recorded a \$68 million liability as of June 30, 2019, down from \$88 million recorded at December 31, 2018.

In the first quarter of 2019, we agreed to purchase firm transportation with pipelines in the Appalachian Basin starting in 2021 and running through 2032 totaling \$357 million in total contractual commitments of which the seller has agreed to reimburse \$133 million of these commitments.

During the second quarter of 2019, we executed an agreement to convey our purchase option in our headquarters office building to a third-party, which closed on the purchase of the building in July 2019. Concurrent with the closing of the building sale, we terminated our existing lease agreement and entered into a new lease agreement for a smaller portion of the headquarters office building in July 2019, resulting in an estimated annual savings of \$7 million to \$8 million over the next ten years.

Substantially all of our employees are covered by defined benefit and postretirement benefit plans. For the six months ended June 30, 2019, we have contributed \$9 million to the pension and postretirement benefit plans. We expect to contribute an additional \$3 million to our pension and postretirement benefit plans during the remainder of 2019. We recognized liabilities of \$41 million and \$47 million as of June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018, respectively, as a result of the underfunded status of our pension and other postretirement benefit plans. See [Note 15](#) to the consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report for additional discussion about our pension and other postretirement benefits.

We are subject to various litigation, claims and proceedings that arise in the ordinary course of business, such as for alleged breaches of contract, miscalculation of royalties, employment matters, traffic incidents, pollution, contamination, encroachment on others' property or nuisance. We accrue for such items when a liability is both probable and the amount can be reasonably

estimated. Management believes that current litigation, claims and proceedings, individually or in aggregate and after taking into account insurance, are not likely to have a material adverse impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows, although it is possible that adverse outcomes could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations or cash flows for the period in which the effect of that outcome becomes reasonably estimable. Many of these matters are in early stages, so the allegations and the damage theories have not been fully developed, and are all subject to inherent uncertainties; therefore, management’s view may change in the future.

We are also subject to laws and regulations relating to the protection of the environment. Environmental and cleanup related costs of a non-capital nature are accrued when it is both probable that a liability has been incurred and when the amount can be reasonably estimated. Management believes any future remediation or other compliance related costs will not have a material effect on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

For further information, we refer you to “Litigation” and “Environmental Risk” in [Note 13](#) to the consolidated financial statements included in Item I of Part I of this Quarterly Report.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Market risks relating to our operations result primarily from the volatility in commodity prices, basis differentials and interest rates, as well as service costs and credit risk concentrations. We use fixed price swap agreements, options, basis swaps and interest rate swaps to reduce the volatility of earnings and cash flow due to fluctuations in the prices of natural gas, oil and certain NGLs along with interest rates. Our Board of Directors has approved risk management policies and procedures to utilize financial products for the reduction of defined commodity price risk. Utilization of financial products for the reduction of interest rate risks is also overseen by our Board of Directors. These policies prohibit speculation with derivatives and limit swap agreements to counterparties with appropriate credit standings.

Credit Risk

Our exposure to concentrations of credit risk consists primarily of trade receivables and derivative contracts associated with commodities trading. Concentrations of credit risk with respect to receivables are limited due to the large number of our purchasers and their dispersion across geographic areas. No single purchaser accounted for greater than 10% of revenues as of June 30, 2019. At December 31, 2018, two subsidiaries of Royal Dutch Shell Plc in aggregate accounted for approximately 10.4% of the quarter’s total natural gas, oil and NGL sales. We believe that the loss of any one customer would not have an adverse effect on our ability to sell our natural gas, oil and NGL production. See “Commodities Risk” below for discussion of credit risk associated with commodities trading.

Interest Rate Risk

As of June 30, 2019, we had approximately \$2.3 billion of outstanding senior notes with a weighted average interest rate of 6.68%, and no borrowings under our revolving credit facility. We currently have an interest rate swap in effect to mitigate a portion of our exposure to volatility in interest rates. At June 30, 2019, we had a long-term issuer credit rating of Ba2 by Moody’s, a long-term debt rating of BB by S&P and a long-term issuer default rating of BB by Fitch Ratings. Any upgrades or downgrades in our public debt ratings by Moody’s or S&P could decrease or increase our cost of funds, respectively.

(\$ in millions)	Expected Maturity Date							Total
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Thereafter		
Fixed rate payments ⁽¹⁾	\$ —	\$ 52	\$ —	\$ 213	\$ —	\$ 2,077	\$ 2,342	
Weighted average interest rate	—%	5.30%	—%	4.10%	—%	6.98%	6.68%	
Variable rate payments ⁽¹⁾	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ — ⁽¹⁾	\$ —	\$ — ⁽¹⁾	
Weighted average interest rate	—%	—%	—%	—%	3.88%	—%	3.88%	

(1) Excludes unamortized debt issuance costs and debt discounts.

Commodities Risk

We use over-the-counter fixed price swap agreements and options to protect sales of our production against the inherent risks of adverse price fluctuations or locational pricing differences between a published index and the NYMEX futures market. These swaps and options include transactions in which one party will pay a fixed price (or variable price) for a notional quantity in exchange for receiving a variable price (or fixed price) based on a published index (referred to as price swaps) and transactions in which parties agree to pay a price based on two different indices (referred to as basis swaps).

The primary market risks relating to our derivative contracts are the volatility in market prices and basis differentials for our production. However, the market price risk is offset by the gain or loss recognized upon the related sale or purchase of the production that is financially protected. Credit risk relates to the risk of loss as a result of non-performance by our counterparties. The counterparties are primarily major banks and integrated energy companies that management believes present minimal credit risks. The credit quality of each counterparty and the level of financial exposure we have to each counterparty are closely monitored to limit our credit risk exposure. Additionally, we perform both quantitative and qualitative assessments of these counterparties based on their credit ratings and credit default swap rates where applicable. We have not incurred any counterparty losses related to non-performance and do not anticipate any losses given the information we have currently. However, we cannot be certain that we will not experience such losses in the future. We refer you to [Note 9](#) of the consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report for additional details about our derivative instruments.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We have performed an evaluation under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act. Our disclosure controls and procedures are the controls and other procedures that we have designed to ensure that we record, process, accumulate and communicate information to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures and submission within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms. All internal control systems, no matter how well designed, have inherent limitations. Therefore, even those determined to be effective can provide only a level of reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and presentation. Based on the evaluation, our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of June 30, 2019 at a reasonable assurance level.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act) that occurred during the quarter ended June 30, 2019 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Refer to "Litigation" and "Environmental Risk" in [Note 13](#) to the consolidated financial statements included in Item 1 of Part I of this Quarterly Report for a discussion of the Company's legal proceedings.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

There were no additions or material changes to our risk factors as disclosed in Item 1A of Part I in the Company's 2018 Annual Report.

ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

Not applicable.

ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

Not applicable.

ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Our sand mining operations in support of our E&P business are subject to regulation by the Federal Mine Safety and Health Administration under the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977. Information concerning mine safety violations or other regulatory matters required by Section 1503(a) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and Item 104 of Regulation S-K (17 CFR 229.106) is included in Exhibit 95.1 to this Quarterly Report.

ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

On May 21, 2019, the Company adopted the Southwestern Energy Company Non-Employee Director Deferred Compensation Plan allowing directors who are not employees of the Company to defer receipt of cash and/or equity components of their compensation.

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

10.1	Third Amendment to Southwestern Energy Company 2013 Incentive Plan. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 22, 2019)
10.2*	Southwestern Energy Company Non-Employee Director Deferred Compensation Plan
10.3*	Form of Deferral Agreement under the Non-Employee Director Deferred Compensation Plan
10.4*	Southwestern Energy Company 2013 Incentive Plan Form of Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement for Directors, effective July 1, 2019
(31.1)*	Certification of CEO filed pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
(31.2)*	Certification of CFO filed pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
(32.1)*	Certification of CEO furnished pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
(32.2)*	Certification of CFO furnished pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
(95.1)*	Mine Safety Disclosure
(101.INS)	Interactive Data File Instance Document
(101.SCH)	Interactive Data File Schema Document
(101.CAL)	Interactive Data File Calculation Linkbase Document
(101.LAB)	Interactive Data File Label Linkbase Document
(101.PRE)	Interactive Data File Presentation Linkbase Document
(101.DEF)	Interactive Data File Definition Linkbase Document

*Filed herewith

Signatures

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

	SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY COMPANY
	_____ Registrant
Dated: <u> August 6, 2019 </u>	_____ /s/ JULIAN M. BOTT
	Julian M. Bott Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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Section 3: EX-10.2 (EXHIBIT 10.2 NON-EMPLOYEE DIRECTOR DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN)

**Southwestern Energy Company
Nonemployee Director Deferred Compensation Plan**

Effective as of June 1, 2019

**ARTICLE 1
INTRODUCTION**

Southwestern Energy Company, a Delaware corporation (including its successors, the “Company”), is establishing this Southwestern Energy Company Nonemployee Director Deferred Compensation Plan (as amended from time to time as provided below, the “Plan”) to permit directors of the Company who are not employees of the Company or its affiliates (each an “Eligible Director”) to defer the receipt of income that would otherwise be payable to them. It is intended that the Plan will assist in the attraction and retention of highly qualified directors by offering them an

additional opportunity to save for the future.

ARTICLE 2 DEFINITIONS

Wherever used herein, the following terms have the meanings set forth below, unless a different meaning is clearly required by the context:

2.1 “Account” means a notional account established for the benefit of a Participant under Section 6.1, which may include one or more sub-accounts. The Committee shall establish a separate notional sub-account for each Plan Year, which sub-account shall reflect Deferrals credited to the Plan for such Plan Year.

2.2 “Additional Restricted Stock Units” means the additional Restricted Stock Units, if any, credited to the Stock Unit Account of a Participant pursuant to Section 6.4.

2.3 “Beneficiary” means the beneficiary or beneficiaries designated by a Participant to receive an amount, if any, payable from such Participant’s Account upon the death of the Participant. A Participant may designate a Beneficiary by notifying the Committee in writing, at any time before Participant’s death, on a form prescribed by the Committee for that purpose. A Participant may revoke any Beneficiary designation or designate a new Beneficiary at any time without the consent of a Beneficiary or any other person. If no Beneficiary is designated or no Beneficiary survives the Participant, payment shall be made to the Participant’s surviving spouse, or, if none, to the Participant’s estate.

2.4 “Board” means the Board of Directors of the Company.

2.5 “Cash Compensation” means the cash retainer or fees, including any chairmanship, membership or meeting fees, payable by the Company to an Eligible Director for services performed as a member of the Board during any Plan Year that would be includible in the Eligible Director’s gross income for such year, determined before deductions made with respect to this Plan. Cash Compensation does not include income from stock option exercises, restricted stock awards,

restricted stock units or other equity or equity-based awards granted to the Eligible Director, whether settled in cash or shares of Company stock, Deferrals under this Plan, or any other type of incentive award not settled in cash.

2.6 “Cash Compensation Account” means a separate notional sub-account of a Participant’s Account which reflects Deferrals, if any, of Cash Compensation earned by the Participant for a Plan Year.

2.7 “Code” means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, and the regulations and rulings issued thereunder. Reference to any section or subsection of the Code includes reference to any comparable or succeeding provisions of any legislation that amends, supplements or replaces such section or subsection.

2.8 “Committee” means the Nominating and Governance Committee of the Board or another committee or subcommittee of the Board which may be comprised of one or more directors of the Company as appointed by the Board.

2.9 “Common Stock” means the common stock of the Company, par value \$0.01 per share, or any other security into which such common stock shall be changed.

2.10 “Company” is defined above.

2.11 “Deferral” means the portion of the Cash Compensation and/or Stock Awards that a Participant defers under Article 4 with respect to a Plan Year.

2.12 “Deferral Form” means the document or documents, voice response or electronic media prescribed by the Committee pursuant to which a Participant may make elections to defer all or a portion of the Participant’s Cash Compensation and/or Stock Awards.

2.13 “Disability” means that a Participant is “disabled” within the meaning of Treas. Reg. Section 1.409A-3(i)(4). The effective date of a Participant’s Disability shall be the date on which he or she is determined to be disabled under the Social Security Act without regard to any retroactive period of benefit payments awarded under the Social Security Act.

2.14 “Effective Date” means June 1, 2019.

2.15 “Eligible Director” is defined above.

2.16 “Equity Plan” means the Company’s 2013 Equity Incentive Plan, as it may be amended or restated from time to time, or, to the extent applicable, any future or successor equity compensation plan of the Company.

2.17 “Participant” means a current or former Eligible Director who participates in the Plan in accordance with Article 3 or maintains an Account balance hereunder.

2.18 "Payment Form" means the document or documents, voice response or electronic media prescribed by the Committee pursuant to which a Participant shall elect the time and form for distribution of his Account, as provided under Article 8.

2.19 "Plan" is defined above.

2.20 "Plan Year" means the period June 1 through December 31, 2019, and any subsequent calendar year.

2.21 "Restricted Stock" means "Restricted Stock" as defined in the Equity Plan and granted to an Eligible Director for serving as a member of the Board.

2.22 "Restricted Stock Unit" means "Restricted Stock Unit" as defined in the Equity Plan and granted to an Eligible Director for serving as a member of the Board, and includes any dividend equivalent rights associated with the Restricted Stock Unit.

2.23 "Separation from Service" means a "separation from service" as a director of the Company, within the meaning of Code Section 409A.

2.24 "Stock Award" means an award of Restricted Stock or Restricted Stock Units.

2.25 "Stock Unit Account" means a separate notional sub-account of a Participant's Account which reflects Deferrals, if any, of Stock Awards granted to the Participant for a Plan Year.

ARTICLE 3 ELIGIBILITY AND PARTICIPATION

3.1 **Eligibility.** Eligibility to participate in the Plan shall be limited to Eligible Directors.

3.2 **Participation.** An Eligible Director who properly completes a Deferral Form in accordance with Article 5 shall become a Participant in the Plan on the first date as of which a Deferral is credited to his Account. A Participant in the Plan shall continue to be a Participant so long as any amount remains credited to his Account.

3.3 **Suspension of Participation.** If a Participant currently making Deferrals no longer satisfies the eligibility requirements of Section 3.1 during a Plan Year, the Participant's Deferrals prior to that time shall continue in effect in accordance with the corresponding election for such Plan Year. Such a Participant will not be allowed to make Deferrals until the Participant again satisfies such eligibility requirements.

ARTICLE 4 DEFERRALS

With respect to any Plan Year, an Eligible Director may irrevocably elect to defer, on a pre-tax basis, up to 100% (in whole percentages, shares or units, as applicable) of his Cash Compensation and/or Stock Awards.

ARTICLE 5
DEFERRAL ELECTION TIMING RULES

5.1 Deferrals.

(a) **General Rule.** An election to defer Cash Compensation shall be made prior to the Plan Year in which the Cash Compensation is earned. An election to defer Stock Awards shall be made prior to the Plan Year in which the Stock Awards are granted. Subject to the preceding sentences, the Committee may establish an election period and the deadline for making such election.

(b) **Newly Eligible Directors.** The Committee may, in its sole discretion, permit an individual who first becomes an Eligible Director during a Plan Year to make an election to defer Cash Compensation and/or Stock Awards, provided that such election must be made within 30 days after the Eligible Director first becomes an Eligible Director. Such an election is effective for Cash Compensation earned and/or Stock Awards granted, as applicable, with respect to any period starting on or after the date the Eligible Director makes his or her election.

(c) **Initial Plan Year Deferrals.** Each Eligible Director who is an Eligible Director as of the Effective Date may make an election to defer Cash Compensation and/or Stock Awards with respect to the Plan Year in which the Effective Date occurs, provided that such election must be made within 30 days following the Effective Date. Such an election shall be effective for Cash Compensation earned and/or Stock Awards granted, as applicable, with respect to any period starting on or after the date the Eligible Director makes his or her election.

5.2 Deferral Forms; Irrevocability. All Deferral Forms must be timely filed, recorded or otherwise made in the manner prescribed by the Committee. An Eligible Director may change a prior election up to the date established under this Article 5. However, from and after the last date permitted for making such elections, all deferral elections pursuant to this Article 5 shall be irrevocable, except as provided in Section 8.4(a), (b) and (c).

5.3 Rolling Election. Elections shall continue from Plan Year to Plan Year unless the Participant terminates such election by written request delivered to the Company prior to the commencement of the Plan Year for which such termination is first effective. Each such election shall be effective for Cash Compensation earned, or Stock Awards granted, as applicable, in the following Plan Year.

ARTICLE 6
ACCOUNTS

6.1 Accounts. The Committee shall establish an Account for each Participant to reflect Deferrals, if any, made for the Participant's benefit together with any adjustments for income, gain or loss and any payments from the Account. The Accounts are established solely for the purposes

of tracking Deferrals and any income adjustments thereto. The Accounts shall not be used to segregate assets for payment of any amounts deferred or allocated under the Plan.

6.2 **Crediting of Accounts.**

(a) Deferrals of Cash Compensation shall be credited to the Participant's Cash Compensation Account as of the date on which the Cash Compensation would otherwise have been paid.

(b) Deferrals of Stock Awards shall be credited to the Participant's Stock Unit Account in the form of Restricted Stock Units as of the date on which the Stock Award would otherwise have been granted.

6.3 **Investments for Cash Compensation Accounts.**

(a) Amounts credited to each Participant's Cash Compensation Accounts shall be deemed invested, in accordance with the Participant's directions, in one or more investment funds that are available under the Plan. If a Participant does not make investment elections with respect to amounts credited to his Cash Compensation Accounts, such amounts shall be deemed invested in the investment fund selected by the Committee from time to time.

(b) A Participant shall make his investment fund selections in any manner established by the Committee, including through a website made available for such purpose. Investments must be made in whole percentages. A Participant may change his investment elections at any time, or may reallocate amounts invested among the investment funds available under the Plan.

6.4 **Dividend Equivalents for Restricted Stock Units.**

(a) The Company shall credit the Stock Unit Account(s) of each Participant with a number of Additional Restricted Stock Units equal to the quotient obtained by dividing (i) any cash dividends (or the fair market value of dividends paid in property) payable on the number of shares of Common Stock represented by the number of Restricted Stock Units in such Stock Unit Account divided by (ii) the Fair Market Value (as defined in the Equity Plan) of a share of Common Stock on the dividend payment date. The dividend equivalent right associated with a Restricted Stock Unit shall remain outstanding until, and any Additional Restricted Stock Unit(s) will be delivered at the same time as, the delivery to the Participant of the share of Common Stock underlying, or cash settlement of, the corresponding Restricted Stock Unit. If a Restricted Stock Unit is forfeited, any corresponding Additional Restricted Stock Unit(s) will also be forfeited and the applicable Stock Unit Account will be debited for the Additional Restricted Stock Unit(s) forfeited.

6.5 **Adjustment of Stock Unit Account.** If the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock is increased or decreased or the shares of Common Stock are changed into or exchanged for a different number or kind of stock or other securities of the Company on account

of any recapitalization, reclassification, stock split, reverse split, combination of stock, exchange of stock, stock dividend, or other distribution payable in capital stock, or other increase or decrease in such stock effected without receipt of consideration by the Company occurring after the Effective Date, the Committee shall make appropriate adjustments to the number of Restricted Stock Units credited to each Participant's Stock Unit Account.

6.6 **Expenses.** Expense charges for transactions performed for each Participant's sub-accounts and any deemed investment management fees shall be debited against each respective sub-account. In addition, the Committee may designate other Plan charges and administrative expenses that will be debited against the Participants' Accounts.

ARTICLE 7 VESTING

7.1 **Cash Compensation Accounts.** A Participant shall at all times have a fully vested and nonforfeitable right to any Deferrals credited to the Participant's Cash Compensation Accounts, adjusted for deemed income, gain and loss attributable thereto.

7.2 **Stock Unit Accounts.** Any Restricted Stock Units credited to a Participant's Stock Unit Account (and any Additional Restricted Stock Units credited to the Participant's Stock Unit Account pursuant to Section 6.4 above) shall be subject to the vesting terms and conditions, if any, specified in the Equity Plan and the applicable award agreement thereunder (and, for the avoidance of doubt, shall remain subject to forfeiture until vested in accordance therewith).

ARTICLE 8 DISTRIBUTION OF ACCOUNTS

8.1 **Time of Distribution.** Except as otherwise provided in Section 8.3 below, a Participant's Account shall be distributed in the form provided in Section 8.2 upon the first to occur of:

- (a) The later of the seventh month following the Participant's Separation from Service or the January immediately following the calendar year in which the Participant incurs a Separation from Service;
- (b) The month following the Participant's death; or
- (c) The month following the Participant's Disability.

If a Participant has filed a fixed distribution date election with respect to amounts credited to his Account, as permitted by Section 8.3 below, and one of the foregoing events occurs prior to such scheduled payment date, the provisions of this Section 8.1 shall apply to cause a distribution of such Account prior to the designated fixed distribution date.

8.2 **Election as to Form.** Prior to each Plan Year, a Participant who elects to make a Deferral shall elect the distribution form that shall apply to all amounts credited to the Participant's

Account for that Plan Year. A Participant may elect to receive amounts credited to an Account for a Plan Year in the form of either a lump sum or annual installments of up to ten years. Any such election shall be made in accordance with procedures and rules established by the Committee. If a Participant does not make an election as to the distribution form for his Account, such Participant's Account shall be paid in a single lump sum. Amounts credited to a Participant's Cash Compensation Account(s) shall be paid in cash. Restricted Stock Units credited to a Participant's Stock Unit Account(s) will be distributed in the form of shares of Common Stock, unless otherwise provided in the applicable award agreement evidencing such Restricted Stock Unit. No fractional shares of Common Stock shall be issued and the Committee shall determine, in its sole discretion, whether cash shall be given in lieu of fractional shares of Common Stock or whether such fractional shares of Common Stock shall be rounded up or down.

8.3 Fixed Date Distributions. A Participant's deferral election for a Plan Year may designate that an amount credited to the Participant's Account for such Plan Year shall be paid to the Participant on a designated date or as a series of annual installment payments for a period of up to five calendar years commencing on a designated date, provided that such election shall not designate a distribution date which occurs until at least one full year has elapsed following the end of the Plan Year during which such amounts were credited under the Plan's terms. A Participant may modify a fixed date distribution election if each of the following requirements are satisfied:

- (a) The modification shall not be effective for at least 12 months after the date on which the written election is filed with the Committee;
- (b) The modification must provide that payment will not commence for at least five years from the date the payment would otherwise have been made or commenced;
- (c) The election cannot be submitted to the Committee less than 12 months prior to the date of the first otherwise scheduled payment date;
- (d) The modification may not permit acceleration of the time or schedule of any payment under the Plan, except as may be permitted pursuant to applicable Treasury Regulations; and
- (e) No more than two postponements may be filed for any fixed date distribution.

8.4 Permitted Acceleration of Payment. Except as provided in this Section 8.4, neither a Participant nor the Company may revoke an existing deferral election, or modify an existing payment election.

(a) **Limited Cash-Outs.** In the event that, when a Participant dies, incurs a Separation from Service or otherwise becomes entitled to payment of his Account hereunder, the balance of the Account (together with any other accounts under plans required to be aggregated with the Plan under Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-1(c)(2)) is less than the applicable dollar amount under Code Section 402(g)(1)(B), the Participant's Account shall be paid out in a single lump sum during the calendar quarter beginning immediately after the triggering payment event regardless of the Participant's payment election.

(b) **Unforeseeable Emergency.** In the event of an “unforeseeable emergency” as defined in Section 8.5, a Participant’s Deferral Elections may be revoked and his Account may be distributed as provided in Section 8.5, regardless of the Participant’s deferral or payment elections.

(c) **Offsets for Debts to Company.** The Committee may accelerate the payment time or schedule of a Participant’s Account hereunder as satisfaction of the Participant’s debt to the Company, provided the debt is incurred in the ordinary course of the Participant’s service as a nonemployee director of the Company, the entire amount of the reduction does not exceed \$5,000 in any Plan Year and the reduction is made at the same time and in the same amount as the debt otherwise would have been due and collected from the Participant.

(d) **Bona Fide Disputes.** The Committee may accelerate the time or schedule of a Participant’s payment of his Account hereunder, or portion thereof, where the accelerated payment occurs as part of a settlement between the Participant and the Company of an arm’s length, bona fide dispute as to the Participant’s right to the deferred amount. Such accelerated payment must reflect at least a 25% reduction in the value of the amount that would have been payable had there been no dispute as to the Participant’s right to the payment.

8.5 Unforeseeable Emergency. If a Participant experiences an unforeseeable emergency, the Participant may cease his Deferrals and/or receive a distribution of only that portion, if any, of the Participant’s Account that the Committee determines is necessary to satisfy such emergency, including any amounts necessary to pay any income taxes reasonably anticipated to result from the distribution. A Participant requesting to cease Deferrals and/or take a distribution due to an unforeseeable emergency shall apply for the distribution in writing using a form prescribed by the Committee for that purpose and shall provide such additional information as the Committee may require. For purposes of the Plan, an “unforeseeable emergency” means a severe financial hardship resulting from:

(a) Illness or accident of the Participant or the spouse, a Beneficiary or a dependent of the Participant;

(b) Loss of the Participant’s property due to casualty; or

(c) Any other similar extraordinary and unforeseeable circumstance arising from events beyond the Participant’s control that constitutes an unforeseeable emergency within the meaning assigned that term by Code Section 409A.

8.6 Taxes. Income taxes and other taxes payable with respect to an Account shall be deducted from such Account. All taxes that the Committee determines are required to be withheld from any payments made pursuant to this Article 8 shall be withheld.

ARTICLE 9
PLAN ADMINISTRATION

9.1 **Plan Administration and Interpretation.** The Committee shall oversee the administration of the Plan. The Committee shall have complete control and authority to determine the rights and benefits and all claims, demands and actions arising out of the provisions of the Plan of any Eligible Director, Participant, Beneficiary, deceased Participant, or other person having or claiming to have any interest under the Plan. Benefits under the Plan shall be paid only if the Committee decides in its discretion that the Eligible Director, Participant or Beneficiary is entitled to them. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan to the contrary, the Committee shall have complete discretion to interpret the Plan and to decide all matters under the Plan. Such interpretation and decision shall be final, conclusive and binding on all Eligible Directors, Participants and any person claiming under or through any Eligible Director or Participant, in the absence of clear and convincing evidence that the Committee acted arbitrarily and capriciously. Any individual serving on the Committee who is a Participant shall not vote or act on any matter relating solely to himself. When making a determination or calculation, the Committee shall be entitled to rely on information furnished by a Participant, a Beneficiary, the Company or a trustee (if any).

9.2 **Powers, Duties, Procedures.** The Committee shall have such powers and duties, may adopt such rules and tables, may act in accordance with such procedures, may appoint such officers or agents, may delegate such powers and duties, may receive such reimbursements and compensation, and shall follow such claims and appeal procedures with respect to the Plan as the Committee may establish.

9.3 **Claims Procedure.**

(a) **Initial Claim Determination.** Claims by a Participant or Beneficiary shall be presented in writing to the Committee. The Committee shall review the claim and determine whether the claim should be approved or denied. In the event the claim is denied (in whole or in part), the Committee shall notify the Participant or Beneficiary in writing of such denial within 90 days after receipt of the claim. The letter of denial shall set forth the following information:

- (i) the specific reason or reasons for the denial;
- (ii) specific reference to pertinent Plan provisions on which the denial is based;
- (iii) a description of any additional material or information necessary for the claimant to perfect the claim and an explanation of why such material or information is necessary;
- (iv) an explanation that a full and fair review by the Committee of the decision denying the claim may be requested by the claimant or his authorized representative by filing with the Committee, within 60 days after such notice has been received, a written request for such review; and

(v) an explanation that if such request is so filed, the claimant or his authorized representative may review relevant documents and submit issues and comments in writing within the same 60 day period specified in paragraph (a)(iv) above.

(b) **Extension of Time for Notice of Denial.** If special circumstances require an extension of time beyond the 90-day period described in paragraph (a) above, the claimant shall be so advised in writing within the initial 90-day period. In no event shall such extension exceed an additional 90 days. If the Committee does not respond within 90 or 180 days, as applicable, the claimant may consider the appeal denied.

(c) **Appeal of the Committee's Determination.** Any claimant may submit a written request for review of the decision denying the claim if:

(i) The claim is denied by the Committee;

(ii) No reply at all is received after 90 days; or

(iii) The Committee has extended the time by an additional 90 days and no reply is received.

(d) **Time of Committee Decision.** The decision of the Committee shall be made promptly, and not later than 60 days after the Committee receives the request for review, unless special circumstances require an extension of time for processing, in which case a decision shall be rendered as soon as possible, but not later than 120 days after receiving the request for review. The claimant shall be given a copy of the decision promptly. The decision shall be in writing and shall include specific reasons for the decision, written in a manner calculated to be understood by the claimant, and specific references to the pertinent Plan provisions on which the decision is based. If the Committee does not respond within 60 or 120 days, as applicable, the claimant may consider the appeal denied.

(e) **Exhaustion of Remedy.** No claimant shall institute any action or proceeding in any state or federal court of law or equity, or before any administrative tribunal or arbitrator, for a claim for benefits under the Plan, until he has first exhausted the procedures set forth in this Section.

9.4 **Information.** To enable the Committee to perform its functions, the Company shall supply full and timely information to the Committee on all matters relating to the compensation of Participants, their service, retirement, death, termination of service, and such other pertinent facts as the Committee may require.

9.5 **Indemnification of Committee.** The Company agrees to indemnify and to defend to the fullest extent permitted by law any director who serves on the Committee (including any such individual who formerly served on the Committee) against all liabilities, damages, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and amounts paid in settlement of any claims

approved by the Company in writing in advance) occasioned by any act or omission to act in connection with the Plan, if such act or omission is in good faith.

ARTICLE 10 AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION

10.1 **Authority to Amend and Terminate.** Subject to Section 10.2, the Board shall have the right to amend, terminate and/or liquidate the Plan at any time. The Board reserves the right to amend or modify the Plan in order to comply with Code Section 409A. If this Plan is to be terminated and liquidated, all deferred compensation plans of the same type and which are aggregated with the Plan under Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-1(c)(2) must also be terminated and liquidated, and no deferred compensation plan of that same type that would be aggregated with the Plan may be established by the Company for three years following the termination. If the Plan is terminated and an irrevocable trust has been established (as described in Section 11.2), the trust will pay benefits as provided under the amended or terminated Plan.

10.2 **Existing Rights.** Except for an amendment to comply with Code Section 409A, no amendment or termination of the Plan shall adversely affect the rights of any Participant with respect to amounts that have been credited to his Account prior to the later of the date such amendment or termination is adopted or effective.

ARTICLE 11 MISCELLANEOUS

11.1 **Equity Plan.** Restricted Stock Units awarded to, and shares of Common Stock issued to, Participants under the Plan shall be awarded and issued under and pursuant to the Equity Plan and shall be subject to the terms and conditions thereof.

11.2 **No Funding.** The Company intends that the Plan constitute an “unfunded” plan for tax purposes; provided that the Committee may authorize the creation of trusts and deposit therein cash or other property, or make other arrangements to meet the Company’s obligations under the Plan. Any such trust or other arrangements shall be consistent with the unfunded status of the Plan, unless the Committee otherwise determines with the consent of each Participant.

11.3 **General Creditor Status.** The Plan constitutes a mere promise by the Company to make payments in accordance with the terms of the Plan and Participants and Beneficiaries shall have the status of general unsecured creditors of the Company. Nothing in the Plan will be construed to give any director or any other person rights to any specific assets of the Company or of any other person.

11.4 **Non-assignability.** None of the benefits, payments, proceeds or claims of any Participant or Beneficiary shall be subject to any claim of any creditor of any Participant or Beneficiary and, in particular, the same shall not be subject to attachment or garnishment or other legal process by any creditor of such Participant or Beneficiary, nor shall any Participant or Beneficiary have any right to alienate, anticipate, commute, pledge, encumber or assign any of the benefits or payments or proceeds that he or she may expect to receive, contingently or otherwise under the Plan.

11.5 **Participants Bound.** Any action with respect to the Plan taken by the Committee or a trustee (if any), or any action authorized by or taken at the direction of the Committee or a trustee (if any), shall be conclusive upon all Participants and Beneficiaries entitled to benefits under the Plan.

11.6 **Satisfaction of Claims; Unclaimed Benefits.** Any payment to any Participant or Beneficiary in accordance with the provisions of the Plan shall, to the extent thereof, be in full satisfaction of all claims under the Plan against the Company, the Committee and a trustee (if any) under the Plan, and the Committee may require such Participant or Beneficiary, as a condition precedent to such payment, to execute a receipt and release to such effect. If any Participant or Beneficiary is determined by the Committee to be incompetent by reason of physical or mental disability (including minority) to give a valid receipt and release, the Committee may cause the payment or payments becoming due to such person to be made to another person for his benefit without responsibility on the part of the Committee, the Company or a trustee (if any) to follow the application of such funds. In the case of a benefit payable on behalf of a Participant, if the Committee is unable to locate the Participant or beneficiary to whom such benefit is payable, upon the Committee's determination thereof, such benefit shall be forfeited to the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if subsequent to any such forfeiture the Participant or beneficiary to whom such benefit is payable makes a valid claim for such benefit, such forfeited benefit shall be restored to the Plan by the Company.

11.7 **Governing Law and Severability.** To the extent not preempted by federal law, the Plan shall be construed, administered, and governed in all respects under and by the laws of the State of Texas. The Plan is intended to be construed so that participation in the Plan will be exempt from Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, pursuant to regulations and interpretations issued from time to time by the Securities and Exchange Commission. If any provision is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, said illegality or invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions hereof; instead, each provision shall be fully severable and the Plan shall be construed and enforced as if said illegal or invalid provision had never been included herein.

11.8 **Section 409A Compliance.** It is intended that this Plan shall be limited, construed and interpreted in accordance with Code Section 409A. It is also intended that to the extent that any payment or benefit described hereunder is subject to Code Section 409A, it shall be paid in a manner that will comply with Code Section 409A, including guidance issued by the Secretary of the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service with respect thereto. Notwithstanding anything contained herein, neither the Company, its affiliates, the Board, nor the Committee (a) makes any representation or warranty with respect to the tax treatment of the Plan or benefits provided under the Plan, (b) will have any obligation to take any action to prevent the assessment of any excise tax or penalty on any participant under the Code, or (c) will have any liability to any Participant or other person or entity for such tax or penalty or for any early, retroactive or additional tax or penalty under any provision of the Code.

11.9 **No Contract.** The adoption and maintenance of this Plan shall not be deemed to be a contract between the Company and any person or to be consideration for the employment of or

service as a director by any person. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to give any person the right to be a director of the Company or to restrict the right of the Company not to renominate or to remove any director at any time, with or without cause, nor shall this Plan be deemed to give the Company the right to require any person to remain as a director of the Company or to restrict any person's right to resign as a director at any time.

11.10 **Headings**. Headings and subheading in this Plan are inserted for convenience only and are not to be considered in the construction of the provisions hereof.

11.11 **Number and Gender**. Any reference in this Plan to the singular includes the plural where appropriate, and any reference in this Plan to the masculine gender includes the feminine and neuter genders where appropriate.

[Signature Page Attached]

The Company has caused this Plan document to be executed by a duly authorized officer on this 21st day of May, 2019, to be effective as of June 1, 2019.

SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY COMPANY

By: /s/JOHN C. ALE

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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Section 4: EX-10.3 (EXHIBIT 10.3 FORM OF DEFERRAL AGREEMENT)

DEFERRED COMPENSATION AGREEMENT

This Agreement between Southwestern Energy Company (the Company) and _____ (the Director) is made as of June , 2019, under the Southwestern Energy Company Nonemployee Director Deferred Compensation Plan (the Deferred Compensation Plan).

- (1) Deferred Compensation Plan. The Director agrees to the terms and conditions of the Deferred Compensation Plan, a copy of which has been delivered to the Director and constitutes a part of this Agreement. Capitalized words and phrases, when used in this Agreement, shall have the meaning given to them in the Deferred Compensation Plan, unless otherwise defined herein.
- (2) Election to Defer Cash Compensation. The Director authorizes and directs the Company to defer _____% of Cash Compensation earned on or after July 1, 2019, to be applied pro rata to each payment of Cash Compensation to which the Director is entitled.
- (3) Election to Defer Stock Award. The Director authorizes and directs the Company to defer _____% of his or her Stock Award granted on or after July 1, 2019. If and to the extent that any Stock Award that is deferred pursuant to this election is subject to a vesting schedule or other substantial risk of forfeiture, the portion of the Director's Stock Account under the Deferred Compensation Plan that is attributable to the deferred Stock Award shall vest at the same times as the Stock Award would have vested if no deferral had been made.
- (4) Time Of Distribution. The Director elects to receive the amount of deferred compensation credited to his or her Deferred Accounts, pursuant to Paragraphs 2 and 3 of this Agreement:
 - (a) Cash Account:

_____ in a lump sum on the later of the 7th month following the Director's separation from service or the January immediately following the calendar year in which the Director has a Separation from Service; or

_____ in _____ annual installments (not to exceed five), beginning on the later of the 7th month following the Director's separation from service or the January immediately following the calendar year in which the Director has a Separation from Service.
 - (b) Stock Account:

_____ all of the stock shall be distributed on the later of the 7th month following the Director's separation from service or the January immediately following the calendar year in which the Director has a Separation from Service; or

_____ the stock shall be distributed in _____ annual installments (not to exceed ten), beginning on the later of the 7th month following the Director's separation from service or the January immediately following the calendar year in which the Director has a Separation from Service.
- (5) Rolling Election. Elections shall continue from Plan Year to Plan Year unless the Director terminates or modifies such elections by written request delivered to the Company prior to the commencement of the Plan Year for which such termination is first effective. Each such election shall be effective for Cash Compensation earned, or Stock Awards granted, as applicable, in the following Plan Year and all subsequent Plan Years unless and until terminated or modified.

(6) Beneficiary. The Director requests that, following his or her death, any amounts remaining in his or her Deferred Fee Accounts be paid (in accordance with Section 4 above) to the Beneficiary or Beneficiaries he or she has designated below:

This form supersedes any previous Beneficiary designation the Director might have previously made under the Deferred Compensation Plan.

NAME & ADDRESS	RELATIONSHIP	PERCENTAGE
_____	_____	_____

NAME & ADDRESS	RELATIONSHIP	PERCENTAGE
_____	_____	_____

Investment Election for Cash Compensation Deferrals	Allocation Amount
American EuroPacific Growth Fund	_____ %
American Growth Fund of America	_____ %
Dreyfus Bond Market Index	_____ %
DWS Equity 500 Index Fund	_____ %
Glenmede Small Cap Equity Fund	_____ %
iShares MSCI EAFE International Index	_____ %
LSV Value Equity Fund	_____ %
PGIM Jennison Mid Cap Growth Fund	_____ %
Retirement Reserves Money Fund	_____ %
T. Rowe Price Retirement 2010 Fund	_____ %
T. Rowe Price Retirement 2020 Fund	_____ %
T. Rowe Price Retirement 2030 Fund	_____ %
T. Rowe Price Retirement 2040 Fund	_____ %
T. Rowe Price Retirement 2050 Fund	_____ %
T. Rowe Price Retirement 2060 Fund	_____ %
T. Rowe Price Retirement Balanced Fund	_____ %
Wells Fargo Core Bond Fund	_____ %
Totals Must Equal 100%	_____ %

You give investment directions for your Plan account by selecting from deemed investment choices provided under the Plan, as determined by Southwestern Energy Company. If you do not make an investment selection at enrollment, cash deferrals will be allocated to the age appropriate T. Rowe Price Target Date Fund, which has been selected by Southwestern Energy Company.

Investing in these investment options, which are intended as long-term investments, involves risk, including the possible loss of principal. Investments in foreign securities or sector investment options, including technology or real estate stocks, are subject to substantial volatility due to adverse political, economic or other developments and may carry additional risk resulting from lack of industry diversification. Investment options that invest in small or mid-capitalization companies experience a greater degree of market volatility than those of large-capitalization stocks and are riskier investments. Fixed income portfolios have the same interest rate, inflation, and credit risks associated with the underlying bonds owned by the portfolio. Generally, the value of fixed income securities rises when prevailing interest rates fall and falls when interest rates rise. Investing in lower-grade debt securities ("junk" bonds) may be subject to greater market fluctuations and risk of loss of income and principal than securities in higher rated categories. There are ongoing fees and expenses associated with owning these investment options. Bear in mind that higher return potential is accompanied by higher risk.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement on the day and year written above.

Director

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Section 5: EX-10.4 (EXHIBIT 10.4 PLAN FORM OF RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AWARD AGREEMENT FOR DIRECTORS)

SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY COMPANY 2013 INCENTIVE PLAN DIRECTOR RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AWARD AGREEMENT

SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY COMPANY, a Delaware corporation ("Southwestern"), has on this [___] day of [_____], [___] (the "Award Date") granted to [_____] (the "Participant") a Restricted Stock Unit Award with respect to shares of Southwestern's Common Stock (\$0.01 par value) (the "Award"). This Award is subject to the terms of this Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement (the "Agreement") and is made pursuant to the Southwestern Energy Company 2013 Incentive Plan (as amended, the "Plan"), which is incorporated into this Agreement by reference. Any capitalized terms used herein that are otherwise undefined shall have the meaning provided in the Plan.

1. **Acceptance of Terms and Conditions.** By acknowledging and accepting this Award, the Participant agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Plan (including, without limitation, Section 12 of the Plan) and all conditions established by Southwestern in connection with Awards issued under the Plan, and the Participant further acknowledges and agrees that this Award does not confer any legal or equitable right (other than those rights constituting the Award itself) against Southwestern or any Subsidiary (collectively, the "Company"), directly or indirectly, or give rise to any cause of action at law or in equity against the Company. To vest in the Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") described in this Agreement, the Participant must accept this Award. If the Participant fails to accept this Award prior to the date on which the Award vests under this Agreement, the Award will be cancelled and forfeited.

2. **Grant.** Subject to the restrictions, limitations, terms and conditions specified in the Plan and this Agreement, effective as of the Award Date, Southwestern hereby grants the Participant [_____] RSUs.

3. **Deferral Election.** Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement or the Plan, in the event that the Participant has previously made a valid election to defer receipt of all or any portion of this Award in accordance with the terms of the Southwestern Energy Company Nonemployee Director Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Deferred Compensation Plan"), the RSUs shall be reflected as a credit to the Participant's Stock Unit Account (as defined in the Deferred Compensation Plan) in accordance with the Deferred Compensation Plan and shall be subject to all of the terms and conditions of the Deferred Compensation Plan.

4. **Dividend Equivalents.** Each RSU granted hereunder is hereby granted in tandem with a corresponding dividend equivalent right, which dividend equivalent right shall entitle the Participant to credits of Additional Restricted Stock Units (as defined in the Deferred Compensation Plan) to the Participant's Stock Unit Account in accordance with Section 6.4(a) of the Deferred Compensation Plan.

5. **Vesting.** Except as otherwise provided in Sections 7 and 8 of this Agreement, the RSUs will fully vest on the earlier of (i) the first anniversary of the Award Date, or (ii) the next annual meeting of stockholders following the Award Date, subject to the Participant's continued service on the Board.

6. **Settlement of RSUs.** In settlement of the RSUs, Southwestern will issue and deliver to the Participant one share of Common Stock with respect to each vested RSU at the time(s) set forth in the Deferred Compensation Plan and the Participant's applicable deferral election thereunder.

7. **Discontinuance of Participant's Term.**

(a) *Expiration or Discontinuation of Participant's Term on the Board.* Subject to Sections 7(b) and (c) below, if the term of the Participant's membership on the Board expires or is discontinued for any reason, then the unvested RSUs shall be forfeited on the date of such expiration or discontinuance of the Participant's membership on the Board.

(b) *Death or Disability.* If the term of the Participant's membership on the Board expires or is discontinued as a result of the Participant's death or Disability, all unvested RSUs held by such Participant on the date of the expiration or discontinuance of such Participant's membership on the Board shall become fully vested and will be settled in accordance with Section 6 above.

(c) *Retirement.* If the term of the Participant's membership on the Board expires or is discontinued as a result of the Participant's Retirement, a portion of the unvested RSUs shall vest and be settled in accordance with Section 6 above, and the remaining unvested RSUs shall be forfeited, in each case, on the date of such Retirement, without any payment of consideration by the Company to the Participant. In the event of such Retirement, the number of unvested RSUs which shall vest will be equal to the product of (i) the total number of RSUs granted pursuant to this Agreement and (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the total number of days that have elapsed between the Award Date and the date of such Retirement and the denominator of which is 365.

8. **Change in Control.** Upon a Change in Control, all outstanding unvested RSUs then held by the Participant under this Award shall fully vest and will be settled in accordance with Section 6 above.

9. **Limitations on Transfer.** The RSUs may not be transferred, encumbered or disposed of by the Participant under any circumstances or in any way and any transfer of the Participant's rights with respect to these RSUs, whether voluntary or involuntary, by operation of law or otherwise, will result in the cancellation and forfeiture of this Award and all rights relating thereto, and the transfer shall be of no force or effect.

10. **Responsibility for Taxes.** The Participant shall be solely responsible for any applicable taxes (including, without limitation, income and excise taxes) and penalties, and any interest that accrues thereon, which he or she incurs in connection with the vesting or settlement of this Award, in accordance with Section 16 of the Plan. However, upon the settlement of the Award, the Company shall have the right to withhold from any payment required to be made pursuant hereto an amount sufficient to satisfy the federal, state, local and/or non-U.S. withholding tax requirements, if any, attributable to such exercise, settlement or payment.

11. **Section 409A of the Code.** The benefits provided hereunder shall be paid in such a manner as to satisfy Section 409A of the Code or an exception to the application of Section 409A of the Code. To the extent that these benefits become subject to Section 409A of the Code, this Agreement, the Plan and the Deferred Compensation Plan shall be interpreted and construed to the fullest extent allowed under Section 409A of the Code and the applicable guidance thereunder to satisfy the requirements of an exception or to comply with Section 409A of the Code and the applicable guidance thereunder and to avoid any additional tax thereunder. Notwithstanding the foregoing or any provision of this Agreement, the Plan or the Deferred Compensation Plan to the contrary, in no event shall the Company be liable to a Participant on account of an Award's failure to (i) qualify for favorable U.S. or non-U.S. tax treatment or (ii) avoid adverse tax treatment under U.S. or non-U.S. law, including, without limitation, Section 409A of the Code.

12. **Conformity with the Plan.** This Agreement is intended to conform in all respects with, and is subject to, all applicable provisions of the Plan. If there is any conflict between the terms and conditions of the Plan and this Agreement the terms of the Plan, as interpreted by the Committee, shall govern.

13. **Consent to Transfer Personal Data.** The Participant acknowledges and consents to the collection, use, processing and transfer of personal data as described in this Section 13. The Company holds certain personal information about the Participant for the purpose of managing and administering the Plan (the "Data"). The Company may transfer Data to any third parties assisting the Company in the implementation, administration and management of the Plan. The Participant authorizes the Company and any third parties to receive, possess, use, retain and transfer the Data, in electronic or other form, for the purposes of implementing, administering and managing the Participant's participation in the Plan, including any requisite transfer of such Data as may be required for the administration of the Plan and/or the subsequent holding of shares of Common Stock on the Participant's behalf to a broker or other third party with whom the Participant may elect to deposit any shares of Common Stock acquired or received pursuant to the Plan.

14. **Confidentiality.** The Participant agrees not to disclose the existence or terms of this Award to any third parties with the exception of the Participant's accountants, attorneys, or spouse, and shall ensure that none of them discloses such existence or terms to any other person, except as required to comply with legal process.

15. **Failure to Comply; Recoupment.**

(a) In addition to the remedies provided for in the Plan, if the Participant fails to comply with any of the terms and conditions of the Plan or this Agreement, unless such failure is remedied within ten (10) days after the Participant is notified of such failure by the Committee, such failure to comply shall be grounds for the cancellation and forfeiture of this Award, in whole or in part, as the Committee may determine.

(b) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Company will be entitled to the extent permitted or required by applicable law or Company policy as in effect from time to time to recoup compensation of whatever kind paid by the Company at any time to a Participant under

the Plan, including any benefits the Participant may receive in connection with the grant or vesting of RSUs pursuant to this Agreement.

16. **Rights as a Stockholder.** Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement or the Plan, the Participant shall not have any rights as a stockholder with respect to any shares of Common Stock covered by or relating to this Award granted pursuant to the Plan until the date (if any) of the issuance of such shares of Common Stock or the date as of which the Company records the Participant or his or her nominee as the owner of such shares of Common Stock, free and clear of any restrictions or conditions pursuant to the Plan or this Agreement, in its books and records.

17. **Modification.** This Agreement, the Plan and the Deferred Compensation Plan constitute the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. The Committee may amend, modify or terminate this Agreement in accordance with Section 17 of the Plan, provided that no such amendment or modification shall adversely affect the right of the Participant under this Agreement without the Participant's written consent other than as set forth in Section 17(b) of the Plan.

18. **Governing Law.** All matters arising under this Agreement, including matters of validity, construction and interpretation, shall be governed by the internal laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to any state's conflict of law principles.

19. **Electronic Delivery and Acceptance.** Southwestern may, in its sole and absolute discretion, decide to deliver any documents related to current or future participation in the Plan by electronic means and/or require the Participant to accept this Award or any future Award by electronic means. The Participant hereby consents to receive such documents by electronic delivery and agrees that acceptance of this Award and any future Award may be through an on-line or electronic system established and maintained by Southwestern or a third party designated by Southwestern.

20. **Severability.** Whenever feasible, each provision of this Agreement will be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law, but if any provision of this Agreement is held to be prohibited by or invalid under applicable law, such provision will be ineffective only to the extent of such prohibition or invalidity, without invalidating the remainder of this Agreement.

21. **Waiver.** The waiver by the Company with respect to the Participant's compliance with any provision of this Agreement shall not operate or be construed as a waiver of any other provision of this Agreement, or of any subsequent breach of such party of a provision of this Agreement.

22. **Participant Acknowledgment.** By accepting this Agreement, the Participant agrees to be bound by all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Plan and the Deferred Compensation Plan as the same may be amended from time to time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Southwestern has caused this Agreement to be executed by its undersigned duly authorized officer as of the ____ day of _____, 20____.

SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY COMPANY

By: _____
Its: _____

On this ____ day of _____, 20____, the undersigned hereby acknowledges, accepts, and agrees to all terms and provisions of the foregoing Agreement.

Participant

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Section 6: EX-31.1 (EXHIBIT 31.1 CEO CERTIFICATION - SECTION 302)

Exhibit 31.1

CERTIFICATION

I, William J. Way, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Southwestern Energy Company;
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: August 6, 2019

/s/ WILLIAM J. WAY

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Section 7: EX-31.2 (EXHIBIT 31.2 CFO CERTIFICATION - SECTION 302)

Exhibit 31.2

CERTIFICATION

I, Julian M. Bott, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Southwestern Energy Company;
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: August 6, 2019

/s/ JULIAN M. BOTT
Julian M. Bott
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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Section 8: EX-32.1 (EXHIBIT 32.1 CEO CERTIFICATION - SECTION 906)

Exhibit 32.1

CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
(Subsections (a) and (b) of Section 1350, Chapter 63 of Title 18, United States Code)

Operation ⁽¹⁾	Citations	Orders	Orders	Violations	Orders	Orders	Assessments ⁽²⁾	Fatalities	(e)	(e)	Period	Period	Period
A. W. Realty Company, LLC	—	—	—	—	—	—	\$—	—			—	—	—
Total							\$—		No	No			

- (1) The definition of mine under section 3 of the Mine Act includes the mine, as well as other items used in, or to be used in, or resulting from, the work of extracting minerals, such as land, structures, facilities, equipment, machines, tools, and preparation facilities. Unless otherwise indicated, any of these other items associated with a single mine have been aggregated in the totals for that mine.
- (2) The whole-dollar amounts included are the total dollar value of all proposed or outstanding assessments, regardless of classification, received from MSHA on or before June 30, 2019 regardless of whether the assessment has been challenged or appealed, for alleged violations occurring during the three month period ended June 30, 2019. Citations and orders can be contested and appealed, and as part of that process, are sometimes reduced in severity and amount, and are sometimes dismissed. The number of citations, orders, and proposed assessments vary by inspector and also vary depending on the size and type of the operation.

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