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Washington, D.C. 20549

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

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2016

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

For the transition period from to

Commission file number: 1-6311

Tidewater Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 72-0487776

(State of incorporation) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

601 Poydras St., Suite 1500

New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

(Address of principal executive offices) (zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (504) 568-1010

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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 of such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes x No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes x No o

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

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

47,067,830 shares of Tidewater Inc. common stock \$.10 par value per share were outstanding on July 29, 2016. Registrant has no other class of common stock outstanding.

# PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

# ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TIDEWATER INC.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Unaudited)

(In thousands, except share and par value data)

ASSETS	June 30, 2016	March 31, 2016
Current assets:	2010	2010
Cash and cash equivalents	\$668,660	678,438
Trade and other receivables, net	201,699	228,113
Due from affiliate	341,966	338,595
Marine operating supplies	32,125	33,413
Other current assets	36,704	44,755
Total current assets	1,281,154	1,323,314
Investments in, at equity, and advances to unconsolidated companies	36,989	37,502
Properties and equipment:		
Vessels and related equipment	4,604,215	4,666,749
Other properties and equipment	91,949	92,065
	4,696,164	4,758,814
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	1,220,728	1,207,523
Net properties and equipment	3,475,436	3,551,291
Other assets	84,279	71,686
Total assets	\$4,877,858	4,983,793
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$53,743	49,130
Accrued expenses	71,967	91,611
Due to affiliate	197,289	187,971
Accrued property and liability losses	3,610	3,321
Current portion of long-term debt	2,041,406	2,045,516
Other current liabilities	63,968	74,825
Total current liabilities	2,431,983	2,452,374
Long-term debt	_	_
Deferred income taxes	41,514	34,841
Accrued property and liability losses	11,254	9,478
Other liabilities and deferred credits	174,112	181,546
Commitments and Contingencies (Note 8)		
Equity:		
Common stock of \$0.10 par value, 125,000,000 shares authorized,	4,707	4,707

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issued 47,067,715 shares at June 30, 2016 and 47,067,715		
shares at March 31, 2016		
Additional paid-in capital	168,264	166,604
Retained earnings	2,046,170	2,135,075
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(6,634)	(6,866 )
Total stockholders' equity	2,212,507	2,299,520
Noncontrolling Interests	6,488	6,034
Total equity	2,218,995	2,305,554
Total liabilities and equity	\$4,877,858	4,983,793

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

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS (LOSS)

(Unaudited)

(In thousands, except share and per share data)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		
	2016	2015	
Revenues:			
Vessel revenues	\$162,430	298,313	
Other operating revenues	5,495	6,461	
	167,925	304,774	
Costs and expenses:			
Vessel operating costs	108,874	179,281	
Costs of other operating revenues	3,903	5,744	
General and administrative	37,047	43,953	
Vessel operating leases	8,441	8,443	
Depreciation and amortization	44,552	45,657	
Gain on asset dispositions, net	(5,643)	(7,351)	
Asset impairments	36,886	14,958	
	234,060	290,685	
Operating income (loss)	(66,135)	14,089	
Other income (expenses):			
Foreign exchange loss	(2,733)	(4,133)	
Equity in net losses of unconsolidated companies	(1)	(2,441)	
Interest income and other, net	1,176	790	
Interest and other debt costs, net	(16,954)	(13,182)	
	(18,512)	(18,966 ) (4,877 )	
Loss before income taxes	(84,647)	(4,877)	
Income tax expense	3,996	10,287	
Net Loss	\$(88,643)	(15,164)	
Less: Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests	454	(112)	
Net loss attributable to Tidewater Inc.	\$(89,097)	(15,052)	
Basic loss per common share	\$(1.89)	(0.32)	
Diluted loss per common share	\$(1.89)	(0.32)	
Weighted average common shares outstanding	47,067,715	46,981,747	
Dilutive effect of stock options and restricted stock	_	_	
Adjusted weighted average common shares	47,067,715	46,981,747	

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# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE LOSS

(Unaudited)

(In thousands)

	Three Months		
	Ended		
	June 30,		
	2016	2015	
Net loss	\$(88,643)	(15,164)	
Other comprehensive income (loss):			
Unrealized gains (losses) on available for sale securities,			
net of tax of \$0 and \$0	161	(52)	
Amortization of loss on derivative contract, net of tax of			
\$0 and \$0	71	179	
Change in other benefit plan minimum liability, net of tax			
of \$0 and \$0	_	70	
Total comprehensive loss	\$(88,411)	(14,967)	

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# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited)

(In thousands)

	Three Mon Ended June 30, 2016	2015
Operating activities:		
Net loss	\$(88,643)	(15,164)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	44,552	45,657
Provision for deferred income taxes		64
Gain on asset dispositions, net	(5,643)	(7,351)
Asset impairments	36,886	14,958
Equity in losses of unconsolidated companies, less dividends	108	3,143
Compensation expense - stock-based	1,536	3,219
Changes in assets and liabilities, net:	1,550	3,217
Trade and other receivables	26,414	40,280
Changes in due to/from affiliate, net	5,947	41,302
Marine operating supplies	1,288	5,250
Other current assets	(4,147)	
Accounts payable	4,613	4,227
Accrued expenses	(19,993)	(28,772)
Accrued property and liability losses	289	(209)
Other current liabilities	(6,814)	(6,811)
Other liabilities and deferred credits	(3,212)	708
Other, net	(4,084)	2,774
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	(10,903)	92,697
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Proceeds from sales of assets	1,234	5,176
Additions to properties and equipment	(7,578)	(92,598)
Refunds from cancelled vessel construction contracts	11,515	24,190
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	5,171	(63,232)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Principal payment on long-term debt	(2,324)	(23,662)
Debt borrowings	_	31,338
Cash dividends		(11,789)
Other	(1,722)	(936)
Net cash used in financing activities	(4,046)	(5,049)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(9,778)	24,416

Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	678,438	78,568
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$668,660	102,984
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:		
Cash paid during the period for:		
Interest, net of amounts capitalized	\$26,733	22,430
Income taxes	\$11,006	17,441
Supplemental disclosure of non-cash investing activities:		
Additions to properties and equipment	\$2,537	421

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# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EQUITY

(Unaudited)

(In thousands)

				Accumula	ted	
		Additional		other	Non	
	Common	paid-in	Retained	compreher	nsivecontrollin	g
	stock	capital	earnings	loss	interest	Total
Balance at March 31, 2016	\$4,707	166,604	2,135,075	(6,866	) 6,034	2,305,554
Total comprehensive loss	_	_	(89,097)	232	454	(88,411)
Stock option activity	_	277		_	_	277
Cancellation of restricted stock awards			192			192
Amortization/cancellation of restricted						
stock units	_	1,383		_	_	1,383
Balance at June 30, 2016	\$4,707	168,264	2,046,170	(6,634	) 6,488	2,218,995
Balance at March 31, 2015	\$4,703	159,940	2,330,223	(20,378	) 6,227	2,480,715
Total comprehensive loss	_	_	(15,052)	197	(112	) (14,967 )
Stock option activity	_	186		_		186
Cash dividends declared (\$.25 per share)	_	_	(11,340)	_	_	(11,340)
Amortization of restricted stock units		2,456				2,456
Amortization/cancellation of restricted						
stock awards	(7)	125		_	_	118
Balance at June 30, 2015	\$ 4,696	162,707	2,303,831	(20,181	) 6,115	2,457,168

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

#### (1) INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements for the interim periods presented herein have been prepared in conformity with United States generally accepted accounting principles and, in the opinion of management, include all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) necessary for a fair presentation of the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements at the dates and for the periods indicated as required by Rule 10-01 of Regulation S X of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Results of operations for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of results of operations for the respective full years. These unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto in the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2016, filed with the SEC on May 26, 2016.

The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Tidewater Inc. and its subsidiaries. Intercompany balances and transactions are eliminated in consolidation. The company uses the equity method to account for equity investments over which the company exercises significant influence but does not exercise control and is not the primary beneficiary. Unless otherwise specified, all per share information included in this document is on a diluted earnings per share basis.

The company made certain reclassifications to prior period amounts to conform to the current year presentation, specifically, a modification to the company's reportable segments (refer to Note 12); separate disclosure on the income statement and related schedules of asset impairments, which historically were included as part of gain on asset dispositions, net and the adoption of ASU 2015-03, Interest-Imputation of Interest: Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issue Costs (refer to Note 6). These reclassifications did not have a material effect on the condensed consolidated statements of earnings, balance sheets or cash flows.

### (2) STATUS OF DISCUSSIONS WITH LENDERS AND NOTEHOLDERS

The decrease in oil and gas prices that began in the second half of fiscal 2015 and continued throughout fiscal 2016 has led to materially lower levels of spending for offshore exploration and development by the company's customers globally. In addition, newly constructed vessels have been delivered over the last several years, exacerbating weak vessel utilization. With reduced demand for offshore support vessels along with increased supply, the company has experienced a significant decline in the utilization of its vessels, average day rates received and vessel revenue. The company has implemented a number of significant cost reduction measures to mitigate the effects of significantly lower vessel revenue and, given the currently challenging offshore support vessel market and business outlook, has taken other steps to improve its financial position and liquidity.

At June 30, 2016, the company did not meet the 3.0x minimum interest coverage ratio covenant (the "minimum interest coverage ratio requirement") contained in its Revolving Credit and Term Loan Agreement ("Bank Loan Agreement"), the Troms Offshore Debt and the 2013 Senior Note Agreement (the "2013 Note Agreement"). Failure to meet the minimum interest coverage ratio requirement would have resulted in covenant noncompliance; however, as discussed in more detail below, limited waivers were received. Noncompliance with this covenant would allow the respective lenders and/or the noteholders to declare the company to be in default of the Bank Loan Agreement, the Troms Offshore Debt and/or the 2013 Note Agreement, as applicable, and accelerate the indebtedness thereunder, the effect of which would be to likewise cause the company's other Senior Notes, which were issued in 2010 and 2011, to be in default. Please

refer to Note (6) of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 1 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and Note (5) of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 8 of the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for additional information regarding the company's outstanding debt.

Given that the company expected it would not meet the minimum interest coverage ratio requirement set forth in the Bank Loan Agreement, the Troms Offshore Debt and the 2013 Note Agreement during fiscal 2017, which could result in the acceleration of the debt under these agreements and the company's other Senior Notes, the report of the company's independent registered public accounting firm that accompanied the company's audited consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2016 (the "audit opinion") contained an explanatory paragraph regarding the company's ability to continue as a going concern. Such going concern explanatory paragraph was required because the company's internal forecast indicated that, within fiscal 2017, the company may no longer be in compliance with the minimum interest coverage ratio requirement.

In addition, the Bank Loan Agreement and the Troms Offshore Debt require that the company receive an unqualified audit opinion from an independent certified public accountant which shall not be subject to a going concern or similar modification. The failure to receive an audit opinion without any modification, in and of itself, is an event of default under these agreements which would allow the lenders to accelerate the indebtedness thereunder, the effect of which would be to likewise cause all

of the company's Senior Notes, which were issued in 2010, 2011 and 2013, to be in default. The explanatory paragraph in the audit opinion also references the audit opinion-related event of default under various borrowing arrangements as an uncertainty that raises substantial doubt about the company's ability to continue as a going concern. As previously reported, the company obtained limited waivers from the necessary lenders which waived the unqualified audit opinion requirement until August 14, 2016.

Prior to the August 14, 2016 expiry of the limited waiver in regards to the audit opinion, the company obtained limited waivers from the necessary lenders and noteholders which extend the waiver of the unqualified audit opinion requirement and/or waive the minimum interest coverage ratio requirement until September 18, 2016.

As a result of the company's failure to receive an audit opinion with no modifications from the company's independent certified public accountants, and because the waivers are for a limited period that is less than one year, all of the company's indebtedness has been reclassified as a current liability in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet since March 31, 2016.

The company continues to engage in discussions with its principal lenders and noteholders to amend the company's various debt arrangements in advance of the expiration of the waivers on September 18, 2016. The company believes that these discussions have been constructive and progress has been made in resolving several important issues, although other important issues remain to be resolved and no assurances can be given that they will be ultimately resolved. Any such amendments would require successful negotiations with the company's principal lenders and noteholders, and may require the company to make certain concessions under the existing agreements, such as providing collateral to secure the Bank Loan Agreement, the Troms Offshore Debt and the Senior Notes, repaying a portion of the indebtedness outstanding under the revolving portion of the Bank Loan Agreement, accepting a reduction in total borrowing capacity under the revolving credit facility, paying a higher rate of interest, issuing some form of equity or equity linked compensation enhancement, paying down a portion of the Troms Offshore Debt and/or Senior Notes, or some combination of the above. In addition, such amendments will need to address the audit opinion requirement of the Bank Loan Agreement and the Troms Offshore Debt (the waiver of which has been extended until September 18, 2016). Obtaining the covenant relief will require the company to reach an agreement that satisfies potentially divergent interests of its principal lenders and noteholders.

If any of its principal lenders or noteholders accelerate the company's outstanding indebtedness, the company's multiple borrowings will become immediately payable (as a result of cross default provisions), and the company will not have sufficient liquidity to repay those accelerated amounts. If the company is unable to reach an agreement with its principal lender and noteholders to address the potential defaults, the company would likely seek reorganization under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy laws, which could include a restructuring of the company's various debt obligations.

The company's unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements as of and for the quarter ended June 30, 2016 were prepared assuming the company would continue as a going concern, which contemplates continuity of

operations, realization of assets and the satisfaction of liabilities in the normal course of business for the twelve month period following the date of these consolidated financial statements.

# (3) STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Dividends

The declaration of dividends is at the discretion of the company's Board of Directors, and depends on the company's financial results, cash requirements, future prospects, and other factors deemed relevant by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors declared the following dividends for the quarters ended June 30:

	Quarter
	Ended
	June 30,
(In thousands, except dividend per share)	20126015
Dividends declared	\$—11,340
Dividend per share	-0.25

In January 2016, the company suspended the quarterly dividend program in order to preserve liquidity in an oilfield services market that has been negatively impacted by the precipitous drop in oil prices and corresponding reduction in global E&P spending.

#### Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss

The changes in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) by component, net of tax for the quarters ended June 30, 2016 and 2015 are as follows:

	For the c	quarter en	ded June	30, 201	6	Fo	or the qu	arter end	led	June 30,	2015		
	Balance	Gains/(1	o <b>Res)</b> asse	esNet	Remaini	ngBa	alance	Gains/(1	oss	Reclasse	sNet	Remainin	ng
	at	recogniz	zefrom OC	Ip <b>te</b> riod	balance	at		recogniz	zed	from OC	Ip <b>te</b> riod	balance	
			net							net			
(in thousands)	3/31/16	in OCI	income	OCI	6/30/16	3/	31/15	in OCI		income	OCI	6/30/15	
Available for sale													
securities	(208)	59	102	161	(47	) 2	35	(114	)	62	(52)	183	
Currency translation													
adjustment	(9,811)				(9,811	) (9	9,811 )			_		(9,811	)
Pension/Post-													
retirement benefits	4,683	_	_	_	4,683	(9	9,129 )	70		_	70	(9,059	)
Interest rate swaps	(1,530)	_	71	71	(1,459	) (	1,673 )			179	179	(1,494	)
Total	(6,866)	59	173	232	(6,634	) (2	20,378)	(44	)	241	197	(20,181	)

The following table summarizes the reclassifications from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) to the condensed consolidated statement of income for the quarters ended June 30, 2016 and 2015:

	Quart		
	June 3		Affected line item in the condensed
(In thousands)	2016	2015	consolidated statements of income
Realized gains on available for sale securities	\$102	62	Interest income and other, net
Amortization of interest rate swap	71	179	Interest and other debt costs
Total pre-tax amounts	173	241	
Tax effect			
Total gains for the period, net of tax	\$173	241	

#### (4) INCOME TAXES

For all periods prior to March 31, 2015, we calculated the provision for income taxes during interim reporting periods by applying an estimate of the annual effective tax rate for the full fiscal year to "ordinary" income or loss (pretax income or loss excluding unusual or infrequently occurring discrete items) for the reporting period. Beginning in the quarter ended June 30, 2015, we use a discrete effective tax rate method to calculate taxes for interim periods. We determined that since small changes in estimated "ordinary" income would result in significant changes in the estimated annual effective tax rate, the historical method would not provide a reliable estimate for the fiscal three month period ended June 30, 2016.

Income tax expense for the quarter ended June 30, 2016 reflects tax liabilities in various jurisdictions that are based on revenue (deemed profit regimes) rather than pre-tax profits.

The company's balance sheet at June 30, 2016 reflects the following in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 740, Income Taxes:

	June 30,
(In thousands)	2016
Tax liabilities for uncertain tax positions	\$13,623
Income tax payable	24,691

The tax liabilities for uncertain tax positions are attributable to a foreign tax filing position and a permanent establishment issue related to a foreign joint venture. Penalties and interest related to income tax liabilities are included in income tax expense. Income tax payable is included in other current liabilities.

Unrecognized tax benefits, which would lower the effective tax rate if realized at June 30, 2016, are as follows:

	June 30,
(In thousands)	2016
Unrecognized tax benefit related to state tax issues	\$11,992
Interest receivable on unrecognized tax benefit related to state tax issues	42

With limited exceptions, the company is no longer subject to tax audits by U.S. federal, state, local or foreign taxing authorities for years prior to 2009. The company has ongoing examinations by various U.S. federal, state and foreign tax authorities and does not believe that the results of these examinations will have a material adverse effect on the company's financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

#### (5) EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

#### U.S. Defined Benefit Pension Plan

The company has a defined benefit pension plan (pension plan) that covers certain U.S. citizen employees and other employees who are permanent residents of the United States. Effective April 1, 1996, the pension plan was closed to new participation. In December 2009, the Board of Directors amended the pension plan to discontinue the accrual of benefits once the plan was frozen on December 31, 2010. This change did not affect benefits earned by participants prior to January 1, 2011. The company did not contribute to the pension plan during the quarters ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, and currently does not expect to contribute to the pension plan during the remaining quarters of fiscal 2017.

#### Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan

The company also maintains a non-contributory, defined benefit supplemental executive retirement plan (supplemental plan) that provides pension benefits to certain employees in excess of those allowed under the company's tax-qualified pension plan. A Rabbi Trust has been established for the benefit of participants in the supplemental plan. The Rabbi Trust assets, which are invested in a variety of marketable securities (but not the company's stock), are recorded at fair value with unrealized gains or losses included in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss). Effective March 4, 2010, the supplemental plan was closed to new participation. The supplemental plan is a non-qualified plan and, as such, the company is not required to make contributions to the supplemental plan. The company contributed \$0.1 million to the supplemental plan during the quarter ended June 30, 2016 and did not contribute to the plan during the first quarter of fiscal 2016, and does not expect to contribute to the supplemental plan during the remaining quarters of fiscal 2017.

Investments held in a Rabbi Trust for the benefit of participants in the supplemental plan are included in other assets at fair value. The following table summarizes the carrying value of the trust assets, including unrealized gains or losses at June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016:

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		March	
		31,	
(In thousands)	2016	2016	
Investments held in Rabbi Trust	\$8,919	8,811	
Unrealized losses in fair value of trust assets	(47	) (208	)
Unrealized losses in fair value of trust assets			
are net of income tax expense of		(168)	)
Obligations under the supplemental plan	25,364	25,072	

To the extent that trust assets are liquidated to fund benefit payments, gains or losses, if any, will be recognized at that time. The company's obligations under the supplemental plan are included in 'accrued expenses' and 'other liabilities and deferred credits' on the consolidated balance sheet.

#### Postretirement Benefit Plan

Qualified retired employees currently are covered by a plan which provides limited health care and life insurance benefits. Costs of the plan are based on actuarially determined amounts and are accrued over the period from the date of hire to the full eligibility date of employees who are expected to qualify for these benefits. This plan is funded through payments by the company as benefits are required.

Effective November 20, 2015, the company eliminated its post-65 medical coverage for all current and future retirees effective January 1, 2017. The plan amendment resulted in an approximate \$0.8 million increase in net periodic postretirement benefit during the quarter ended June 30, 2016 as compared to the quarter ended June 30, 2015. The medical coverage remains unchanged for participants under age 65.

#### Net Periodic Benefit Costs

The net periodic benefit cost for the company's defined benefit pension plans and supplemental plan (referred to collectively as "Pension Benefits") and the postretirement health care and life insurance plan (referred to collectively as "Other Benefits") is comprised of the following components:

	Quarter Ended June 30,		
-			
(In thousands)	2016	2015	
Pension Benefits:			
Service cost	\$252	234	
Interest cost	941	935	
Expected return on plan assets	(548)	(530)	
Administrative expenses	2		
Amortization of prior service cost		9	
Recognized actuarial loss	446	567	
Net periodic benefit cost	\$1,093	1,215	
Other Benefits:			
Service cost	\$20	75	
Interest cost	50	211	
Amortization of prior service cost	(1,086)	(510)	
Recognized actuarial benefit	(285)	(245)	
Net periodic benefit cost	\$(1,301)	(469)	

#### (6) INDEBTEDNESS

#### U.S. Dollar Denominated Debt

The following is a summary of debt outstanding at June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016:

(In thousands, except weighted average data)	June 30, 2016	March 31, 2016
Credit facility:	2010	2010
Term loan agreement (A)	\$300,000	300,000
Revolving line of credit (B) (C)	600,000	600,000
September 2013 senior unsecured notes:	000,000	
Aggregate debt outstanding	\$500,000	500,000
Weighted average remaining life in years (E)	7.2	7.4
Weighted average coupon rate on notes outstanding	4.86 %	4.86 %
Fair value of debt outstanding (Level 2)	\$274,187	342,746
August 2011 senior unsecured notes:		
Aggregate debt outstanding	\$165,000	165,000
Weighted average remaining life in years (E)	4.3	4.6
Weighted average coupon rate on notes outstanding	4.42 %	4.42 %
Fair value of debt outstanding (Level 2)	\$108,620	127,148
September 2010 senior unsecured notes:		
Aggregate debt outstanding	\$382,500	382,500
Weighted average remaining life in years (E)	3.8	4.1
Weighted average coupon rate on notes outstanding	4.35 %	4.35 %
Fair value of debt outstanding (Level 2)	\$264,479	302,832
May 2015 notes (D):		
Amount outstanding	\$28,727	30,033
Fair value of debt outstanding (Level 2)	26,811	30,062
March 2015 notes (D):		
Amount outstanding	\$27,030	27,030
Fair value of debt outstanding (Level 2)	25,266	27,027

<sup>(</sup>A) The fair value of the term loan agreement was \$287.5 million at June 30, 2016 and approximated its carrying value at March 31, 2016.

As of June 30, 2016 the company was in compliance with its debt to capital ratios set forth in its debt facilities and note indentures; however, the company was out of compliance with the 3.0x minimum interest coverage ratio requirement contained in our Revolving Credit and Term Loan Agreement and 2013 Note Agreement. Refer to further discussion of this matter in Note (2) in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

<sup>(</sup>B) Fair values approximate carrying values because the borrowings bear interest at variable rates.

<sup>(</sup>C) The revolver was fully utilized at June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016, respectively.

<sup>(</sup>D) Notes require semi-annual principal payments.

<sup>(</sup>E) Weighted average remaining life in years is based on stated maturities; however, all of the company's indebtedness has been reclassified as current since March 31, 2016.

#### Norwegian Kroner Denominated Debt

The following is a summary of the Norwegian Kroner (NOK) denominated borrowings outstanding at June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016, and their U.S. dollar equivalents:

(In thousands)	June 30, 2016	March 31, 2016
3.81% January 2014 notes (A):		
NOK denominated	250,000	250,000
U.S. dollar equivalent	\$29,879	30,207
Fair value in U.S. dollar equivalent (Level 2)	29,846	30,199
5.38% May 2012 notes (A):		
NOK denominated	136,320	144,840
U.S. dollar equivalent	\$16,293	17,500
Fair value in U.S. dollar equivalent (Level 2)	16,276	17,479

(A) Notes require semi-annual principal payments.

#### **Debt Costs**

The company capitalizes a portion of its interest costs incurred on borrowed funds used to construct vessels. The following is a summary of interest and debt costs incurred, net of interest capitalized, for the quarters ended June 30, are as follows:

	Quarter Ended	
	June 30,	
(In thousands)	2016	2015
Interest and debt costs incurred, net of interest capitalized	\$16,954	13,182
Interest costs capitalized	1,393	2,944
Total interest and debt costs	\$18,347	16,126

During the first quarter of fiscal 2017, the company adopted ASU 2015-03, Interest-Imputation of Interest: Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issue Costs which requires that debt issuance costs related to a recognized debt liability are presented in the balance sheet as a deduction from the carrying amount of that debt liability, consistent with debt discounts. The recognition and measurement guidance for debt issuance costs are not affected by this guidance. Consistent with this guidance, \$8.0 million and \$6.8 million have been reclassified from other assets and are now presented as a reduction of debt as of June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016, respectively.

# (7)LOSS PER SHARE

The components of basic and diluted loss per share for the quarters ended June 30, are as follows:

	Quarter Ended June 30,	
(In thousands, except share and per share data)	2016	2015
Net loss available to common shareholders	\$(89,097	) (15,052 )
Weighted average outstanding shares of common stock, basic	47,067,715	46,981,747
Dilutive effect of options and restricted stock awards and units	_	_
Weighted average common stock and equivalents	47,067,715	46,981,747
Loss per share, basic (A)	\$(1.89	) (0.32
Loss per share, diluted (B)	\$(1.89	) (0.32
Additional information:		
Antidilutive incremental options and restricted stock awards and units	475,873	268,227

<sup>(</sup>A) The company calculates "Loss per share, basic" by dividing "Net loss available to common shareholders" by "Weighted average outstanding share of common stock, basic".

<sup>(</sup>B) The company calculates "Loss per share, diluted" by dividing "Net loss available to common shareholders" by "Weighted average common stock and equivalents".

# (8) COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

**Vessel and Other Commitments** 

The table below summarizes the company's various vessel commitments to acquire and construct new vessels, by vessel type, as of June 30, 2016:

	Number		Invested	Remaining
	of	Total	Through	Balance
(In thousands, except vessel count)	Vessels	Cost	6/30/16	6/30/16
Vessels under construction (A):				
Deepwater PSVs	4	\$181,615	123,696	57,919
Total vessel commitments (B)	4	\$181,615	123,696	57,919

- (A) Six additional option vessels and a fast supply boat are not included in the table above.
- (B) The company is entitled to receive a refund of prior shipyard payments totaling approximately \$17 million which would reduce the remaining balance of vessel commitments. See further discussion below.

The company has approximately \$57.9 million in unfunded capital commitments associated with the four vessels under construction (approximately \$41 million net of \$17 million of expected refunds from shipyards) at June 30, 2016. The total cost of the four new-build vessels includes contract costs and other incidental costs. At June 30, 2016, these four vessels were under construction at different shipyards around the world. The deepwater platform supply vessels (PSVs) under construction range between 4,700 and 5,400 deadweight tons (DWT) of cargo capacity. In July 2016, the company accepted delivery of one deepwater PSV. The deliveries of the remaining three new-build vessels are currently expected in January 2017, April 2017 and May 2017.

In June 2015, the company entered into settlement agreements with an international shipyard, which at the time was constructing six 7,145 BHP towing-supply-class vessels and six 261-foot, 4,700 DWT tons of cargo capacity, deepwater PSVs. Under the settlement agreements, contracts for three 7,145 BHP towing-supply-class vessels were terminated, and the shipyard agreed with respect to these three cancelled contracts to (i) return to the company approximately \$36 million in aggregate installment payments, (ii) terminate the company's obligation to make any additional payments, and (iii) apply \$3.5 million of accrued interest due to the company on the returned installment amounts to offset future installment obligations on other vessels at this shipyard. Of the total \$36 million in returned installments, the shipyard returned \$24 million in June 2015 and the remaining \$12 million in July 2015. The company recorded an impairment charge of \$0.8 million in the first quarter of fiscal 2016 to write off the amounts not recoverable from the shipyard with respect to these three vessels. The company applied the \$3.5 million shipyard credit in the third quarter of fiscal 2016 as an offset to other payments made to the shipyard.

In September 2015, the company entered into additional settlement agreements with the same shipyard to resolve the remaining nine vessels (three additional 7,145 BHP towing-supply-class vessels and six 261-foot, 4,700 deadweight tons of cargo capacity, deepwater PSVs) then under construction. Under the settlement agreements, the company agreed to substantial discounts to the purchase price for four of these vessels. The company took delivery of one

towing-supply-class vessel in September 2015, and another towing-supply-class vessel in January 2016. The company took delivery of one deepwater PSV in June 2016, and took delivery of a second deepwater PSV in July 2016. Under the September 2015 settlement agreements, the company received separate options, but not obligations to acquire, each of the remaining five vessels, with option dates expiring in October 2016. Under the terms of these options, if the company does not elect to take delivery of any of these vessels, (a) the company is entitled to receive the return of approximately \$31 million in aggregate installment payments (representing installment payments made to date on these five vessels) together with interest on these installments of \$3.7 million (which were issued to the company as "shipyard credits" and applied to future installment payments on the two PSVs to be delivered) and (b) the company will be relieved of the obligation to pay the shipyard the approximately \$75 million in remaining construction payments. The purchase prices for each of the five vessels that are subject to options are unchanged by the settlement. The company declined to exercise the first of these options, and received \$12 million in refunded payments in January 2016. The company recorded a \$3.7 million "shipyard credit" in the December 2015 quarter as an offset against other payments made to the shipyard.

In connection with the delivery of the first deepwater PSV in June 2016, the company and the shipyard agreed that the final installment of approximately \$2.5 million is deferred until October 2016. Likewise, in connection with the delivery of the second deepwater PSV in July 2016, the company and the shipyard agreed that the final installment of approximately \$2.5 million is deferred until October 2016. If the company does not exercise any of the options on the remaining four vessels, then the \$5 million owed by the company for these final installments will be offset against the return by the shipyard of the approximately \$19.1 million in installment payments on the remaining four option vessels resulting in a net payment to the company of approximately \$14.1 million. The remaining four option vessels are not included in the preceding table of vessel commitments as of June 30, 2016. Each settlement agreement (except for the agreement with respect to the towing-supply vessel delivered in September 2015) was entered into subject to the consent of the Bank of China, the issuer of the refundment guarantees on all nine vessels. The Bank of China subsequently issued consents for all eight remaining settlement agreements and issued refundment guarantees covering the payment made on the remaining vessels under construction at June 30, 2016.

In April 2015, the company entered into negotiations with an international shippard constructing two 275-foot, 3,800 deadweight tons of cargo capacity, deepwater PSVs to resolve issues associated with the late delivery of these vessels. In May 2015, the company settled these issues with the shipyard. Under the terms of the settlement, the company could elect to take delivery of one or both completed vessels at any time prior to June 30, 2016. That date was subject to two six month extension periods, each extension requiring the mutual consent of the company and the shipyard. If the company did not elect to take delivery of one or both vessels prior to June 30, 2016 (as that date may be extended by mutual agreement), (a) the company was entitled to receive the return of \$5.4 million in aggregate installment payments per vessel together with interest on these installments (which aggregates to approximately \$11.9 million) and (b) the company would be relieved of the obligation to pay to the shipyard the \$21.7 million of remaining payments per vessel. The company recorded an impairment charge of \$1.9 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2016 to write off the amount not recovered from the shipyard. In June 2016, the shipyard returned to the company approximately \$11.5 million (or \$11.7 million owed less foreign taxes on interest totaling approximately \$0.2 million). The company and shipyard agreed to permit the shipyard to continue to hold the remaining \$0.25 million of installments and extend the option period for both vessels until December 31, 2016. The shipyard's obligation to return the \$0.25 million (plus interest) if the company elects not to take delivery of one or both vessels is secured by Bank of China refundment guarantees. These two vessels are not included in the preceding table of vessel commitments as of June 30, 2016.

The company has experienced substantial delay with one fast supply boat under construction in Brazil that was originally scheduled to be delivered in September 2009. On April 5, 2011, pursuant to the vessel construction contract, the company sent the subject shipyard a letter initiating arbitration in order to resolve disputes of such matters as the shipyard's failure to achieve payment milestones, its failure to follow the construction schedule, and its failure to timely deliver the vessel. The company has suspended construction on the vessel and both parties continue to pursue arbitration. The company has third party credit support in the form of insurance coverage for 90% of the progress payments made on this vessel, or all but approximately \$2.4 million of the carrying value of the accumulated costs through June 30, 2015. During the first quarter of fiscal 2016, the company recorded an impairment charge of \$2.4 million (representing amounts not covered by insurance) and reclassified the remaining \$5.6 million from construction in progress to other non-current assets. This vessel is not included in the preceding table of vessel commitments as of June 30, 2016.

The company generally requires shipyards to provide third party credit support in the event that vessels are not completed and delivered timely and in accordance with the terms of the shipbuilding contracts. That third party credit support typically guarantees the return of amounts paid by the company and generally takes the form of refundment guarantees or standby letters of credit issued by major financial institutions generally located in the country of the shipyard. While the company seeks to minimize its shipyard credit risk by requiring these instruments, the ultimate return of amounts paid by the company in the event of shipyard default is still subject to the creditworthiness of the shipyard and the provider of the credit support, as well as the company's ability to successfully pursue legal action to compel payment of these instruments. When third party credit support that is acceptable to the company is not available or cost effective, the company endeavors to limit its credit risk by minimizing pre-delivery payments and through other contract terms with the shipyard.

Sonatide Joint Venture

As previously reported, in November 2013, a subsidiary of the company and its joint venture partner in Angola, Sonangol Holdings Lda. ("Sonangol"), executed a new joint venture agreement for their joint venture, Sonatide. The joint venture agreement is currently effective and will expire, unless extended, two years after an Angolan entity, which is intended to be one of the Sonatide group of companies, has been incorporated. Based on recent communications with our partner and the appropriate ministry in Luanda, the Angolan entity is expected to be incorporated in calendar 2016 after certain Angolan regulatory approvals have been obtained.

The challenges for the company to successfully operate in Angola remain significant. As the company has previously reported, on July 1, 2013, additional elements of legislation (the "forex law") became effective that generally require oil companies engaged in exploration and production activities offshore Angola through governmental concessions to pay for goods and services provided by foreign exchange residents in Angolan kwanzas that are initially deposited into an Angolan bank account. The forex law also imposes documentation and other requirements on service companies such as Sonatide in order to effect payments that are denominated in currencies other than Angolan kwanzas. The forex law has resulted in substantial customer payments being made to Sonatide in Angolan kwanzas. A cumbersome payment process has affected the company's ability to manage its cash and liquidity, because the conversion of Angolan kwanzas into U.S. dollars and the subsequent expatriation of the funds causes payment delays, additional operating costs and, through the company's 49% ownership of Sonatide, foreign exchange losses. The payment process exposes Sonatide, and through the company's 49% ownership of Sonatide, the company to further risk of currency devaluation prior to Sonatide's conversion of Angolan kwanza-denominated bank deposits to U.S. dollars and potentially additional taxes.

In response to the adoption of the forex law, the company and Sonangol negotiated and signed an agreement (the "consortium agreement") that allowed the Sonatide joint venture to enter into contracts with customers that allocate billings for services provided by Sonatide between (i) billings for local services that are provided by a foreign exchange resident (that must be paid in Angolan kwanzas), and (ii) billings for services provided offshore (that are permitted to be paid in U.S. dollars). Sonatide successfully converted select customer contracts to this split billing arrangement during the quarters ended March 31, 2015 and June 30, 2015. The consortium agreement expired in November 2015, and the parties have been discussing signing a new consortium agreement for a one year term. If the parties are unable to agree on a new consortium agreement, the parties would need to negotiate the terms of a new split billing arrangement that would continue to allow the company to receive U.S. dollar payments for services provided offshore. In addition, it is not clear if this type of contracting will be available to Sonatide over the longer term. If the company is unable to reach agreement on a new split billing arrangement, any contract entered into after the expiration of the consortium agreement may result in the receipt of 100% Angolan kwanzas, which would be subject to the challenges and risks described above. The split billing arrangements entered into with customers prior to the expiration of the consortium agreement remain in force.

In November 2014, the National Bank of Angola issued regulations controlling the sale of foreign currency. These regulations generally require that in those situations where oil companies are required to use Angolan kwanza to pay for goods and services provided by foreign exchange resident oilfield service companies, they must purchase those Angolan kwanza from the National Bank of Angola. These foreign exchange resident oilfield services companies, in turn, generally need U.S. dollars to pay for goods and services provided offshore. The regulations continue to permit tripartite agreements among oil companies, commercial banks and service companies that provide for the sale of U.S. dollars by an oil company to a commercial bank in exchange for Angolan kwanzas. These same U.S. dollars are then sold onward by the commercial bank to the service company. The implementing regulations do, however, place constraints on those tripartite agreements that did not previously exist, and the period of time that the tripartite agreements will be allowed remains uncertain. If tripartite agreements or similar arrangements are not available to service companies in Angola that have a need for U.S. dollars, then such service companies will be required to source U.S. dollars exclusively through the National Bank of Angola. Sonatide has had some success to date in negotiating tripartite agreements and it continues to work with customers, commercial banks and the National Bank of Angola in regards to utilizing these arrangements.

For the three months ended June 30, 2016, the company collected (primarily through Sonatide) approximately \$27 million from its Angolan operations. Of the \$27 million collected, approximately \$16 million were U.S. dollars received by Sonatide on behalf of the company or U.S. dollars directly received by the company from customers. The balance of \$11 million collected resulted from Sonatide's converting Angolan kwanza into U.S. dollars and subsequently expatriating the dollars to facilitate payment to the company. The company also reduced the net due from affiliate and due to affiliate balances by approximately \$13 million during the quarter ended June 30, 2016 through netting transactions based on an agreement with the joint venture.

For the fiscal year ended March 31, 2016, the company collected (primarily through Sonatide) approximately \$215 million from its Angolan operations, which is slightly more than the approximate \$213 million of revenue recognized for the same period. Of the \$215 million collected, approximately \$122 million were U.S. dollars received by Sonatide on behalf of the company or U.S. dollars directly received by the company from customers. The balance of \$93 million collected resulted from Sonatide's converting Angolan kwanza into U.S. dollars and subsequently expatriating the dollars to facilitate payment to the company. Additionally, the company received an approximate \$15 million dividend payment from the Sonatide joint venture during the third quarter of fiscal 2016. The company also reduced the net due from affiliate and due to affiliate balances by approximately \$84 million during the year ended March 31, 2016 through netting transactions based on an agreement with the joint venture.

The company believes that the process for converting Angolan kwanzas continues to function, but the tight U.S. dollar liquidity situation continues in Angola. Sonatide continues to press its commercial banks with which it has relationships to increase the amount of U.S. dollars that are made available to Sonatide.

As of June 30, 2016, the company had approximately \$342 million in amounts due from Sonatide, with approximately \$95 million of the balance reflecting invoiced but unpaid vessel revenue related to services performed by the company through the Sonatide joint venture. Remaining amounts due to the company from Sonatide are, in part, supported by approximately \$117 million of cash (primarily denominated in Angolan kwanzas) held by Sonatide that is pending conversion into U.S. dollars and the subsequent expatriation of such funds.

For the three months ended June 30, 2016, the company's Angolan operations generated vessel revenues of approximately \$39 million, or 24%, of its consolidated vessel revenue, from an average of approximately 60 company-owned vessels that are marketed through the Sonatide joint venture (16 of which were stacked on average during the three months ended June 30, 2016), and, for the three months ended June 30, 2015, generated vessel revenues of approximately \$68 million, or 23%, of consolidated vessel revenue, from an average of approximately 70 company-owned vessels (seven of which were stacked on average during the three months ended June 30, 2015).

Sonatide joint venture owns eight vessels (four of which are currently stacked) and certain other assets, in addition to earning commission income from company-owned vessels marketed through the Sonatide joint venture (owned 49% by the company). In addition, as of June 30, 2016, Sonatide maintained the equivalent of approximately \$117 million of primarily kwanza-denominated deposits in Angolan banks, largely related to customer receipts that had not yet been converted to U.S. dollars, expatriated and then remitted to the company, and approximately \$3 million of U.S. dollar-denominated deposits in banks outside of Angola. As of June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016, the carrying value of the company's investment in the Sonatide joint venture, which is included in "Investments in, at equity, and advances to unconsolidated companies," is approximately \$37 million and \$37 million, respectively.

Due from affiliate at June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016 of approximately \$342 million and \$339 million, respectively, represents cash received by Sonatide from customers and due to the company, amounts due from customers that are expected to be remitted to the company through Sonatide and costs incurred by the company on behalf of Sonatide. The collection of the amounts due to Sonatide from customers, and the subsequent conversion and expatriation process are subject to those risks and considerations set forth above.

Due to affiliate at June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016 of approximately \$197 million and \$188 million, respectively, represents amounts due to Sonatide for commissions payable (approximately \$52 million and \$32 million, respectively) and other costs paid by Sonatide on behalf of the company.

A presidential decree regulating maritime transportation activities was enacted in Angola in 2014. Following discussions with port state authorities and local counsel, the company remains uncertain whether the authorities will interpret the decree to require one hundred percent Angolan ownership of local vessel operators such as Sonatide. This interpretation may result in the need to work with Sonangol to further restructure our Sonatide joint venture and our operations in Angola. The company is seeking further clarification of the new decree. The company is exploring potential alternative structures in order to comply.

The Angolan government enacted a statute, which came into effect on June 30, 2015, for a new levy that could impose an additional 10% surcharge on certain foreign exchange transactions. The specific details of the levy have not yet been disclosed and it is not clear if this new statute will apply to Sonatide's scope of operations. The additional surcharge has not been imposed on any Sonatide transactions to date. The company has undertaken efforts to mitigate the effects of the levy, in the event the levy does apply to Sonatide's operations, including successfully negotiating rate adjustments and termination rights with some of its customers. The company will be unlikely to completely mitigate the effects of the levy, resulting in increased costs and lower margins, if the levy is interpreted to apply to Sonatide's operations.

The Angolan government enacted a new statute, which came into effect on July 1, 2016, for a new special contribution on certain banking transactions that imposes a 0.1% tax on the value of all debit transactions from customer's accounts. The new tax has been imposed on Sonatide's banking transactions. Although the relationship between this new tax and the 2015 surcharge is not yet clear, Sonatide believes it is possible that the imposition of the new tax on its transactions indicates that its transactions will not be subject to the 10% surcharge described above. The new tax is not expected to materially impact the financial results of Sonatide's operations.

Management continues to explore ways to profitably participate in the Angolan market while looking for opportunities to reduce the overall level of exposure to the increased risks that the company believes currently characterize the Angolan market. Included among mitigating measures taken by the company to address these risks is the redeployment of vessels from time to time to other markets. Redeployment of vessels to and from Angola during the three months ended June 30, 2016 and year ended March 31, 2016 has resulted in a net 13 and 23 vessels transferred out of Angola, respectively.

As the company considers the redeployment of additional vessels from Angola to other markets, there would likely be temporary negative financial effects associated with such redeployment, including mobilization costs and costs to redeploy the company's shore-based employees to other areas, in addition to lost revenues associated with potential downtime between vessel contracts. These financial impacts could, individually or in the aggregate, be material to the company's results of operations and cash flows for the periods when such costs would be incurred. The recent decline in crude oil and natural gas prices, the reduction in spending expectations among E&P companies, the number of new-build vessels which are expected to deliver within the next two years and the resulting potential overcapacity in the worldwide offshore support vessel market may exacerbate such negative financial effects, particularly if a large re-deployment were undertaken by the company in the near- to intermediate-term.

#### **Brazilian Customs**

In April 2011, two Brazilian subsidiaries of Tidewater were notified by the Customs Office in Macae, Brazil that they were jointly and severally being assessed fines of 155 million Brazilian reais (approximately \$48.2 million as of June 30, 2016). The assessment of these fines is for the alleged failure of these subsidiaries to obtain import licenses with respect to 17 Tidewater vessels that provided Brazilian offshore vessel services to Petrobras, the Brazilian national oil company, over a three-year period ending December 2009. After consultation with its Brazilian tax advisors, Tidewater and its Brazilian subsidiaries believe that vessels that provide services under contract to the Brazilian offshore oil and gas industry are deemed, under applicable law and regulations, to be temporarily imported into Brazil, and thus exempt from the import license requirement. The Macae Customs Office has, without a change in the underlying applicable law or regulations, taken the position that the temporary importation exemption is only available to new, and not used, goods imported into Brazil and therefore it was improper for the company to deem its vessels as being temporarily imported. The fines have been assessed based on this new interpretation of Brazilian customs law taken by the Macae Customs Office.

After consultation with its Brazilian tax advisors, the company believes that the assessment is without legal justification and that the Macae Customs Office has misinterpreted applicable Brazilian law on duties and customs. The company is vigorously contesting these fines (which it has neither paid nor accrued). Based on the advice of its Brazilian counsel, the company believes that it has a high probability of success with respect to overturning the entire amount of the fines, either at the administrative appeal level or, if necessary, in Brazilian courts. In May 2016, a final administrativeappeals allowed fines totaling 3 million Brazilian reais (approximately \$0.9 million as of June 30, 2016). The company intends to appeal this 3 million Brazilian reais administrative award to the appropriate Brazilian court. If the Macae Customs Office were to prevail in the Brazil court action, the company would also be liable to pay substantial interest in the 3 million reais award. Fines totaling 30 million Brazilian reais (approximately \$9.3 million as of June 30, 2016) are still subject to additional administrative appeals board hearings, but the company believes that previous administrative appeals board decisions will be helpful in those upcoming hearings for the vast majority of amounts still claimed by the Macae Customs Office. The remaining fines totaling 122 million (approximately \$37.9 million as of June 30, 2016) of the original 155 million Brazilian reais of fines are now formally resolved in favor of the company and are no longer at issue. The company believes that the ultimate resolution of this matter will not have a material effect on the company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Repairs to U.S. Flagged Vessels Operating Abroad

Near the end of fiscal 2015 the company became aware that it may have had compliance deficiencies in documenting and declaring upon re-entry to the U.S. certain foreign purchases for or repairs to U.S. flag vessels while they were working outside of the U.S. When a U.S. flag vessel operates abroad, certain foreign purchases for or repairs made to the U.S. flag vessel while it is outside of the U.S. are subject to declaration and entry with U.S. Customs and Boarder Protection ("CBP") and are subject to 50% vessel repair duty. Certain foreign purchases for or repairs to U.S. flag vessels are to be declared and reported to CBP upon such vessel's arrival in the U.S. During our examination of our most recent filings with CBP, we determined that it was necessary to file amended forms with CBP to supplement previous filings. We have amended several vessel repair entries with CBP and have paid additional vessel repair duty and interest associated with these amended forms. We continue to review and evaluate the return of other U.S. flag vessels to the U.S. to determine whether it is necessary to adjust our responses in any of those instances. To the extent that further evaluation requires us to file

amended entries for additional vessels, we do not yet know the magnitude of any duties, civil penalties, fines or interest associated with amending the entries for these vessels. It is also possible that CBP may seek to impose civil penalties, fines or interest in connection with amended forms already submitted.

#### Currency Devaluation and Fluctuation Risk

Due to the company's global operations, the company is exposed to foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations and exchange rate risks on all charter hire contracts denominated in foreign currencies. For some of our non-U.S. contracts, a portion of the revenue and local expenses are incurred in local currencies with the result that the company is at risk of changes in the exchange rates between the U.S. dollar and foreign currencies. We generally do not hedge against any foreign currency rate fluctuations associated with foreign currency contracts that arise in the normal course of business, which exposes us to the risk of exchange rate losses. To minimize the financial impact of these items, the company attempts to contract a significant majority of its services in U.S. dollars. In addition, the company attempts to minimize its financial impact of these risks, by matching the currency of the company's operating costs with the currency of the revenue streams when considered appropriate. The company continually monitors the currency exchange risks associated with all contracts not denominated in U.S. dollars. Discussions related to the company's Angolan operations are disclosed in Note (12) of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 8 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K.

**Legal Proceedings** 

Arbitral Award for the Taking of the Company's Venezuelan Operations

On March 13, 2015, the three member tribunal constituted under the rules of the World Bank's International Centre for the Settlement of Investment Disputes ("ICSID") awarded subsidiaries of the company compensation, including accrued interest and costs, for the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela's ("Venezuela") expropriation of the investments of those subsidiaries in Venezuela. The award, issued in accordance with the provisions of the Venezuela-Barbados Bilateral Investment Treaty ("BIT"), represented \$46.4 million for the fair market value of the company's principal Venezuelan operating subsidiary, plus interest from May 8, 2009 to the date of payment of that amount accruing at an annual rate of 4.5% compounded quarterly (\$17.5 million as of June 30, 2016) and \$2.5 million for reimbursement of legal and other costs expended by the company in connection with the arbitration. The aggregate award is therefore \$66.4 million as of June 30, 2016. The nature of the investments expropriated and the progress of the ICSID proceeding were previously reported by the company in prior filings.

The company is committed to taking appropriate steps to enforce and collect the award, which is enforceable in any of the 150 member states that are party to the ICSID Convention. As an initial step, the company was successful in having the award recognized and entered on March 16, 2015 as a final judgment by the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. In July 2015, Venezuela applied to ICSID to annul the award and obtained a provisional stay of enforcement. In August 2015, ICSID formed an annulment committee and the first hearing of the

committee took place on November 23, 2015. At that hearing, the committee heard arguments on the company's motion to lift the provisional stay of enforcement with respect to all or a substantial portion of the award during the pendency of the annulment proceedings. On February 29, 2016, the committee ruled that the company is free to pursue the enforcement of a portion of the award amounting to \$37.7 million as of June 30, 2016. Enforcement of the balance of the award (\$28.7 million as of June 30, 2016) will remain stayed until the conclusion of the annulment proceeding, which the company anticipates will occur this calendar year. Even with the partial lifting of the stay of enforcement, the company recognizes that collection of the award may present significant practical challenges. Because the award has yet to be satisfied and post-award annulment proceedings are pending, the net impact of these matters on the company cannot be reasonably estimated at this time and the company has not recognized a gain related to these matters as of June 30, 2016.

Nigeria Marketing Agent Litigation

In October 2012, Tidewater Inc. notified its Nigerian marketing agent, Phoenix Tide Offshore Nigeria Limited ("Phoenix Tide"), that it was discontinuing its relationship with the marketing agent and two of its principals (H.H. The Otunba Ayora Dr. Bola Kuforiji-Olubi, OON and Olutokunbo Afolabi Kuforiji). The company entered into a new strategic relationship with a different Nigerian marketing agent that it believes will better serve the company's long term interests in Nigeria. This new strategic relationship is currently functioning as the company intended.

The company is currently engaged in a number of legal disputes with Phoenix Tide and its two principals both in Nigeria and in the United Kingdom. These disputes involve three primary issues. First, the company believes that Phoenix Tide breached its contractual obligations to the company by discouraging various affiliates of TOTAL S.A. from paying

approximately \$13 million (including U.S. dollar denominated invoices and Naira denominated invoices which have been adjusted for the devaluation of the Naira relative to the U.S. dollar) due to Tidewater for vessel services performed in Nigeria. The company will continue to actively pursue the collection of those monies. Second, the parties are disputing whether and to what extent the company owes further contractual obligations to Phoenix Tide, including any obligation to pay Phoenix Tide any further amounts for services previously performed. Third, the company is seeking to hold Phoenix Tide's two principals personally liable to the company for interfering with the company's business relationship with TOTAL S.A.

In the United Kingdom, the company has been successful in obtaining favorable court orders against Phoenix Tide on a variety of issues, including the fact that Phoenix Tide wrongly interfered in stopping the approximate \$13 million payment from TOTAL S.A. to the company, and is in the process of enforcing these orders. In April 2016, a United Kingdom court ruled that Phoenix Tide's two principals were personally responsible for interfering with the company's business relationship with TOTAL S.A. In June 2016, a United Kingdom court assessed \$5.3 million, 1.9 million Nigerian naira and 0.3 million GBP (aggregating to \$5.5 million as of June 30, 2016) in damages and legal costs against Phoenix Tide's two principals for their tortious interference. The company is seeking to enforce that order against Phoenix Tide's two principals. The disputes being litigated in Nigeria are proceeding more slowly and all preliminary rulings by Nigerian courts are presently under appeal.

The company has not reserved for this \$13 million receivable and believes that the ultimate resolution of this matter will not have a material effect on the company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Various legal proceedings and claims are outstanding which arose in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, the amount of ultimate liability, if any, with respect to these actions, will not have a material adverse effect on the company's financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

#### (9) FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Assets and Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

The company's plan assets are accounted for at fair value and are classified within the fair value hierarchy based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement, with the exception of investments for which fair value is measured using the net asset value (NAV) per share expedient.

The following table provides the fair value hierarchy for the supplemental plan assets measured at fair value as of June 30, 2016:

			Significant	Significant	
			_		Measured
		Quoted prices in	observable	unobservable	at
		active markets	inputs	inputs	Net Asset
(In thousands)	Total	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)	Value
Equity securities:					
Common stock	\$3,571	3,571	_	_	_
Foreign stock	149	149	<u>—</u>	<del>_</del>	
American depository receipts	1,330	1,330			_
Preferred American depository receipts	16	16	_	<u>—</u>	
Real estate investment trusts	20	20	_		
Debt securities:					
Government debt securities	1,624	936	688		_
Open end mutual funds	1,709	_	_	<u>—</u>	1,709
Cash and cash equivalents	577	108	451		18
Total	\$8,996	6,130	1,139	<u>—</u>	1,727
Other pending transactions	(77)	(77	<del></del>	<del></del>	_
Total fair value of plan assets	\$8,919	6,053	1,139		1,727

The following table provides the fair value hierarchy for the plan assets measured at fair value as of March 31, 2016:

			Significant	Significant	Measured
(In thousands)	Total	Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1)	observable inputs (Level 2)	unobservable inputs (Level 3)	at Net Asset Value
Equity securities:	Total	(Ecver)	(Ecver 2)	(20,013)	v arac
Common stock	\$3,290	3,290		<del></del>	
Foreign stock	159	159	_		
American depository receipts	1,311	1,311	_	_	_
Preferred American depository receipts	13	13	_	<u>—</u>	
Real estate investment trusts	61	61			_
Debt securities:					
Government debt securities	1,711	972	739		
Open end mutual funds	1,663	_	_	<u>—</u>	1,663
Cash and cash equivalents	343	13	282	_	48
Total	\$8,551	5,819	1,021	_	1,711
Other pending transactions	260	291	(49)		18
Total fair value of plan assets	\$8,811	6,110	972	<u>—</u>	1,729

#### Other Financial Instruments

The company's primary financial instruments consist of cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables and trade payables with book values that are considered to be representative of their respective fair values. The company periodically utilizes derivative financial instruments to hedge against foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities, currency commitments, or to lock in desired interest rates. These transactions are generally spot or forward currency contracts or interest rate swaps that are entered into with major financial institutions. Derivative financial instruments are intended to reduce the company's exposure to foreign currency exchange risk and interest rate risk. The company enters into derivative instruments only to the extent considered necessary to address its risk management objectives and does not use derivative contracts for speculative purposes. The derivative instruments are recorded at fair value using quoted prices and quotes obtainable from the counterparties to the derivative instruments.

Cash Equivalents. The company's cash equivalents, which are securities with maturities less than 90 days, are held in money market funds or time deposit accounts with highly rated financial institutions. The carrying value for cash equivalents is considered to be representative of its fair value due to the short duration and conservative nature of the cash equivalent investment portfolio.

Spot Derivatives. Spot derivative financial instruments are short-term in nature and generally settle within two business days. The fair value of spot derivatives approximates the carrying value due to the short-term nature of this instrument, and as a result, no gains or losses are recognized.

The company had three outstanding spot contracts at June 30, 2016, which had a notional value \$1.0 and settled July 1, 2016. The company had two foreign exchange spot contracts outstanding at March 31, 2016, which had a notional value of \$1.4 million and settled April 1, 2016.

Forward Derivatives. Forward derivative financial instruments are usually longer-term in nature but generally do not exceed one year. The accounting for gains or losses on forward contracts is dependent on the nature of the risk being hedged and the effectiveness of the hedge. Forward contracts are valued using counterparty quotations, and we validate the information obtained from the counterparties in calculating the ultimate fair values using the market approach and obtaining broker quotations. As such, these derivative contracts are classified as Level 2.

At June 30, 2016, the company had twelve Norwegian kroner (NOK) forward contracts outstanding, which are generally intended to hedge the company's foreign exchange exposure relating to its NOK denominated notes payable as disclosed in Note (6). The forward contracts have expiration dates between July 2016 and November 2016. The combined change

in fair value of the forward contracts was \$0.4 million, all of which was recorded as a foreign exchange loss during the three months ended June 30, 2016, because the forward contracts did not qualify as hedge instruments. All changes in fair value of the forward contracts were recorded in earnings.

At March 31, 2016, the company had 13 Norwegian kroner (NOK) forward contracts outstanding which had expiration dates between July 1, 2016 and November 10, 2016. The combined change in fair value of the outstanding forward contracts was \$0.1 million, all of which was recorded as a foreign exchange loss during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2016, because the forward contracts did not qualify as hedge instruments. All changes in fair value of the forward contracts were recorded in earnings.

The following table provides the fair value hierarchy for the company's other financial instruments measured as of June 30, 2016:

			Significant	Significant
		Quoted prices in	observable	unobservable
		active markets	inputs	inputs
(In thousands)	Total	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)
Cash equivalents	\$623,016	623,016	_	_
Total fair value of assets	\$623,016	623 016		

The following table provides the fair value hierarchy for the company's other financial instruments measured as of March 31, 2016:

			Significant	Significant
		Quoted prices in	observable	unobservable
		active markets	inputs	inputs
(In thousands)	Total	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)
Cash equivalents	\$643,770	643,770	_	_
Total fair value of assets	\$643,770	643,770		

For disclosures related to assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis refer to Note (9).

# (10)OTHER CURRENT ASSETS, OTHER ASSETS, ACCRUED EXPENSES, OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES AND OTHER LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED CREDITS

A summary of other current assets at June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016 is as follows:

		March
	June 30,	31,
(In thousands)	2016	2016
Deposits on vessel construction options (A)	\$16,044	30,285
Deposits - general	8,770	8,076
Prepaid expenses	11,890	6,394
	\$36,704	44,755

(A) Refer to Note (8) for additional discussion regarding the vessels under construction with option agreements. A summary of other assets at June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016 is as follows:

		March
	June 30,	31,
(In thousands)	2016	2016
Recoverable insurance losses	\$11,188	9,412
Deferred income tax assets	40,178	33,505
Savings plans and supplemental plan	14,194	14,472
Other	18,719	14,297
	\$84,279	71,686

A summary of accrued expenses at June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016 is as follows:

		March
	June 30,	31,
(In thousands)	2016	2016
Payroll and related payables	\$13,068	12,864
Commissions payable (B)	6,840	7,193
Accrued vessel expenses	41,939	45,838
Accrued interest expense	4,907	15,120
Other accrued expenses	5,213	10,596
-	\$71,967	91,611

(B)Excludes \$51.8 million and \$31.6 million of commissions due to Sonatide at June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016, respectively. These amounts are included in amounts due to affiliate.

A summary of other current liabilities at June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016 is as follows:

		March
	June 30,	31,
(In thousands)	2016	2016
Taxes payable	\$38,767	45,854
Deferred gain on vessel sales - current	23,798	23,798
Other	1,403	5,173
	\$63,968	74,825

A summary of other liabilities and deferred credits at June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016 is as follows:

		March
	June 30,	31,
(In thousands)	2016	2016
Postretirement benefits liability	\$3,347	4,755
Pension liabilities	41,714	41,690
Deferred gain on vessel sales	106,772	112,721
Other	22,279	22,380
	\$174,112	181,546

# (11) ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

From time to time new accounting pronouncements are issued by the FASB that are adopted by the company as of the specified effective date. Unless otherwise discussed, management believes that the impact of recently issued

standards, which are not yet effective, will not have a material impact on the company's consolidated financial statements upon adoption.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, Leases, which amended guidance for lease arrangements in order to increase transparency and comparability by providing additional information to users of financial statements regarding an entity's leasing activities. The revised guidance requires reporting entities to recognize lease assets and lease liabilities on the balance sheet for substantially all lease arrangements. The new guidance is effective for the company in the first quarter of fiscal year 2020 and will be applied on a modified retrospective basis beginning with the earliest period presented. The company is currently evaluating the impact of adopting this guidance on our consolidated financial statements.

In November 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-17, Balance Sheet Classification of Deferred Taxes, which simplifies the presentation of deferred income taxes and requires that deferred tax assets and liabilities be classified as non-current on the balance sheet. No prior periods would be retrospectively adjusted. The new guidance is effective for the company in the first quarter of fiscal year 2018. The company believes that the impact of the implementation of this new guidance on its consolidated financial statements and disclosures will not be significant.

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers. ASU 2014-09 supersedes prior revenue recognition guidance and provides a five step recognition framework that will require entities to recognize the amount of revenue to which it expects to be entitled for the transfer of goods and services. In July 2015, the FASB permitted early adoption and deferred the effective date of this guidance one year, therefore, it will be effective for the company in the

first quarter of fiscal 2019 and may be implemented retrospectively to all years presented or in the period of adoption through a cumulative adjustment. The company is evaluating the impact of the implementation of this new guidance on its consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

#### (12) SEGMENT AND GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION OF OPERATIONS

During the quarter ended June 30, 2016 the company's operations in Egypt were transitioned from the company's previously disclosed Middle East/North Africa operations and included with the company's previously disclosed Sub-Saharan Africa/Europe operations as a result of management realignments. As such, the company now discloses these new segments as Middle East and Africa/Europe, respectively. The company's Americas and Asia/Pacific segments are not affected by this change. This new segment alignment is consistent with how the company's chief operating decision maker reviews operating results for the purposes of allocating resources and assessing performance. Fiscal 2016 amounts have been recast to conform to the new segment alignment.

The following table provides a comparison of segment revenues, vessel operating profit (loss), depreciation and amortization, and additions to properties and equipment for the quarters ended June 30, 2016 and 2015. Vessel revenues and operating costs relate to vessels owned and operated by the company while other operating revenues relate to the activities of the remotely operated vehicles (ROVs), brokered vessels and other miscellaneous marine-related businesses.

	Quarter Ended June 30,	
(In thousands)	2016	2015
Revenues:		
Vessel revenues:		
Americas	\$60,608	114,172
Asia/Pacific	7,921	27,937
Middle East	24,202	32,253
Africa/Europe	69,699	123,951
	162,430	298,313
Other operating revenues	5,495	6,461
	\$167,925	304,774
Vessel operating profit (loss):		
Americas	\$(4,326)	23,839
Asia/Pacific	(5,574)	1,750
Middle East	(33)	4,004
Africa/Europe	(13,309)	5,447
	(23,242)	35,040
Other operating loss	(427)	(1,836)
	(23,669)	33,204
Corporate general and administrative expenses	(10,493)	(10,014)
Corporate depreciation	(730)	(1,494)
Corporate expenses	(11,223)	(11,508)
Gain on asset dispositions, net	5,643	7,351
Asset impairments (A)	(36,886)	(14,958)
Operating income (loss)	\$(66,135)	14,089
Foreign exchange gain (loss)	(2,733)	(4,133)
Equity in net losses of unconsolidated companies	(1)	(2,441)
Interest income and other, net	1,176	790
Interest and other debt costs, net	(16,954)	(13,182)
Loss before income taxes	\$(84,647)	(4,877)
Depreciation and amortization:		
Americas	\$12,778	12,050
Asia/Pacific	5,782	5,389
Middle East	5,112	4,799
Africa/Europe	18,769	20,511
-	42,441	42,749
Other	1,381	1,414
Corporate	730	1,494

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	\$44,552	45,657
Additions to properties and equipment:		
Americas	\$75	22,054
Asia/Pacific	_	635
Middle East	280	292
Africa/Europe	67	273
	422	23,254
Other		_
Corporate (B)	9,693	69,765
-	\$10,115	93,019

<sup>(</sup>A) Refer to Note (14) for additional information regarding asset impairment charges.

<sup>(</sup>B) Included in Corporate are additions to properties and equipment relating to vessels currently under construction which have not yet been assigned to a non-corporate reporting segment as of the dates presented.

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The following table provides a comparison of total assets at June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016:

	June 30,	March 31,
(In thousands)	2016	2016
Total assets:		
Americas	\$1,111,872	1,101,699
Asia/Pacific	463,980	514,948
Middle East	451,178	405,420
Africa/Europe	1,910,650	1,999,543
	3,937,680	4,021,610
Other	41,817	42,191
	3,979,497	4,063,801
Investments in, at equity, and advances to unconsolidated companies	36,989	37,502
	4,016,486	4,101,303
Corporate (A)	861,372	882,490
	\$4,877,858	4,983,793

(A) Included in Corporate are vessels currently under construction which have not yet been assigned to a non-corporate reporting segment. A vessel's construction costs are reported in Corporate until the earlier of the date the vessels is assigned to a non-corporate reporting segment or the date it is delivered. At June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016, \$123.7 million and \$136.8 million, respectively, of vessel construction costs are included in Corporate.

The following table discloses the amount of revenue by segment, and in total for the worldwide fleet, along with the respective percentage of total vessel revenue for the quarters ended June 30, 2016 and 2015:

Revenue by vessel class		Quarter June 30 % of Vessel		% of Vessel	
(In thousands)	2016	Revenu	2015	Revenue	
Americas fleet:					
Deepwater	\$40,387	25 %	80,152	27	%
Towing-supply	16,879	10 %	29,515	10	%
Other	3,342	2 %	4,505	1	%
Total	\$60,608	37 %	114,172	38	%
Asia/Pacific fleet:					
Deepwater	\$2,590	2 %	19,833	7	%
Towing-supply	5,331	3 %	8,104	2	%
Other	_				
Total	\$7,921	5 %	27,937	9	%
Middle East fleet:					
Deepwater	\$6,038	4 %	6,691	2	%
Towing-supply	18,164	11 %	25,562	9	%
Other			_	_	

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Total	\$24,202	15 %	32,253	11	%
Africa/Europe fleet:					
Deepwater	\$33,289	20 %	67,661	23	%
Towing-supply	27,917	18 %	41,825	14	%
Other	8,493	5 %	14,465	5	%
Total	\$69,699	43 %	123,951	42	%
Worldwide fleet:					
Deepwater	\$82,304	51 %	174,337	59	%
Towing-supply	68,291	42 %	105,006	35	%
Other	11,835	7 %	18,970	6	%
Total	\$162,430	100%	298,313	100	%

# (13) SALE/LEASEBACK ARRANGEMENTS

As of June 30, 2016, the future minimum lease payments for vessels under operating lease terms are as follows:

	Fiscal 2015	Fiscal 2014	
Fiscal year ending (In thousands)	Sale/Leaseback	Sale/Leaseback	Total
Remaining nine months of 2017	\$ 7,114	15,659	22,773
2018	9,604	23,486	33,090
2019	10,234	24,800	35,034
2020	11,497	25,519	37,016
2021	11,594	19,979	31,573
Thereafter	19,273	20,063	39,336
Total future lease payments	\$ 69,316	129,506	198,822

Included in gain on asset dispositions, net for the quarter ended June 30, 2016, are \$5.8 million of deferred gains from sale leaseback transactions.

#### (14) ASSET IMPAIRMENTS

Management estimates the fair value of each vessel not expected to return to active service (considered Level 3, as defined by ASC 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures) by considering items such as the vessel's age, length of time stacked, likelihood of a return to active service, actual recent sales of similar vessels, among others. For vessels with more significant carrying values, we obtain an estimate of the fair value of the stacked vessel from third-party appraisers or brokers for use in our determination of fair value estimates.

The below table summarizes the combined fair value of the assets that incurred impairments during the quarters ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, along with the amount of impairment.

	Quarter Ended		
	June 30,		
(In thousands)	2016	2015	
Amount of impairment incurred	\$36,886	\$14,958	
Combined fair value of assets incurring impairment	155,400	46,855	

# ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENT

In accordance with the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, the company notes that this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and the information incorporated herein by reference contain certain forward-looking statements which reflect the company's current view with respect to future events and future financial performance. Forward-looking statements are all statements other than statements of historical fact. All such forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, and the company's future results of operations could differ materially from its historical results or current expectations reflected by such forward-looking statements. Some of these risks are discussed in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and include, without limitation, volatility in worldwide energy demand and oil and gas prices, and continuing depressed levels of oil and gas prices; consolidation of our customer base: fleet additions by competitors and industry overcapacity; our views with respect to the need for and timing of the replenishment of our asset base, including through acquisitions or vessel construction; changes in capital spending by customers in the energy industry for offshore exploration, field development and production; loss of a major customer: changing customer demands for vessel specifications, which may make some of our older vessels technologically obsolete for certain customer projects or in certain markets; delays and other problems associated with vessel construction and maintenance: uncertainty of global financial market conditions and difficulty in accessing credit or capital; potential difficulty in meeting financial covenants in material debt or other obligations of the company or in obtaining covenant relief from lenders or other contract parties; acts of terrorism and piracy; integration of acquired businesses and entry into new lines of business; disagreements with our joint venture partners; significant weather conditions; unsettled political conditions, war, civil unrest and governmental actions, such as expropriation or enforcement of customs or other laws that are not well developed or consistently enforced, or requirements that services provided locally be paid in local currency, in each case especially in higher political risk countries where we operate; foreign currency fluctuations; labor changes proposed by international conventions; increased regulatory burdens and oversight; changes in laws governing the taxation of foreign source income; retention of skilled workers; and enforcement of laws related to the environment, labor and foreign corrupt practices.

Forward-looking statements, which can generally be identified by the use of such terminology as "may," "can," "potential," "expect," "project," "target," "anticipate," "estimate," "forecast," "believe," "think," "could," "continue," "intend," "seek," "pexpressions contained in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, are not guarantees of future performance or events. Any forward-looking statements are based on the company's assessment of current industry, financial and economic information, which by its nature is dynamic and subject to rapid and possibly abrupt changes, which the company may or may not be able to control. Further, the company may make changes to its business plans that could or will affect its results. While management believes that these forward-looking statements are reasonable when made, there can be no assurance that future developments that affect us will be those that we anticipate and have identified. The forward-looking statements should be considered in the context of the risk factors listed above and discussed in Item 1A included in the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2016, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on May 26, 2016, as updated by subsequent filings with the SEC. Investors and prospective investors are cautioned not to rely unduly on such forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date hereof. Management disclaims any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements contained herein to reflect new information, future events or developments.

In certain places in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, we may refer to reports published by third parties that purport to describe trends or developments in energy production and drilling and exploration activity. The company does so for the convenience of our investors and potential investors and in an effort to provide information available in the market that will lead to a better understanding of the market environment in which the company operates. The company specifically disclaims any responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of such information reports and undertakes no obligation to update such information.

The following information contained in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q should be read in conjunction with the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in Item 1 of this Quarterly Report and related disclosures and the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2016, filed with the SEC on May 26, 2016.

#### **About Tidewater**

Our vessels and associated vessel services provide support of all phases of offshore exploration, field development and production. These services include towing of, and anchor handling for, mobile offshore drilling units; transporting supplies and personnel necessary to sustain drilling, workover and production activities; offshore construction, remotely operated vehicle (ROV) operations, and seismic and subsea support; and a variety of specialized services such as pipe and cable laying. Our offshore support vessel fleet includes vessels that are operated under joint ventures, as well as vessels that have been stacked or withdrawn from service. At June 30, 2016, we owned or chartered 266 vessels (excluding nine joint venture vessels, but including 89 stacked vessels) and eight ROVs available to serve the global energy industry.

We have one of the broadest geographic operating footprints in the offshore energy industry with operations in most of the world's significant offshore crude oil and natural gas exploration and production offshore regions. Our global operating footprint allows us to react quickly to changing local market conditions and to respond to the changing requirements of the many customers with which we believe we have strong relationships. We are also one of the most experienced international operators in the offshore energy industry with over five decades of international experience.

# Principal Factors That Drive Our Revenues

The company's revenues, net earnings and cash flows from operations are largely dependent upon the activity level of its offshore marine vessel fleet. As is the case with the many other vessel operators in our industry, our business activity is largely dependent on the level of exploration, field development and production activity of our customers. Our customers' business activity, in turn, is dependent on crude oil and natural gas prices, which fluctuate depending on expected future levels of supply and demand for crude oil and natural gas, and on estimates of the cost to find, develop and produce reserves.

The company's revenues in all segments are driven primarily by the company's fleet size, vessel utilization and day rates. Because a sizeable portion of the company's operating costs and its depreciation does not change proportionally with changes in revenue, the company's operating profit is largely dependent on revenue levels.

Principal Factors That Drive Our Operating Costs

Operating costs consist primarily of crew costs, repair and maintenance costs, insurance costs and loss reserves, fuel, lube oil and supplies costs and other vessel operating costs. Fleet size, fleet composition, geographic areas of operation, supply and demand for marine personnel, and local labor requirements are the major factors which affect overall crew costs in all segments. In addition, the company's newer, more technologically sophisticated PSVs and AHTS vessels generally require a greater number of specially trained, more highly compensated fleet personnel than the company's older, smaller and less sophisticated vessels. The delivery of new-build offshore rigs and support vessels currently under construction may further increase the number of technologically sophisticated offshore rigs and support vessels operating worldwide. Crew costs may continue to increase as competition for skilled personnel intensifies, though a weaker offshore energy market should somewhat mitigate the upward trend in crew costs experienced in recent years. Overall labor costs may also be impacted by the company's operation of remotely operated vehicles (ROVs), which generally require more highly compensated personnel than the company's existing fleet.

The timing and amount of repair and maintenance costs are influenced by expectations of future customer demand for our vessels, as well as vessel age and drydockings and other major repairs and maintenance mandated by regulatory agencies. A certain number of periodic drydockings are required to meet regulatory requirements. The company will generally incur drydocking and other major repairs and maintenance costs only if economically justified, taking into consideration the vessel's age, physical condition, contractual obligations, current customer requirements and future marketability. When the company elects to forego a required regulatory drydock or major repairs and maintenance, it stacks and occasionally sells the vessel because it is not permitted to work without valid regulatory certifications. When the company drydocks a productive vessel, the company not only foregoes vessel revenues and incurs drydocking and other major repairs and maintenance costs, but it also generally continues to incur vessel operating costs and depreciation. In any given period, vessel downtime associated with drydockings and major repairs and maintenance can have a significant effect on the company's revenues and operating costs.

At times, major repairs and maintenance and drydockings take on an increased significance to the company and its financial performance. Older vessels may require frequent and expensive repairs and maintenance. Newer vessels (generally those built after 2000), which now account for a majority of the company's revenues and vessel margin (vessel revenues less vessel operating costs), can also require expensive major repairs and maintenance, even in the early years of a vessel's

useful life, due to the larger relative size and greater relative complexity of these vessels. Conversely, when the company stacks vessels, repair and maintenance expense in any period decline. The combination of these factors can create volatility in period to period repairs and maintenance expense, and incrementally increase the volatility of the company's revenues and operating income, thus making period-to-period comparisons of financial results more difficult.

Insurance and loss reserves costs are dependent on a variety of factors, including the company's safety record and pricing in the insurance markets, and can fluctuate over time. The company's vessels are generally insured for up to their estimated fair market value in order to cover damage or loss resulting from marine casualties, adverse weather conditions, mechanical failure, collisions, and property losses to the vessel. The company also purchases coverage for potential liabilities stemming from third-party losses with limits that it believes are reasonable for its operations. Insurance limits are reviewed annually, and third-party coverage is purchased based on the expected scope of ongoing operations and the cost of third-party coverage.

Fuel and lube costs can also fluctuate in any given period depending on the number and distance of vessel mobilizations, the number of active vessels off charter, drydockings, and changes in fuel prices. The company also incurs vessel operating costs that are aggregated as "other" vessel operating costs. These costs consist of brokers' commissions, including commissions paid to unconsolidated joint venture companies, training costs and other miscellaneous costs. Brokers' commissions are incurred primarily in the company's non-United States operations where brokers sometimes assist in obtaining work for the company's vessels. Brokers generally are paid a percentage of day rates and, accordingly, commissions paid to brokers generally fluctuate in accordance with vessel revenue. Other costs include, but are not limited to, satellite communication fees, agent fees, port fees, canal transit fees, vessel certification fees, temporary vessel importation fees and any fines or penalties.

#### Sonatide Joint Venture

As previously reported, in November 2013, a subsidiary of the company and its joint venture partner in Angola, Sonangol Holdings Lda. ("Sonangol"), executed a new joint venture agreement for their joint venture, Sonatide. The joint venture agreement is currently effective and will expire, unless extended, two years after an Angolan entity, which is intended to be one of the Sonatide group of companies, has been incorporated. Based on recent communications with our partner and the appropriate ministry in Luanda, the Angolan entity is expected to be incorporated in calendar 2016 after certain Angolan regulatory approvals have been obtained.

The challenges for the company to successfully operate in Angola remain significant. As the company has previously reported, on July 1, 2013, additional elements of legislation (the "forex law") became effective that generally require oil companies engaged in exploration and production activities offshore Angola through governmental concessions to pay for goods and services provided by foreign exchange residents in Angolan kwanzas that are initially deposited into an Angolan bank account. The forex law also imposes documentation and other requirements on service companies such as Sonatide in order to effect payments that are denominated in currencies other than Angolan kwanzas. The forex law

has resulted in substantial customer payments being made to Sonatide in Angolan kwanzas. A cumbersome payment process has affected the company's ability to manage its cash and liquidity, because the conversion of Angolan kwanzas into U.S. dollars and the subsequent expatriation of the funds causes payment delays, additional operating costs and, through the company's 49% ownership of Sonatide, foreign exchange losses. The payment process exposes Sonatide, and through the company's 49% ownership of Sonatide, the company to further risk of currency devaluation prior to Sonatide's conversion of Angolan kwanza-denominated bank deposits to U.S. dollars and potentially additional taxes.

In response to the adoption of the forex law, the company and Sonangol negotiated and signed an agreement (the "consortium agreement") that allowed the Sonatide joint venture to enter into contracts with customers that allocate billings for services provided by Sonatide between (i) billings for local services that are provided by a foreign exchange resident (that must be paid in Angolan kwanzas), and (ii) billings for services provided offshore (that are permitted to be paid in U.S. dollars). Sonatide successfully converted select customer contracts to this split billing arrangement during the quarters ended March 31, 2015 and June 30, 2015. The consortium agreement expired in November 2015, and the parties have been discussing signing a new consortium agreement for a one year term. If the parties are unable to agree on a new consortium agreement, the parties would need to negotiate the terms of a new split billing arrangement that would continue to allow the company to receive U.S. dollar payments for services provided offshore. In addition, it is not clear if this type of contracting will be available to Sonatide over the longer term. If the company is unable to reach agreement on a new split billing arrangement, any contract entered into after the expiration of the consortium agreement may result in the receipt of 100% Angolan kwanzas, which would be subject to the challenges and risks described above. The split billing arrangements entered into with customers prior to the expiration of the consortium agreement remain in force.

In November 2014, the National Bank of Angola issued regulations controlling the sale of foreign currency. These regulations generally require that in those situations where oil companies are required to use Angolan kwanza to pay for goods and services provided by foreign exchange resident oilfield service companies, they must purchase those Angolan kwanza from the National Bank of Angola. These foreign exchange resident oilfield services companies, in turn, generally need U.S. dollars to pay for goods and services provided offshore. The regulations continue to permit tripartite agreements among oil companies, commercial banks and service companies that provide for the sale of U.S. dollars by an oil company to a commercial bank in exchange for Angolan kwanzas. These same U.S. dollars are then sold onward by the commercial bank to the service company. The implementing regulations do, however, place constraints on those tripartite agreements that did not previously exist, and the period of time that the tripartite agreements will be allowed remains uncertain. If tripartite agreements or similar arrangements are not available to service companies in Angola that have a need for U.S. dollars, then such service companies will be required to source U.S. dollars exclusively through the National Bank of Angola. Sonatide has had some success to date in negotiating tripartite agreements and it continues to work with customers, commercial banks and the National Bank of Angola in regards to utilizing these arrangements.

For the three months ended June 30, 2016, the company collected (primarily through Sonatide) approximately \$27 million from its Angolan operations. Of the \$27 million collected, approximately \$16 million were U.S. dollars received by Sonatide on behalf of the company or U.S. dollars directly received by the company from customers. The balance of \$11 million collected resulted from Sonatide's converting Angolan kwanza into U.S. dollars and subsequently expatriating the dollars to facilitate payment to the company. The company also reduced the net due from affiliate and due to affiliate balances by approximately \$13 million during the quarter ended June 30, 2016 through netting transactions based on an agreement with the joint venture.

For the fiscal year ended March 31, 2016, the company collected (primarily through Sonatide) approximately \$215 million from its Angolan operations, which is slightly more than the approximate \$213 million of revenue recognized for the same period. Of the \$215 million collected, approximately \$122 million were U.S. dollars received by Sonatide on behalf of the company or U.S. dollars directly received by the company from customers. The balance of \$93 million collected resulted from Sonatide's converting Angolan kwanza into U.S. dollars and subsequently expatriating the dollars to facilitate payment to the company. Additionally, the company received an approximate \$15 million dividend payment from the Sonatide joint venture during the third quarter of fiscal 2016. The company also reduced the net due from affiliate and due to affiliate balances by approximately \$84 million during the year ended March 31, 2016 through netting transactions based on an agreement with the joint venture.

The company believes that the process for converting Angolan kwanzas continues to function, but the tight U.S. dollar liquidity situation continues in Angola. Sonatide continues to press its commercial banks with which it has relationships to increase the amount of U.S. dollars that are made available to Sonatide.

As of June 30, 2016, the company had approximately \$342 million in amounts due from Sonatide, with approximately \$95 million of the balance reflecting invoiced but unpaid vessel revenue related to services performed by the company through the Sonatide joint venture. Remaining amounts due to the company from Sonatide are, in part, supported by approximately \$117 million of cash (primarily denominated in Angolan kwanzas) held by Sonatide that is pending conversion into U.S. dollars and the subsequent expatriation of such funds.

For the three months ended June 30, 2016, the company's Angolan operations generated vessel revenues of approximately \$39 million, or 24%, of its consolidated vessel revenue, from an average of approximately 60 company-owned vessels that are marketed through the Sonatide joint venture (16 of which were stacked on average during the three months ended June 30, 2016), and, for the three months ended June 30, 2015, generated vessel revenues of approximately \$68 million, or 23%, of consolidated vessel revenue, from an average of approximately 70 company-owned vessels (seven of which were stacked on average during the three months ended June 30, 2015).

Sonatide joint venture owns eight vessels (four of which are currently stacked) and certain other assets, in addition to earning commission income from company-owned vessels marketed through the Sonatide joint venture (owned 49% by the company). In addition, as of June 30, 2016, Sonatide maintained the equivalent of approximately \$117 million of primarily kwanza-denominated deposits in Angolan banks, largely related to customer receipts that had not yet been converted to U.S. dollars, expatriated and then remitted to the company, and approximately \$3 million of U.S. dollar-denominated deposits in banks outside of Angola. As of June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016, the carrying value of the company's investment in the Sonatide joint venture, which is included in "Investments in, at equity, and advances to unconsolidated companies," is approximately \$37 million and \$37 million, respectively.

Due from affiliate at June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016 of approximately \$342 million and \$339 million, respectively, represents cash received by Sonatide from customers and due to the company, amounts due from customers that are expected to be remitted to the company through Sonatide and costs incurred by the company on behalf of Sonatide. The collection of the amounts due to Sonatide from customers, and the subsequent conversion and expatriation process are subject to those risks and considerations set forth above.

Due to affiliate at June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016 of approximately \$197 million and \$188 million, respectively, represents amounts due to Sonatide for commissions payable (approximately \$52 million and \$32 million, respectively) and other costs paid by Sonatide on behalf of the company.

A presidential decree regulating maritime transportation activities was enacted in Angola in 2014. Following discussions with port state authorities and local counsel, the company remains uncertain whether the authorities will interpret the decree to require one hundred percent Angolan ownership of local vessel operators such as Sonatide. This interpretation may result in the need to work with Sonangol to further restructure our Sonatide joint venture and our operations in Angola. The company is seeking further clarification of the new decree. The company is exploring potential alternative structures in order to comply.

The Angolan government enacted a statute, which came into effect on June 30, 2015, for a new levy that could impose an additional 10% surcharge on certain foreign exchange transactions. The specific details of the levy have not yet been disclosed and it is not clear if this new statute will apply to Sonatide's scope of operations. The additional surcharge has not been imposed on any Sonatide transactions to date. The company has undertaken efforts to mitigate the effects of the levy, in the event the levy does apply to Sonatide's operations, including successfully negotiating rate adjustments and termination rights with some of its customers. The company will be unlikely to completely mitigate the effects of the levy, resulting in increased costs and lower margins, if the levy is interpreted to apply to Sonatide's operations.

The Angolan government enacted a new statute, which came into effect on July 1, 2016, for a new special contribution on certain banking transactions that imposes a 0.1% tax on the value of all debit transactions from customer's accounts. The new tax has been imposed on Sonatide's banking transactions. Although the relationship between this new tax and the 2015 surcharge is not yet clear, Sonatide believes it is possible that the imposition of the new tax on its transactions indicates that its transactions will not be subject to the 10% surcharge described above. The new tax is not expected to materially impact the financial results of Sonatide's operations.

Management continues to explore ways to profitably participate in the Angolan market while looking for opportunities to reduce the overall level of exposure to the increased risks that the company believes currently characterize the Angolan market. Included among mitigating measures taken by the company to address these risks is the redeployment of vessels from time to time to other markets. Redeployment of vessels to and from Angola during the three months ended June 30, 2016 and year ended March 31, 2016 has resulted in a net 13 and 23 vessels transferred out of Angola, respectively.

As the company considers the redeployment of additional vessels from Angola to other markets, there would likely be temporary negative financial effects associated with such redeployment, including mobilization costs and costs to redeploy the company's shore-based employees to other areas, in addition to lost revenues associated with potential downtime between vessel contracts. These financial impacts could, individually or in the aggregate, be material to the company's results of operations and cash flows for the periods when such costs would be incurred. The recent decline in crude oil and natural gas prices, the reduction in spending expectations among E&P companies, the number of new-build vessels which are expected to deliver within the next two years and the resulting potential overcapacity in the worldwide offshore support vessel market may exacerbate such negative financial effects, particularly if a large re-deployment were undertaken by the company in the near- to intermediate-term.

#### International Labour Organization's Maritime Labour Convention

The International Labour Organization's Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 (the "Convention") mandates globally, among other things, seafarer living and working conditions (accommodations, wages, conditions of employment, health and other benefits) aboard ships that are engaged in commercial activities. Since its initial entry into force on August 20, 2013, 78 countries have now ratified the Convention, making for a diverse geographic footprint of enforcement.

Accordingly, the company continues prioritizing certification of its vessels to Convention requirements based on the dates of enforcement by countries in which the company has operations, performs maintenance and repairs at shipyards, or may make port calls during ocean voyages. Once obtained, vessel certifications are maintained, regardless of the area of operation. Additionally, where possible, the company continues to work with operationally identified flag states to seek substantial equivalencies to comparable national and industry laws that meet the intent of the Convention, but allow the company to maintain its long-standing operational protocols and mitigate changes to its business processes. As

ratifications continue, the company continues to assess its global seafarer labor relationships and fleet operational practices to not only undertake compliance with the Convention but also gauge the impact of effective enforcement, the effects of which cannot be reasonably estimated at this time.

Macroeconomic Environment and Outlook

The primary driver of our business (and revenues) is the level of our customers' capital and operating expenditures for offshore oil and natural gas exploration, field development and production. These expenditures, in turn, generally reflect our customers' expectations for future oil and natural gas prices, economic growth, hydrocarbon demand, estimates of current and future oil and natural gas production, the relative cost of exploring, developing and producing onshore and offshore oil and natural gas, and our customers' ability to access exploitable oil and natural gas resources. The prices of crude oil and natural gas are critical factors in our customers' investment and spending decisions, including their decisions to contract drilling rigs and offshore support vessels in support of offshore exploration, field development and production activities in the various global geographic markets, in most of which the company already operates.

After a significant decrease in the price of oil during fiscal 2016, largely due to an increase in global supply without a commensurate increase in worldwide demand, the price of crude oil experienced modest increases during the quarter ended June 30, 2016 before trending lower in July 2016. We anticipate that our longer-term utilization and average day rate trends for our vessels will generally correlate with demand for, and the price of, crude oil, which during late July 2016, was trading around \$41 per barrel for West Texas Intermediate (WTI) crude and \$43 per barrel for Intercontinental Exchange (ICE) Brent crude, down from \$53 and \$57 per barrel, respectively, in July of 2015 but up from \$36 and \$37 per barrel prices, respectively, in March of 2016. The current pricing outlook and recent trend in crude oil prices will likely continue to suppress additional drilling and exploration activity. Current prices for WTI and ICE Brent are significantly below the average prices per barrel reportedly used in exploration and production (E&P) companies' capital expenditure budgets as reported in numerous calendar 2016 E&P spending surveys. These surveys have forecasted an overall spending reduction of 11 to 17% which includes a reduction in offshore spending of 20 to 25% as compared to calendar 2015 levels. This forecasted reduction is expected to continue a trend of decreasing E&P spending from already depressed levels in 2015. The surveys also recognize that if oil and gas prices ultimately remain below levels assumed in the E&P capital expenditure budgets for 2016, the probability of further reductions in 2016 E&P spending is very likely.

The production of unconventional gas resources in North America and the commissioning of a number of new, large, Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) export facilities around the world have also contributed to an oversupplied natural gas market. High levels of onshore gas production and a prolonged downturn in natural gas prices have had a negative impact on the offshore exploration and development plans of energy companies and the demand for offshore support vessel services. In late July 2016, natural gas was trading in the U.S. at approximately \$2.59 per Mcf, comparable to July 2015 pricing levels and higher than the March 2016 level of \$1.73 per Mcf as reported by the U.S. Energy Information Administration.

Deepwater activity is a significant segment of the global offshore crude oil and natural gas markets, and, if the commodity pricing environment improves, it could be a source of potential long-term growth for the company. Deepwater oil and gas development typically involves significant capital investment and multi-year development

plans. Such projects are generally underwritten by the participating exploration, field development and production companies using relatively conservative crude oil and natural gas pricing assumptions. Although these projects are generally less susceptible to short-term fluctuations in the price of crude oil and natural gas, deepwater exploration and development projects can be costly relative to other onshore and offshore exploration and development. As a result, generally depressed crude oil prices have caused, and may continue to cause, many E&P companies to reevaluate their future capital expenditures in regards to deepwater projects.

Reports published by IHS-Petrodata at the end of June 2016 indicate that the worldwide movable offshore drilling rig count is estimated at approximately 920 rigs, of which approximately 480 offshore rigs were working as of the end of June 2016, a decrease of approximately 24%, or 150 working rigs, from the number of working rigs a year ago. While the supply of, and demand for, offshore drilling rigs that meet the technical requirements of end user exploration and development companies may be key drivers of pricing for contract drilling services, the company believes that the number of rigs working offshore rather than the total population of moveable offshore drilling rigs is a better indicator of overall offshore activity levels and the demand for offshore support vessel services.

Of the estimated 920 movable offshore rigs worldwide, approximately 32%, or approximately 295 rigs, are designed to operate in deeper waters. Of the approximately 480 working offshore rigs at the end of June 2016, approximately 150 rigs, or 31%, are designed to operate in deeper waters. As of June 2016, the number of working deepwater rigs was approximately

32%, or 70 rigs, less than the number of deepwater rigs working a year ago. It is also estimated that approximately 35% of the approximate 195 total offshore rigs currently under construction, or approximately 65 rigs, are being built to operate in deeper waters, suggesting that newbuild deepwater rigs represent 45% of the approximately 150 deepwater rigs working in June 2016. As such, there is some uncertainty as to whether the deepwater rigs currently under construction will, at least in the near- to intermediate-term, increase the working fleet or merely replace older, less productive drilling units. As a result, it is not clear what impact the delivery of additional rigs (deepwater and otherwise) within the next several years will have on the working rig count, especially in an environment of reduced E&P spending.

Investment is also being made in the floating production unit market, with approximately 65 new floating production units under construction and expected to be delivered primarily over the next three years to supplement the approximately 350 floating production units already operating worldwide. Given the current economic environment, the risk of cancellation of some new build contracts or the stacking of operating but underutilized floating production units continues to increase.

Worldwide shallow-water exploration and production activity has also decreased during the last twelve months. According to IHS-Petrodata, there were approximately 300 working jack-up rigs as of June 2016 (63% of the 480 working offshore rigs), which is a decrease of approximately 20%, or 77 rigs, from the number of jack-up rigs working a year ago. The construction backlog for new jack-up rigs as of June 2016 (120 rigs) is slightly less than the jack-up construction backlog as of June 2015 of 130 rigs, nearly all of which are scheduled for delivery in the next two years. As discussed above with regards to the deepwater rig market and recognizing that 120 newbuild jackup rigs represent 40% of the approximately 300 jack up rigs working in June 2016, there is also uncertainty as to how many of the jack-up rigs currently under construction will either increase the working fleet or replace older, less productive jack-up rigs.

Also, according to IHS-Petrodata, there are approximately 410 new-build offshore support vessels (deepwater PSVs, deepwater AHTS vessels and towing-supply vessels only) either under construction (335 vessels), on order or planned as of June 2016. The majority of the vessels under construction are scheduled to be delivered within the next 18-24 months; however, the company believes not all of these vessels will ultimately be completed based on current and expected future offshore E&P market conditions. Further increases in worldwide vessel capacity would tend to have the effect of lowering charter rates, particularly when there are lower levels of exploration, field development and production activity.

As of June 2016, the worldwide fleet of these classes of offshore support vessels (deepwater PSVs, deepwater AHTS vessels and towing-supply vessels only) is estimated at approximately 3,490 vessels which include approximately 635 vessels that are at least 25 years old and nearing or exceeding original expectations of their estimated economic lives. These older vessels, of which we estimate the majority are already stacked or not actively marketed by the vessels' owners, could potentially be removed from the market in the near future if the cost of extending the vessels' lives is not economical, especially in light of recent market conditions. Excluding the 635 vessels that are at least 25 years old from the overall population, the company estimates that the number of offshore support vessels under construction (335 vessels) represents approximately 14% of the remaining worldwide fleet of approximately 2,845

offshore support vessels.

In addition, we and other offshore support vessel owners have selectively stacked more recently constructed vessels as a result of the significant reduction in our customers' offshore oil and gas-related activity and the resulting more challenging offshore support vessel market that has existed since late 2014. Should market conditions continue to deteriorate, the stacking or underutilization of additional more recently constructed vessels by the offshore supply vessel industry is likely.

Although the future attrition rate of the 635 older offshore support vessels cannot be determined with certainty, we believe that the retirement and/or sale to owners outside of the oil and gas market of a vast majority of these aged vessels (a majority of which the company believes have already been stacked or are not being actively marketed to oil and gas development-focused customers by the vessels' owners) could mitigate the potential negative effects on vessel utilization and vessel pricing of (i) additional offshore support vessels supply resulting from the delivery of additional new-build vessels and (ii) reduced demand for offshore support vessels resulting from reduced E&P spending. Similarly, the cancellation or deferral of delivery of some portion of the 335 offshore support vessels that are under construction according to IHS-Petrodata would also mitigate the potential negative effects on vessel utilization and vessel pricing of reduced demand for offshore support vessels resulting from reduced E&P spending.

As discussed above, additional vessel demand, which also could mitigate the possible negative effects of the new-build vessels being added to the offshore support vessel fleet, could be created by the delivery of new drilling rigs and floating production units to the extent such new drilling rigs and/or floating production units both become operational and are not offset by the idling or retirement of existing active drilling rigs and floating production units.

Although we believe investment in additional rigs, especially those capable of operating in deeper waters, indicates offshore rig owner's longer-term expectation for higher levels of activity, the decline in crude oil and natural gas prices, the reduction in spending expectations among E&P companies and the number of new-build vessels which are expected to deliver within the next 18-24 months indicates that there may be, at least in the short-to intermediate-term, a period of potential greater overcapacity in the worldwide offshore support vessel fleet which may lead to lower utilization and average day rates across the offshore support vessel industry.

Fiscal 2017 First Quarter Business Highlights

During the first quarter of fiscal 2017, we continued to focus on identifying potential cost savings that could be realized given the reduction in revenues attributable to lower crude oil prices and reduced E&P spending. Key elements of our strategy include sustaining our offshore support vessel fleet and its global operating footprint, while safeguarding our balance sheet and maintaining adequate liquidity to fund operations and the remaining payments related to four vessels under construction at June 30, 2016. Operating management is focused on safe, compliant operations, minimizing unscheduled vessel downtime, improving the oversight of major repairs and maintenance projects and drydockings and maintaining disciplined cost control.

At June 30, 2016, we had 266 owned or chartered vessels (excluding joint-venture vessels) in our fleet with an average age of 9.3 years. The average age of 249 newer vessels in the fleet (defined as those that have been acquired or constructed since calendar year 2000 as part of our new build and acquisition program) is approximately 8.1 years.

Primarily as a result of the significant industry downturn which occurred over the latter half of fiscal 2015 and has continued through fiscal 2016 and 2017, our revenue during the first quarter of fiscal 2017 decreased 45%, or \$136.8 million, from the revenues earned during the same quarter of fiscal 2016.

Revenue reductions were accompanied by decreases in vessel operating costs which decreased 39%, or \$70.4 million, during the first quarter of fiscal 2017 as compared to the same period in fiscal 2016. Likewise, during the first quarter of fiscal 2017 as compared to the first quarter of fiscal 2016,crew costs decreased approximately 39%, or \$36.4 million; repair and maintenance costs decreased 56%, or \$20.7 million; fuel, lube and supplies costs decreased 41%, or \$7.3 million; and other vessel costs decreased 29%, or \$7.6 million; primarily due to the reduction in the number of vessels operating, along with other cost cutting initiatives implemented throughout fiscal 2016 and into fiscal 2017. Partially offsetting these decreases to vessel operating expenses was a 30%, or \$1.6 million increase to insurance costs as a result of a claim for which additional reserve was required

We experienced a 2%, or \$1.1 million, decrease in depreciation and amortization expense during the first quarter of fiscal 2017 as compared to the same period of the fiscal 2016 due to assets which were fully depreciated or sold since the first quarter of fiscal 2016 together with reduced depreciable asset bases due to asset impairments recorded since the first quarter of fiscal 2016 which exceeded the impact of new-build vessels delivered into the fleet during the last 12 months.

General and administrative expenses decreased 16%, or \$6.9 million, during the first quarter of fiscal 2017 as compared to the first quarter of fiscal 2016 as a result of our continuing efforts to reduce overhead costs due to the downturn in the offshore oil services market.

We recorded \$36.9 million of asset impairments during the first quarter of fiscal 2017 primarily due to our stacking of underutilized vessels (as a result of the decrease in the volume of oil and gas exploration, field development and production spending by our customers) and a decline in offshore support vessel values.

Increased borrowings under our revolving credit facility in March 2016 and a higher spread on floating rate loans (as a result of higher leverage) have resulted in higher interest and other debt expenses of 29%, or \$3.8 million during the first quarter of fiscal 2017 as compared to the same period of the previous fiscal year.

As of June 30, 2016 and March 31, 2016 our net debt to net capitalization ratio was 38.3% and 37.3%, respectively. The ratio was slightly higher in the first quarter of fiscal 2016 primarily due to the net loss incurred in the first quarter of fiscal 2017. Our ratio of net debt to net capitalization is calculated by dividing total debt, net of cash and cash equivalents as of the balance sheet dates by the sum of shareholders' equity and debt, net of cash and cash equivalents and is relevant and useful to us in order to determine financial leverage relative to peers and the company's ability to comply with existing debt agreements. Debt balances used in the calculation of this ratio are inclusive of debt issue costs per ASU 2015-03 which was adopted in the first quarter of fiscal 2017 and retrospectively applied to prior year amounts.

During the quarter ended June 30, 2016 our operations in the Mediterranean Sea (based in Egypt) were transitioned from the previously disclosed Middle East/North Africa operations and included with the previously disclosed Sub-Saharan Africa/Europe operations as a result of management realignments. As such, we now disclose these new segments as Middle East and Africa/Europe, respectively. Our Americas and Asia/Pacific segments are not affected by this change. This new segment alignment is consisted with how our chief operating decision maker reviews operating results for the purposes of allocating resources and assessing performance.

Vessel revenues generated by our Americas segment decreased approximately 47%, or \$53.6 million, during the first quarter of fiscal 2017 as compared to the vessel revenues earned during the same period in fiscal 2016, reflecting an overall 27 percentage point decrease in utilization and a 10% decrease in average day rates. Vessel operating costs for the Americas segment also decreased 38%, or \$23.6 million, during the same comparative periods.

Vessel revenues generated by our Asia/Pacific segment decreased 72%, or \$20 million, during the first quarter of fiscal 2017 as compared to the same period in fiscal 2016, primarily due to an overall 25 percentage point decrease in utilization and a 55% decrease in average day rates. Vessel operating costs for the Asia/Pacific segment decreased 66%, or \$11.6 million, during the same comparative periods.

Vessel revenues generated by our Middle East segment decreased 25%, or \$8.1 million, during the first quarter of fiscal 2017 as compared to the revenues earned during the same period in fiscal 2017, as a result of an overall 12 percentage point decrease in utilization and a 15% decrease in average day rates. Vessel operating costs for the Middle East segment also decreased 17%, or \$3.4 million, during the same comparative periods.

Vessel revenues generated by our Africa/Europe segment decreased 44%, or \$54.3 million, during the first quarter of fiscal 2017 as compared to the revenues earned during the same period in fiscal 2016, reflecting an overall 17 percentage point decrease in utilization and 20% decrease in average day rates, as compared to the same period of the preceding fiscal year. Vessel operating costs for the Africa/Europe segment decreased 40%, or \$31.9 million, during the same comparative periods.

A more complete discussion of each of the above segment highlights is included in the "Results of Operations" section below.

#### **Results of Operations**

We manage and measure our business performance primarily based on four distinct geographic operating segments: Americas, Asia/Pacific, Middle East, and Africa/Europe. The following table compares vessel revenues and vessel operating costs (excluding general and administrative expenses, depreciation expense, and gains on asset dispositions, net) for the company's owned and operated vessel fleet and the related percentage of vessel revenue for the quarters ended June 30, 2016 and 2015 and for the quarter ended March 31, 2016:

	Quarter Er June 30,	nded			Quarter Endarch 31,		
(In thousands)	2016	%	2015	%	2016	%	
Vessel revenues:							
Americas	\$60,608	37 %	114,172	38 %	63,650	35	%
Asia/Pacific	7,921	5 %	27,937	9 %	9,791	6	%
Middle East	24,202	15 %	32,253	11 %	24,163	13	%
Africa/Europe	69,699	43 %	123,951	42 %	82,444	46	%
Total vessel revenues	\$162,430	100%	298,313	100%	180,048	100	)%
Vessel operating costs:							
Crew costs	\$55,888	34 %	92,288	31 %	55,549	31	%
Repair and maintenance	16,529	10 %	37,254	12 %	14,280	8	%
Insurance and loss reserves	6,996	4 %	5,375	2 %	(1,230)	(1	%)
Fuel, lube and supplies	10,772	7 %	18,110	6 %	10,366	6	%
Other	18,689	12 %	26,254	9 %	19,181	11	%
Total vessel operating costs	\$108,874	67 %	179,281	60 %	98,146	55	%

The following table compares other operating revenues and costs related to brokered vessels, ROVs and other miscellaneous marine-related activities for the quarters ended June 30, 2016 and 2015 and for the quarter ended March 31, 2016:

	Quarter	Ended	Quarter Ended	
	June 30	,	March 31,	
(In thousands)	2016	2015	2016	
Other operating revenues	\$5,495	6,461	4,126	
Costs of other operating revenues	3,903	5,744	3,187	

The following table presents vessel operating costs by our four geographic segments, the related segment vessel operating costs as a percentage of segment vessel revenues, total vessel operating costs and the related total vessel operating costs as a percentage of total vessel revenues for the quarters ended June 30, 2016 and 2015 and for the quarter ended March 31, 2016:

	Quarter E June 30,	Ended			Quarter Ended March 3	1,
(In thousands)	2016	%	2015	%	2016	%
Vessel operating costs:						
Americas:						
Crew costs	\$19,531	32%	33,759	29%	15,130	24 %
Repair and maintenance	7,602	12%	14,733	13%	7,602	12 %
Insurance and loss reserves	2,265	4 %	1,885	2 %	(166)	(<1%)
Fuel, lube and supplies						