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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

X Quarterly Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2012 OR

\_\_\_\_ Transition Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

Commission file number 001-13643

ONEOK, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Oklahoma (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

100 West Fifth Street, Tulsa, OK (Address of principal executive offices) 73-1520922 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

74103 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (918) 588-7000

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate website, 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 \_\_\_

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

 Large accelerated filer X
 Accelerated filer \_\_\_\_\_
 Non-accelerated filer \_\_\_\_\_
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Indicate by checkmark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes  $\_$  No X

On October 26, 2012, the Company had 204,613,070 shares of common stock outstanding.

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As used in this Quarterly Report, references to "we," "our" or "us" refer to ONEOK, Inc., an Oklahoma corporation, and its predecessors, divisions and subsidiaries, unless the context indicates otherwise.

The statements in this Quarterly Report that are not historical information, including statements concerning plans and objectives of management for future operations, economic performance or related assumptions, are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements may include words such as "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "project," "intend," "pl "believe," "should," "goal," "forecast," "guidance," "could," "may," "continue," "might," "potential," "scheduled" and other w of similar meaning. Although we believe that our expectations regarding future events are based on reasonable assumptions, we can give no assurance that such expectations or assumptions will be achieved. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements are described under Part I, Item 2, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations "Forward-Looking Statements," in this Quarterly Report and under Part I, Item IA, "Risk Factors," in our Annual Report.

#### INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE

We make available, free of charge, on our website (www.oneok.com) copies of our Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K, amendments to those reports filed or furnished to the SEC pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and reports of holdings of our securities filed by our officers and directors under Section 16 of the Exchange Act as soon as reasonably practicable after filing such material electronically or otherwise furnishing it to the SEC. Copies of our Code of Business Conduct, Corporate

Governance Guidelines and Director Independence Guidelines are also available on our website, and we will provide copies of these documents upon request. Our website and any contents thereof are not incorporated by reference into this report.

We also make available on our website the Interactive Data Files required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T.

## GLOSSARY

The abbreviations, acronyms and industry terminology used in this Quarterly Report are defined as follows:

AFUDC	Allowance for funds used during construction					
Annual Report	Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011					
ASU	Accounting Standards Update					
Bbl	Barrels, 1 barrel is equivalent to 42 United States gallons					
Bbl/d	Barrels per day					
BBtu/d	Billion British thermal units per day					
Bcf	Billion cubic feet					
Bcf/d	Billion cubic feet per day					
	British thermal units, a measure of the amount of heat required to raise the					
Btu(s)	temperature of one pound of water one degree Fahrenheit					
CFTC	Commodities Futures Trading Commission					
Clean Air Act	Federal Clean Air Act, as amended					
Clean Water Act	Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972, as amended					
Dodd-Frank Act	Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010					
DOT	United States Department of Transportation					
	Earnings before interest expense, income taxes, depreciation and					
EBITDA	amortization					
EPA	United States Environmental Protection Agency					
Exchange Act	Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended					
FASB	Financial Accounting Standards Board					
FERC	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission					
GAAP	Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America					
	ONEOK Partners Intermediate Limited Partnership, a wholly owned					
Intermediate Partnership	subsidiary of ONEOK Partners, L.P.					
KCC	Kansas Corporation Commission					
KDHE	Kansas Department of Health and Environment					
LDCs	Local distribution companies					
LIBOR	London Interbank Offered Rate					
MBbl	Thousand barrels					
MBbl/d	Thousand barrels per day					
Mcf	Thousand cubic feet					
MDth/d	Thousand dekatherms per day					
MMBbl	Million barrels					
MMBtu	Million British thermal units					
MMBtu/d	Million British thermal units per day					
MMcf	Million cubic feet					
MMcf/d	Million cubic feet per day					
Moody's	Moody's Investors Service, Inc.					
Natural Gas Policy Act	Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978, as amended					
NGL products	Marketable natural gas liquid purity products, such as ethane,					
NGL products	ethane/propane mix, propane, iso-butane, normal butane and natural gasoline					
NGL(s)	Natural gas liquid(s)					
NYMEX	New York Mercantile Exchange					
OCC	Oklahoma Corporation Commission					
ONEOK	ONEOK, Inc.					

ONEOK 2011 Credit Agreement	ONEOK's \$1.2 billion revolving credit agreement dated April 5, 2011
ONEOK Partners	ONEOK Partners, L.P.
ONEOK Partners 2011 Credit	ONEOK Partners' \$1.2 billion revolving credit agreement dated August 1,
Agreement	2011
ONEOK Partners GP	ONEOK Partners GP, L.L.C., a wholly owned subsidiary of ONEOK and the sole general partner of ONEOK Partners
POP	Percent of Proceeds

Quarterly Report(s) S&P SEC Securities Act XBRL Quarterly Report(s) on Form 10-Q Standard & Poor's Rating Services Securities and Exchange Commission Securities Act of 1933, as amended eXtensible Business Reporting Language

#### PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ONEOK, Inc. and Subsidiaries CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME								
	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended					
	September 30,			September 30,				
(Unaudited)	2012		2011		2012		2011	
	(Thousands o	of (	dollars, excep	)t 1	per share amo	ur	nts)	
Revenues	\$3,028,775		\$3,529,359		\$8,972,635		\$10,734,757	
Cost of sales and fuel	2,474,803		2,996,735		7,226,114		9,053,423	
Net margin	553,972		532,624		1,746,521		1,681,334	
Operating expenses								
Operations and maintenance	206,048		185,127		603,055		575,658	
Depreciation and amortization	81,434		75,953		249,429		234,103	
Goodwill impairment					10,255			
General taxes	23,157		22,134		81,471		76,893	
Total operating expenses	310,639		283,214		944,210		886,654	
Gain (loss) on sale of assets	(420	)	(69	)	603			)
Operating income	242,913	·	249,341	-	802,914		793,889	
Equity earnings from investments (Note K)	28,591		32,029		92,380		93,665	
Allowance for equity funds used during construction	3,302		759		6,126		1,625	
Other income	5,049		184		11,495		1,069	
Other expense	(919	)	(13,285	)	(3,990	)	(13,535	)
Interest expense (net of capitalized interest of \$11,802,	(71.2)(4)	`	(72.041		(219.714)			``````````````````````````````````````
\$6,469, \$30,521 and \$13,904, respectively)	(71,364	)	(73,841	)	(218,714	)	(228,688	)
Income before income taxes	207,572		195,187		690,211		648,025	
Income taxes	(42,584	)	(34,028	)	(156,835	)	(154,252	)
Income from continuing operations	164,988		161,159		533,376		493,773	
Income from discontinued operations, net of tax (Note			(279	)	762		1,219	
B)			(279	)	702		1,219	
Gain on sale of discontinued operations, net of tax (Note	_				13,517		_	
B)					15,517			
Net income	164,988		160,880		547,655		494,992	
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests			100,559		298,578		249,399	
Net income attributable to ONEOK	\$65,219		\$60,321		\$249,077		\$245,593	
Amounts attributable to ONEOK:								
Income from continuing operations	\$65,219		\$60,600		\$234,798		\$244,374	
Income from discontinued operations				)	14,279		1,219	
Net income	\$65,219		\$60,321		\$249,077		\$245,593	
Basic earnings per share:								
Income from continuing operations (Note I)	\$0.32		\$0.29		\$1.14		\$1.16	
Income from discontinued operations					0.07		0.01	
Net income	\$0.32		\$0.29		\$1.21		\$1.17	
Diluted earnings per share:								
Income from continuing operations (Note I)	\$0.31		\$0.29		\$1.11		\$1.13	
Income from discontinued operations			(0.01	)	0.07		0.01	
Net Income	\$0.31		\$0.28		\$1.18		\$1.14	
Average shares (thousands)								
Basic	205,005		206,606		206,638		210,440	

Diluted	209,960	211,940	211,198	215,454
Dividends declared per share of common stock	\$0.33	\$0.28	\$0.94	\$0.80
See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.				

#### ONEOK, Inc. and Subsidiaries CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Three Months September 30			Nine Month September 3		Ended	
(Unaudited)	2012	2011		2012	,	2011	
	(Thousands o	f dollars)					
Net income	\$164,988	\$160,880		\$547,655		\$494,992	
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax							
Unrealized gains (losses) on energy marketing and							
risk-management assets/liabilities, net of tax of \$12,244	, (30,383	) (37,842	)	4,520		(38,004	)
\$14,194, \$(2,146) and \$10,487, respectively							
Realized (gains) losses in net income, net of tax of	(20,973	) (15,814	)	(44,675	)	(32,522	)
\$6,143, \$10,193, \$12,954 and \$22,127, respectively	(20,)75	) (13,014	)	(++,075	)	(32,322	)
Unrealized holding gains (losses) on available-for-sale							
securities, net of tax of \$(57), \$31, \$(132) and \$234,	90	(331	)	210		(370	)
respectively							
Change in pension and postretirement benefit plan							
liability, net of tax of \$3,644, \$2,947, \$10,932 and	(5,778	) (4,672	)	(17,330	)	(14,017	)
\$8,842, respectively							
Other, net of tax of \$0, \$11, \$0 and \$73, respectively		(18	)			(115	)
Total other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	(57,044	) (58,677	)	(57,275	)	(85,028	)
Comprehensive income	107,944	102,203		490,380		409,964	
Less: Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests	77,561	85,189		275,658		230,142	
Comprehensive income attributable to ONEOK	\$30,383	\$17,014		\$214,722		\$179,822	
See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Stat	ements.						

## ONEOK, Inc. and Subsidiaries CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	September 30,	December 31,
(Unaudited)	2012	2011
Assets	(Thousands of d	ollars)
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$978,825	\$65,953
Accounts receivable, net	984,724	1,339,933
Gas and natural gas liquids in storage	644,719	549,915
Commodity imbalances	57,303	63,452
Energy marketing and risk management assets (Notes C and D)	70,324	40,280
Other current assets	220,135	185,143
Assets of discontinued operations (Note B)		74,136
Total current assets	2,956,030	2,318,812
Property, plant and equipment		
Property, plant and equipment	12,404,878	11,177,934
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	2,914,496	2,733,601
Net property, plant and equipment	9,490,382	8,444,333
Investments and other assets		
Investments in unconsolidated affiliates (Note K)	1,218,282	1,223,398
Goodwill and intangible assets	998,122	1,014,127
Other assets	701,491	695,965
Total investments and other assets	2,917,895	2,933,490
Total assets	\$15,364,307	\$13,696,635
See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.		

## ONEOK, Inc. and Subsidiaries CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Continued)

(Unaudited)	September 30, 2012	December 31, 2011	
Liabilities and equity	(Thousands of d	lollars)	
Current liabilities			
Current maturities of long-term debt	\$11,140	\$364,391	
Notes payable (Note E)	676,747	841,982	
Accounts payable	1,153,750	1,341,718	
Commodity imbalances	213,367	202,206	
Energy marketing and risk management liabilities (Notes C and D)	25,856	137,680	
Other current liabilities	358,253	345,383	
Liabilities of discontinued operations (Note B)		12,815	
Total current liabilities	2,439,113	3,246,175	
Long-term debt, excluding current maturities (Note F)	6,517,464	4,529,551	
Deferred credits and other liabilities			
Deferred income taxes	1,539,960	1,446,591	
Other deferred credits	692,211	674,586	
Total deferred credits and other liabilities	2,232,171	2,121,177	
Commitments and contingencies (Note M)			
Equity (Note G)			
ONEOK shareholders' equity:			
Common stock, \$0.01 par value:			
authorized 600,000,000 shares; issued 245,811,180 shares and outstanding			
204,598,717 shares at September 30, 2012; issued 245,809,848 shares and	2,458	2,458	
outstanding 206,509,960 shares at December 31, 2011			
Paid-in capital	1,337,045	1,417,185	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss (Note H)		) (206,121	)
Retained earnings	2,015,008	1,960,374	
Treasury stock, at cost: 41,212,463 shares at September 30, 2012, and 39,299,888 shares at December 31, 2011	(1,048,329	) (935,323	)
Total ONEOK shareholders' equity	2,065,706	2,238,573	
Noncontrolling interests in consolidated subsidiaries	2,109,853	1,561,159	
Total equity	4,175,559	3,799,732	
Total liabilities and equity	\$15,364,307	\$13,696,635	
See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.	φ13,30 <del>4</del> ,307	ψ15,070,055	
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## ONEOK, Inc. and Subsidiaries CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

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	Nine Month	s Ended	
	September 3	30,	
(Unaudited)	2012	2011	
	(Thousands	of dollars)	
Operating activities	× ×	,	
Net income	\$547,655	\$494,992	
Depreciation and amortization	249,437	234,201	
Impairment of goodwill	10,255	234,201	
Gain on sale of discontinued operations	(13,517	)	
		) —	
Reclassified loss on energy price risk management assets and liabilities	29,861		``
Equity earnings from investments	(92,380	) (93,665	)
Distributions received from unconsolidated affiliates	92,996	87,151	
Deferred income taxes	170,657	200,961	
Share-based compensation expense	35,970	39,297	
Allowance for equity funds used during construction	(6,126	) (1,625	)
Loss (gain) on sale of assets	(603	) 791	
Other	(1,770	) (1,260	)
Changes in assets and liabilities:			
Accounts receivable	350,350	194,631	
Gas and natural gas liquids in storage	(94,362	) 26,975	
Accounts payable	(156,483	) (401	)
Commodity imbalances, net	17,310	(63,159	)
Energy marketing and risk management assets and liabilities	(205,008	) (12,705	Ś
Other assets and liabilities	(171,383	) (76,565	)
Cash provided by operating activities	762,859	1,029,619	)
Investing activities	702,839	1,029,019	
C C	(1 229 009	) (862.210	)
Capital expenditures (less allowance for equity funds used during construction)	(1,238,908	) (862,310	)
Proceeds from sale of discontinued operations, net of cash sold	32,946	<u> </u>	``
Contributions to unconsolidated affiliates	(21,284	) (51,686	)
Distributions received from unconsolidated affiliates	25,756	16,158	
Proceeds from sale of assets	1,918	951	
Other	988		
Cash used in investing activities	(1,198,584	) (896,887	)
Financing activities			
Borrowing (repayment) of notes payable, net	(165,235	) 93,145	
Issuance of debt, net of discounts	1,994,693	1,295,450	
Long-term debt financing costs	(15,030	) (10,986	)
Repayment of debt	(359,251	) (724,405	)
Repurchase of common stock	(150,000	) (300,108	)
Issuance of common stock	7,068	7,142	
Issuance of common units, net of issuance costs	459,680		
Dividends paid	(194,443	) (169,337	)
Distributions to noncontrolling interests	(237,744	) (206,260	Ś
Cash provided by (used in) financing activities	1,339,738	(15,359	)
Change in cash and cash equivalents	904,013	117,373	)
Change in cash and cash equivalents included in discontinued operations	8,859	1,898	
	8,839 912,872		
Change in cash and cash equivalents from continuing operations	912,072	119,271	

Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	65,953	30,341
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$978,825	\$149,612
See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.		

## ONEOK, Inc. and Subsidiaries CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

ONEOK Shareholders' Equity

(Unaudited)	Common Stock Issued	Common Stock	Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Other Comprehensi Income (Loss	ve
	(Shares)	(Thousands of	dollars)		
December 31, 2011	245,809,848	\$2,458	\$1,417,185	\$(206,121	)
Net income				—	
Other comprehensive income (loss)		—		(34,355	)
Repurchase of common stock		—			
Common stock issued	1,332	—	(26,604)		
Common stock dividends -					
\$0.94 per share					
Issuance of common units of ONEOK Partners		—	(51,100)		
Distributions to noncontrolling interests					
Other			(2,436)		
September 30, 2012	245,811,180	\$2,458	\$1,337,045	\$(240,476	)
See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financi	al Statements.				

### ONEOK, Inc. and Subsidiaries CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY (Continued)

	ONEOK Share				
(Unaudited)	Retained Earnings	Treasury Stock	Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Subsidiaries	Total Equity	
	(Thousands of	dollars)			
December 31, 2011	\$1,960,374	\$(935,323)	\$1,561,159	\$3,799,732	
Net income	249,077		298,578	547,655	
Other comprehensive income (loss)			(22,920	) (57,275	)
Repurchase of common stock		(150,000)	·	(150,000	)
Common stock issued		36,994		10,390	
Common stock dividends -					
\$0.94 per share	(194,443)	·		(194,443	)
Issuance of common units of ONEOK Partners			510,780	459,680	
Distributions to noncontrolling interests			(237,744	) (237,744	)
Other	_			(2,436	)
September 30, 2012	\$2,015,008	\$(1,048,329)	\$2,109,853	\$4,175,559	
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#### ONEOK, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Our accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared pursuant to the rules and regulations of the SEC. These statements have been prepared in accordance with GAAP and reflect all adjustments that, in our opinion, are necessary for a fair presentation of the results for the interim periods presented. All such adjustments are of a normal recurring nature. The 2011 year-end consolidated balance sheet data was derived from audited financial statements but does not include all disclosures required by GAAP. These unaudited consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with our audited consolidated financial statements in our Annual Report. Due to the seasonal nature of our business, the results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for a 12-month period.

Stock Split - In June 2012, we completed our previously announced two-for-one split of our common stock. We have adjusted all share and per-share amounts contained herein to be presented on a post-split basis.

Our significant accounting policies are consistent with those disclosed in Note A of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in our Annual Report.

Recently Issued Accounting Standards Update - In May 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-04, "Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)," which provides a consistent definition of fair value and common requirements for measurement of and disclosure about fair value between GAAP and IFRS. This new guidance changes some fair value measurement principles and disclosure requirements. We adopted this guidance with our March 31, 2012, Quarterly Report, and the impact was not material. See Note C for information on our fair value measurements.

In June 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-05, "Presentation of Comprehensive Income," which provides two options for presenting items of net income, other comprehensive income and total comprehensive income either by creating one continuous statement of comprehensive income or two separate consecutive statements, and requires certain other disclosures. In December 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-12, "Deferral of the Effective Date for Amendments to the Presentation of Reclassifications of Items Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income in Accounting Standards Update No. 2011-05," which deferred certain presentation requirements in ASU 2011-05 for items reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income. We adopted this guidance, except for the portions deferred by ASU 2011-12, with our March 31, 2012, Quarterly Report, and the impact was not material.

In September 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-08, "Testing Goodwill for Impairment," which permits an entity to first assess qualitative factors to determine whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount. Under the amendments in this update, an entity is not required to calculate the fair value of a reporting unit unless the entity determines that it is more likely than not that its fair value is less than its carrying amount. An entity has the option to bypass the qualitative assessment for any reporting unit in any period and proceed directly to performing the first step of the two-step goodwill impairment test. An entity may also resume performing the qualitative assessment in any subsequent period. We adopted this guidance beginning with our July 1, 2012, goodwill impairment test, and it did not impact our financial position or results of operations.

In July 2012, the FASB issued ASU 2012-02, "Testing Indefinite-lived Intangible Assets for Impairment," which allows companies to perform a "qualitative" assessment to determine whether further impairment testing of indefinite-lived intangible assets is necessary. Under the revised standard, an entity is not required to calculate the fair value of an indefinite-lived intangible asset and perform the quantitative impairment test unless the entity determines that it is

more likely than not that the asset is impaired. An entity has the option to bypass the qualitative assessment and perform the quantitative impairment test for any indefinite-lived intangible assets in any period. We expect the impact of this guidance to be immaterial when we adopt it for our annual assessments beginning in 2013.

Goodwill Impairment Test - We assess our goodwill for impairment at least annually on July 1, unless events or changes in circumstances indicate an impairment may have occurred before that time. As a result of the decline in natural gas prices and its effect on location and seasonal price differentials, we performed an interim impairment assessment of our Energy Services segment's goodwill balance as of March 31, 2012. As a result of that assessment, goodwill with a carrying amount of \$10.3 million was written down to its implied fair value of zero, with a resulting impairment charge of \$10.3 million recorded in

earnings for the three months ended March 31, 2012. The fair value of our Energy Services reporting unit and the implied fair value of its goodwill were calculated using Level 3, significant unobservable inputs.

At July 1, 2012, we assessed qualitative factors to determine whether it was more likely than not that the fair value of each of our reporting units was less than its carrying amount. After assessing qualitative factors (including macroeconomic conditions, industry and market considerations, cost factors and overall financial performance), we determined that no further testing was necessary.

#### **B. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS**

On February 1, 2012, we sold ONEOK Energy Marketing Company, our retail natural gas marketing business, to Constellation Energy Group, Inc. for \$22.5 million plus working capital. We received net proceeds of approximately \$32.9 million and recognized a gain on the sale of approximately \$13.5 million, net of taxes of \$8.3 million. The proceeds from the sale were used to reduce short-term borrowings. The financial information of ONEOK Energy Marketing Company is reflected as discontinued operations in this Quarterly Report. All prior periods presented have been recast to reflect the discontinued operations.

The amounts of revenue, costs and income taxes reported in discontinued operations are set forth in the table below for the periods indicated:

	One Month Ended January 31,	Three Months Ended September 30,	Nine Months Ended September 30,
	2012	2011	2011
	(Thousands of dollars)	1	
Revenues	\$27,607	\$65,832	\$241,798
Cost of sales and fuel	25,961	64,463	233,942
Net margin	1,646	1,369	7,856
Operating costs	408	1,797	5,814
Depreciation and amortization	8	33	98
Operating income	1,230	(461	) 1,944
Other income (expense), net	_	(93	) (78 )
Income taxes	(468))	275	(647)
Income from discontinued operations, net	\$762	\$(279	\$1,219

The following table discloses the major classes of discontinued assets and liabilities included on our Consolidated Balance Sheet for the period indicated:

December 31,
2011
(Thousands of dollars)
\$8,859
47,967
2,101
15,016
193
\$74,136
\$11,435
629
751

Liabilities of discontinued operations

\$12,815

At December 31, 2011, the liabilities of our discontinued operations exclude \$45.7 million of intercompany payables due to its parent or other affiliates.

#### C.FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Fair Value Measurements - We define fair value as the price that would be received from the sale of an asset or the transfer of a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. We use the market and income approaches to determine the fair value of our assets and liabilities and consider the markets in which the transactions are executed. We measure the fair value of groups of financial assets and liabilities consistent with how a market participant would price the net risk exposure at the measurement date.

While many of the contracts in our portfolio are executed in liquid markets where price transparency exists, some contracts are executed in markets for which market prices may exist, but the market may be relatively inactive. This results in limited price transparency that requires management's judgment and assumptions to estimate fair values. Inputs into our fair value estimates include commodity exchange prices, over-the-counter quotes, volatility, historical correlations of pricing data and LIBOR and other liquid money market instrument rates. We also utilize internally developed basis curves that incorporate observable and unobservable market data. We validate our valuation inputs with third-party information and settlement prices from other sources, where available. In addition, as prescribed by the income approach, we compute the fair value of our derivative portfolio by discounting the projected future cash flows from our derivative assets and liabilities to present value using interest-rate yields to calculate present-value discount factors derived from LIBOR, Eurodollar futures and interest-rate swaps. We also take into consideration the potential impact on market prices of liquidating positions in an orderly manner over a reasonable period of time under current market conditions. We consider current market data in evaluating counterparties', as well as our own, nonperformance risk, net of collateral, by using specific and sector bond yields and also monitor the credit default swap markets. Although we use our best estimates to determine the fair value of the derivative contracts we have executed, the ultimate market prices realized could differ from our estimates, and the differences could be material.

Recurring Fair Value Measurements - The following tables set forth our recurring fair value measurements for our continuing and discontinued operations for the periods indicated:

	September 30, 2012					
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Netting	Total	
	(Thousands	of dollars)		-		
Assets						
Derivatives (a)						
Commodity contracts						
Financial contracts	\$140,955	\$25,252	\$20,946	\$—	\$187,153	
Physical contracts		3,205	2,707		5,912	
Netting				(126,717	) (126,717	)
Interest-rate contracts		7,600		—	7,600	
Total derivatives	140,955	36,057	23,653	(126,717	) 73,948	
Trading securities (b)	6,759				6,759	
Available-for-sale investment securities	2,292				2,292	
(c)	2,292				2,292	
Total assets	\$150,006	\$36,057	\$23,653	\$(126,717	) \$82,999	
Liabilities						
Derivatives (a)						
Commodity contracts						
Financial contracts	\$(118,050	) \$(16,651	) \$(8,336	) \$—	\$(143,037	)
Physical contracts		(630	) (1,163	) —	(1,793	)
Netting				118,554	118,554	
Total derivatives	(118,050	) (17,281	) (9,499	) 118,554	(26,276	)
Fair value of firm commitments (d)			(2,167	) —	(2,167	)
Total liabilities	\$(118,050	) \$(17,281	) \$(11,666	) \$118,554	\$(28,443	)

(a) - Our derivative assets and liabilities are presented in our Consolidated Balance Sheets as energy marketing and risk management assets and liabilities and other assets on a net basis. We net derivative assets and liabilities, including cash collateral, when a legally enforceable master-netting arrangement exists between the counterparty to a derivative contract and us. At September 30, 2012, we held \$8.2 million of cash collateral and had posted \$7.6 million of cash collateral with various counterparties.

(b) - Included in our Consolidated Balance Sheets as other current assets.

(c) - Included in our Consolidated Balance Sheets as other assets.

(d) - Included in our Consolidated Balance Sheets as other current liabilities and other deferred credits.

	December 31 Level 1	, 2011 Level 2	Level 3	Netting	Total	
	(Thousands c	of dollars)				
Assets						
Derivatives (a)						
Commodity contracts						
Financial contracts	\$545,247	\$13,874	\$32,931	\$—	\$592,052	
Physical contracts		23,879	14,916		38,795	
Netting				(569,243	) (569,243	)
Total derivatives	545,247	37,753	47,847	(569,243	) 61,604	
Trading securities (b)	5,749				5,749	
Available-for-sale investment securities	1,949				1,949	
(c)	1,949				1,949	
Total assets	\$552,945	\$37,753	\$47,847	\$(569,243	) \$69,302	
Liabilities						
Derivatives (a)						
Commodity contracts						
Financial contracts	\$(479,073	) \$(6,498	) \$(20,995	) \$—	\$(506,566	)
Physical contracts		(261	) (1,748	) —	(2,009	)
Netting				497,608	497,608	
Interest-rate contracts		(128,666	) —		(128,666	)
Total derivatives	(479,073	) (135,425	) (22,743	) 497,608	(139,633	)
Fair value of firm commitments (d)	_		(7,283	) —	(7,283	)
Total liabilities	\$(479,073	) \$(135,425	) \$(30,026	) \$497,608	\$(146,916	)

(a) - Our derivative assets and liabilities are presented in our Consolidated Balance Sheets as energy marketing and risk management assets and liabilities, other assets and other deferred credits on a net basis. We net derivative assets and liabilities, including cash collateral, when a legally enforceable master-netting arrangement exists between the counterparty to a derivative contract and us. At December 31, 2011, we held \$73.3 million of cash collateral and had posted \$1.7 million of cash collateral with various counterparties.

(b) - Included in our Consolidated Balance Sheets as other current assets.

(c) - Included in our Consolidated Balance Sheets as other assets.

(d) - Included in our Consolidated Balance Sheets as other current liabilities and other deferred credits.

The December 31, 2011, table above includes balances for ONEOK Energy Marketing Company that have been reflected as discontinued operations in our Consolidated Balance Sheet. At December 31, 2011, we had \$15.0 million in derivative assets and \$0.6 million in derivative liabilities related to this discontinued operation.

Our Level 1 fair value measurements are based on NYMEX-settled prices and actively quoted prices for equity securities. These balances are comprised predominantly of exchange-traded derivative contracts, including futures and certain options for natural gas and crude oil, which are valued based on unadjusted quoted prices in active markets. Also included in Level 1 are equity securities.

Our Level 2 fair value inputs are based on NYMEX-settled prices for natural gas and crude oil that are utilized to determine the fair value of certain nonexchange-traded financial instruments, including natural gas and crude oil swaps, as well as physical forwards. Also, included in Level 2 are interest-rate swaps that are valued using financial models that incorporate the implied forward LIBOR yield curve for the same period as the future interest swap settlements.

Our Level 3 inputs include internally developed basis curves incorporating observable and unobservable market data, NGL price curves from independent broker quotes, market volatilities derived from the most recent NYMEX close spot prices and forward LIBOR curves, and adjustments for the credit risk of our counterparties. We corroborate the data on which our fair value estimates are based using our market knowledge of recent transactions, analysis of historical correlations and validation with independent broker quotes. The derivatives categorized as Level 3 include natural gas basis swaps, swing swaps, options, other commodity swaps and physical forward contracts. Also included in Level 3 are the fair values of firm commitments. We do not believe that our Level 3 fair value estimates have a material impact on our results of operations, as the majority of our derivatives are accounted for as hedges for which ineffectiveness is not material. The significant unobservable inputs used in

the fair value measurement of our swaps, forwards and firm commitments are the unpublished forward basis and index curves. Significant increases or decreases in either of those inputs in isolation would not have a material impact on our fair value measurements.

The following tables set forth the reconciliation of our Level 3 fair value measurements for the periods indicated:

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	Derivative	Fair Value of			
	Assets	Firm		Total	
	(Liabilities)	Commitments			
	(Thousands of	dollars)			
July 1, 2012	\$37,745	\$(4,250	)	\$33,495	
Total realized/unrealized gains (losses):			ĺ	·	
Included in earnings (a)	(4,366	) 2,083		(2,283	)
Included in other comprehensive income (loss)	(20,295	)		(20,295	
Transfers into Level 3	385	) —			)
				385	
Transfers out of Level 3	685		,	685	
September 30, 2012	\$14,154	\$(2,167	)	\$11,987	
Total gains (losses) for the period included in earnings attributable					
to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to assets and	\$51	\$205		\$256	
liabilities still held as of September 30, 2012 (a)					
(a) - Reported in revenues and cost of sales and fuel in our Consoli	dated Statement	s of Income.			
	Derivative	Fair Value of			
	Assets	Firm		Total	
	(Liabilities)	Commitments		Total	
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July 1, 2011	\$23,858	\$(21,212	)	\$2,646	
Total realized/unrealized gains (losses):					
Included in earnings (a)		) 9,881		4,437	
Included in other comprehensive income (loss)	9,717	—		9,717	
Transfers into Level 3	1,284			1,284	
Transfers out of Level 3	(3,682	) —		(3,682	)
September 30, 2011	\$25,733	\$(11,331	)	\$14,402	,
Total gains (losses) for the period included in earnings attributable		1 ( )			
to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to assets and	\$14,115	\$(3,229	)	\$10,886	
liabilities still held as of September 30, 2011 (a)	ψ14,115	$\psi(3,22)$	)	ψ10,000	
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(a) - Reported in revenues and cost of sales and fuel in our Consoli					
	Derivative	Fair Value of			
	Assets	Firm		Total	
	(Liabilities)	Commitments			
	(Thousands of	dollars)			
January 1, 2012	\$25,104	\$(7,283	)	\$17,821	
Total realized/unrealized gains (losses):					
Included in earnings (a)	(13,153	) 5,116		(8,037	)
Included in other comprehensive income (loss)	6,384			6,384	)
Sale of discontinued operations	(3,636	)		(3,636	)
		, —			)
Transfers out of Level 3	(545	) —	`	(545	)
September 30, 2012	\$14,154	\$(2,167	)	\$11,987	
Total gains (losses) for the period included in earnings attributable					
to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to assets and	\$352	\$(296	)	\$56	
liabilities still held as of September 30, 2012 (a)					

(a) - Reported in revenues and cost of sales and fuel in our Consolidated Statements of Income.

	Derivative Assets (Liabilities) (Thousands of	Fair Value of Firm Commitments dollars)	Total	
January 1, 2011	\$49,266	\$(29,536	) \$19,730	
Total realized/unrealized gains (losses):				
Included in earnings (a)	(28,352	18,205	(10,147	)
Included in other comprehensive income (loss)	1,160		1,160	
Transfers into Level 3	4,739		4,739	
Transfers out of Level 3	(1,080	) —	(1,080	)
September 30, 2011	\$25,733	\$(11,331	) \$14,402	
Total gains (losses) for the period included in earnings attributable				
to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to assets and liabilities still held as of September 30, 2011 (a)	\$20,620	\$(6,978	) \$13,642	

(a) - Reported in revenues and cost of sales and fuel in our Consolidated Statements of Income.

Realized/unrealized gains (losses) include the realization of our derivative contracts through maturity and changes in fair value of our hedged firm commitments. We recognize transfers into and out of the levels in the fair value hierarchy as of the end of each reporting period. We had no transfers into or out of Level 1 during the periods presented. Transfers into Level 3 represent existing assets or liabilities that were previously categorized at a higher level for which the unobservable inputs became a more significant portion of the fair value estimates. Transfers out of Level 3 represent existing assets and liabilities that were classified previously as Level 3 for which the observable inputs became a more significant portion of the fair value estimates.

Our Level 3 fair value measurements based on unobservable inputs, excluding the portion of our fair value measurements based on third-party pricing information without adjustment, are not material at September 30, 2012.

Other Financial Instruments - The approximate fair value of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable and notes payable is equal to book value, due to the short-term nature of these items.

Our cash and cash equivalents are comprised of bank and money market accounts and are classified as Level 1. Our notes payable are classified as Level 2 since the estimated fair value of the notes payable can be determined using information available in the commercial paper market. The estimated fair value of our consolidated long-term debt, including current maturities, was \$7.4 billion at September 30, 2012, and \$5.6 billion at December 31, 2011. The book value of long-term debt, including current maturities, was \$6.5 billion and \$4.9 billion at September 30, 2012, and December 31, 2011, respectively. The estimated fair value of the aggregate of ONEOK's and ONEOK Partners' senior notes outstanding was determined using quoted market prices for similar issues with similar terms and maturities. Our consolidated long-term debt is classified as Level 2.

#### D.RISK MANAGEMENT AND HEDGING ACTIVITIES USING DERIVATIVES

Our Energy Services and ONEOK Partners segments are exposed to various risks that we manage by periodically entering into derivative instruments. These risks include the following:

Commodity price risk - We are exposed to the risk of loss in cash flows and future earnings arising from adverse changes in the price of natural gas, NGLs and crude oil. We use commodity derivative instruments such as futures, physical forward contracts, swaps and options to reduce the commodity price risk associated with a portion of the forecasted purchases and sales of commodities and natural gas and natural gas liquids in storage. Commodity price volatility may have a significant impact on the fair value of our derivative instruments as of a given date;

Basis risk - We are exposed to the risk of loss in cash flows and future earnings arising from adverse changes in the price differentials between pipeline receipt and delivery locations. Our firm transportation capacity allows us to purchase natural gas at a pipeline receipt point and sell natural gas at a pipeline delivery point. As market conditions permit, our Energy Services segment periodically enters into basis swaps between the transportation receipt and delivery points in order to protect the fair value of these location price differentials related to our firm commitments; Currency exchange rate risk - As a result of our Energy Services segment's activities in Canada, we are exposed to the risk of loss in cash flows and future earnings from adverse changes in currency exchange rates on our commodity purchases and sales, primarily related to our firm transportation and storage contracts that are transacted

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in a currency other than our functional currency, the United States dollar. To reduce our exposure to exchange-rate fluctuations, we use physical forward transactions, which result in an actual two-way flow of currency on the settlement date in which we exchange United States dollars for Canadian dollars with another party; and Interest-rate risk - We are also subject to fluctuations in interest rates. We manage interest-rate risk through the use of fixed-rate debt, floating-rate debt and interest-rate swaps.

The following derivative instruments are used to manage our exposure to these risks:

Futures contracts - Standardized exchange-traded contracts to purchase or sell natural gas and crude oil at a specified price, requiring delivery on or settlement through the sale or purchase of an offsetting contract by a specified future date under the provisions of exchange regulations;

Forward contracts - Commitments to purchase or sell natural gas, crude oil or NGLs for physical delivery at some specified time in the future. We also may use currency forward contracts to manage our currency exchange-rate risk. Forward contracts are different from futures in that forwards are customized and nonexchange traded; Swaps - Financial trades involving the exchange of payments based on two different pricing structures for a commodity or other instrument. In a typical commodity swap, parties exchange payments based on changes in the price of a commodity or a market index, while fixing the price they effectively pay or receive for the physical commodity. As a result, one party assumes the risks and benefits of movements in market prices, while the other party assumes the risks and benefits of a fixed price for the commodity. Interest-rate swaps are agreements to exchange interest payments at some future point based on specified notional amounts; and

Options - Contractual agreements that give the holder the right, but not the obligation, to buy or sell a fixed quantity of a commodity, at a fixed price, within a specified period of time. Options may either be standardized and exchange traded or customized and nonexchange traded.

Our objectives for entering into such contracts include but are not limited to:

reducing the variability of cash flows by locking in the price for all or a portion of anticipated index-based physical purchases and sales, transportation fuel requirements, asset management transactions and customer-related business activities;

locking in a price differential to protect the fair value between transportation receipt and delivery points and to protect the fair value of natural gas or NGLs that are purchased in one month and sold in a later month;

reducing our exposure to fluctuations in interest and foreign currency exchange rates; and

reducing variability in cash flows from changes in interest rates associated with forecasted debt issuances.

Our Energy Services segment also enters into derivative contracts for financial trading purposes primarily to capitalize on opportunities created by market volatility, weather-related events, supply-demand imbalances and market liquidity inefficiencies, which allow us to capture additional margin. Financial trading activities are executed generally using financially settled derivatives and are normally short term in nature.

With respect to the net open positions that exist within our marketing and financial trading operations, fluctuating commodity prices can impact our financial position and results of operations. The net open positions are actively managed, and the impact of the changing prices on our financial condition at a point in time is not necessarily indicative of the impact of price movements throughout the year.

Our Natural Gas Distribution segment also uses derivative instruments to hedge the cost of a portion of anticipated natural gas purchases during the winter heating months to protect our customers from upward volatility in the market price of natural gas. The use of these derivative instruments and the associated recovery of these costs have been approved by the OCC, KCC and regulatory authorities in certain Texas jurisdictions.

ONEOK entered into forward-starting interest-rate swaps designated as cash flow hedges of the variability of interest payments on a portion of forecasted debt issuances that may result from changes in the benchmark interest rate before the debt is issued. ONEOK had interest-rate swaps with notional values totaling \$500 million at December 31, 2011. In January 2012, ONEOK entered into additional interest-rate swaps with notional amounts totaling \$200 million. Upon issuance in January 2012 of our \$700 million, 4.25-percent senior notes due 2022, ONEOK settled all \$700 million of its interest-rate swaps and realized a loss of \$44.1 million in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) that will be amortized to interest expense over the term of the related debt.

ONEOK Partners has entered into forward-starting interest-rate swaps designated as cash flow hedges of the variability of interest payments on a portion of forecasted debt issuances that may result from changes in the benchmark interest rate before

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the debt is issued. At December 31, 2011, ONEOK Partners had interest-rate swaps with notional values totaling \$750 million. During the nine months ended September 30, 2012, ONEOK Partners entered into additional interest-rate swaps with notional amounts totaling \$650 million. Upon ONEOK Partners' debt issuance in September 2012, ONEOK Partners settled \$1 billion of its interest-rate swaps and realized a loss of \$124.9 million in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) that will be amortized to interest expense over the term of the related debt. At September 30, 2012, ONEOK Partners' remaining interest-rate swaps with notional amounts totaling \$400 million have settlement dates greater than 12 months.

Accounting Treatment - We record all derivative instruments at fair value, with the exception of normal purchases and normal sales that are expected to result in physical delivery. The accounting for changes in the fair value of a derivative instrument depends on whether it has been designated and qualifies as part of a hedging relationship and, if so, the reason for holding it.

If certain conditions are met, we may elect to designate a derivative instrument as a hedge of exposure to changes in fair values, cash flows or foreign currency. Certain nontrading derivative transactions, which are economic hedges of our accrual transactions such as our storage and transportation contracts, do not qualify for hedge accounting treatment.

The table below summarizes the various ways in which we account for our derivative instruments and the impact on our consolidated financial statements:

	Recognition and Measurement	
Accounting Treatment	Balance Sheet	Income Statement
Normal purchases and normal sales	- Fair value not recorded -	Change in fair value not recognized in earnings
Mark-to-market	- Recorded at fair value -	Change in fair value recognized in earnings
Cash flow hedge	- Recorded at fair value -	Ineffective portion of the gain or loss on the derivative instrument is recognized in earnings
	Effective portion of the gain or loss on the	Effective portion of the gain or loss on the derivative instrument is reclassified out of
	- derivative instrument is reported initially - as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) into earnings when the forecasted transaction affects earnings
Fair value hedge	- Recorded at fair value -	The gain or loss on the derivative instrument is recognized in earnings
	<ul> <li>Change in fair value of the hedged item</li> <li>is - recorded as an adjustment to book value</li> </ul>	Change in fair value of the hedged item is recognized in earnings

Gains or losses associated with the fair value of derivative instruments entered into by our Natural Gas Distribution segment are included in, and recoverable through, the monthly purchased-gas cost mechanism.

We formally document all relationships between hedging instruments and hedged items, as well as risk-management objectives, strategies for undertaking various hedge transactions and methods for assessing and testing correlation and hedge ineffectiveness. We specifically identify the asset, liability, firm commitment or forecasted transaction that has been designated as the hedged item. We assess the effectiveness of hedging relationships quarterly by performing an effectiveness analysis on our cash flow and fair value hedging relationships to determine whether the hedge relationships are highly effective on a retrospective and prospective basis. We also document our normal purchases

and normal sales transactions that we expect to result in physical delivery and that we elect to exempt from derivative accounting treatment.

The presentation of settled derivative instruments on either a gross or net basis in our Consolidated Statements of Income is dependent on the relevant facts and circumstances of our different types of activities rather than based solely on the terms of the individual contracts. All financially settled derivative instruments, as well as derivative instruments considered held for trading purposes that result in physical delivery, are reported on a net basis in revenues in our Consolidated Statements of Income. The realized revenues and purchase costs of derivative instruments that are not considered held for trading purposes and nonderivative contracts are reported on a gross basis. Derivatives that qualify as normal purchases or normal sales that are expected to result in physical delivery are also reported on a gross basis.

Revenues in our Consolidated Statements of Income include financial trading margins, as well as certain physical natural gas transactions with our trading counterparties. Revenues and cost of sales and fuel from such physical transactions are reported on a net basis.

Cash flows from futures, forwards, options and swaps that are accounted for as hedges are included in the same category as the cash flows from the related hedged items in our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

Fair Values of Derivative Instruments - The following table sets forth the fair values of our derivative instruments for our continuing and discontinued operations for the periods indicated:

6	September 3 Fair Values				December 31, 2011 Fair Values of Derivatives (a)			
	Assets		(Liabilities)		Assets		(Liabilities)	
	(Thousands	of dol	· · · ·		1135013		(Liuointies)	
Derivatives designated as hedging	(Thousands	01 001	ilui 5)					
instruments								
Commodity contracts								
Financial contracts	\$73,544	(b)	\$(31,188	)(b)	\$184,184	(c)	\$(73,346	)(c)
Physical contracts	18	(0)	(85)	)	62	(0)	(344	)
Interest-rate contracts	7,600		(05	)			(128,666	
Total derivatives designated as hedging								)
instruments	81,162		(31,273	)	184,246		(202,356	)
Derivatives not designated as hedging								
instruments								
Commodity contracts								
Nontrading instruments								
Financial contracts	87,342		(87,271	)	295,948		(323,170	)
Physical contracts	5,894		(1,708		38,733		(1,665	)
Trading instruments	5,074		(1,700	)	50,755		(1,005	)
Financial contracts	26,267		(24,578	)	111,920		(110,050	)
Total derivatives not designated as	20,207		(24,378	)	111,920		(110,050	)
hedging instruments	119,503		(113,557	)	446,601		(434,885	)
Total derivatives	\$200,665		\$(144,830	)	\$630,847		\$(637,241	)
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(a) - Included on a net basis in energy marketing and risk management assets and liabilities, other assets and other deferred credits on our Consolidated Balance Sheets.

(b) - Includes \$4.7 million of derivative assets associated with cash flow hedges of inventory that were adjusted to reflect the lower of cost or market value in a prior period. Includes \$22.8 million of deferred net assets and ineffectiveness associated with cash flow hedges of inventory related to certain financial contracts that were used to hedge forecasted purchases and sales of natural gas. The deferred gains and losses associated with these assets have been reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss).

(c) - Includes \$88.9 million of derivative assets associated with cash flow hedges of inventory that were adjusted to reflect the lower of cost or market value. The deferred gains associated with these assets have been reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss).

Notional Quantities for Derivative Instruments - The following table sets forth the notional quantities for derivative instruments held for our continuing and discontinued operations for the periods indicated:

		September 3	0, 2012		December 3	1, 2011	
	Contract	Purchased/	Sold/		Purchased/	Sold/	
	Туре	Payor	Receiver		Payor	Receiver	
Derivatives designated as hedging in	nstruments:						
Cash flow hedges							
Fixed price							
- Natural gas (Bcf)	Exchange futures	3.0	(12.3	)	21.2	(23.4	)
	Swaps	2.1	(95.3	)	19.5	(111.9	)
- Crude oil and NGLs (MMbbl)	Swaps		(2.0	)		(2.9	)
Basis							
- Natural gas (Bcf)	Forwards and swaps	3.8	(44.8	)	3.2	(82.8	)
Interest-rate contracts (Millions of	Forward-starting	\$400.0	\$—		\$1,250.0	\$—	
dollars)	swaps	φ+00.0	Ψ		ψ1,230.0	Ψ	
Fair value hedges							
Basis							
- Natural gas (Bcf)	Forwards and swaps	74.3	(74.3	)	76.5	(77.0	)
Derivatives not designated as hedgin	ng instruments:						
Fixed price							
- Natural gas (Bcf)	Exchange futures	42.7	(34.1		76.9	(59.6	)
	Forwards and swaps	77.7	(85.9		235.8	(253.4	)
	Options	259.0	(261.7	)	33.6	(14.3	)
Basis							
- Natural gas (Bcf)	Forwards and swaps	117.6	(119.5	)	216.9	(219.3	)
Index							
- Natural gas (Bcf)	Forwards and swaps	18.7	(8.7	)	29.3	(22.1	)

These notional amounts are used to summarize the volume of financial instruments; however, they do not reflect the extent to which the positions offset one another and consequently do not reflect our actual exposure to market or credit risk.

Cash Flow Hedges - Our Energy Services and ONEOK Partners segments use derivative instruments to hedge the cash flows associated with anticipated purchases and sales of natural gas, NGLs and condensate and cost of fuel used in the transportation of natural gas. Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) at September 30, 2012, includes losses of approximately \$14.5 million, net of tax, related to these hedges that will be recognized within the next 15 months as the forecasted transactions affect earnings. If prices remain at current levels, we will recognize \$16.2 million in net losses over the next 12 months, and we will recognize net gains of \$1.7 million thereafter. The remaining amounts deferred in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) associated with derivative instruments are primarily attributable to our interest-rate swaps of which losses of \$14.1 million will be reclassified into earnings during the next 12 months as the hedged items affect earnings.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2012, net margin in our Consolidated Statement of Income includes losses of \$29.9 million related to certain financial contracts that were used to hedge forecasted purchases of natural gas. As a result of the continued decline in natural gas prices, the combination of the cost basis of the forecasted purchases of inventory and the financial contracts exceed the amount expected to be recovered through sales of that inventory after considering related sales hedges, which requires reclassification of the loss from accumulated other comprehensive loss to current period earnings.

The following table sets forth the effects of cash flow hedges recognized in other comprehensive income (loss) for the periods indicated:

Derivatives in Cash Flow	Three Mon	ths Ended	Nine Mor	Nine Months Ended					
	September	30,	Septembe	September 30,					
Hedging Relationships	2012	2011	2012	2011					
	(Thousands	s of dollars)							
Commodity contracts	\$(41,452	) \$60,217	\$39,461	\$63,762					
Interest-rate contracts	(1,175	) (112,253	) (32,795	) (112,253	)				
Total gain (loss) recognized in other comprehensive income (loss) on derivatives (effective portion)	\$(42,627	) \$(52,036	) \$6,666	\$(48,491	)				

The following tables set forth the effect of cash flow hedges on our Consolidated Statements of Income for the periods indicated:

Derivatives in Cash Flow	Location of Gain (Loss) Reclassified from	Three Months Ended				
	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	September 3	80,			
Hedging Relationships	(Loss) into Net Income (Effective Portion)	2012	2011			
		(Thousands	of dollars)			
Commodity contracts	Revenues	\$31,447	\$2,416			
Commodity contracts	Cost of sales and fuel	(2,503	) 23,681			
Interest-rate contracts	ntracts Interest expense					
Total gain (loss) reclassified from accum	\$27,116	\$26,007				
net income on derivatives (effective port	ion)	\$27,110	\$20,007			
Derivatives in Cash Flow	Location of Gain (Loss) Reclassified from	Nine Months Ended				
Hedging Relationships	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	September 30,				
Hedging Kelationships	(Loss) into Net Income (Effective Portion)	2012	2011			
		(Thousands of dollars)				
		(Thousands	of dollars)			
Commodity contracts	Revenues	(Thousands \$127,477	of dollars) \$32,292			
Commodity contracts Commodity contracts	Revenues Cost of sales and fuel	•				
•		\$127,477	\$32,292	)		

Ineffectiveness related to our cash flow hedges was not material for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011. In the event that it becomes probable that a forecasted transaction will not occur, we will discontinue cash flow hedge treatment, which will affect earnings. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, there were no gains or losses due to the discontinuance of cash flow hedge treatment as a result of the underlying transactions being no longer probable.

Other Derivative Instruments - The following table sets forth the effect of our September 30, 2012 instruments that are not part of a hedging relationship in our Consolidated Statements of Income for our continuing and discontinued operations for the periods indicated:

Derivatives Not Designated as	Location of Gain	Three Months		Nine Months Ended			
Hedging Instruments	(Loss)	September 30, 2012	2011	September 30, 2012	2011		
		(Thousands of					
Commodity contracts - trading	Revenues	\$867	\$1,357	\$1,673	\$1,474		
Commodity contracts - nontrading (a)	Cost of sales and fuel	601	4,991	4,924	15,498		
Total gain recognized in income o	n derivatives	\$1,468	\$6,348	\$6,597	\$16,972		

(a) - Amounts are presented net of deferred gains (losses) associated with derivatives entered into by our Natural Gas Distribution segment.

Our Natural Gas Distribution segment held natural gas call options with premiums totaling \$12.3 million and \$10.0 million at September 30, 2012, and December 31, 2011, respectively. The premiums are recorded in other current assets as these contracts are included in, and recoverable through, the monthly purchased-gas cost mechanism. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, we recorded gains of \$2.8 million and \$3.8 million, respectively, associated with the change in value of option contracts, which are deferred as part of our unrecovered purchased-gas costs. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, we recorded losses of \$8.4 million and \$11.5 million, respectively, associated with the decline in value and expiration of option contracts, which are deferred as part of our unrecovered purchase-gas costs. The gains and losses associated with these derivative instruments are deferred as part of our unrecovered-gas costs.

Fair Value Hedges - Our Energy Services segment uses basis swaps to hedge the fair value of location price differentials related to certain firm transportation commitments. Cost of sales and fuel in our Consolidated Statements of Income includes losses of \$0.3 million and gains of \$0.9 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, respectively, related to the change in fair value of derivatives designated as fair value hedges. Revenues include gains of \$0.2 million and losses of \$0.1 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, respectively, to recognize the change in fair value of the related hedged firm commitments. The ineffectiveness related to these hedges was not material for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012.

Cost of sales and fuel in our Consolidated Statements of Income includes gains of \$3.3 million and \$12.9 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, related to the change in fair value of derivatives designated as fair value hedges. Revenues include losses of \$3.1 million and \$12.5 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, to recognize the change in fair value of the related hedged firm commitments. The ineffectiveness related to these hedges was not material for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011.

Credit Risk - We monitor the creditworthiness of our counterparties and compliance with policies and limits established by our Risk Oversight and Strategy Committee. We maintain credit policies with regard to our counterparties that we believe minimize overall credit risk. These policies include an evaluation of potential counterparties' financial condition (including credit ratings, bond yields and credit default swap rates), collateral requirements under certain circumstances and the use of standardized master-netting agreements that allow us to net the positive and negative exposures associated with a single counterparty. We have counterparties whose credit is not rated, and for those customers we use internally developed credit ratings.

Some of our derivative instruments contain provisions that require us to maintain an investment-grade credit rating from S&P and/or Moody's. If our credit ratings on senior unsecured long-term debt were to decline below investment grade, we would be in violation of these provisions, and the counterparties to the derivative instruments could request collateralization on derivative instruments in net liability positions. The aggregate fair value of all financial derivative instruments with contingent features related to credit risk that were in a net liability position as of September 30, 2012, was \$3.3 million. If the contingent features underlying these agreements were triggered on September 30, 2012, we would have been required to post an additional \$3.3 million of collateral to our counterparties.

The counterparties to our derivative contracts consist primarily of major energy companies, LDCs, electric utilities, financial institutions and commercial and industrial end-users. This concentration of counterparties may impact our overall exposure to credit risk, either positively or negatively, in that the counterparties may be affected similarly by changes in economic, regulatory or other conditions. Based on our policies, exposures, credit and other reserves, we do not anticipate a material adverse effect on our financial position or results of operations as a result of counterparty nonperformance.

At September 30, 2012, the net credit exposure from our derivative assets is primarily with investment-grade companies in the financial and utility sectors.

# E. CREDIT FACILITIES AND SHORT-TERM NOTES PAYABLE

ONEOK 2011 Credit Agreement - The ONEOK 2011 Credit Agreement, which is scheduled to expire in April 2016, contains certain financial, operational and legal covenants. Among other things, these covenants include maintaining ONEOK's stand-alone debt-to-capital ratio of no more than 67.5 percent at the end of any calendar quarter, limitations on the ratio of indebtedness secured by liens and indebtedness of subsidiaries to consolidated net tangible assets, a requirement that ONEOK maintains the power to control the management and policies of ONEOK Partners, and a limit on new investments in master limited partnerships. The ONEOK 2011 Credit Agreement also contains customary affirmative and negative covenants, including covenants relating to liens, investments, fundamental changes in the nature of ONEOK's businesses, transactions with affiliates, the use of proceeds and a covenant that limits ONEOK's ability to restrict its subsidiaries' ability to pay

dividends. The debt covenant calculations in the ONEOK 2011 Credit Agreement exclude the debt of ONEOK Partners. In the event of a breach of certain covenants by ONEOK, amounts outstanding under the ONEOK 2011 Credit Agreement may become due and payable immediately. At September 30, 2012, ONEOK's stand-alone debt-to-capital ratio, as defined by the ONEOK 2011 Credit Agreement, was 50.9 percent, and ONEOK was in compliance with all covenants under the ONEOK 2011 Credit Agreement.

Under the terms of the ONEOK 2011 Credit Agreement, ONEOK may request an increase in the size of the facility to an aggregate of \$1.7 billion from \$1.2 billion by either commitments from new lenders or increased commitments from existing lenders. The ONEOK 2011 Credit Agreement is available to repay our commercial paper notes, if necessary. Amounts outstanding under the commercial paper program reduce the borrowing capacity under the ONEOK 2011 Credit Agreement.

At September 30, 2012, ONEOK had \$676.7 million of commercial paper outstanding, no borrowings under the ONEOK 2011 Credit Agreement and \$1.9 million in letters of credit issued under the ONEOK 2011 Credit Agreement. ONEOK had approximately \$521.4 million of credit available at September 30, 2012, under the ONEOK 2011 Credit Agreement.

ONEOK Partners 2011 Credit Agreement - The ONEOK Partners 2011 Credit Agreement contains certain financial, operational and legal covenants. Among other things, these covenants include maintaining a ratio of indebtedness to adjusted EBITDA (EBITDA, as defined in the ONEOK Partners 2011 Credit Agreement, adjusted for all noncash charges and increased for projected EBITDA from certain lender-approved capital expansion projects) of no more than 5.0 to 1. If ONEOK Partners consummates one or more acquisitions in which the aggregate purchase price is \$25 million or more, the allowable ratio of indebtedness to adjusted EBITDA will increase to 5.5 to 1 for the quarter of the acquisition and the two following quarters. Upon breach of certain covenants by ONEOK Partners in the ONEOK Partners 2011 Credit Agreement, amounts outstanding under the ONEOK Partners' ratio of indebtedness to adjusted EBITDA was 2.9 to 1, and ONEOK Partners was in compliance with all covenants under the ONEOK Partners 2011 Credit Agreement.

The ONEOK Partners 2011 Credit Agreement includes a \$100-million sublimit for the issuance of standby letters of credit and also features an option to request an increase in the size of the facility to an aggregate of \$1.7 billion from \$1.2 billion by either commitments from new lenders or increased commitments from existing lenders. The ONEOK Partners 2011 Credit Agreement is available to repay ONEOK Partners' commercial paper notes, if necessary. Amounts outstanding under the commercial paper program reduce the borrowing capacity under the ONEOK Partners 2011 Credit Agreement. At September 30, 2012, ONEOK Partners had no commercial paper outstanding, no letters of credit issued and no borrowings under the ONEOK Partners 2011 Credit Agreement.

In August 2012, ONEOK Partners extended the maturity date of its ONEOK Partners 2011 Credit Agreement from August 1, 2016, to August 1, 2017, pursuant to an extension agreement between ONEOK Partners and its lenders.

Neither ONEOK nor ONEOK Partners guarantees the debt or other similar commitments to unaffiliated parties, and ONEOK does not guarantee the debt or other similar commitments of ONEOK Partners.

# F.LONG-TERM DEBT

In January 2012, we completed an underwritten public offering of \$700 million, 4.25-percent senior notes due 2022. The net proceeds from the offering, after deducting underwriting discounts and offering expenses, of approximately \$694.3 million were used to repay amounts outstanding under our \$1.2 billion commercial paper program and for general corporate purposes.

The indenture governing ONEOK's senior notes due 2022 includes an event of default upon the acceleration of other indebtedness of \$100 million or more. Such events of default would entitle the trustee or the holders of 25 percent in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding senior notes due 2022 to declare those senior notes immediately due and payable in full. ONEOK may redeem its senior notes due 2022 at a redemption price equal to the principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest, starting three months before the maturity date. Prior to this date, ONEOK may redeem the senior notes due 2022, in whole or in part, at any time for a redemption price equal to the principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest and a make-whole premium. The redemption price will never be less than 100 percent of the principal amount of the respective note plus accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date. ONEOK's senior notes due 2022 are senior unsecured obligations, ranking equally in right of payment with all of ONEOK's existing and future unsecured senior indebtedness.

In September 2012, ONEOK Partners completed an underwritten public offering of \$1.3 billion of senior notes, consisting of \$400 million, 2.0-percent senior notes due 2017 and \$900 million, 3.375-percent senior notes due 2022. A portion of the net

proceeds from the offering of approximately \$1.29 billion was used to repay amounts outstanding under their commercial paper program, and the balance will be used for general partnership purposes, including but not limited to capital expenditures.

ONEOK Partners' 2.0-percent notes due 2017 and 3.375-percent notes due 2022 are governed by an indenture, dated as of September 25, 2006, between ONEOK Partners and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., the trustee, as supplemented. The indenture does not limit the aggregate principal amount of debt securities that may be issued and provides that debt securities may be issued from time to time in one or more additional series. The indenture contains covenants including, among other provisions, limitations on ONEOK Partners' ability to place liens on its property or assets and to sell and lease back its property. The indenture includes an event of default upon acceleration of other indebtedness of \$100 million or more. Such events of default would entitle the trustee or the holders of 25 percent in aggregate principal amount of any of ONEOK Partners' outstanding senior notes to declare those notes immediately due and payable in full.

ONEOK Partners may redeem its 2.0-percent senior notes due 2017 and its 3.375-percent senior notes due 2022 at par starting one month and three months, respectively, before their maturity dates. Prior to these dates, ONEOK Partners may redeem these notes, in whole or in part, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest and a make-whole premium. The redemption price will never be less than 100 percent of the principal amount of the respective note plus accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date. ONEOK Partners' senior notes are senior unsecured obligations, ranking equally in right of payment with all of ONEOK Partners' existing and future unsecured senior indebtedness, and structurally subordinate to any of the existing and future debt and other liabilities of any ONEOK Partners' nonguarantor subsidiaries.

ONEOK Partners repaid its \$350 million, 5.9-percent senior notes at maturity in April 2012 with a portion of the proceeds from its March 2012 equity issuance.

# G.EQUITY

The following tables set forth the changes in equity attributable to us and our noncontrolling interests, including other comprehensive income, net of tax, for the periods indicated:

r	Three Months	hree Months Ended					Three Months Ended						
	September 30,	2012				September 30	), 2	2011					
	ONEOK Shareholders' Equity	Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Subsidiaries		Total Equity		ONEOK Shareholders Equity	,	Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Subsidiaries		Total Equity			
	(Thousands of	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·											
Beginning balance		\$2,116,448		\$4,205,988		\$2,217,089		\$1,480,615		\$3,697,704	ł		
Net income	65,219	99,769		164,988		60,321		100,559		160,880			
Other comprehensive income (loss)	(34,836)	(22,208	)	(57,044)	)	(43,307	)	(15,370	)	(58,677	)		
Repurchase of common stock	_	_				(3	)	_		(3	)		
Common stock issued	3,838	_		3,838		9,841		_		9,841			
Common stock dividends	(67,671)			(67,671)	)	(57,981	)			(57,981	)		

Issuance of						
common units of						
<b>ONEOK</b> Partners						
Distributions to						
noncontrolling		(84,156	) (84,156 )	) —	(69,704	) (69,704 )
interests						
Other	9,616		9,616			
Ending balance	\$2,065,706	\$2,109,853	\$4,175,559	\$2,185,960	\$1,496,100	\$3,682,060
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	Nine Months E September 30, ONEOK Shareholders' Equity			Total Equity		Nine Months September 30 ONEOK Shareholders Equity	), 2			Total Equity	
Beginning balance Net income Other	(Thousands of \$2,238,573 249,077	dollars) \$1,561,159 298,578		\$3,799,732 547,655		\$2,448,623 245,593		\$1,472,218 249,399		\$3,920,841 494,992	l
comprehensive	(34,355 )	(22,920	)	(57,275)	)	(65,771	)	(19,257	)	(85,028	)
income (loss) Repurchase of common stock	(150,000)	_		(150,000)	)	(300,108	)	_		(300,108	)
Common stock issued	10,390	—		10,390		26,960		_		26,960	
Common stock dividends	(194,443 )			(194,443 )	)	(169,337	)	_		(169,337	)
Issuance of common units of ONEOK Partners	(51,100)	510,780		459,680				_		_	
Distributions to noncontrolling interests	—	(237,744	)	(237,744 )	)			(206,260	)	(206,260	)
Other Ending balance	(2,436) \$2,065,706	\$2,109,853		(2,436) \$4,175,559	)						)

Dividends - Dividends paid on our common stock to shareholders of record at the close of business on January 31, 2012, and April 30, 2012, each were \$0.305 per share. A dividend of \$0.33 per share was paid to shareholders of record at the close of business on August 6, 2012. A dividend of \$0.33 per share was declared for shareholders of record on November 5, 2012, payable November 14, 2012.

Stock Repurchase Program - In September 2012, we completed an accelerated share repurchase agreement pursuant to which we repurchased approximately 3.4 million shares of our common stock for \$150 million.

Our three-year stock repurchase program was authorized by our Board of Directors in October 2010 to buy up to \$750 million of our common stock, subject to the limitation that purchases will not exceed \$300 million in any one calendar year. Following our \$150 million repurchase in September 2012 and our \$300 million repurchase in 2011, an additional \$300 million may yet be purchased pursuant to our three-year repurchase program, of which a maximum of \$150 million of additional shares of our common stock may be repurchased in 2012.

See Note L for a discussion of ONEOK Partners' issuance of common units and distributions to noncontrolling interests.

# H. ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

 The following table sets forth the balance in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) for the period indicated:

 Unrealized Losses
 Unrealized

 on Energy
 Holding Gains

 Postretirement
 Other

	Marketing and Risk Management Assets/Liabilities		on Investment Securities	Benefit Plan Obligations		Comprehensive Income (Loss)	
	(Thousands of dolla	ars	)				
December 31, 2011	\$(55,367	)	\$987	\$(151,741	)	\$(206,121	)
Other comprehensive income (loss) attributable to ONEOK	(17,235	)	210	(17,330	)	(34,355	)
September 30, 2012	\$(72,602	)	\$1,197	\$(169,071	)	\$(240,476	)

# I. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The following tables set forth the computation of basic and diluted EPS from continuing operations for the periods indicated:

individed.	Three Months	Ended Septemb				
	Income	Shares	Per Share Amount			
	(Thousands, ex	xcept per share				
Basic EPS from continuing operations Income from continuing operations attributable to ONEOK available for common stock	\$65,219	205,005	\$0.32			
Diluted EPS from continuing operations Effect of options and other dilutive securities	_	4,955				
Income from continuing operations attributable to ONEOK available for common stock and common stock equivalents	\$65,219	209,960	\$0.31			
common stock and common stock equivalents	Three Months	Three Months Ended September 30, 201				
	Income	Shares	Per Share Amount			
	(Thousands, ex	xcept per share				
Basic EPS from continuing operations Income from continuing operations attributable to ONEOK available for common stock	\$60,600	206,606	\$0.29			
Diluted EPS from continuing operations Effect of options and other dilutive securities		5,334				
Income from continuing operations attributable to ONEOK available f common stock and common stock equivalents	\$60,600	211,940	\$0.29			
common stock and common stock equivalents						
	Nine Months I	Ended September				
	Nine Months I Income	Ended September Shares	Per Share			
	Income	-	Per Share Amount			
Basic EPS from continuing operations Income from continuing operations attributable to ONEOK available for common stock	Income (Thousands, e.	Shares	Per Share Amount			
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There were no option shares excluded from the calculation of diluted EPS for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011.

#### J.EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

The following table sets forth the components of net periodic benefit cost for our pension and postretirement benefit plans for the periods indicated:

	Pension Ber Three Mont		Pension Bener Nine Months	
	September 3	30,	September 30	,
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	(Thousands	of dollars)		
Components of net periodic benefit cost				
Service cost	\$5,325	\$5,003	\$15,975	\$15,009
Interest cost	14,809	14,689	44,427	44,067
Expected return on assets	(20,689	) (18,875	) (62,067 )	(56,625)
Amortization of unrecognized prior service cost	242	255	726	764
Amortization of net loss	12,111	8,927	36,333	26,782
Net periodic benefit cost	\$11,798	\$9,999	\$35,394	\$29,997
	Postretireme	ent Benefits	Postretiremen	t Benefits
	Three Mont	hs Ended	Nine Months	Ended
	September 3	30,	September 30	,
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	(Thousands	of dollars)		
Components of net periodic benefit cost				
Service cost	\$1,239	\$1,257	\$3,716	\$3,772
Interest cost	3,473	3,958	10,419	11,874
Expected return on assets	(2,671	) (2,568	) (8,013 )	(7,704)
Amortization of unrecognized net asset at adoption	718	797	2,154	2,391
Amortization of unrecognized prior service cost	(2,063	) (501	) (6,189 )	(1,503)
Amortization of net loss	3,296	2,031	9,888	6,093
Net periodic benefit cost	\$3,992	\$4,974	\$11,975	\$14,923

#### K. UNCONSOLIDATED AFFILIATES

Equity Earnings from Investments - The following table sets forth our equity earnings from investments for the periods indicated. All amounts in the table below are equity earnings from investments in our ONEOK Partners segment:

	Three Mont	hs Ended	Nine Months Ended			
	September 3	30,	September 30,			
	2012	2012 2011		2011		
	(Thousands	of dollars)				
Northern Border Pipeline Company	\$18,185	\$19,723	\$54,493	\$56,970		
Overland Pass Pipeline	4,490	4,338	15,786	14,074		
Fort Union Gas Gathering	4,091	3,444	11,494	10,120		
Bighorn Gas Gathering	1,157	1,389	3,118	4,727		
Other	668	3,135	7,489	7,774		
Equity earnings from investments	\$28,591	\$32,029	\$92,380	\$93,665		

Unconsolidated Affiliates Financial Information - The following tables set forth summarized combined financial information of our unconsolidated affiliates for the periods indicated:

	Three Month	Three Months Ended		s Ended
	September 3	0,	September 3	0,
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	(Thousands	of dollars)		
Income Statement				
Operating revenues	\$125,828	\$124,955	\$373,038	\$369,258
Operating expenses	\$60,937	\$55,899	\$173,232	\$162,123
Net income	\$55,721	\$65,368	\$180,787	\$187,777
Distributions paid to ONEOK Partners	\$34,557	\$32,257	\$118,752	\$103,309

In September 2012, Northern Border Pipeline Company filed with the FERC a settlement with its customers to modify its transportation rates beginning in January 2013. We expect the FERC to make a final ruling on this settlement before the end of the year. If approved, the long-term transportation rates will be approximately 11 percent lower compared with current rates.

#### L.ONEOK PARTNERS

Equity Issuance - In March 2012, ONEOK Partners completed an underwritten public offering of 8,000,000 common units at a public offering price of \$59.27 per common unit, generating net proceeds of approximately \$460 million. ONEOK Partners also sold 8,000,000 common units to us in a private placement, generating net proceeds of approximately \$460 million. In conjunction with the issuances, we contributed approximately \$19 million in order to maintain our 2-percent general partner interest in ONEOK Partners. ONEOK Partners used the net proceeds from the issuances to repay \$295 million of borrowings under its commercial paper program, to repay amounts on the maturity of its \$350 million, 5.9-percent senior notes due April 2012 and for other general partnership purposes, including capital expenditures. As a result of these transactions, our aggregate ownership interest in ONEOK Partners increased to 43.4 percent from 42.8 percent.

We account for the difference between the carrying amount of our investment in ONEOK Partners and the underlying book value arising from issuance of common units by ONEOK Partners as an equity transaction. As a result of ONEOK Partners' issuance of common units, we recognized a decrease in paid-in capital of approximately \$51.1 million in the first quarter of 2012.

Ownership Interest in ONEOK Partners is shown in the table below as<br/>of September 30, 2012:General partner interest2.0Limited partner interest41.4Total ownership interest43.4(a) - Represents 19.8 million common units and approximately 73.0 million Class B units, which are convertible, at<br/>our option, into common units.

Cash Distributions - We receive distributions from ONEOK Partners on our common and Class B units and our 2 percent general partner interest, which includes our incentive distribution rights. Under ONEOK Partners' partnership agreement, as amended, distributions are made to the partners with respect to each calendar quarter in an amount equal to 100 percent of available cash as defined in ONEOK Partners' partnership agreement, as amended. Available cash generally will be distributed 98 percent to limited partners and 2 percent to the general partner. The general partner's percentage interest in quarterly distributions is increased after certain specified target levels are met during the quarter. Under the incentive distribution provisions, as set forth in ONEOK Partners' partnership agreement, as

amended, the general partner receives:

- **4**5 percent of amounts distributed in excess of \$0.3025 per unit;
- 25 percent of amounts distributed in excess of \$0.3575 per unit; and
- 50 percent of amounts distributed in excess of \$0.4675 per unit.

The following table shows ONEOK Partners' distributions paid in the periods indicated:

-	Three Month	is Ended	Nine Months	s Ended
	September 3	0,	September 3	0,
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	(Thousands,	except per unit	amounts)	
Distribution per unit	\$0.66	\$0.585	\$1.905	\$1.73
General partner distributions	\$3,979	\$3,078	\$11,019	\$9,030
Incentive distributions	49,886	31,580	130,968	89,849
Distributions to general partner	53,865	34,658	141,987	98,879
Limited partner distributions to ONEOK	61,240	49,601	171,882	146,684
Limited partner distributions to noncontrolling interest	83,838	69,631	237,109	205,917
Total distributions paid	\$198,943	\$153,890	\$550,978	\$451,480

The following table shows ONEOK Partners' distributions declared for the periods indicated and paid within 45 days of the end of the period:

-	Three Months		Nine Months		
	September 30	,	September 30	),	
	2012	2011	2012	2011	
	(Thousands, e	except per unit a	mounts)		
Distribution per unit	\$0.685	\$0.595	\$1.98	\$1.755	
General partner distributions	\$4,199	\$3,159	\$11,937	\$9,233	
Incentive distributions	55,162	33,537	149,658	94,741	
Distributions to general partner	59,361	36,696	161,595	103,974	
Limited partner distributions to ONEOK	63,560	50,449	183,721	148,803	
Limited partner distributions to noncontrolling interest	87,014	70,821	251,514	208,893	
Total distributions declared	\$209,935	\$157,966	\$596,830	\$461,670	

Relationship - We consolidate ONEOK Partners in our consolidated financial statements; however, we are restricted from the assets and cash flows of ONEOK Partners except for the distributions we receive. Distributions are declared quarterly by ONEOK Partners' general partner based on the terms of the ONEOK Partners partnership agreement. See Note N for more information on ONEOK Partners' results.

Affiliate Transactions - We have certain transactions with ONEOK Partners and its subsidiaries, which comprise our ONEOK Partners segment.

ONEOK Partners sells natural gas from its natural gas gathering and processing operations to our Energy Services segment. In addition, a portion of ONEOK Partners' revenues from its natural gas pipelines business is from our Energy Services and Natural Gas Distribution segments, which contract with ONEOK Partners for natural gas transportation and storage services. ONEOK Partners also purchases natural gas from our Energy Services segment for its natural gas gathering and processing operations.

We provide a variety of services to our affiliates, including cash management and financial services, legal and administrative services by our employees and management, insurance and office space leased in our headquarters building and other field locations. Where costs are incurred specifically on behalf of an affiliate, the costs are billed directly to the affiliate by us. In other situations, the costs may be allocated to the affiliates through a variety of methods, depending upon the nature of the expenses and the activities of the affiliates. For example, a service that applies equally to all employees is allocated based upon the number of employees in each affiliate. However, an

expense benefiting the consolidated company but having no direct basis for allocation is allocated by the modified Distrigas method, a method using a combination of ratios that include gross plant and investment, operating income and payroll expense. It is not practicable to determine what these general overhead costs would be on a stand-alone basis.

The following table shows ONEOK Partners' transactions with us for the	periods indicated:
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#### M.COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Environmental Matters - We are subject to multiple historical and wildlife preservation laws and environmental regulations affecting many aspects of our present and future operations. Regulated activities include those involving air emissions, storm water and wastewater discharges, handling and disposal of solid and hazardous wastes, hazardous materials transportation, and pipeline and facility construction. These laws and regulations require us to obtain and comply with a wide variety of environmental clearances, registrations, licenses, permits and other approvals. Failure to comply with these laws, regulations, licenses and permits may expose us to fines, penalties and/or interruptions in our operations that could be material to our results of operations. If a leak or spill of hazardous substances or petroleum products occurs from pipelines or facilities that we own, operate or otherwise use, we could be held jointly and severally liable for all resulting liabilities, including response, investigation and cleanup costs, which could affect materially our results of operations and cash flows. In addition, emission controls required under the Clean Air Act and other similar federal and state laws could require unexpected capital expenditures at our facilities. We cannot assure that existing environmental regulations will not be revised or that new regulations will not be adopted or become applicable to us. Revised or additional regulations that result in increased compliance costs or additional operating restrictions could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

We own or retain legal responsibility for the environmental conditions at 12 former manufactured natural gas sites in Kansas. These sites contain potentially harmful materials that are subject to control or remediation under various environmental laws and regulations. A consent agreement with the KDHE presently governs all work at these sites. The terms of the consent agreement allow us to investigate these sites and set remediation activities based upon the results of the investigations and risk analysis. Remediation typically involves the management of contaminated soils and may involve removal of structures and monitoring and/or remediation of groundwater.

Of the 12 sites, we have begun soil remediation on 11 sites. Regulatory closure has been achieved at three locations, and we have completed or are near completion of soil remediation at eight sites. We have begun site assessment at the remaining site where no active remediation has occurred.

Our expenditures for environmental evaluation, mitigation, remediation and compliance to date have not been material in relation to our financial position, results of operations or cash flows, and our expenditures related to environmental matters had no material effects on earnings or cash flows during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012 or 2011.

In May 2010, the EPA finalized the "Tailoring Rule" that regulates greenhouse gas emissions at new or modified facilities that meet certain criteria. Affected facilities are required to review best available control technology, conduct air-quality analysis, impact analysis and public reviews with respect to such emissions. The rule was phased

in beginning January 2011 and at current emission threshold levels has had a minimal impact on our existing facilities. The EPA has stated it will consider lowering the threshold levels over the next five years, which could increase the impact on our existing facilities; however, potential costs, fees or expenses associated with the potential adjustments are unknown.

In addition, the EPA has issued a rule on air-quality standards, "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engines," also known as RICE NESHAP, with a compliance date in 2013. The rule will require capital expenditures for the purchase and installation of new emissions-control equipment. We do not expect these expenditures to have a material impact on our results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

In July 2011, the EPA issued a proposed rule that would change the air emission New Source Performance Standards, also known as NSPS, and Maximum Achievable Control Technology requirements applicable to the oil and gas industry, including natural gas production, processing, transmission and underground storage. In April 2012, the EPA released the final rule, which includes new NSPS and air toxic standards for a variety of sources within natural gas processing plants, oil and natural gas production facilities and natural gas transmission stations. The rule also regulates emissions from the hydraulic fracturing of wells for the first time. The EPA's final rule reflects significant changes from the proposal issued in 2011 and allows for more manageable compliance options. The NSPS final rule became effective in October 2012, but the dates for compliance vary and depend in part upon the type of affected facility and the date of construction, reconstruction or modification. It will require expenditures for updated emissions controls, monitoring and record-keeping requirements at affected facilities. However, the EPA is still considering industry comments that may result in the exclusion of certain sources from some of the more costly provisions. If approved, this would reduce the anticipated capital and operations and maintenance costs resulting from the regulation. We do not expect these expenditures to have a material impact on our results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

Pipeline Safety - We are subject to Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration regulations, including integrity- management regulations. The Pipeline Safety Improvement Act of 2002 requires pipeline companies operating high-pressure pipelines to perform integrity assessments on pipeline segments that pass through densely populated areas or near specifically designated high-consequence areas. In January 2012, The Pipeline Safety, Regulatory Certainty and Job Creation Act of 2011 was signed into law. The new law increased the maximum penalties for violating federal pipeline safety regulations and directs the DOT and Secretary of Transportation to conduct further review or studies on issues that may or may not be material to us. These issues include but are not limited to:

an evaluation of whether hazardous natural gas liquid and natural gas pipeline integrity-management requirements should be expanded beyond current high-consequence areas;

a review of all natural gas and hazardous natural gas liquid gathering pipeline exemptions;

a verification of records for pipelines in class 3 and 4 locations and high-consequence areas to confirm maximum allowable operating pressures; and

a requirement to test pipelines previously untested in high-consequence areas operating above 30 percent yield strength.

The potential capital and operating expenditures related to this legislation, the associated regulations or other new pipeline safety regulations are unknown.

Financial Markets Legislation - The Dodd-Frank Act represents a far-reaching overhaul of the framework for regulation of United States financial markets. Various regulatory agencies, including the SEC and the CFTC, have proposed regulations for implementation of many of the provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act. The CFTC has issued final regulations for certain provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act, but others remain outstanding. Several of the regulations became effective in October 2012. Prior to becoming effective, however, one of the final regulations, which imposed federal limits on speculative positions in certain futures contracts, was vacated by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia and remanded to the CFTC for further action. Based on our assessment of the regulations issued to date and those proposed, we expect to be able to continue to participate in financial markets for hedging certain risks inherent in our business, including commodity and interest-rate risks; however, the capital requirements and costs of hedging may increase as a result of the regulations. We also may incur additional costs associated with our compliance with the new regulations and anticipated additional record keeping, reporting and disclosure obligations; however, we do not believe the costs will be material. These requirements could affect adversely market liquidity and pricing of derivative contracts making it more difficult to execute our risk-management strategies in the future. Also, the anticipated increased costs of compliance by dealers and counterparties likely will be passed on to

customers, which could decrease the benefits of hedging to us and could reduce our profitability and liquidity.

Legal Proceedings - We are a party to various litigation matters and claims that have arisen in the normal course of our operations. While the results of litigation and claims cannot be predicted with certainty, and we are unable to estimate reasonably possible losses, we believe the probable final outcome of such matters will not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

# N.SEGMENTS

Segment Descriptions - Our operations are divided into three reportable business segments as follows:

our ONEOK Partners segment reflects the consolidated operations of ONEOK Partners. We own a 43.4 percent ownership interest and control ONEOK Partners through our ownership of its general partner interest. ONEOK Partners gathers, processes, treats, transports, stores and sells natural gas and gathers, treats, fractionates, stores, distributes and

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markets NGLs. We and ONEOK Partners maintain significant financial and corporate governance separations. We seek to receive increasing cash distributions as a result of our investment in ONEOK Partners, and our investment decisions are made based on the anticipated returns from ONEOK Partners in total, not specific to any of its businesses individually;

our Natural Gas Distribution segment is comprised of our regulated public utilities that deliver natural gas to residential, commercial and industrial customers, and transport natural gas; and

our Energy Services segment markets natural gas to wholesale customers.

Other and Eliminations consists of the operating and leasing operations of our headquarters building and related parking facility and other amounts needed to reconcile our reportable segments to our consolidated financial statements.

Accounting Policies - The accounting policies of the segments are the same as those described in Note A of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in our Annual Report. Intersegment sales are recorded on the same basis as sales to unaffiliated customers and are discussed in further detail in Note L. Net margin is comprised of total revenues less cost of sales and fuel. Cost of sales and fuel includes commodity purchases, fuel, and storage and transportation costs.

Customers - For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, we had no single external customer from which we received 10 percent or more of our consolidated gross revenues.

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Three Months Ended	ONEOK	Natural Gas	Energy	Other and	Total
September 30, 2012	Partners (a)	Distribution	Services	Eliminations	Total
	(Thousands o	f dollars)			
Sales to unaffiliated customers	\$2,456,364	\$204,930	\$366,955	\$526	\$3,028,775
Intersegment revenues	91,096	2	(3,116	) (87,982	) —
Total revenues	\$2,547,460	\$204,932	\$363,839	\$(87,456	) \$3,028,775
Net margin	\$419,737	\$150,987	\$(17,275	) \$523	\$553,972
Operating costs	121,176	103,373	4,424	232	229,205
Depreciation and amortization	49,754	31,962	78	(360	) 81,434
Loss on sale of assets	(420	) —			(420)
Operating income	\$248,387	\$15,652	\$(21,777	) \$651	\$242,913
Equity earnings from investments	\$28,591	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$28,591
Capital expenditures	\$375,291	\$74,287	\$—	\$8,633	\$458,211

Operating Segment Information - The following tables set forth certain selected financial information for our operating segments for the periods indicated:

(a) - Our ONEOK Partners segment has regulated and nonregulated operations. Our ONEOK Partners segment's regulated operations had revenues of \$181.6 million, net margin of \$122.9 million and operating income of \$63.6 million.

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Three Months Ended September 30, 2011	ONEOK Partners (a)	Natural Gas Distribution	Energy Services	Other and Eliminations	Total		
	(Thousands of						
Sales to unaffiliated customers	\$2,792,399	\$211,707	\$524,667	\$586	\$3,529,359		
Intersegment revenues	111,177	2,176	83,522	(196,875	) —		
Total revenues	\$2,903,576	\$213,883	\$608,189	\$(196,289	\$3,529,359		
Net margin	\$394,006	\$145,408	\$(7,373	) \$583	\$532,624		
Operating costs	106,306	95,340	5,252	363	207,261		
Depreciation and amortization	45,221	30,254	100	378	75,953		
Loss on sale of assets	(69	) —			(69)		
Operating income	\$242,410	\$19,814	\$(12,725	) \$(158	) \$249,341		
Equity earnings from investments	\$32,029	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$32,029		
Capital expenditures	\$252,227	\$67,459	\$21	\$18,831	\$338,538		
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(a) - Our ONEOK Partners segment has regulated and nonregulated operations. Our ONEOK Partners segment's regulated operations had revenues of \$166.3 million, net margin of \$112.5 million and operating income of \$55.9 million.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012	ONEOK Partners (a)	Natural Gas Distribution	Energy Services	Other and Eliminations	Total
•	(Thousands of	dollars)			
Sales to unaffiliated customers	\$7,018,503	\$943,034	\$1,009,550	\$1,548	\$8,972,635
Intersegment revenues	247,851	845	84,022	(332,718)	) —
Total revenues	\$7,266,354	\$943,879	\$1,093,572	\$(331,170)	\$8,972,635
Net margin	\$1,242,289	\$545,823	\$(43,133)	\$1,542	\$1,746,521
Operating costs	360,410	312,133	13,889	(1,906)	684,526
Depreciation and amortization	150,024	97,481	284	1,640	249,429
Goodwill impairment			10,255		10,255
Gain on sale of assets	603				603
Operating income	\$732,458	\$136,209	\$(67,561)	\$1,808	\$802,914
Equity earnings from investments	\$92,380	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$92,380
Investments in unconsolidated affiliates	\$\$1,218,282	<b>\$</b> —	\$—	\$—	\$1,218,282
Total assets	\$10,792,593	\$3,258,320	\$450,899	\$862,495	\$15,364,307
Noncontrolling interests in consolidated subsidiaries	<sup>1</sup> \$4,812	\$—	\$—	\$2,105,041	\$2,109,853
Capital expenditures	\$1,011,527	\$205,652	\$—	\$21,729	\$1,238,908
(a) - Our ONEOK Partners segment has	regulated and	nonregulated op	erations. Our O	NEOK Partners	segment's
regulated operations had revenues of \$5	513.0 million, no	et margin of \$3.	59.7 million and	l operating incon	ne of \$182.3

on, net margin of \$3 \$3 operating million. ጉ

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011	ONEOK Partners (a)	Natural Gas Distribution	Energy Services	Other and Eliminations	Total
Sales to unaffiliated customers Intersegment revenues Total revenues	(Thousands of \$7,880,736 306,669 \$8,187,405	\$1,145,032 10,016 \$1,155,048	\$1,707,223 408,734 \$2,115,957	\$1,766 (725,419 \$(723,653	\$10,734,757 ) — ) \$10,734,757
Net margin Operating costs Depreciation and amortization Loss on sale of assets Operating income	\$1,083,100 328,630 131,665 (791 ) \$622,014	\$548,283 304,554 100,638 	\$48,143 18,554 359  \$29,230	\$1,808 813 1,441  \$(446	\$1,681,334 652,551 234,103 (791) \$793,889
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# ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with our unaudited consolidated financial statements and the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this Quarterly Report, as well as our Annual Report. Due to the seasonal nature of our business, the results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for a 12-month period.

# RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

ONEOK Partners' Growth Projects - Oil and gas producers continue to drill aggressively in crude oil and NGL-rich areas, and related development activities continue to progress in many regions where ONEOK Partners has operations. ONEOK Partners expects continued development of the oil and natural gas reserves in the Bakken Shale and Three Forks formations in the Williston Basin and in the Cana-Woodford Shale, Woodford Shale, Granite Wash and Mississippian Lime areas in the Mid-Continent region. In response to this increased production of crude oil, natural gas and NGLs, and higher demand for NGL products from the petrochemical industry, ONEOK Partners is investing approximately \$5.7 billion to \$6.6 billion in new capital projects between 2011 and 2015 to meet the needs of oil and natural gas producers and processors in the Bakken Shale, the Cana-Woodford Shale, Woodford Shale, and the Granite Wash and Mississippian Lime areas. In addition, ONEOK Partners is investing in NGL infrastructure projects in the Rocky Mountain, Mid-Continent and Gulf Coast regions. These assets will enhance ONEOK Partners' ability to distribute NGL products to meet the increasing petrochemical industry and NGL export demand. The execution of these capital investments aligns with ONEOK Partners' focus to grow fee-based earnings. Acreage dedications and supply commitments from producers and natural gas processors in regions associated with ONEOK Partners' growth projects will provide incremental and long-term fee-based earnings and cash flows.

See discussion of ONEOK Partners' growth projects in the "Financial Results and Operating Information" section for our ONEOK Partners segment.

Dividends/Distributions - We declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.33 per share (\$1.32 per share on an annualized basis) in October 2012. A cash distribution from ONEOK Partners of \$0.685 per unit (\$2.74 per unit on an annualized basis) was declared in October 2012 for the third quarter of 2012, an increase of 2.5 cents from the previous quarter. The quarterly dividend and distribution payments will be made November 14, 2012, to shareholders and unitholders of record at the close of business on November 5, 2012.

Stock Split - In June 2012, we completed our previously announced two-for-one split of our common stock. The two-for-one split was effected by a distribution on June 1, 2012, of one share of stock for each share outstanding and held by shareholders of record on May 24, 2012. We have adjusted all share and per-share amounts contained herein, to be presented on a post-split basis.

Retail Marketing Sale - On February 1, 2012, we sold ONEOK Energy Marketing Company, our retail natural gas marketing business, to Constellation Energy Group, Inc. for \$22.5 million plus working capital. We received net proceeds of approximately \$32.9 million and recognized an after-tax gain on the sale of approximately \$13.5 million. The proceeds from the sale were used to reduce short-term borrowings. The financial information of ONEOK Energy Marketing Company is reflected as discontinued operations in this Quarterly Report. All prior periods presented have been recast to reflect the discontinued operations.

#### FINANCIAL RESULTS AND OPERATING INFORMATION

#### **Consolidated Operations**

Selected Financial Results - The following table sets forth certain selected financial results for the periods indicated:														
	Three Mo	on	ths Ended	-			5	Three M	or	ths		Nine Months		
	Septembe	er	30,		September	30,	2	2012 vs.	20	)11		2012 vs. 20	11	
Financial Results	2012		2011		2012	2011	]	Increase	(I	Decrease	e)	Increase (D	ecrea	se)
	(Millions	0	f dollars)											
Revenues	\$3,028.8		\$3,529.4		\$8,972.6	\$10,734.7	9	\$(500.6	)	(14	)%	\$(1,762.1)	(16	)%
Cost of sales and fuel	2,474.8		2,996.8		7,226.1	9,053.4	(	(522.0	)	(17	)%	(1,827.3)	(20	)%
Net margin	554.0		532.6		1,746.5	1,681.3	4	21.4		4	%	65.2	4	%
Operating costs	229.3		207.2		684.5	652.6	2	22.1		11	%	31.9	5	%
Depreciation and	81.4		76.0		249.4	234.1	4	5.4		7	%	15.3	7	%
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Goodwill impairment	—		—		10.3	—	-			—		10.3	100	%
Gain (loss) on sale of assets	(0.4	)	(0.1	)	0.6	(0.7)	) (	(0.3	)	*		1.3	*	
Operating income	\$242.9		\$249.3		\$802.9	\$793.9	9	\$(6.4	)	(3	)%	\$9.0	1	%
Interest expense	\$(71.4	)	\$(73.8	)	\$(218.7)	\$(228.7)	) (	\$(2.4	)	(3	)%	\$(10.0)	(4	)%
Net income	\$165.0		\$160.9		\$547.7	\$495.0	9	\$4.1		3	%	\$52.7	11	%
Net income attributable														
to noncontrolling	\$99.8		\$100.6		\$298.6	\$249.4		\$(0.8	)	(1	)%	\$49.2	20	%
interests														
Net income attributable to ONEOK	\$65.2		\$60.3		\$249.1	\$245.6	9	\$4.9		8	%	\$3.5	1	%
Capital expenditures	\$458.2		\$338.5		\$1,238.9	\$862.3	ç	\$119.7		35	%	\$376.6	44	%
* Percentage change is		m		nt	-	+ 10						+ 0		,.

\* Percentage change is greater than 100 percent.

Revenues decreased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, compared with the same periods last year, due to lower natural gas and NGL product prices, offset partially by higher natural gas and NGL sales volumes from ONEOK Partners' completed capital projects and more favorable NGL price differentials in the nine-month period. The increase in natural gas supply resulting from the development of resource areas in North America has caused lower natural gas prices and narrower natural gas location and seasonal price differentials in the markets we serve. NGL prices also have decreased in 2012 due primarily to increased NGL supply from the development of NGL-rich areas and lower NGL demand during the second and third quarters of 2012 because of scheduled maintenance at Gulf Coast petrochemical plants and lower crude-oil prices.

Operating income for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2012, reflects higher results from our ONEOK Partners segment, offset by lower results from our Energy Services and Natural Gas Distribution segments. Our ONEOK Partners segment's results benefited from higher volumes in its natural gas gathering and processing and natural gas liquids businesses. These increases were offset partially by lower realized natural gas and NGL product prices, particularly ethane and propane. For the nine months ended September 30, 2012, ONEOK Partners' natural gas liquids business also benefited from favorable NGL price differentials despite a decline in the third quarter 2012 in these differentials and lower NGL transportation capacity available for optimization activities compared with the same period in the prior year.

These increases were offset by lower margins in our Energy Services segment due primarily to lower storage and marketing margins, net of hedging activities, including a required reclassification of losses on certain financial contracts and a nonrecurring goodwill impairment charge in the first quarter 2012, lower transportation margins, net of hedging activities, and lower premium-services margins.

The increases in operating costs for both the three- and nine-month 2012 periods were due primarily to the ONEOK Partners segment's expanding operations as a result of several internal growth projects that were placed in service and scheduled maintenance costs.

Interest expense decreased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, compared with the same periods last year, primarily as a result of interest capitalized associated with the investments in ONEOK Partners' growth projects, offset partially by interest costs from ONEOK's \$700 million debt issuance in January 2012 and ONEOK Partners' \$1.3 billion debt issuance in September 2012.

Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, reflects primarily the portion of ONEOK Partners that we do not own and the increase in the nine-month period reflects higher earnings in our ONEOK Partners segment during 2012.

Capital expenditures increased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, compared with the same periods last year, due primarily to the growth projects in ONEOK Partners' natural gas gathering and processing and natural gas liquids businesses.

Additional information regarding our financial results and operating information is provided in the following discussion for each of our segments.

# **ONEOK** Partners

Overview - ONEOK Partners is a diversified master limited partnership involved in the gathering, processing, storage and transportation of natural gas in the United States. In addition, ONEOK Partners owns one of the nation's premier natural gas liquids systems, connecting NGL supply in the Mid-Continent and Rocky Mountain regions with key market centers.

We own approximately 92.8 million common and Class B limited partner units, and the entire 2-percent general partner interest, which, together, represent a 43.4-percent ownership interest in ONEOK Partners. We receive distributions from ONEOK Partners on our common and Class B units and our 2-percent general partner interest, which includes incentive distribution rights we own. See Note L of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this Quarterly Report for discussion of our incentive distribution rights.

We and ONEOK Partners maintain significant financial and corporate governance separations. We seek to receive increasing cash distributions as a result of our investment in ONEOK Partners, and our investment decisions are made based on the anticipated returns from ONEOK Partners in total, not specific to any of ONEOK Partners' businesses individually. To aid in understanding the important business and financial characteristics of our ONEOK Partners segment, the following describes its business with reference to its underlying activities.

Natural gas gathering and processing business - ONEOK Partners' natural gas gathering and processing business provides nondiscretionary services to producers that include gathering and processing of natural gas produced from crude oil and natural gas wells. ONEOK Partners gathers and processes natural gas in the Mid-Continent region, which includes the NGL-rich Cana-Woodford Shale and Granite Wash formations; the Mississippian Lime formation of Oklahoma and Kansas; and the Hugoton and Central Kansas Uplift Basins of Kansas. It also gathers and/or processes natural gas in two producing basins in the Rocky Mountain region: the Williston Basin, which spans portions of Montana and North Dakota and includes the oil-producing, NGL-rich Bakken Shale and Three Forks formations; and the Powder River Basin of Wyoming. In the Powder River Basin, the natural gas that ONEOK Partners gathers is coal-bed methane, or dry, natural gas that does not require processing or NGL extraction in order to be marketable; dry natural gas is gathered, compressed and delivered into a downstream pipeline or marketed for a fee.

Natural gas pipelines business - ONEOK Partners' natural gas pipeline business owns and operates regulated natural gas transmission pipelines, natural gas storage facilities and natural gas gathering systems for unprocessed natural

gas. ONEOK Partners also provides interstate natural gas transportation and storage services in accordance with Section 311(a) of the Natural Gas Policy Act.

ONEOK Partners' FERC-regulated interstate assets transport natural gas through pipelines that access supply from Canada and from the Mid-Continent, Rocky Mountain and Gulf Coast regions. ONEOK Partners' intrastate natural gas pipeline assets are located in Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas, and have access to major natural gas producing areas in those states. ONEOK Partners owns underground natural gas storage facilities in Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas.

Natural gas liquids business - ONEOK Partners' natural gas liquids business gathers, treats, fractionates, stores and transports NGLs and distributes and stores NGL products. ONEOK Partners' natural gas liquids gathering pipelines deliver unfractionated NGLs gathered from natural gas processing plants located in Oklahoma, Kansas, Texas and the Rocky Mountain region to fractionators it owns in Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas, as well as to third-party fractionators and pipelines. The NGLs

are then separated through the fractionation process into the individual NGL products that realize the greater economic value of the NGL components. The individual NGL products are then stored or distributed to petrochemical manufacturers, heating-fuel users, refineries and propane distributors through ONEOK Partners' FERC-regulated distribution pipelines that move NGL products from Oklahoma and Kansas to the Mid-Continent and Gulf Coast NGL market centers, as well as the Midwest markets near Chicago, Illinois.

Growth Projects - Bakken Crude Express Pipeline - In April 2012, ONEOK Partners announced plans to invest \$1.5 billion to \$1.8 billion to build a 1,300-mile crude-oil pipeline, the Bakken Crude Express Pipeline, with the capacity to transport 200 MBbl/d. The Bakken Crude Express Pipeline will transport light-sweet crude oil primarily from the Bakken Shale and Three Forks formations in the Williston Basin in North Dakota to the Cushing, Oklahoma, market hub.

ONEOK Partners is the largest independent gatherer and processor of natural gas in the Williston Basin and currently is constructing a natural gas liquids pipeline, the Bakken NGL Pipeline, to provide needed transportation capacity for the growing NGL production in the area. The development of the Bakken Crude Express Pipeline is a natural addition to the suite of midstream services that ONEOK Partners currently provides to producers in the Williston Basin and is expected to generate additional fee-based earnings. Additional crude-oil infrastructure is needed due to the continued crude-oil production growth that is expected to exceed the area's current truck, railcar and pipeline transportation capacity. ONEOK Partners' proposed pipeline will provide producers with efficient and reliable transportation capacity directly to one of the largest crude-oil market hubs in the U.S. and will enable producers to maintain the quality of the light-sweet crude oil during transportation.

ONEOK Partners began an open season process that provides potential shippers with the opportunity to execute long-term transportation contracts in exchange for priority transportation service. The open season began on September 21, 2012, and will conclude on November 20, 2012. Depending upon the level of supply commitments received, the capacity of this pipeline can be increased. More than 80 percent of the proposed pipeline route is expected to parallel ONEOK Partners' existing and planned natural gas liquids pipelines. Following receipt of sufficient supply commitments, all necessary permits and compliance with customary regulatory requirements, construction is expected to begin in early 2014 and be completed by mid-2015.

Natural gas gathering and processing projects - ONEOK Partners' natural gas gathering and processing business is investing approximately \$1.8 billion to \$1.9 billion in growth projects in the Williston Basin and Cana-Woodford Shale areas that will enable ONEOK Partners to meet the rapidly growing needs of crude oil and natural gas producers in those areas.

Williston Basin Processing Plants and related projects - In July 2012, ONEOK Partners announced plans to invest approximately \$310 to \$345 million to construct the 100 MMcf/d Garden Creek II natural gas processing plant and related infrastructure. The Garden Creek II plant is expected to be in service during the third quarter of 2014. Combined, ONEOK Partners' projects in this basin include four 100 MMcf/d natural gas processing facilities: the Garden Creek and Garden Creek II plants located in eastern McKenzie County, North Dakota, and the Stateline I and II plants located in western Williams County, North Dakota. ONEOK Partners has acreage dedications of approximately 3.0 million acres supporting these plants. In addition, ONEOK Partners is expanding and upgrading its existing natural gas gathering and compression infrastructure and also adding new well connections associated with these plants. The Garden Creek plant was placed in service in December 2011 and together with the related infrastructure cost approximately \$360 million, excluding AFUDC. Together, the Stateline I and II plants and related infrastructure projects are expected to cost approximately \$560 million to \$660 million, excluding AFUDC. The 100 MMcf/d Stateline I natural gas processing facility was placed into service in September 2012, and the 100 MMcf/d Stateline II natural gas processing facility is expected to be in service during the first quarter 2013.

ONEOK Partners plans to invest \$140 million to \$160 million to construct a 270-mile natural gas gathering system and related infrastructure in Divide County, North Dakota. The new system will gather and deliver natural gas from producers in the Williston Basin to both of ONEOK Partners' Stateline natural gas processing facilities in western Williams County, North Dakota. ONEOK Partners has secured long-term supply commitments from producers for this new system, which are structured with POP and fee-based components. This project is expected to be completed in the third quarter 2013.

ONEOK Partners expects that its capital projects will continue to provide additional revenues from POP and fee-based contracts as they are completed. ONEOK Partners expects its commodity price exposure to increase, particularly to NGL and natural gas prices, as equity volumes increase under its natural gas gathering and processing business' POP contracts with its customers in the Williston Basin. ONEOK Partners uses derivative instruments to mitigate its sensitivity to fluctuations in the natural gas, crude oil and NGL prices received for its share of volumes.

Cana Woodford Shale projects - ONEOK Partners plans to invest approximately \$340 million to \$360 million to construct a new 200 MMcf/d natural gas processing facility, the Canadian Valley plant, and related infrastructure in the Cana-Woodford Shale in Canadian County, Oklahoma, in close proximity to its existing natural gas transportation and natural gas liquids gathering pipelines. The additional natural gas processing infrastructure is necessary to accommodate increased production of NGL-rich natural gas in the Cana-Woodford Shale where ONEOK Partners has substantial acreage dedications from active producers. The new Canadian Valley plant is expected to cost approximately \$190 million, excluding AFUDC, and is expected to be in service in the first quarter 2014. The related additional infrastructure is expected to cost approximately \$160 million, excluding AFUDC, and is expected to increase ONEOK Partners' capacity to gather and process natural gas to approximately 390 MMcf/d in the Cana-Woodford Shale.

In both the Williston Basin and Cana-Woodford Shale project areas, nearly all of the new gas production is from horizontally drilled and completed wells. Horizontal wells drilled in the Williston Basin are justified primarily by crude-oil economics, which are currently very favorable. These wells tend to produce at higher initial volumes resulting generally in higher initial decline rates than conventional vertical wells; however, the decline rates flatten out over time. These wells are expected to have long productive lives. ONEOK Partners expects the routine growth capital needed to connect to new wells and expand its infrastructure to increase compared with its previous experience.

Natural gas liquids projects - The growth strategy in ONEOK Partners' natural gas liquids business is focused around the oil and NGL-rich natural gas drilling activity in shale and other unconventional resource areas from the Rocky Mountain region through the Mid-Continent region into Texas. Increasing crude oil, natural gas and NGL production resulting from this activity and higher petrochemical industry demand for NGL products have required ONEOK Partners to make additional capital investments in its infrastructure to bring these commodities from supply basins to market. Expansion of the petrochemical industry in the United States is expected to increase ethane demand significantly over the next five years, and international demand for propane is expected to impact positively the NGL market in the future. ONEOK Partners' natural gas liquids business is investing approximately \$2.4 billion to \$2.9 billion in NGL-related projects through 2014. These investments will accommodate the transportation and fractionation of growing NGL supplies from shale and other resource development areas across ONEOK Partners' asset base and alleviate infrastructure constraints between the Mid-Continent and Texas Gulf Coast regions to meet the increasing petrochemical industry and NGL export demand in the Gulf Coast. Over time, these growing fee-based NGL volumes will fill much of the capacity currently used to capture the NGL price differentials between the two market centers. In addition, we believe the NGL price differentials between the Mid-Continent and Gulf Coast market centers will narrow over the long term as new fractionators and pipelines, including ONEOK Partners' growth projects discussed below, begin to alleviate constraints affecting NGL prices and location price differentials between the two market centers.

Sterling III Pipeline - ONEOK Partners plans to build a 570-plus-mile natural gas liquids pipeline, the Sterling III Pipeline, which will have the flexibility to transport either unfractionated NGLs or NGL products from the Mid-Continent to the Texas Gulf Coast. The Sterling III Pipeline will traverse the NGL-rich Woodford Shale that is currently under development, as well as provide transportation capacity for the growing NGL production from the Cana-Woodford Shale and Granite Wash areas, where the pipeline can gather unfractionated NGLs from the new natural gas processing plants that are being built as a result of increased drilling activity in these areas. The Sterling III Pipeline will have an initial capacity to transport up to 193 MBbl/d of production from ONEOK Partners' natural gas liquids infrastructure at Medford, Oklahoma, to its storage and fractionation facilities in Mont Belvieu, Texas. ONEOK Partners has multi-year supply commitments from producers and natural gas processors for approximately 75 percent of the pipeline's capacity. Installation of additional pump stations could expand the capacity of the pipeline to 250 MBbl/d. Following the receipt of all necessary permits and the acquisition of rights-of-way, construction is scheduled to begin in 2013, with an expected completion late in the same year.

The investment also includes reconfiguring its existing Sterling I and II pipelines, which currently distribute NGL products between the Mid-Continent and Gulf Coast NGL market centers, to transport either unfractionated NGLs or NGL products.

The project costs for the new pipeline and reconfiguring projects are estimated to be \$610 million to \$810 million, excluding AFUDC.

MB-2 Fractionator - ONEOK Partners is constructing a 75-MBbl/d fractionator, MB-2, near its storage facility in Mont Belvieu, Texas. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) approved the permit application to build this fractionator. Construction began in June 2011 and is expected to be completed in mid-2013. The cost of the new fractionator is estimated to be \$300 million to \$390 million, excluding AFUDC. ONEOK Partners has multi-year supply commitments from producers and natural gas processors for all of the fractionator's capacity.

MB-3 Fractionator - In July 2012, ONEOK Partners announced plans to construct a 75 MBbl/d fractionator, MB-3, near its storage facility in Mont Belvieu, Texas. In addition, ONEOK Partners plans to expand and upgrade its existing natural gas

liquids gathering and pipeline infrastructure, including new connections to natural gas processing facilities and increasing the capacity of the Arbuckle and Sterling II NGL pipelines. The MB-3 fractionator and related infrastructure are expected to cost approximately \$525 million to \$575 million, excluding AFUDC. The MB-3 fractionator is expected to be completed in the fourth quarter 2014. Supply commitments from third-party natural gas processors are in various stages of negotiation.

Ethane/Propane Splitter - In July 2012, ONEOK Partners announced plans to construct a new 40 MBbl/d ethane/propane splitter at its Mont Belvieu storage facility to split ethane/propane mix into purity ethane in order to meet the growing needs of petrochemical customers. The facility will be capable of producing 32 MBbl/d of purity ethane and 8 MBbl/d of propane, and is expected to be in service during the second quarter 2014. The ethane/propane splitter is expected to cost approximately \$45 million, excluding AFUDC.

Bakken NGL Pipeline and related projects - ONEOK Partners is building an approximately 600-mile natural gas liquids pipeline, the Bakken NGL Pipeline, to transport unfractionated NGLs from the Williston Basin to the Overland Pass Pipeline. In July 2012, ONEOK Partners announced plans to invest an additional \$100 million to install additional pump stations on the Bakken NGL Pipeline to increase its capacity to 135 MBbl/d from an initial capacity of 60 MBbl/d. The unfractionated NGLs will then be delivered to ONEOK Partners' existing natural gas liquids fractionation and distribution infrastructure in the Mid-Continent. Project costs for the new pipeline, including the expansion, are estimated to be \$550 million to \$650 million, excluding AFUDC. NGL supply commitments for the Bakken NGL Pipeline are anchored by NGL production from ONEOK Partners' natural gas processing plants. The 12-inch diameter pipeline is expected to be in service during the first quarter of 2013, and the expansion is expected to be completed in the third quarter 2014.

The unfractionated NGLs from the Bakken NGL Pipeline and other supply sources under development in the Rocky Mountain region will require installing additional pump stations and expanding existing pump stations on the Overland Pass Pipeline in which ONEOK Partners owns a 50-percent equity interest. These additions and expansions will increase the capacity of Overland Pass Pipeline to 255 MBbl/d. ONEOK Partners' share of the costs for this project is estimated to be \$35 million to \$40 million, excluding AFUDC.

Bushton Fractionator expansion - In September 2012, ONEOK Partners completed an expansion and upgrade to its existing NGL fractionation capacity at Bushton, Kansas, increasing capacity to 210 MBbl/d from 150 MBbl/d. This additional capacity is necessary to accommodate the volume growth from the Mid-Continent and Williston Basin. The project cost approximately \$117 million, excluding AFUDC.

Cana-Woodford Shale and Granite Wash projects - ONEOK Partners constructed approximately 230 miles of natural gas liquids pipelines that expanded its existing Mid-Continent natural gas liquids gathering system in the Cana-Woodford Shale and Granite Wash areas. These pipelines expanded ONEOK Partners' capacity to transport unfractionated NGLs from these Mid-Continent supply areas to fractionation facilities in Oklahoma and Texas and distribute NGL products to the Mid-Continent, Gulf Coast and upper Midwest market centers. The pipelines are connected to three new third-party natural gas processing facilities and to three existing third-party natural gas processing facilities that were expanded. Additionally, ONEOK Partners installed additional pump stations on the Arbuckle Pipeline to increase its capacity to 240 MBbl/d. These projects are expected to add, through multi-year supply contracts, approximately 75 to 80 MBbl/d of unfractionated NGLs, to ONEOK Partners' existing natural gas liquids gathering systems. These projects were placed in service in April 2012 and cost approximately \$220 million, excluding AFUDC.

Sterling I Pipeline expansion - In 2011, ONEOK Partners installed seven additional pump stations for approximately \$30 million, excluding AFUDC, along its existing Sterling I natural gas liquids distribution pipeline, increasing its capacity by 15 MBbl/d, which is supplied by ONEOK Partners' Mid-Continent natural gas liquids infrastructure. The

Sterling I Pipeline transports NGL products from ONEOK Partners' fractionator in Medford, Oklahoma, to the Mont Belvieu, Texas, market center.

For a discussion of ONEOK Partners' capital expenditure financing, see "Capital Expenditures" in "Liquidity and Capital Resources" on page 59.

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	Three Mor	nths Ended	Nine Mont	ths Ended	Three M	lonths		Nine Months			
	September	: 30,	September	30,	2012 vs.	2011		2012 vs. 20	)11		
Financial Results	2012	2011	2012	2011	Increase	(Decrease	)	Increase (D	ecrease	e)	
	(Millions	of dollars)									
Revenues	\$2,547.5	\$2,903.6	\$7,266.4	\$8,187.4	\$(356.1	) (12	)%	\$(921.0)	(11	)%	
Cost of sales and fuel	2,127.8	2,509.6	6,024.1	7,104.3	(381.8	) (15	)%	(1,080.2)	(15	)%	
Net margin	419.7	394.0	1,242.3	1,083.1	25.7	7	%	159.2	15	%	
Operating costs	121.1	106.3	360.4	328.6	14.8	14	%	31.8	10	%	
Depreciation and amortization	49.8	45.2	150.0	131.7	4.6	10	%	18.3	14	%	
Gain (loss) on sale of assets	(0.4 )	(0.1)	0.6	(0.8)	(0.3	) *		1.4	*		
Operating income	\$248.4	\$242.4	\$732.5	\$622.0	\$6.0	2	%	\$110.5	18	%	
Equity earnings from investments	\$28.6	\$32.0	\$92.4	\$93.7	\$(3.4	) (11	)%	\$(1.3)	(1	)%	
Interest expense	\$(47.8)	\$(55.7)	\$(148.1)	\$(170.6)	\$7.9	(14	)%	\$(22.5)	(13	)%	
Capital expenditures	\$375.3	\$252.2	\$1,011.5	\$662.4	\$123.1	49	%	\$349.1	53	%	
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Selected Financial Results and Operating Information - The following table sets forth certain selected financial results for our ONEOK Partners segment for the periods indicated:

\* Percentage change is greater than 100 percent.

Revenues decreased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, compared with the same periods last year, due to lower natural gas and NGL product prices, offset partially by higher natural gas and NGL sales volume from our ONEOK Partners segment's completed capital projects and more favorable NGL price differentials in the nine-month period.

The differential between the composite price of NGL products and the price of natural gas, particularly the differential between ethane and natural gas, may influence the volume of NGLs recovered from natural gas processing plants. When economic conditions warrant, natural gas processors may elect not to recover the ethane component of the natural gas stream, also known as ethane rejection, and instead leave the ethane component in the higher value residue natural gas stream sold at the tailgate of natural gas processing plants. Low commodity prices have resulted in periods of ethane rejection in the Mid-Continent region during 2012. Ethane rejection did not have a material impact on ONEOK Partners' results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012.

Net margin increased for the three months ended September 30, 2012, compared with the same period last year, due primarily to the following:

an increase of \$33.4 million due primarily to volume growth in the Williston Basin from the new Garden Creek natural gas processing plant and increased drilling activity resulting in higher natural gas volumes gathered, compressed, processed, transported and sold, and higher fees in ONEOK Partners' natural gas gathering and processing business;

an increase of \$32.9 million related to higher NGL volumes gathered and fractionated across ONEOK Partners' system and contract renegotiations for higher fees in its NGL exchange services activities; and

an increase of \$5.8 million related to higher isomerization margins resulting from wider price differentials between normal butane and iso-butane, and higher isomerization volumes; offset partially by

**a** decrease of \$20.9 million in optimization and marketing margins, which resulted from a \$43.4 million decrease due to narrower NGL price differentials and lower transportation capacity available for optimization activities, as an increasing portion of ONEOK Partners' transportation capacity between the Conway, Kansas, and Mont Belvieu, Texas, NGL market centers is utilized by ONEOK Partners' exchange services business to produce fee-based earnings.

This decrease was offset partially by a \$22.5 million increase in ONEOK Partners' marketing business due primarily to margins realized on the fractionation and sale of NGL inventory held at the end of the second quarter of 2012 associated with the scheduled maintenance at ONEOK Partners' Mont Belvieu natural gas liquids fractionation facility;

• a decrease of \$11.0 million due primarily to lower natural gas and NGL product prices, particularly ethane and propane in ONEOK Partners' natural gas gathering and processing business;

a decrease of \$9.0 million due primarily to higher compression and processing costs associated with ONEOK Partners' volume growth primarily in the Williston Basin in ONEOK Partners' natural gas gathering and processing business; and

a decrease of \$5.5 million due to the impact of operational measurement losses in ONEOK Partners' natural gas liquids business.

Net margin increased for the nine months ended September 30, 2012, compared with the same period last year, due primarily to the following:

an increase of \$88.8 million due primarily to volume growth in the Williston Basin from ONEOK Partners' new Garden Creek natural gas processing plant and increased drilling activity resulting in higher natural gas volumes gathered, compressed, processed, transported and sold, and higher fees in ONEOK Partners' natural gas gathering and processing business;

an increase of \$68.8 million from higher NGL volumes gathered and fractionated across ONEOK Partners' systems and contract renegotiations for higher fees associated with ONEOK Partners' NGL exchange services activities; an increase of \$50.3 million in optimization and marketing margins in ONEOK Partners' natural gas liquids business, which resulted primarily from wider NGL product price differentials. ONEOK Partners' marketing margins also benefited from higher NGL truck and rail volumes;

an increase of \$9.6 million due to higher storage margins as a result of contract renegotiations at higher fees in ONEOK Partners' natural gas liquids business; and

an increase of \$3.9 million related to higher isomerization margins resulting from wider price differentials between normal butane and iso-butane in ONEOK Partners' natural gas liquids business; offset partially by

a decrease of \$26.4 million due to lower natural gas and NGL product prices, particularly ethane and propane, offset partially by higher condensate prices in ONEOK Partners' natural gas gathering and processing business;

a decrease of \$23.7 million due primarily to higher compression and processing costs associated with volume growth primarily in the Williston Basin in ONEOK Partners' natural gas gathering and processing business;

a decrease of \$4.1 million due to lower natural gas volumes gathered as a result of continued declines in coal-bed methane production in the Powder River Basin; and

a decrease of \$3.1 million due primarily to lower prices on the net retained fuel position of ONEOK Partners' natural gas pipeline business, offset partially by higher retained fuel volumes.

Operating costs increased for the three months ended September 30, 2012, compared with the same period last year, due primarily to the following:

an increase of \$6.9 million in higher labor and employee-related costs associated with the growth of ONEOK Partners' operations and completed capital projects in its natural gas gathering and processing and natural gas liquids businesses; and

an increase of \$5.1 million from higher materials and supplies, and outside services expenses associated primarily with growth and scheduled maintenance in ONEOK Partners' operations related to the completed capital projects in its natural gas gathering and processing and natural gas liquids businesses.

Operating costs increased for the nine months ended September 30, 2012, compared with the same period last year, due primarily to the following:

an increase of \$17.6 million from higher materials and supplies, and outside services expenses and property taxes associated primarily with growth and scheduled maintenance in ONEOK Partners' operations related to the completed capital projects in its natural gas gathering and processing and natural gas liquids businesses; and an increase of \$14.2 million in higher labor and employee-related costs associated with the growth of ONEOK Partners' operations and completed capital projects in its natural gas gathering and processing and natural gas liquids businesses.

Depreciation and amortization expense increased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, compared with the same periods last year, due primarily to the depreciation associated with ONEOK Partners' completed capital projects, which includes the completion of its Garden Creek natural gas processing plant, well connections and infrastructure projects supporting the volume growth in the Williston Basin.

Equity earnings decreased for the three months ended September 30, 2012, compared with the same period last year, due primarily to Hurricane Isaac, which interrupted operations at Venice Energy Services Company.

Capital expenditures increased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, compared with the same periods last year, due primarily to the growth projects in ONEOK Partners' natural gas gathering and processing and natural gas liquids businesses.

Selected Operating Information - The following table sets forth selected operating information for our ONEOK Partners segment for the periods indicated:

	Three Mon				Nine Months Ended				
	September	30,			September	30,			
Operating Information	2012		2011		2012		2011		
Natural gas gathering and processing business (a)									
Natural gas gathered (BBtu/d)	1,149		1,044		1,091		1,021		
Natural gas processed (BBtu/d) (b)	906		723		833		682		
NGL sales (MBbl/d)	62		50		57		47		
Residue gas sales (BBtu/d)	416		348		386		308		
Realized composite NGL net sales price (\$/gallon) (c)	\$1.10		\$1.09		\$1.07		\$1.09		
Realized condensate net sales price (\$/Bbl) (c)	\$86.54		\$87.89		\$87.72		\$81.63		
Realized residue gas net sales price (\$/MMBtu) (c)	\$3.69		\$5.25		\$3.74		\$5.63		
Realized gross processing spread (\$/MMBtu) (c)	\$8.14		\$8.17		\$8.23		\$8.30		
Natural gas pipelines business (a)									
Natural gas transportation capacity contracted (MDth/d)	5,249		5,132		5,345		5,353		
Transportation capacity subscribed (e)	87	%	85	%	88	%	88		
Average natural gas price									
Mid-Continent region (\$/MMBtu)	\$2.75		\$4.02		\$2.43		\$4.10		
Natural gas liquids business									
NGL sales (MBbl/d)	615		485		544		481		
NGLs fractionated (MBbl/d) (d)	581		529		565		522		
NGLs transported-gathering lines (MBbl/d) (a)	530		443		517		424		
NGLs transported-distribution lines (MBbl/d) (a)	504		457		489		460		
Conway-to-Mont Belvieu OPIS average price differential									
Ethane in ethane/propane mix (\$/gallon)	\$0.16		\$0.27		\$0.21		\$0.21		
(a) - For consolidated entities only									

(a) - For consolidated entities only.

(b) - Includes volumes processed at company-owned and third-party facilities.

(c) - Presented net of the impact of hedging activities and includes equity volumes only.

(d) - Includes volumes fractionated from company-owned and third-party facilities.

(e) - Prior periods have been recast to reflect current estimated capacity.

Volumes in the natural gas gathering and processing business increased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, compared with the same periods last year, due to increased drilling activity in the Williston Basin and western Oklahoma, completion of additional gathering lines and compression to support ONEOK Partners' new Garden Creek plant that was placed in service in December 2011, offset partially by continued declines in coal-bed methane production in the Powder River Basin in Wyoming.

Low natural gas prices and the relatively higher market prices of crude oil and NGLs compared with natural gas have caused producers primarily to focus development efforts on crude oil and NGL-rich supply basins rather than areas with dry natural gas production, such as the Powder River Basin. The reduced development activities and natural production declines in the Powder River Basin have resulted in lower volumes available to be gathered. While the reserve potential in the Powder River Basin still exists and drilling permits have recently increased, future drilling and development will be affected by commodity prices and producers' alternative prospects. A continued decline in volumes in this area may reduce ONEOK Partners' ability to recover the carrying value of its assets and equity investments in this area and possibly result in noncash charges to earnings.

The quantity and composition of NGLs received by ONEOK Partners' natural gas gathering and processing business as payments under its various processing agreements continue to change as its new natural gas processing plants in the

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Williston Basin are placed in service. The Garden Creek and Stateline I plants are capable of, but currently are not recovering ethane due to the current lack of natural gas liquids pipeline takeaway transportation capacity. The natural gas liquids segment's Bakken NGL Pipeline that is expected to be completed in the first quarter of 2013 will enable ethane recovery. As a result, the 2012 equity NGL volumes and realized composite NGL net sales price associated with its natural gas gathering and processing business are weighted more toward the relatively higher priced propane, iso-butane, normal butane and natural gasoline

compared with the prior year. This has the effect of producing a higher NGL composite barrel realized price, while most individual NGL products prices are substantially lower this year compared with the prior year.

Natural gas transportation capacity contracted increased for the three months ended September 30, 2012, compared with the same period last year due primarily to higher subscribed capacity on Midwestern Gas Transmission as a result of higher contracted capacity with local distribution companies and higher subscribed capacity with producers on ONEOK Partners' intrastate pipelines to transport their increasing natural gas supply to market.

ONEOK Partners' operating information above does not include its 50-percent interest in Northern Border Pipeline Company. Substantially all of Northern Border Pipeline Company's long-haul transportation capacity has been contracted through March 2014. The Northern Border Pipeline currently operates pursuant to a 2007 rate case settlement. In September 2012, Northern Border Pipeline Company filed with the FERC a settlement with its customers to modify its transportation rates beginning in January 2013. This settlement is expected to be approved by the FERC before the end of 2012. If approved, the long-term transportation rates will be approximately 11 percent lower, compared with current rates, which is expected to reduce ONEOK Partners' future equity earnings from Northern Border Pipeline Company.

NGLs gathered and fractionated increased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, compared with the same periods last year, due primarily to increased throughput from existing connections in Texas and the Mid-Continent and Rocky Mountain regions, and new supply connections in the Mid-Continent and Rocky Mountain regions. The increased NGL gathering capacity in the Mid-Continent and Texas was made available through ONEOK Partners' Cana-Woodford Shale and Granite Wash projects, which were placed in service in April 2012. For the nine months ended September 30, 2012, the increased Gulf Coast fractionation capacity was made available by ONEOK Partners' 60 Mbl/d fractionation services agreement with Targa Resources Partners that began in the second quarter 2011. For the three months ended September 30, 2012, the increased Mid-Continent fractionation capacity was the result of the Bushton Fractionator expansion, which was completed in September 2012.

NGLs transported on distribution lines increased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, compared with the same periods last year, due primarily to ONEOK Partners' Sterling I Pipeline expansion and higher volumes transported on ONEOK Partners' distribution pipelines between its Mid-Continent fractionators to optimize the delivery of NGL supply.

Commodity Price Risk - The following tables set forth ONEOK Partners' natural gas gathering and processing business' hedging information for its equity volumes for the periods indicated, as of September 30, 2012.

Three Months Ending December 31, 2012				
Volumes (a)	A vorago Drigo	Percentage		
Hedged	Average Filce	Hedged		
9,488	\$1.25 / gallon	71%		
1,987	\$2.42 / gallon	77%		
11,475	\$1.46 / gallon	72%		
50,109	\$4.54 / MMBtu	77%		
Year Ending December 31, 2013				
Volumes	Percentage			
Hedged (a)	Average Price	Hedged		
428	\$2.51 / gallon	2%		
2,038	\$2.43 / gallon	70%		
2,466	\$2.44 / gallon	10%		
50,137	\$3.85 / MMBtu	80%		
	Volumes (a) Hedged 9,488 1,987 11,475 50,109 Year Ending Dev Volumes Hedged (a) 428 2,038 2,466	Volumes       Average Price         Hedged       9,488       \$1.25       / gallon         1,987       \$2.42       / gallon         11,475       \$1.46       / gallon         50,109       \$4.54       / MMBtu         Year Ending December 31, 2013         Volumes       Hedged       (a)       Average Price         428       \$2.51       / gallon         2,038       \$2.43       / gallon         2,466       \$2.44       / gallon		

(a) - Hedged with futures and swaps.

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	Year Ending December 31, 2014			
	Volumes Hedged (a)	Average Price		Percentage Hedged
Natural gas (MMBtu/d)	36.726	\$4.11	/ MMBtu	50%
(a) - Hedged with futures and swaps.				

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ONEOK Partners expects its commodity price sensitivity in its natural gas gathering and processing business to increase in the future as volumes increase under POP contracts with ONEOK Partners' customers. ONEOK Partners' commodity price sensitivity is estimated as a hypothetical change in the price of NGLs, crude oil and natural gas, excluding the effects of hedging, and assuming normal operating conditions. ONEOK Partners' condensate sales are based on the price of crude oil. ONEOK Partners estimates the following:

a \$0.01 per gallon change in the composite price of NGLs would change annual net margin by approximately \$2.8 million;

a \$1.00 per barrel change in the price of crude oil would change annual net margin by approximately \$1.2 million; and
a \$0.10 per MMBtu change in the price of natural gas would change annual net margin by approximately \$2.3 million.

These estimates do not include any effects on demand for ONEOK Partners' services or processing plant operations that might be caused by, or arise in conjunction with, price changes. For example, a change in the gross processing spread may cause a change in the amount of ethane extracted from the natural gas stream, impacting gathering and processing margins for certain contracts.

See Note D of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this Quarterly Report for more information on ONEOK Partners' hedging activities.

#### Natural Gas Distribution

Overview - Our Natural Gas Distribution segment provides natural gas distribution services to more than 2 million customers in Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas through Oklahoma Natural Gas, Kansas Gas Service and Texas Gas Service. We serve residential, commercial, industrial and transportation customers in all three states. In addition, our LDCs serve wholesale and public authority customers. We operate subject to regulations and oversight of various regulatory agencies. Our regulatory strategy incorporates rate-design features that reduce earnings lag, protect margin and mitigate risks.

Selected Financial Results - The following table sets forth certain selected financial results for the continuing operations of our Natural Gas Distribution segment for the periods indicated:

	Three Mor	ths Ended	Nine Months Ended		Three Months	Nine Months	
	September	30,	September 30,		2012 vs. 2011	2012 vs. 2011	
Financial Results	2012	2011	2012	2011	Increase (Decrease)	Increase (Decrease)	
	(Millions of dollars)						
Gas sales	\$177.3	\$186.5					